



Traditional Acknowledgement







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Chamber of Solomon Islands Parliament

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

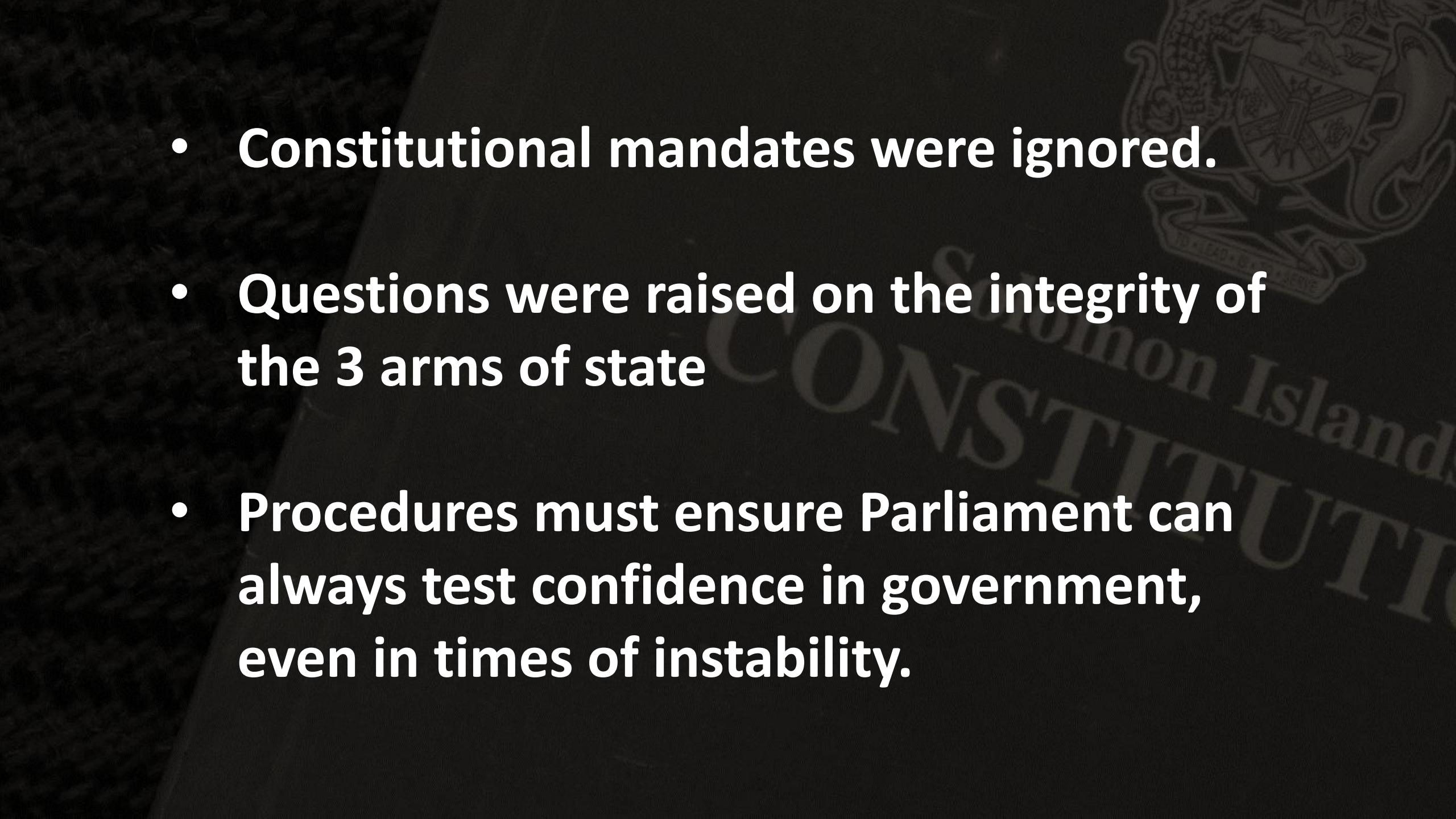
What We Learned from 2026



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- **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



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- Majority Rule
- Minority Participation
- Transparency
- Accountability



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When Procedures Fail



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LET ME BE ABSOLUTELY CLEAR: YOUR GOVERNMENT REMAINS IN OFFICE UNDER THE CONSTITUTION AND CONTINUES TO DISCHARGE ITS FULL RESPONSIBILITIES. THE CONSTITUTION IS CLEAR: THE CONFIDENCE OF PARLIAMENT IN A PRIME MINISTER IS TESTED AND DETERMINED ONLY THROUGH A MOTION OF NO CONFIDENCE ON THE FLOOR OF PARLIAMENT

JEREMIAH MANELE
PRIME MINISTER
SOLOMON ISLANDS



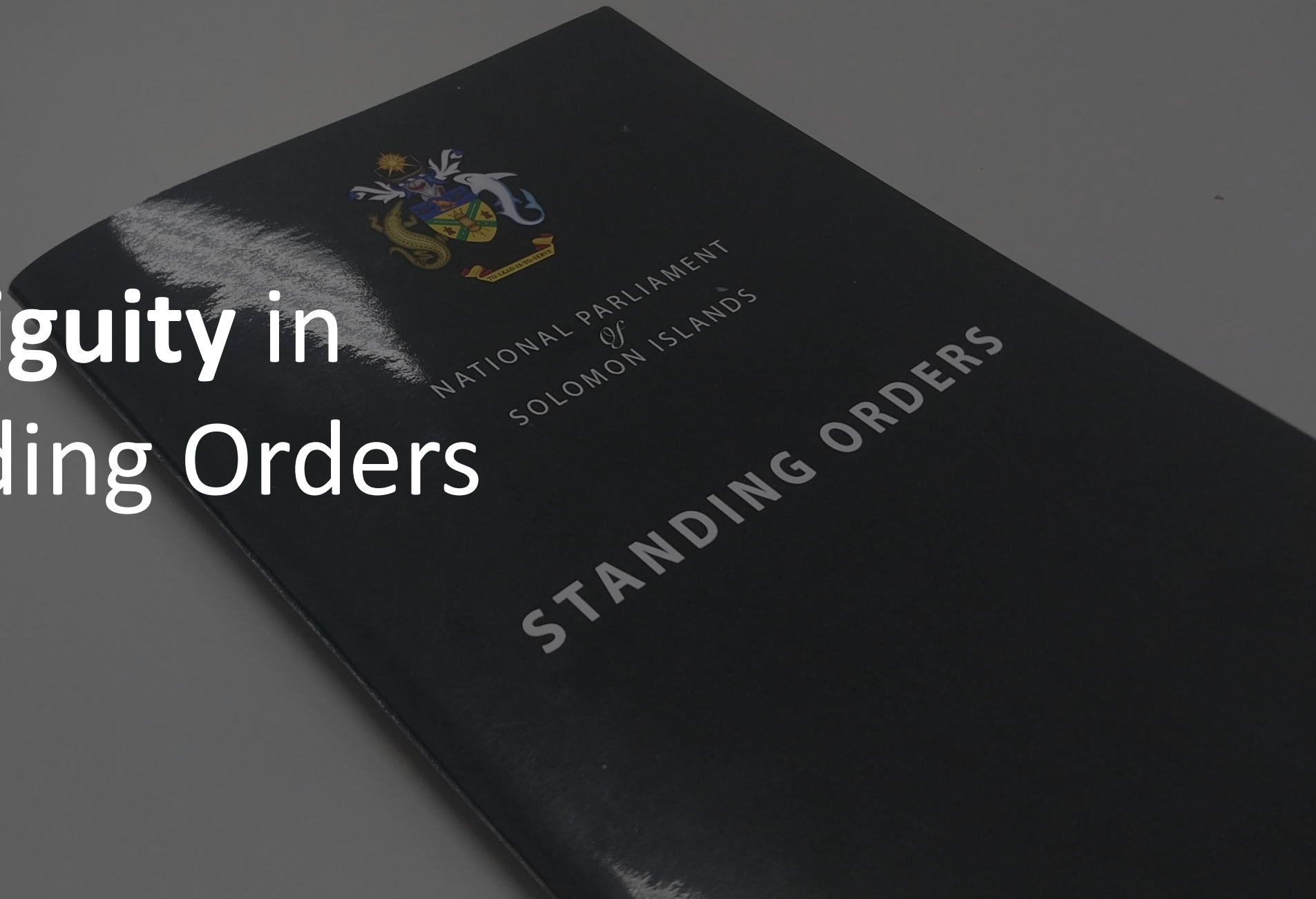
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PRIME MINISTER MANELE
REJECTS "CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS" CLAIMS
AFTER CABINET RESIGNATIONS



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JEREMIAH MANELE
SAID HE WON'T STEP
DOWN

Ambiguity in Standing Orders



A black book cover is shown at an angle. At the top center is a crest featuring a shield with various symbols, a crown on top, and a dragon on the left. Below the crest, the text "NATIONAL PARLIAMENT" and "OF COMMON ISLANDS" is visible. Diagonally across the bottom right of the cover, the words "STANDING ORDERS" are printed in a large, bold, sans-serif font.

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

Political Parties and Coalitions



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Political Parties Commission

Office of the Registrar of Political Parties





Reform Options, Seeking Better **Approaches**



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Standing Orders Reform



Parliamentary Calendar



Recall Mechanism



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Institutional Practice

Legal Training

- Constitutional Law
- Rights & Duties
- Court Procedures

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Closing Reflection



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The image shows the top right corner of a dark, textured book cover. The Solomon Islands Coat of Arms is embossed in the upper right, featuring a shield with a cross, a palm tree, and a bird, flanked by a lion and a unicorn, with a banner below reading 'TO • LEAD • IS • TO • SERVE'. Below the coat of arms, the words 'Solomon Islands' and 'CONSTITUTION' are printed in a serif font, with 'CONSTITUTION' in a larger, bold, all-caps font.

MANELE FACES 3RD MONC

-New coalition submits notice of no-confidence against Prime Minister
-New coalition still claims 28

By Helen Gashine
A coalition of 28 members of parliament has submitted a notice of no-confidence against Prime Minister Manasseh Sogavua. The coalition, led by Opposition Leader Frank Wemavu, claims to have the support of 28 MPs. The notice was submitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Hosi Koro, on Monday. The coalition claims that the Prime Minister's government has lost the confidence of the majority of the House. The coalition also claims that the Prime Minister has failed to deliver on his promises and has mismanaged the country's affairs. The coalition is calling for the Prime Minister to resign and for a new government to be formed.



WEATHER FORECAST
32°C | 21°C
Sunny with light rain
Breezy with light rain
Humidity 75%
Wind Speed 15 km/h

MANELE OUSTED



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

By Helen Gashine
PRIME MINISTER Manasseh Sogavua has survived a motion of no-confidence in Parliament today. The motion, which was introduced by Opposition Leader Frank Wemavu, was defeated by a vote of 18-17. The Prime Minister remains in office as caretaker leader while Parliament awaits the election of a new Prime Minister. The coalition that introduced the motion, which claimed to have the support of 28 MPs, has lost its majority in the House of Representatives.

Thank You.

Any Questions?



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