

■ Meeting of the Parliamentary Inquiry Committee

Parliamentary Inquiry Committee

The Parliamentary Inquiry Committee (hereinafter—Committee) was established as a standing committee in 1993 during the 5th Saeima.

In all the convocations of the Saeima, this Committee has been one of the largest committees. Currently, there are 16 members in the Committee. The Chair of the Committee is Raimonds Čudars, Deputy Chair is Gundars Daudze, and Secretary is Lauris Lizbovskis.

According to the Rules of Procedure of the Saeima, the Committee must have at least one MP from each parliamentary group formed in the Saeima. The number of Committee members representing each parliamentary group is proportional to the number of seats the relevant parliamentary group has in the Saeima. The administrative work of the Committee

is performed by the Consultant of the Committee.

No fewer than ten MPs may submit written inquiries to the members of the Cabinet of Ministers. Unless the submitters have qualified their inquiry as urgent, it is forwarded to the Parliamentary Inquiry Committee. The Prime Minister or the relevant line minister is invited to attend the Committee meeting during which the inquiry is being considered.

The Committee considers the inquiry within a two-week period and submits its opinion to the Presidium of the Saeima. The opinion is substantiated by the Committee's reasons and voting results.

The Committee may submit a draft resolution concerning an inquiry, including the expression of no confidence in



■ Raimonds Čudars, Chair of the Committee

the Cabinet of Ministers, Deputy Prime Minister, a minister or a state minister.

The Saeima decides whether to accept or reject the submitted inquiry. Chapter 5 of Division V of the Rules of Procedure of the Saeima contains a detailed procedure for processing parliamentary inquiries.

Along with its main duties (consideration of inquiries), the Committee is actively involved in addressing publicly relevant issues and hearing the explanations and opinions of public authorities, sectoral experts and NGOs.

Members of the Committee have decided to hold Committee meetings once a week on Wednesday. Usually the meetings are open to the public. ■

Chairs of the Parliamentary Inquiry Committee

Convocation	Name	Tenure
5 th Saeima	Gundars Bērziņš	27.07.1993-06.11.1995
6 th Saeima	Juris Celmiņš	16.11.1995-12.03.1997
	Pēteris Tabūns	12.03.1997-02.11.1998
7 th Saeima	Jānis Bunkšs	12.11.1998-03.06.1999
	Ilmārs Geige	03.06.1999-04.11.2002
8 th Saeima	Augusts Brigmanis	19.11.2002-06.11.2006
9 th Saeima	Augusts Brigmanis	20.11.2006-02.11.2010
10 th Saeima	Augusts Brigmanis	08.11.2010-17.10.2011
11 th Saeima	Artis Pabriks	21.10.2011-03.11.2011
	Ojārs Ēriks Kalniņš	03.11.2011-21.12.2011
	Romualds Ražuks	21.12.2011-04.11.2014
12 th Saeima	Augusts Brigmanis	10.11.2014-06.11.2018
13 th Saeima	Linda Liepiņa	21.11.2018-18.12.2019
	Ivars Puga	18.12.2019-01.11.2022
14 th Saeima	Hosams Abu Meri	23.11.2022-20.09.2023
	Raimonds Čudars	Since 27.09.2023



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