

finally submitted an electronically signed 5-year declaration. No excuse was apparent for the failure to timely submit the required annual declarations.

Candidates were informed about the requirements for submission of the documents necessary for the evaluation on 2 June 2022. Candidates were also furnished a draft of the declaration form 25 days before the deadline to allow sufficient time to assemble information and prepare the declarations. Almost all of the other candidates (10 of 12) that were sent the request for a completed 5-year declaration form and the annual declarations by the 3 January 2023 deadline, were able to do so. Similarly, with 25 days to prepare the 5-year declaration, the lack of knowledge how to apply an electronic signature cannot be considered an extraordinary circumstance that prevented the candidate from submitting the declaration by the deadline. In Commission's view, these circumstances do not constitute extraordinary circumstances justifying the late submission of the requested declaration.

The Commission took all measures it could to provide all candidates a reasonable time to prepare for and to complete the required 5-year declaration and annual declarations. The candidate was counselled by the Commission's Secretariat on the application of the electronic signature and on the documents that the candidate needed to complete. In addition to assisting the candidate, the Commission gave additional time for the proper submission of the required documents. In view of the Commission's efforts to assist the candidate, his failure to meet the deadline extended by the Commission cannot be excused.

Appeal and publication of the decision

Pursuant to art. 14 para. (1) of Law No. 26/2022 provides that a candidate is entitled to appeal a decision of the Commission within 5 days from receiving the decision.

Pursuant to art. 13 para. (7) of Law No. 26/2022 provides that The Evaluation Commission decision, edited in Romanian, shall be sent to the candidate to her e-mail and to the institution responsible for organizing the elections or competition, as appropriate. (Which in the present case is the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova).

If within 48 hours of sending the decision, the candidate does not notify the Commission of his or her refusal to publish the decision, the decision shall be published on the website of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova in a depersonalized form, except for the surname and first name of the candidate that remain public.

The Commission will publish the decision on its website if the candidate does not object to publication.

This decision was adopted unanimously by all participating members of the Commission.

Done in English and translated into Romanian.

Signature:



Herman von HEBEL
Chairman, Commission