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1. Panayotis Kantzias, a deputy from Piraeus, intends to break away from the Populist Party together with 17 other deputies.
2. The Kantzias plan is possibly a political maneuver designed to force Vice Premier and leader of the Populist Party Constantine Tsaldaris to give him the ministry of his choice.
3. The announcement will not be made until the Greek National Army operations on Mount Grammos are successfully terminated.

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