

Decision no.: Judicial Court 2025 – 1

Re: Clarification on the legal participation of a voiting member of Central Conference 2023 – online.

Facts: In the Minutes of the Northern Europe and Eurasia Central Conference Extra session March 18. 2023 – online, it says in point 3 Opening business, a, Roll call; Voting members :

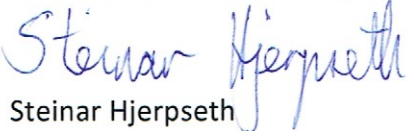
Jørgen Thaarup raised the question of Andrei Kim's participation as a voting member of the Conference. Andrei Kim is noted as a member of the leadership team of the Global Methodist Church on their website. Bishop Christian Alsted referred the matter to the Judicial Court.

Jurisdiction: It is the Annual Conference led by the respective Bishop who is responsible for elections to the Central Conference. As long as the Bishop considers a Pastor to be in good standing, we don't have any paragraph in the Book of Discipline which makes it possible to review the Bishop's decision.

Analysis: The North-West Russia and Belarus Provisional Annual Conference elected Andrei Kim as one of to cleracy members for the Central Conference, led by Bishop Edward Khegay. Since Andrei Kim was considered to be in good standing, the election was valid.

Ruling: Andrei Kim was a legally elected voting member of the Central Conference.

On behalf of the Judicial Court


Steinar Hjerpseth