



The United Methodist Church

The northern Europe & Eurasia Central Conference
The Judicial Court

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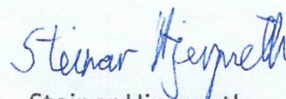
Re: Request from Jørgen Thaarup, Denmark for a Declaratory Decision og the legality of BoD 2016 Supplement § 405.3.c (March 8th 2018)

Facts: The question from Jørgen Thaarup is: Is the stated closing of nomination in the process of bishops' election in BoD 2016 Supplement § 405.3.c a violation of the rules for bishops' election we find in BoD 2016 §405.1 and therefore not legal?

Analysis: The paragraph BoD 2016 Supplement § 405.3.c limits the possibility for nomination for the bishops election compared to the General BoD § 405.1. It is a new addition and contradicts to the General BoD § 405.1.

Ruling: Nomination by ballot should be possible in Northern Europe and Eurasia Central Conference.
The Court suggest, that CC is asked to confirm this at the beginning of its next meeting and is followed in the next bishops election and added in the next BoD Supplement.
The Court encourage to introduce proposed bishops election as early as possible at a Central Conference.

On behalf of The Judicial Court


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The Court apologize deeply for the late answer!