

**FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF LOSTISLAND  
SUPREME COURT OF LOSTISLAND**

May 16. 2022

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**No. 22-01**

JUDICIAL OPINION *on* THE STATE *of the*  
PRIME MINISTERIAL POSITION *and*  
RESOLUTION *of* ABSENCE THEREOF

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JUSTICE GEORGE OPREA delivered the opinion of the Supreme Court, following the renunciation of Prime Ministerial duties and position by Maria Ostroukhova, who had won the 2022 Prime Minister election. Mrs. Ostroukhova renounced her duties in private correspondence to the President for Life, H.E. Yaroslav Mar on May 14. 2022, thus leaving the position of Prime Minister absent. The Court has been asked to formally establish the following points: 1) As no formal inauguration had ensued, and no official duty executed, whether or not Mrs. Ostroukhova was ever officially Prime Minister following her expected inauguration on May 7. 2) Whether an early election shall be called, or Mrs. Ostroukhova's designated Deputy Prime Minister Mart Ian "Kit" Siapno shall succeed her as Prime Minister.

The opinion of the court is as follows; To point 1, whether or not Mrs. Ostroukhova was ever officially the Prime Minister of Lostisland. The court opinion is that Mrs. Ostroukhova was indeed the legitimate Prime Minister of Lostisland from the period of May 7 to May 14, thus making her office the shortest in Lostislandic history. This, despite the fact that Mrs. Ostroukhova's cabinet was never officially established, and no official duties were performed in those eight days. To point 2, whether an early election shall be called, or Mrs. Ostroukhova's designated Deputy Prime Minister Mart Ian "Kit" Siapno shall succeed her as Prime Minister. The court opinion is that, while Mr. Siapno was informally confirmed by Mrs. Ostroukhova to become the Deputy Prime Minister of her cabinet and received the second most votes during the 2022 Prime Minister election, the resignation of a sitting Prime Minister, however short their office, entails an early election according to Article XLV of the Constitution. The court recommends the immediate appointment of an Acting Prime Minister and acting cabinet according to Article XLIV of the Constitution, and announcement of an early election according to Article XLVI of the Constitution.

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George Oprea  
Praesus of the Supreme Court