



To: Pro Soualiga Foundation  
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Via email: prosoualiga@gmail.com

Hand delivered

June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Reference No.: EC43/2024

**Re. Deadline for new party to register**

Dear Mr. Brison,

The Electoral Council has received your letter of June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, requesting clarity about the deadline for new political parties to be able to register and be eligible to participate in the upcoming snap elections.

Regarding your first question pertaining to a registration deadline for new parties to register, please note that a deadline does not apply for the registration of new political parties with the Electoral Council. If your question pertains to the registration of new political parties with regard to participating in the upcoming elections, please be informed that the registration process in this regard terminates at the Central Voting Bureau.

We believe that the premise for your second question with regard to article 16 sub 2 of the *Landverordening registratie en financiën politieke partijen*, insofar as it relates to the Electoral Council, is not accurate. We therefore refer to our response above.

The premise of your third question is also incorrect where it relates to deadlines and the 'impossibility' of the Electoral Council to register new political parties. Deadlines that would make it impossible for the Electoral Council to register new political parties do not exist.

In 'The Third Way: The Pro Soualiga Formula (PSF)' proposal you have attached to your above-mentioned letter, you urge the Electoral Council to take the PSF into serious consideration before any changes are made to the existing national decree (LB) that, according to your organization, might result in violating article 59 sub 2 of the Constitution.

Though we appreciate your efforts in bringing forward proposals with regard to the current situation as it relates to the registration of new political parties, please note that the Electoral Council is not responsible for the drafting and issuance of national decrees. We therefore respectfully suggest that you direct your thoughts and concerns to the competent authority in this regard.

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The Electoral Council trusts to have hereby informed you sufficiently.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr. R.F. Gibson Jr.  
Chairman

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Mrs. N. de la Rosa  
Vice Chair

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Mr. A.H.O. Bell  
Alternate Member