

Sweden's parliament yesterday narrowly elected conservative leader Ulf Kristersson as prime minister, leading the country's first government to be shored up by the far-right Sweden Democrats. Kristersson, 58, was elected by a waler-thin majority of three votes, after announcing a deal on Friday to form a governing coalition comprising his Moderate Party, the Christian Democrats and the Liberals. The government will be supported in parliament by its far-right ally, the anti immigration, nationalist Sweden Democrats. On Friday Kristersson's four-party alliance unveiled a 62 page roadmap heavily influenced by the far-right agenda. It promises major crackdowns on crime and immigration and the construction of new nuclear reactors.