Constitutional roundtable on fixed four-year parliamentary terms Submission 2

From: Dennis Argall

To: Committee, SPLA (REPS)

Subject: Question for round table on four year term
Date: Monday, 16 September 2019 1:02:22 PM

The most important question in a fixed term situation would seem to be "what happens when a government loses a vote of confidence?"

My preference would be to set an obligation that the prime minister surrender herhis commission to the Governor General forthwith, not to encourage turbulence but rather the opposite, with the house well aware of severe consequence. The Governor General then to have a defined course of action to follow: to consult, to invite.

It is essential that there be a clearly defined course to follow, rather than borisistic invention on the day.

