

*CBS Evening News with Norah O'Donnell*

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Bombshell Resignation]

NORAH O'DONNELL: Stunning resignation. New Zealand's prime minister steps aside. The young mother helped ban assault weapons. Why she says she's leaving.

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O'DONNELL: The prime minister of New Zealand became an inspiration all around the world. Well, now she's leaving her powerful post. We'll tell you why. That's next.

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Bombshell Resignation]

O'DONNELL: New Zealand's prime minister stunned her country and party today, announcing she will step down next month. Jacinda Ardern said she no longer has the energy for the job and wants to have more time for her four-year-old daughter. Ardern, now 42, was first elected in 2017. She was credited with keeping COVID deaths down to fewer than 2,500 and banning assault rifles after a horrific terror attack on mosques. Her party will vote on a new leader this weekend.