LEGAL POWER OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC ON INCOMPATIBILITY OF FUNCTIONS FOR PROCEEDINGS ON THE PROTECTION OF PUBLIC INTEREST AND AVOIDING CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

Constitutional Law No. 357/2004 Coll. on the Protection of Public Interest in the Performance of Offices by Public Officials as amended by Constitutional Law No. 545/2005 Coll., (hereinafter the "constitutional law") does not formulate the power of a Committee as a temporary power. None of the provisions of the constitutional law implies that the competence of a Committee is limited to the electoral term of the National Council of the Slovak Republic. This is a case of permanent power of a Committee, and the constitutional law envisages a continuous transition of this power to the Committee which is established in the next parliamentary term. It follows that, even in the case of proceedings which are not completed before the end of the electoral term of the National Council of the Slovak Republic or before the termination of the activities of its bodies (committees), the competence of the Committee does not lapse, but passes to the Committee to be established in the next parliamentary term. This applies similarly to other bodies carrying out proceedings under constitutional law.

(Ruling of the Constitutional Court of the Slovak Republic, Ref. No. II. ÚS 52/2011 of 17 February 2011)