

# THE CONSTITUTION OF GREECE

## PART THREE

### ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE STATE

#### SECTION II

##### THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC

###### Chapter Two

###### *Powers and liability from the President's acts*

[...]

###### *Article 37*

[...]

3. If this possibility <sup>1</sup> cannot be ascertained, the President of the Republic shall give the exploratory mandate to the leader of the second largest party in Parliament, and if this proves to be unsuccessful, to the leader of the third largest party in Parliament. Each exploratory mandate shall be in force for three days. If all exploratory mandates prove to be unsuccessful, the President of the Republic summons all party leaders, and if the impossibility to form a Cabinet enjoying the confidence of the Parliament is confirmed, he shall attempt to form a Cabinet composed of all parties in Parliament for the purpose of holding parliamentary elections. If this fails, he shall entrust the President of the Supreme Administrative Court or of the Supreme Civil and Criminal Court or of the Court of Audit to form a Cabinet as widely accepted as possible to carry out elections and dissolves Parliament.

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<sup>1</sup> i.e., the possibility of the party having the absolute majority of seats in the Parliament forming a government enjoying its confidence