

Protocol for the First National Assembly Election

Preamble

Acknowledging the mandate of the Organic Law and the Electoral Law to establish a representative National Assembly; **Affirming** the commitment to democratic principles and the participation of the global Acadian diaspora; this Protocol outlines the necessary operational steps and timeline for the inaugural National Assembly Election.

Part I: Pre-Election Period (T - 180 Days)

Article 1. The Provisional Electoral Commission (PEC)

1. **Mandate:** The Council of Memory and Culture shall immediately establish a **Provisional Electoral Commission (PEC)** composed of five impartial Acadian citizens from diverse regions of the diaspora.
2. **Duties:** The PEC shall be responsible for defining the definitive regional electoral boundaries, developing the secure digital voting platform, and maintaining the accuracy of the Citizenship Register for electoral purposes.

Article 2. Voter Registry Activation

The PEC shall launch a six-month campaign to allow all citizens defined by the Organic Law to register or verify their status on the **Acadian Citizenship Register** (the official Voter Registry). No person may vote without being registered on this list.

Part II: Candidacy and Regional Allocation (T - 60 Days)

Article 3. Nomination Period

A 30-day nomination period shall commence 60 days prior to Election Day, during which any eligible citizen may submit their candidacy to the PEC, provided they secure signatures from at least 50 registered citizens in their declared electoral region.

Article 4. Regional Seat Allocation

The 35 seats of the National Assembly, as defined in the Electoral Law, shall be provisionally allocated by the PEC based on the verifiable number of registered citizens in the five major diaspora regions identified during the Voter Registry Activation period.

Part III: Voting Procedure and Results

Article 5. Diaspora Voting Mechanism

The election shall be conducted exclusively via the secure, end-to-end encrypted **Digital Diaspora Voting Platform**. The platform must operate for a continuous 72-hour period to accommodate all time zones.

Article 6. Election Day and Proclamation

1. **Election Day:** The date for the first National Assembly Election shall be set by the Queen upon the recommendation of the PEC.
2. **Certification:** The PEC shall certify the election results within 48 hours of closing the polls, and the Queen shall formally proclaim the newly elected National Assembly immediately thereafter.

Proclamation and Enactment

English

PROCLAMATION: By the authority vested in the Head of State, and in accordance with the sovereign will of the Acadian people, this **Protocol for the First National Assembly Election** is hereby proclaimed, adopted, and entered into force this 27th Day of September, 2025.

Signed:

Marie-Soleil Seshat Landry Queen of Acadie, Supreme Guardian of Acadian Identity, Memory, and Unity.

Français

PROCLAMATION : Par l'autorité dévolue à la Cheffe d'État, et conformément à la volonté souveraine du peuple acadien, ce **Protocole pour la Première Élection de l'Assemblée Nationale** est par la présente proclamé, adopté et entré en vigueur ce 27e jour de septembre 2025.

Signé :

Marie-Soleil Seshat Landry Reine de l'Acadie, Gardienne Suprême de l'Identité, de la Mémoire et de l'Unité Acadiennes.

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