

# **Findings of the Promo-LEX Observation Mission in the context of monitoring the early Parliamentary Elections of 11 July 2021 and the quick vote counting based on data collected in 600 sampled polling stations**

The Promo-LEX Observation Mission presents the information on the incidents reported on the election day by the 881 short-term observers (STOs)[\[1\]](#) who monitored the electoral process in polling stations both in the country and abroad. Thus, the main findings on the opening and closing of the polling stations (PSs), voting during the election day, the statistics of incidents reported by observers, as well as an analysis of the results of the quick vote counting by the Promo-LEX OM are presented.



During the election day, by 10.30 p.m., the Promo-LEX Observation Mission had received

**538 reports from STOs, 459 of which were qualified as incidents by the analytical team.** The number of incidents on the day of the parliamentary elections decreased insignificantly compared to the presidential election of autumn 2020, (Round I by (-22) and Round II by (-40) incidents).

During the election day, in the observed polling stations, the voting process was generally organised efficiently. At the same time, the video taping of elections was not continuous, and the Elections SAIS sporadically malfunctioned. Observers also reported particular cases of electioneering.

The suspicions around the offering of cash rewards and organised voter transportation were particularly in connection with the electoral process in the transnistrian region. The vote secrecy was affected by the high incidence of pictures being taken of the stamped ballot papers. The observation process encountered isolated situations of Promo-LEX observers intimidation by electoral officials. The vote counting was generally done quickly and calmly.

You can see more details about the recorded incidents in the

presentation below.



The results of the quick vote counting for the early Parliamentary Elections of 11 July 2021, carried out by Promo-LEX OM based on the protocols collected from 600 polling stations included in the sample, confirm the preliminary results established by CEC, falling within the  $\pm 1.6\%$  margin of error of the sample.

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[1] 600 static STOs + 160 ST0 mobile teams + 41 ST0s in the PSs for voters in the transnistrian region + 80 static ST0s seconded abroad