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ORDER

Having heard counsel for the parties and having read the papers filed of record the following order is made:

- The application for condonation for the late filing of the review application is hereby granted.
- 2. It is declared that the word "consulate" in section 33(3) of the Electoral Act 73, 1998 includes a consulate headed by an honorary consul.
- To the extent that the Electoral Commission made a decision not to allow the casting of special votes at consulates headed by honorary consuls, the decision is reviewed and set aside.
- No order is made as to costs.



