Supreme Court

Judgement No. S0055/2025 Date of Judgement: 19/4/2025 Type of Judgement: Interpretation

## 1. Factual Background

The Senate of Julia had a private group chat in which it conducted official business of the state in violation of the BoR article 20.2.1. A court order was issued and after the investigation of this group chat it was determined this chat was indeed in violation of 20.2.1.

## 2. Grounds for Judgement

Under 20.2.1 government channels and and official conversations as described above are to be defined as follows:

Government Channels are designated communication channels explicitly created, maintained, or recognized by the state or governing body for the purpose of facilitating its operations. This includes all official Discord channels marked for governmental use, private or public, as well as any recognized committee workspaces, documentation hubs, or collaborative platforms used in the execution of governmental duties.

Official Government Conversations are defined as any discussion, deliberation, or decision-making exchange between three or more government officials which:

- Is directly related to the creation, amendment, interpretation, or repeal of laws, regulations, or constitutional amendments and provisions;
- Involves formal voting, policy announcements, or the setting of public agendas;

- Affects the rights, obligations, or duties of citizens;
- IV. Pertains to the appointment of officials.

## Transparency Clause:

For purposes of ensuring integrity and transparency, all Official Government Conversations that meet the criteria outlined above should take place in publicly available Government Channels. Unstructured discussions, or planning and strategy, among officials may take place in private rooms, provided that no binding decisions or legislative deliberation are taking place there.

Any decision, policy decision, or legal interpretation reached in private will not stand unless it is returned and executed openly in a public Government Channel.

However, if disclosure would result in a violation of Title 14, the right to privacy, and/or Title 16, the right to a fair trial, then any such conversations are exempt from any rulings under Article 20.2.1

## 3. Judgment

All further government communication is to conform to Article 20.2.1 as clarified and defined in this order.

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