



STANDING ORDERS

Proceedings in the Constitutional Council relating to Disputes as to Referendum Operations¹

Order 1

Any elector may contest the validity of the ballot by causing his complaint to be registered in the returning officer's official report. In such event the report shall be transmitted to the Constitutional Council by the census commission.

Order 2

Within forty-eight hours of the closing of the ballot, the State's Representative in the *départements*, the overseas territories and the special-status territorial entities shall by the most expeditious means refer direct to the Constitutional Council the voting operations in a constituency where the forms and conditions imposed by statute or regulation have not been fully observed.

Order 3

The powers conferred on the State's Representative by order 2 shall be exercised, in relation to polling stations for French citizens resident abroad, by the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

1. Orders amplifying the Standing Orders laid down by Chapter VII of Title II of Ordinance No 58-1067 of 7 November 1958, adopted by the Constitutional Council on 5 October 1988 pursuant to section 56 of the Ordinance.