PROCEDURE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR BY THE COUNCIL





### CONSISTENT PAST PRACTICE

If no consensus is reached, the Council decides on the candidate to be appointed as External through a **vote by secret ballot** in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Council.

In the absence of specific majority rule for the appointment of the External Auditor, the External Auditor is elected by a **simple majority vote of the Council**.

Constitution, Article 24



## CALCULATING THE REQUIRED MAJORITY

"Majorities provided for in this Constitution or rules made by the Council shall refer to **members present and voting**" *Constitution, Article 24(2)* 

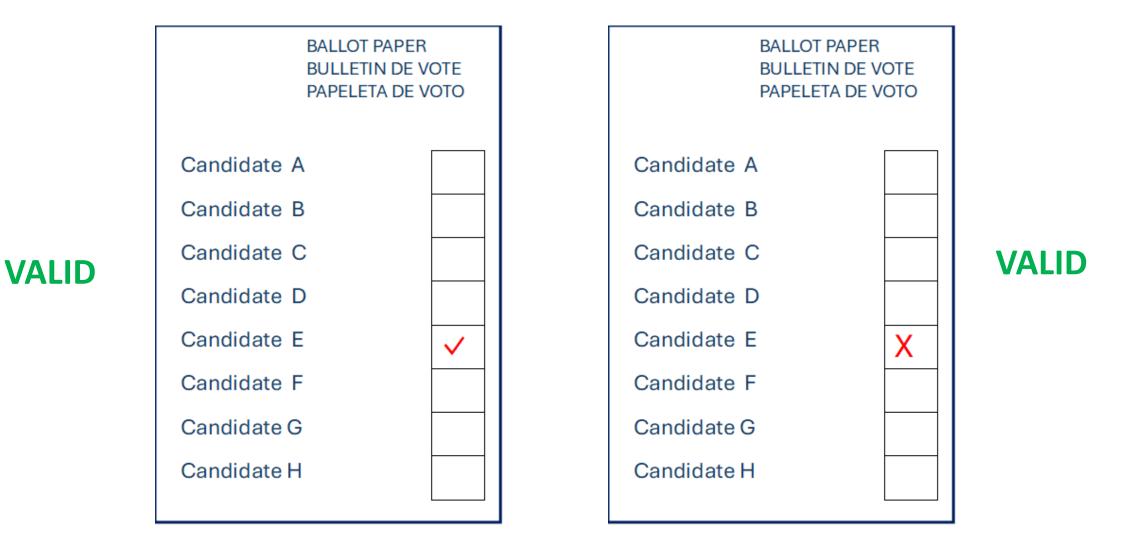
"For the purpose of these Rules, the phrase 'members present and voting' means members casting an affirmative or negative vote. Members which abstain from voting are considered as not voting." *Rules of Procedure of the Council, Rule 38(4)* 



## **VOTING PROCEDURE** *Rules of Procedure of the Council, Rule 46*

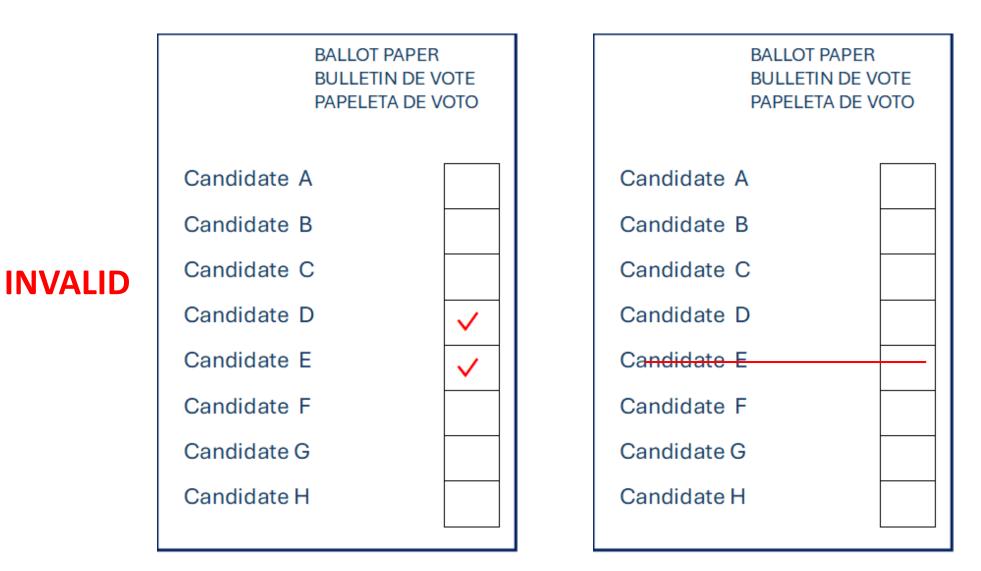
- All candidates are placed on the first ballot.
- The candidate obtaining the greatest number of votes and the required majority on the first ballot is elected.
- If no candidate obtains the required majority, the two candidates having obtained the greatest number of votes are placed on the second ballot.
- The candidate obtaining the greatest number of votes on the second ballot is elected.





#### A Member State can only vote for **one** candidate





#### **INVALID**

#### Examples of invalid ballots include



# **THANK YOU**

