

## **RASED for Parliamentary Monitoring Program RASED's Press Release on the Parliamentary Structure in its Third Ordinary Session December 29, 2015**

- Al-Ittihad Al-Watani (The National Union) bloc has the highest representation of women, and Watan (Homeland) does not have any female members.**
- Al-Mubadara (The Initiative) bloc has the highest number of committee presidents, with female Parliament members serving as presidents of three committees.**
- Al-Islah (The Reform) and Al-Nahdah (The Renaissance) blocs are the most represented in the standing committees.**

RASED for Monitoring stated that the elected councils noted the structure of the Parliament in its third ordinary session has formed 7 parliamentary blocs instead of 8 in the second ordinary session.

In a detailed report about the structure of the Parliament in its third ordinary session, RASED added that the permanent office has been formed in the third ordinary session of 5 blocs, where the «Watan» (Homeland) parliamentary bloc has won the Parliament presidency for the third time through PM Atef Tarawneh. «Al-Wasat Al-Islami» (The Muslim Center) bloc has won the first president's deputy seat through PM Mustafa Amawi. As for «Al-Mubadara» (The Initiative) parliamentary bloc, it won the second president's deputy seat through PM Khamees Ateyyeh. «Al-Ittihad Al-Watani» (The National Union) bloc earned the president's first assistant seat through PM Ahmad al-

Humaisat, and «Al-Nahdah» (The Renaissance) bloc gained the seat of the president's assistant through PM Faten Khulaifat.

The report has showed that «Al-Nahdah» (The Renaissance) and «Al-Islah» (The Reform) parliamentary blocs have succeeded in getting the highest number of parliament members with 21 members each, which represents 14.1% of the total members. «Al-Ittihad Al-Watani» (The National Union) bloc comes after with 18 members, which represents around 12% of the total members. Both «Al-Wasat Al-Islami» (The Muslim Center) and «Watan» (Homeland) blocs come after with 17 members each and the percentage of 11.4%. At the end comes «Al-Wifaq» (The Agreement) and «Al-Mubadara» (The Initiative) parliamentary blocs with 15 members each and a percentage of 10% of the total Parliament members.

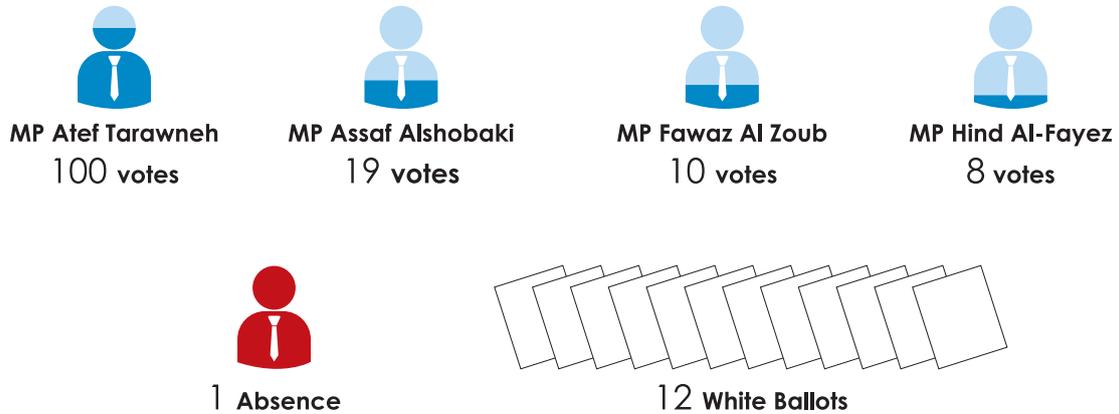
Regarding the distribution of the parliamentary bloc members on the standing committees, all parliamentary blocs have participated in the structure of the standing committees. «Al-Mubadara» (The Initiative) parliamentary bloc has dominated the committees' presidencies through chairing 4 committees, while «Al-Ittihad Al-Watani» (The National Union) and «Al-Wasat Al-Islami» (The Muslim Center) blocs had the lowest number of committees' presidents with one president each.

For the distribution of female Parliament members on the council's committees, PM Faten Khulaifat attained the seat of the Parliament president's second assistant. 16 female members have joined the standing committees with no female members in the other committees. Two of the 16 female members have joined one standing committee while the other 14 have joined two different committees.

Regarding the positions of these female members in the standing committees, female members have chaired 3 standing committees for the second time in the 17th Parliament, where PM Khulood Khatatbeh is the «National Guidance and Media» committee's president, PM Wafaa Bani Mustafa is the «Conduct» committee's president, and PM Reem Abu Dalbough is the president of the «Women and Family Affairs» committee. Female members have also got the seats of deputy presidents of 5 committees and the Record Keeper seat of 4 committees. Regarding the women presentation inside the parliamentary blocs, the «Al-Ittihad Al-Watani» (The National Union) bloc has the highest women's representation with 22% female members, «Al-Wifaq» (The Agreement) bloc comes in second with 13.3%, and «Watan» (Homeland) bloc has the lowest women's representation with no female members.

RASED's analysis reveals that the second and third ordinary sessions have the highest number of female members in the position of the committees' president's deputy.

### Election of the House Speaker for the 17<sup>th</sup> House - Third Ordinary Session



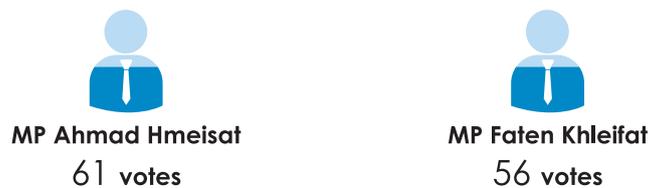
Graph (1): Election of the House Speaker for 17<sup>th</sup> House - Third Ordinary Session

### Election of the First Deputy Speaker for the 17<sup>th</sup> House - Third Ordinary Session



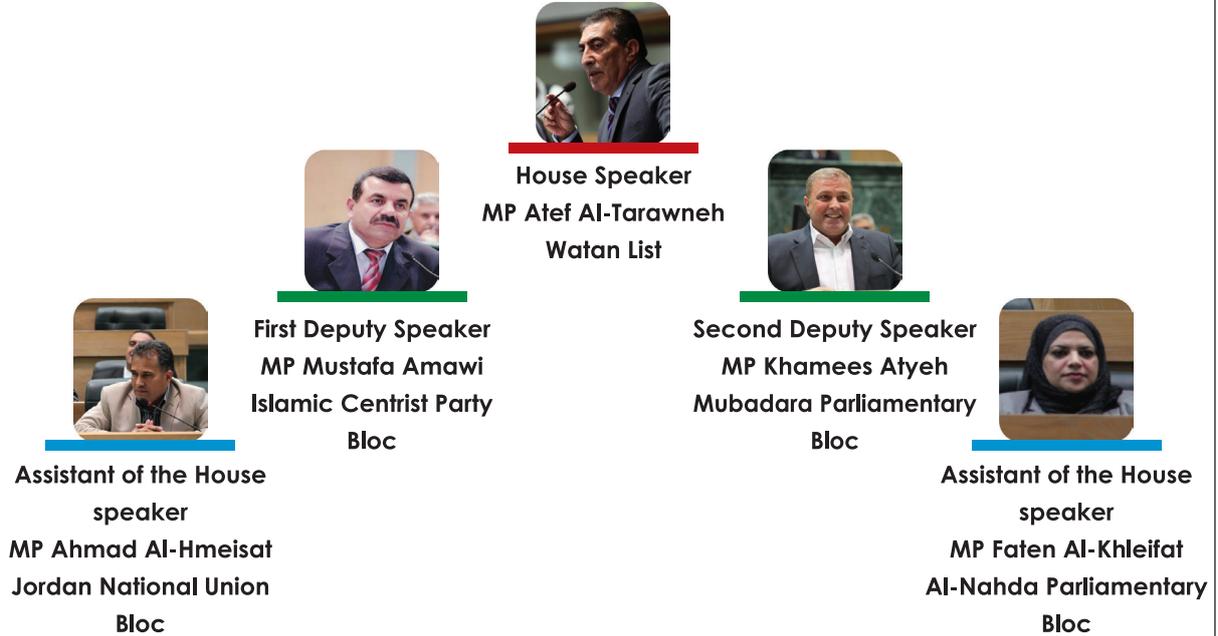
Graph (2): Second Round of the Elections of the First Deputy Speaker for the 17<sup>th</sup> House - Third Ordinary Session

### First and Second Assistant of the House Speaker in the 17<sup>th</sup> House - Third Ordinary Session



Graph (3): First and Second Assistant of the House Speaker in the 17<sup>th</sup> House - Third Ordinary Session

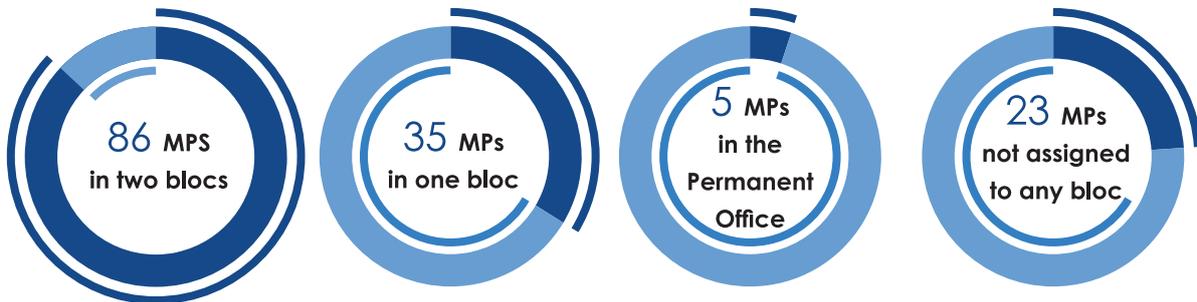
## Allocation of Blocs in the Permanent Office - Third Ordinary Session



Graph (4): Allocation of Blocs in the Permanent Office - Third Ordinary Session

## Allocation of MPs in the Standing Committees and Permanent Office

### Third Ordinary Session



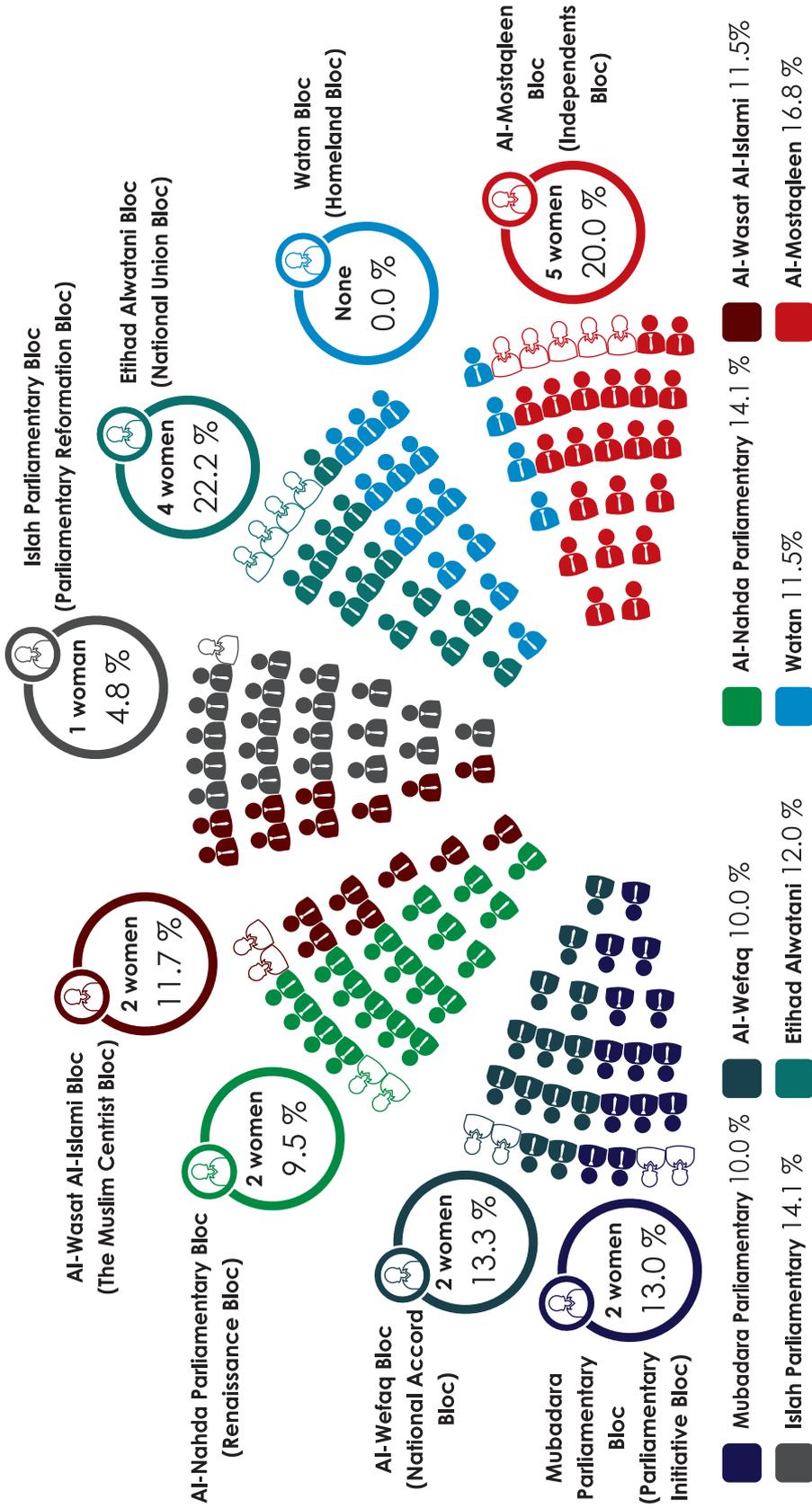
Graph (5): Allocation of MPs in the Standing Committees and Permanent Office - Third Ordinary Session

## Names of Female MPs Assigned to the Permanent Standing Committees Third Ordinary Session

Amneh Sulaiman Al-Gharagheer	Secretary of Women and Family Affairs Committee	Vice Chairperson of Agriculture and Water Committee
Ensaf Ahmad Al-Khawaldeh	Vice Chairperson of Tourism and Antiquities Committee	Member of Palestine Committee
Tamam Muhammad Al-Reyati	Secretary of Integrity, Transparency and Fact-Finding Committee	Vice Chairperson of Women and Family Affairs Committee
Hamdia Nawaf Al-Quider	Member of the Education and Culture Committee	Member of Foreign Affairs Committee
Khloud Muhammad Al-Khatatbeh	Chairperson of the National Steering and Media Committee	Member of Women and Family Affairs Committee
Rodaina Mohammad Al-Oti	Secretary of the Finance Committee	Member of the Palestine Committee
Rula Ahmad Alfara Al-Hroub	Member of Labour and Social Development and Population Committee	Member of the Management Committee
Reem Aqleh Abu Dalbough	Vice Chairperson of the Legal Committee	Chairperson of Women and Family Affairs Committee
Shaha Salem Al-Amareen	Vice Chairperson of Women and Family Affairs Committee	Member of Tourism and Antiquities Committee
Fatmeh Ali Deifallah Ab Abta	Member of the Committee of Education and Culture	Member of Women and Family Affairs Committee
Falak Slaiman Al-Jama'ani	Member of the Women and Family Affairs Committee	Member of Health and Environment Committee
Meriam Mohammad Al-Lawzi	Member of Education and Culture Committee	Secretary of Economy and Investment Committee
Najah Muhammad Al-Azzeh	Secretary of the Palestine Committee	Member of Tourism and Antiquities Committee
Na'ayem Salameh Al-Ajarmeh	Member of Health and Environment Committee	Member of Women and Family Affairs Committee
Hend Hakem Al-Fayez	Member of the Committee of Energy and Mineral Treasure	
Wafa'a Saeed Bani Mustaf	Chairperson of the System and Behavior Committee	

Graph(6): Names of Female MPs Assigned to the Permanent Standing Committees - Third Ordinary Session

## Percentage of Representation of the Parliamentary Blocs for all Members in the House of Representatives and Female Representation Inside the Blocs in the Third Ordinary Session



Graph(7): Percentage of Representation of the Parliamentary Blocs for all Members in the House of Representatives and Female Representation Inside the Blocs in the Third Ordinary Session

Note: Percentages were calculated with 149 MPs due to the vacant seat of the deceased MP E'tawi Almajali



### Allocation of Members of Parliamentary Blocs on the Standing Permanent Committee - Third Ordinary Session

Bloc Name	Number of Bloc Members	Number of Seats for each Bloc	Number of Members in Two Blocs	Number of Members with the Position of Committee Chairman	Number of Members with the Position of Vice Chairman of a Committee	Number of Members in the Position of Committee Secretary
Watan	17	15	6	2	2	0
Etihad Alwatani	18	26	9	1	3	2
Al-Nahda Parliamentary	21	31	14	2	0	2
Mubadara Parliamentary	15	19	8	4	2	1
Al-Wafaq Parliamentary	15	17	7	2	2	2
Al-Wasat Al-Islami	17	21	9	1	5	2
Islah Parliamentary	21	31	14	2	1	2
Al-Mostaqleen	25	30	13	3	3	4

Graph (8): Allocation of Members of Parliamentary Blocs on the Standing Permanent Committee - Third Ordinary Session

## Comparison of the Allocation of Blocs in the Permanent Office During the Second and Third Ordinary Sessions

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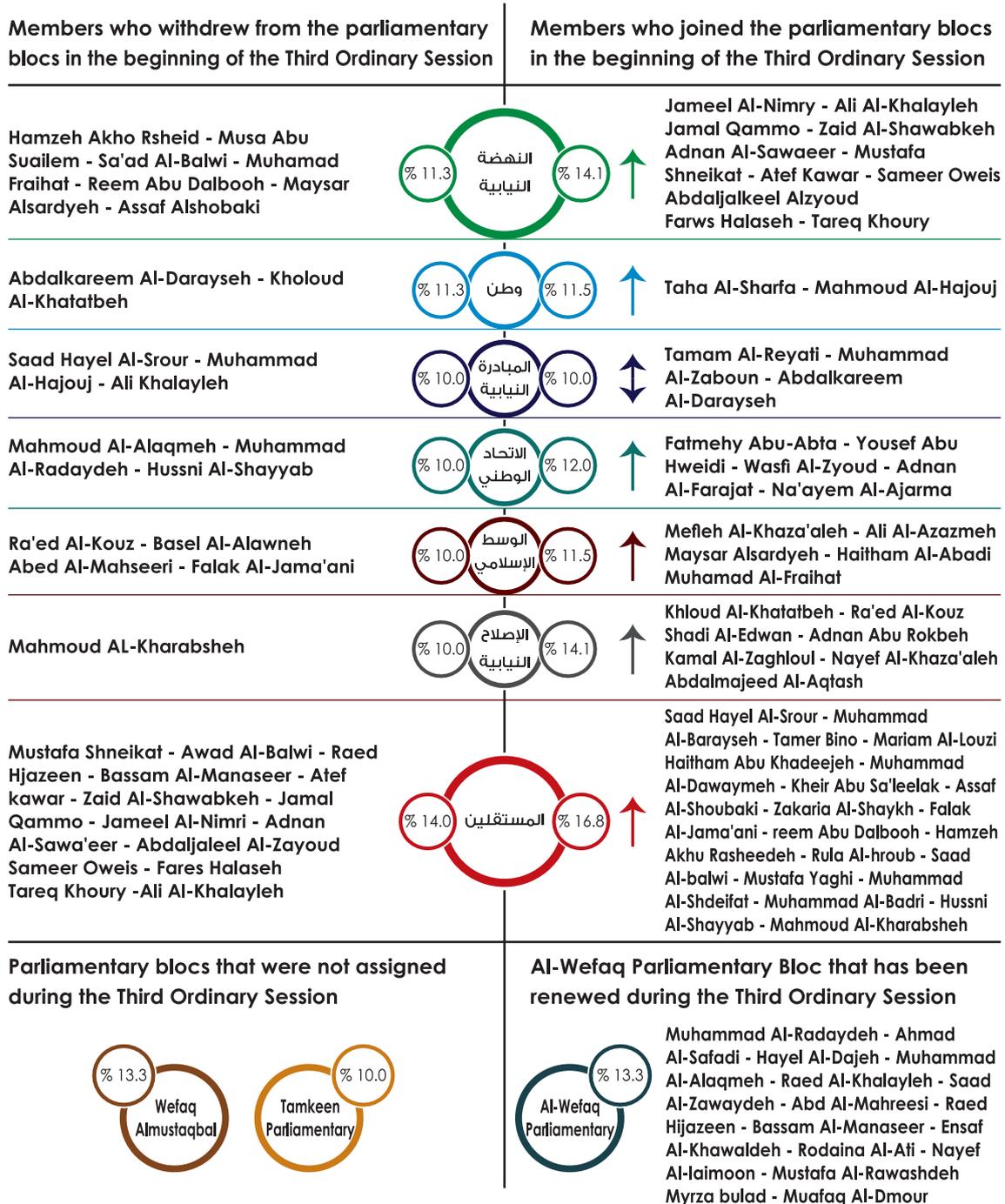


### Second Ordinary Session



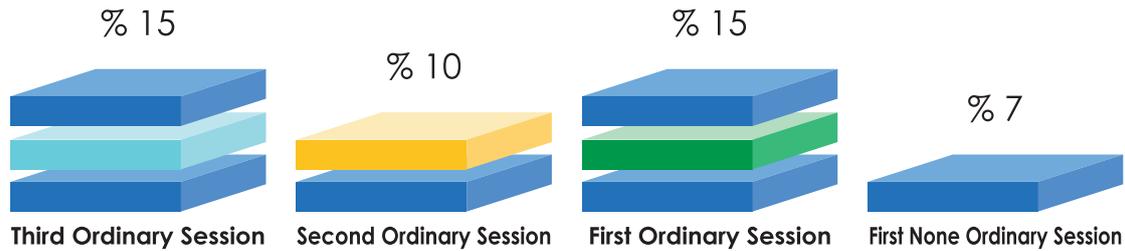
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## Comparison of the Movements of the Bloc's Members Between the Second and Third Ordinary Session



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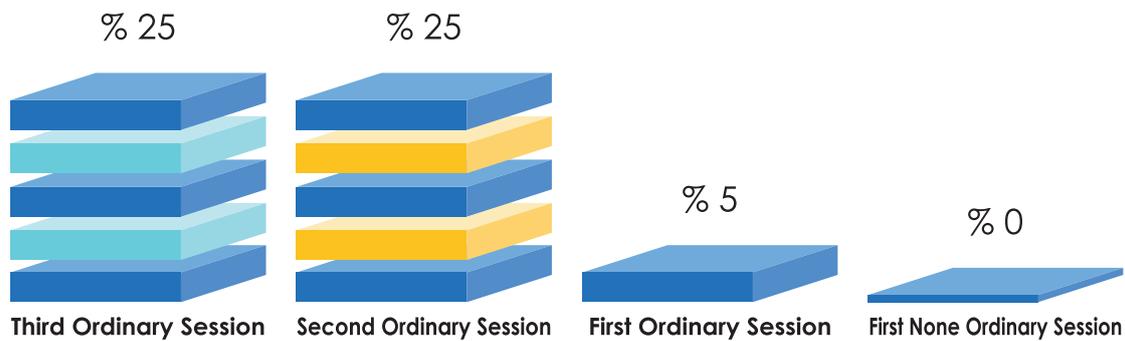
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Graph(11): Comparison of the Percentage of Female Representation with the Position of Chairperson of the Standing Permanent Committee during the Sessions of the 17<sup>th</sup> House

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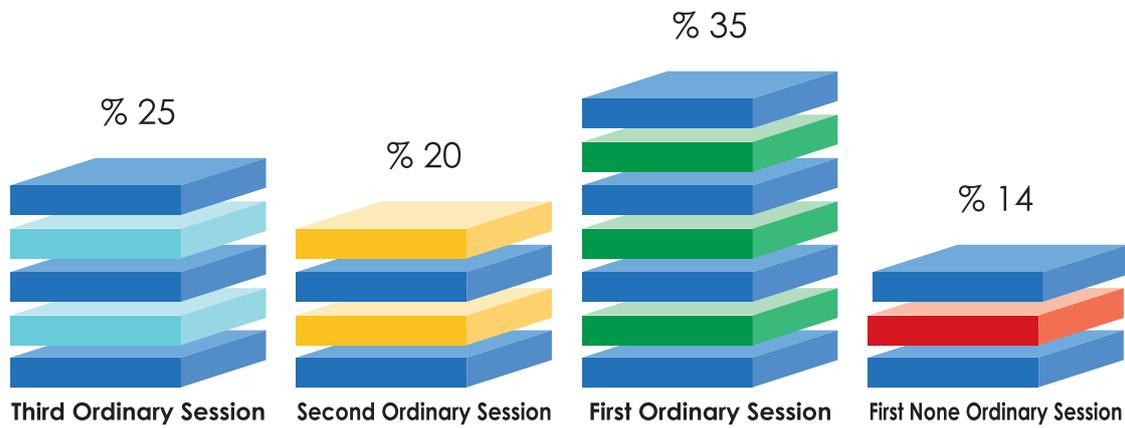
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