

This amendment aims to adjust the current required number of members in a major and minor party to encourage the promotion of activity in the simulation. By lowering the required number for major parties and minor parties, it allows for the simulation to open the possibility of more options for the players, increasing the number of advertisement efforts. I also believe creating more parties may allow older players to return to try a new or different roleplay path.

The Meta Constitution of the Model United States government is amended as follows:

## **ARTICLE VI: POLITICAL PARTIES AND INDEPENDENT GROUPINGS**

### **SECTION 1: Requirements of a New Party**

- (a) New parties can be formed if they can achieve at least ~~thirty (30) members~~ twenty (20) members, have adopted a constitution regarding their operations, have adopted a platform or manifesto regarding their political positions or ideology, have established party leaders or spokesperson(s), have elected at least one member in either a state or federal election, and have their membership approved by the moderating team (e.g. the member of a party is not merely a brigade from another model government or the alternates of other members).
- (b) New parties' formation shall be accepted or rejected by the Triumvirate and the Head Moderator in order to restrict the formation of similar parties, non-serious parties, or those which they feel have no place in polite political discourse or in the current meta situation of the subreddit.
- (c) The Triumvirate and the Head Moderator may establish other requirements for the formation of parties, provided such requirements are published publicly to the community.
  - (i) These public requirements shall be outlined in the ModelUSGov Bylaws.

### **SECTION 2: Minor Parties**

- (a) Minor parties are a party which have not yet achieved full party status. It is the stage before a group becomes an official party, and minor parties possess some, but not all, of the rights of a party.
- (b) Minor parties require at least ~~twenty (20) members~~ ten (10) members (screened by the moderating team to ensure they are not brigading members or the alternate accounts of other members), a constitution regarding their operations, a platform or manifesto regarding their political positions or ideology, and one or more party leaders or spokespersons in order to be recognized.

- (c) Minor parties may have a flair, be linked in the “Join a Party Thread,” and have their own subreddit.
- (d) In federal elections, minor parties may run a legislative D'Hondt list in ~~a single state~~ two states, ~~and only a maximum of three candidates on that list.~~
  - (i) In federal elections, minor parties may run a Senate candidate in the same state as they are submitting their D'Hondt list.
- (e) In state elections, minor parties may run a legislative D'Hondt list in ~~a single state~~ two states, ~~and only a maximum of 4 candidates on that list.~~
  - (i) In state elections, minor parties may run, or jointly run, a gubernatorial ticket in the same state as they are submitting the legislative D'Hondt list.
- (f) For the purpose of presidential and vice presidential candidates, minor party candidates must satisfy the requirements of independents.

### SECTION 3: Independent Groupings.

- (a) Independent groupings are a group of independents who wish to create a new political party. It is the stage before a group becomes a minor party, and independent groupings possess some, but not all, of the rights of a party.
- (b) Independent groupings require at least ~~ten (10) members~~ five (5) members (screened by the moderating team to ensure they are not brigading members or the alternate accounts of other members), a constitution regarding their operations, a platform or manifesto regarding their political positions or ideology, and one or more party leaders or spokespersons in order to be recognized.
- (c) Independent groupings may have a flair, be linked in the “Join a Party Thread,” and have their own subreddit.
- (d) In elections, Independent Groupings run as though they are independents. They will not be listed as a group on the D'Hondt lists.

### SECTION 4: Demotion or Promotion

- (a) The Triumvirate, in conjunction with the Head Moderator, shall have the ability to demote a party to a minor party or to an independent grouping or promote an independent grouping to a minor party based on the activity, membership, and the seriousness of the party, and on other important factors.
- (b) The Triumvirate, in conjunction with the Head Moderator, shall have the ability to dissolve an independent grouping, minor party, or party based on the activity, membership, and the seriousness of the party, failure to maintain the requisite number of members, violation of meta rules, and on other important factors.

**\*\*ADD TO CONSTITUTION\*\***

SECTION 5: Management of Activity

- (a) The Triumvirate, in conjunction with the Head Moderator, shall be able to amend section 1, 2, and 3 of Article VI with a simple majority vote.

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