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Acknowledgement

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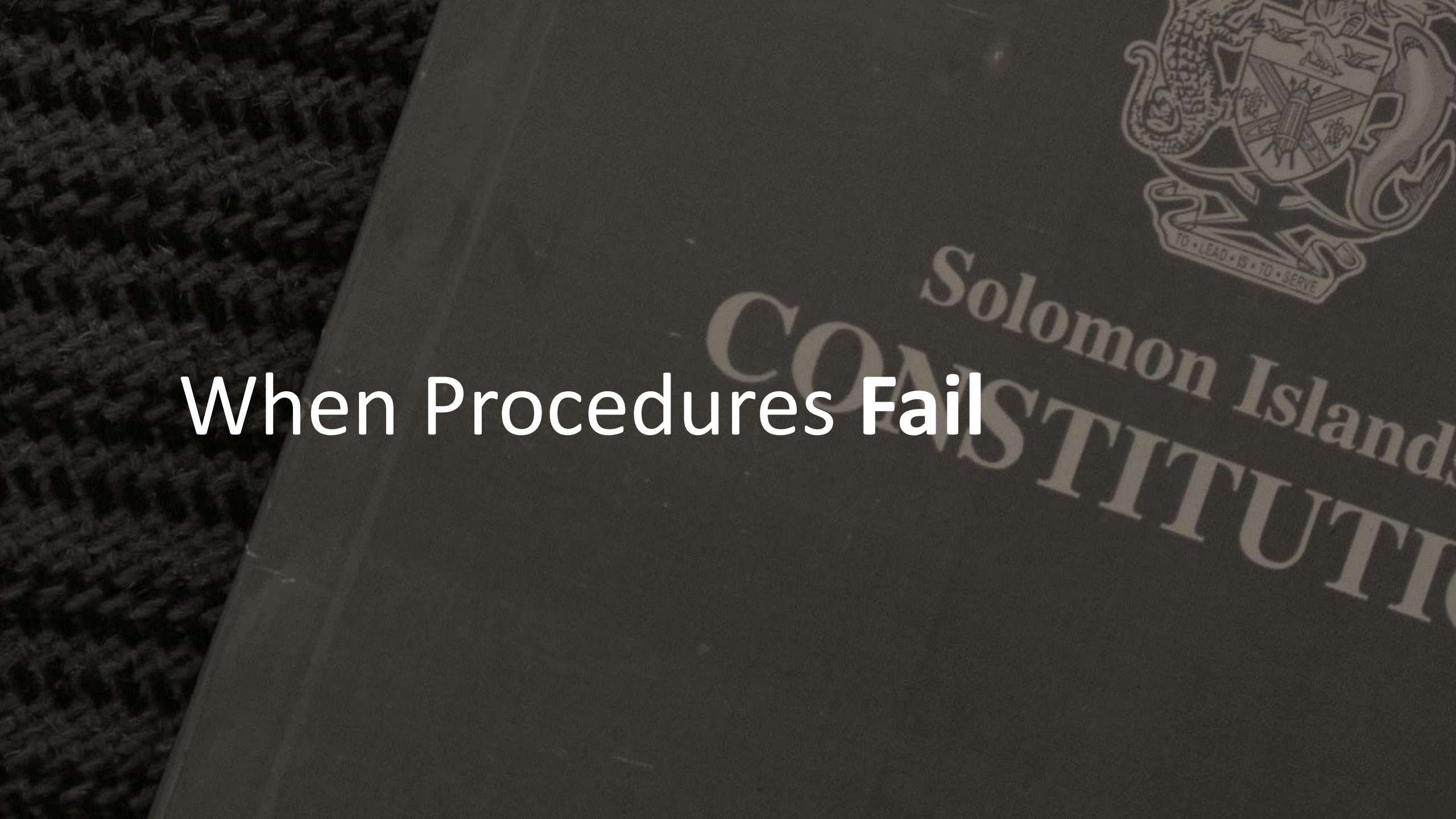
# “Role of the Parliamentary Procedures in Strengthening, Preserving and/or Hindering Democracy”

# What We Learned from **2026**

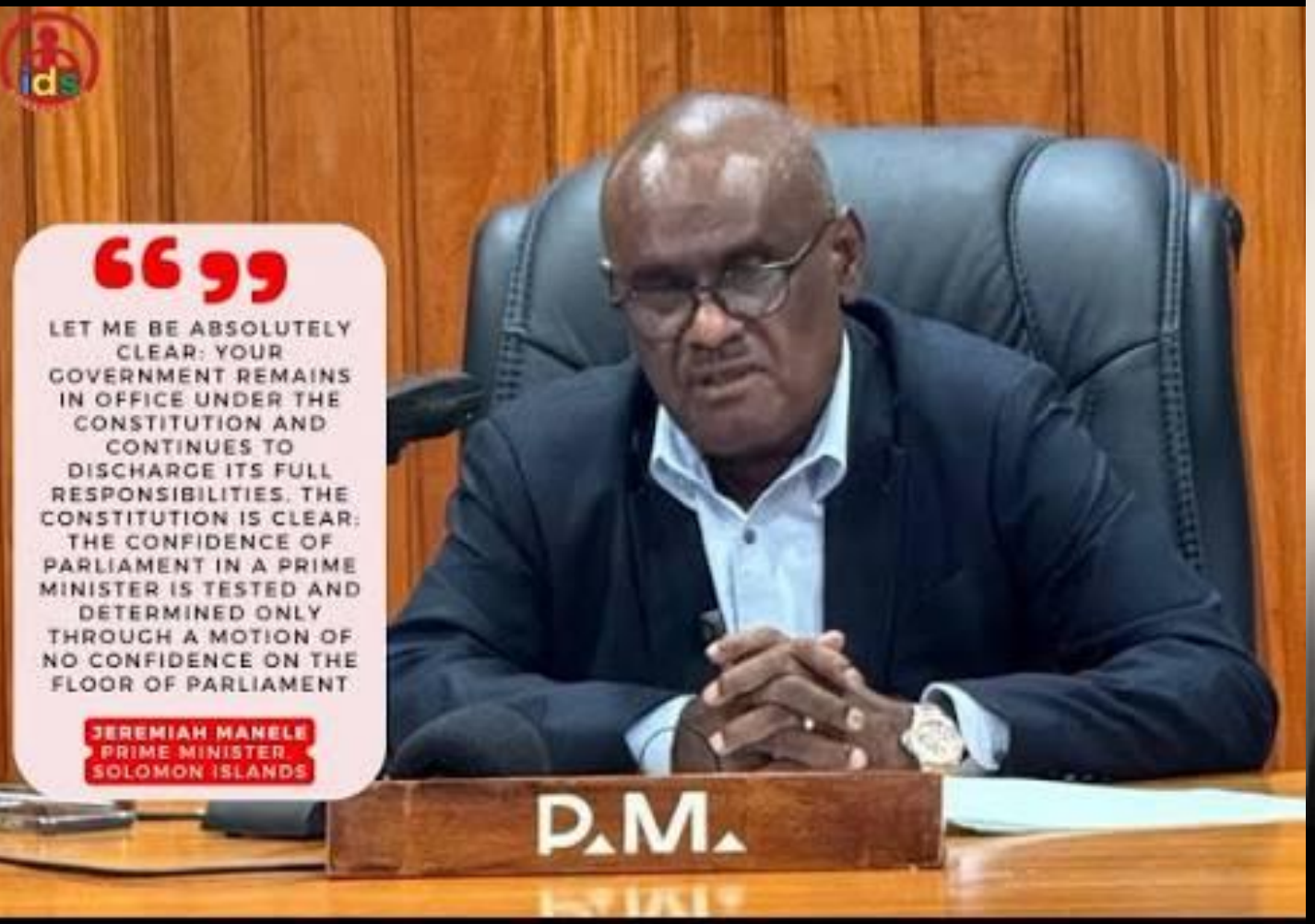
- Constitutional mandates were ignored.
- Questions were raised on the integrity of the 3 arms of state
- Procedures must ensure Parliament can always test confidence in government, even in times of instability.

# Searching for **Strength** in Procedure

- Majority Rule
- Minority Participation
- Transparency
- Accountability




# When Procedures **Fail**




PRIME MINISTER MANELE
REJECTS "CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS" CLAIMS
AFTER CABINET RESIGNATIONS

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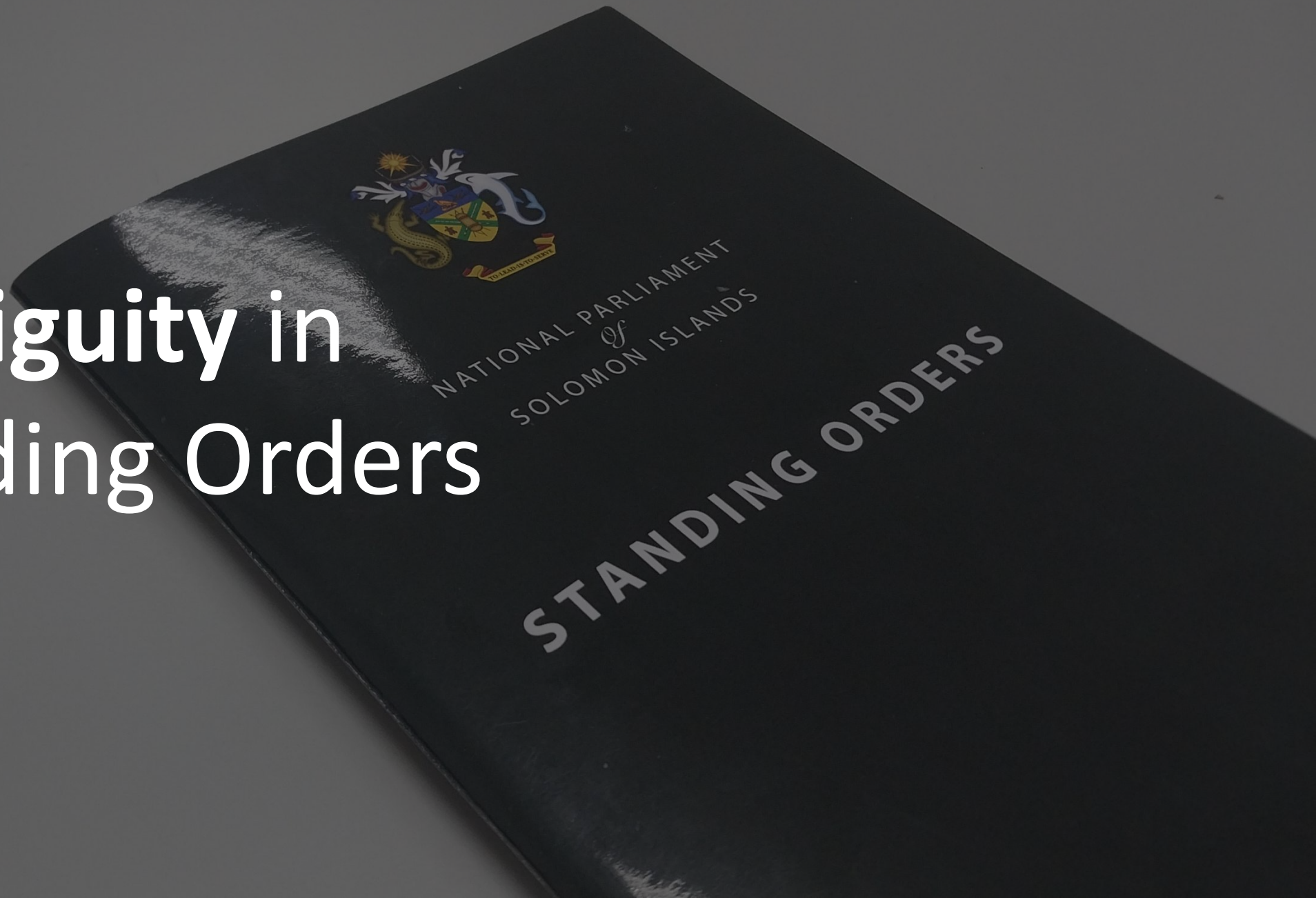
PRIME MINISTER
JEREMIAH MANELE
SAID HE WON'T STEP
DOWN

# **Ambiguity** in Standing Orders



Question: How do we design rules that anticipate **exceptional** circumstances?

# **Political** Parties and Coalitions

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# Reform Options, Seeking Better **Approaches**

# Standing Orders **Reform**

# Parliamentary **Calendar**

# **Recall** Mechanism

# Institutional **Practice**

# Closing
# **Reflection**

# MANELE FACES 3RD MONC

-New coalition submits notice f
of no-confidence against Prim
-New coalition still claims 29

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# MANELE OUSTED

PM Manele loses motion of no-confidence vote, remains caretaker leader as Parliament awaits election of new Prime Minister

# Thank **You**.

Any Questions?