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ROME (Reuters) - The end of Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi's rule was "inevitable", the foreign minister of Italy, his closest European ally, said on Sunday. Foreign Minister Frattini also said a friendship and cooperation treaty between Libya and Italy was "de facto suspended". "We have reached, I believe, a point of no return," Frattini commented. Asked whether Gaddafi should leave power, he said: "It is inevitable for this to happen.

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