



**RÉPUBLIQUE
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Article 56

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The Constitutional Council comprises nine members, whose mandate lasts nine years and is not renewable. The Constitutional Council is renewed by thirds every three years. Three of the members are appointed by the President of the Republic, three by the President of the National Assembly, three by the President of the Senate. The procedure provided for in the last paragraph of Article 13 is applicable to these appointments. Appointments made by the president of each assembly are subject only to the opinion of the competent standing committee of the assembly concerned.

In addition to the nine members provided for above, the former Presidents of the Republic are automatically part of the Constitutional Council for life.

The President is appointed by the President of the Republic. He has the casting vote in the event of a tie.