



Government Management Office Creates Contracting Commission

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The Office of the Presidency and Monitoring of Government Management (Ministry) on March 22, 2022, issued Resolution No. 004 (Resolution) in the *Official Gazette* No. 42,342, whereby it created the Contracting Commission of the Ministry. The Contracting Commission will be in charge of selecting contractors for works, good acquisitions and rendering of services for the Ministry pursuant to Article 15 of the Decree with the same status, validity and force of law as any Contracting Law.

The Contracting Commission shall be constituted by three principal members and their respective alternates (who shall act in the absence of the respective principal member), as well as a Secretary (with his respective alternate). Each principal member shall be in charge of a department, whether Economic-Financial, Technical or Legal. The principal members shall have the right to speak and vote, and their opinions must be submitted in writing to the other principal members. In any case, the decisions adopted by the Contracting Committee must receive a majority vote by the principal members or those acting on their behalf.

Additionally, the Resolution establishes that the principal members may appoint representatives to act as observers without the right to vote in the contracting procedures carried out by the Contracting Committee.

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