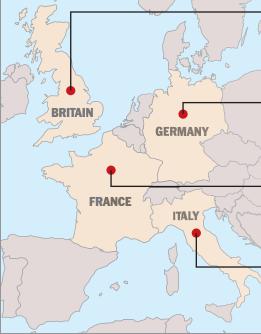
LOSING ALLIES

With the rise of populist, conservative, anti-etablishment parties on both sides of the Atlantic, President Obama has already lost some close political allies as he prepares to leave the White House next month.



BRITAIN: Despite President Obama's personal campaigning, the Brexit vote cost British Prime Minister **David Cameron** his job this summer, leaving new Prime Minister Teresa May to negotiate Britain's divorce from the European Union.

GERMANY: Far-right parties have been making steady gains in state and regional elections, and longtime Chancellor **Angela Merkel** faces perhaps her most difficult re-election battle in the fall of 2017.

FRANCE: Center-left Socialist President Francois Hollande last week announced he would not run for a second term next year, and the top two contenders could be from conservative and far-right, anti-immigrant parties.

ITALY: Prime Minister **Matteo Renzi**, a close ally and personal friend of Mr. Obama, is stepping down after voters decisively rejected his proposal to overhaul the government Sunday.



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Merkel



Hollande



Renzi

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