

AP Comparative Government

Introductory Lecture: Russia

I. The Comparative Method

II. Power and Authority

A. Legitimacy

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B. Political Culture

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III. Political and Economic Change

A. Tsars

B. Communism

C. Post-Communism

IV. Political Culture and Participation

A. Class Distinctions/Cleavages

B. Civil Society

V. Political Institutions

A. Parties

1. United Russia

2. Communist Party

3. Other Parties

B. Elections

C. Interest Groups

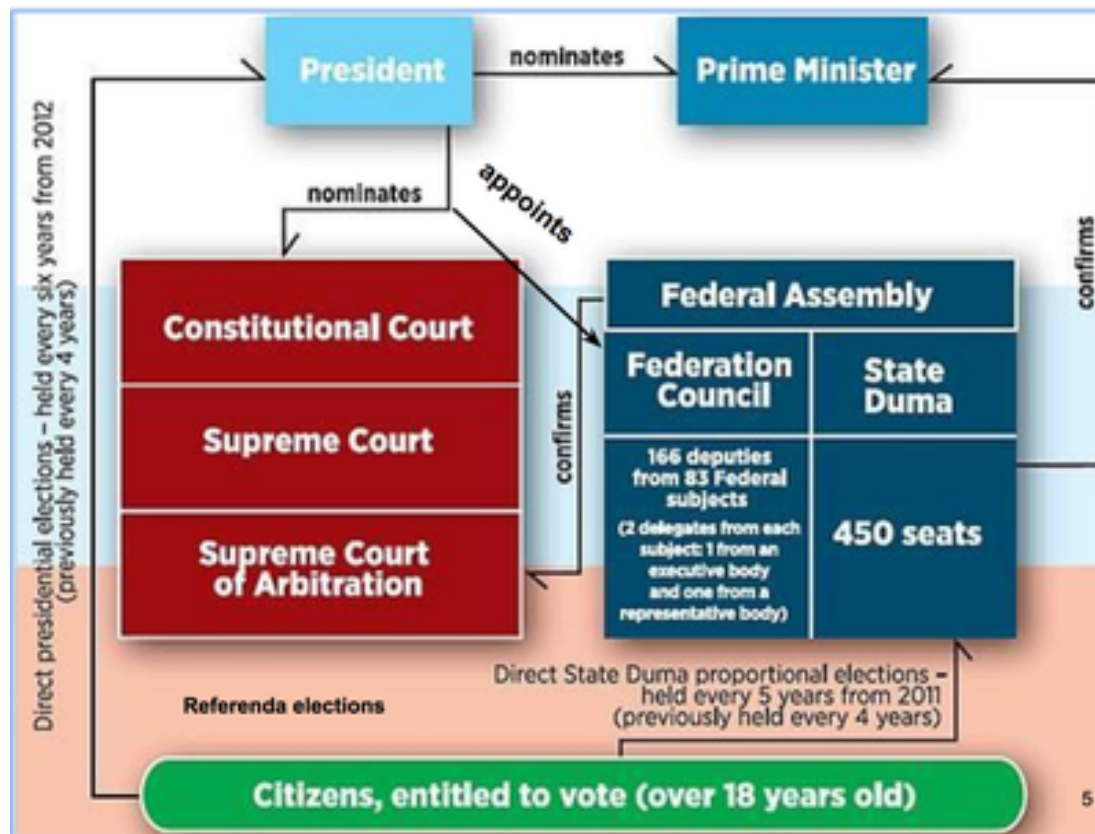
D. National Government

1. President/Prime Minister

2. Duma (Lower House)

3. Federation Council ("Upper House)

4. Judiciary



VI. Public Policy