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**PASHINYAN UNVEILS MAJOR REFORM [REDACTED] FOR ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH:
NEW CANON LAW AND CATHOLICOS ELECTION**

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Armenian Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan presented a plan he described as a roadmap for reforming the Armenian Apostolic Church after Catholicos Karekin II steps down [REDACTED] the latter has so far refused to do.

In a post on social media, PM Pashinyan again referred to Karekin II by his secular name, Ktrij Nersisyan, emphasizing allegations that the Church leader is holding office illegitimately.

The roadmap envisages the election of a vicar following Karekin II's removal. Then, a new Canon Law would be adopted, particularly addressing, among other things, the rules and guarantees for the integrity of clergymen and the financial transparency of the Church.

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