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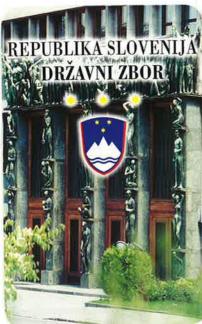


## Parliament building

Construction of the parliament building, designed by the architect Vinko Glanz, began in 1954 and was completed in 1959. The four-storey building has a floor space of 2,200 square metres.

Construction of the building followed the principle of using local

materials, including marble, stone and wood. The entire building is tiled with karstic marble from Kopriva, while the areas under the windows on the facade are filled with green granite from Oplotnica. The building houses the National Assembly and the National Council of the Republic of Slovenia.





#### The vestibule of the Large Hall

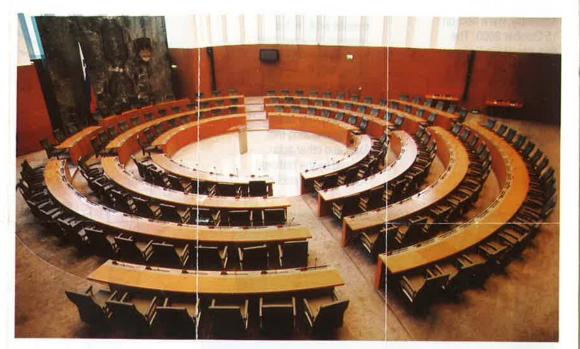
he area in front of the Large Hall contains a mural by academy painter lavko Pengov. The mural, spread over all four walls, depicts the history if the Slovene nation from the Slav colonisation to the start of postwar newal.

The main facade accent is on the portal. It rises to half way up the first floor, where its top serves as a balcony. The portal is supported on five pillars and is tiled with granite from Pohorje. In front of the architecture of the entrance the academy sculptors Karel Putrih and Zdenko Kalin mounted symbolic sculptural compositions.

The mosaics and frescos that adorn and enrich the interior of the building are the works of recognised Slovene artists: Jože Ciuha, Ivo

Šubic, Marij Pregelj and Ivan Seljak-Čopič. The salons and other areas feature the works of well-known Slovene painters: Rihard Jakopič, Matija Jama, Matej Sternen, Božidar Jakac, France Slana, Ivan Grohar, Ivana Kobilca, Gojmir A. Kos, France Mihelič, Nikolaj Omersa. Veno Pilon and Riko Debenjak, and recently also the works of contemporary Slovene painters: Jože Spacal, Andrej Jemec, Janez Boljka, Karel Zelenko, Vladimir Makuc, Slavko Pregelj and Marjan Pogačnik.





#### The Large Hall

The hall is circular, representing the period in Slovene history when village leaders would meet in a circle under a linden tree to debate and take decisions. The circle, the centre of which is emphasised by stone paving, is also a symbol of completeness, denoting the centre of legislative power and the seat of the highest democratic institution.

The Large Hall has a floor space of 422 square metres and 150 seats. The seats are arranged in circular pattern and slope, as in an amphitheatre, down towards an inner circle of grey Pohorje granite, where there is a partially revolving speaker's podium.

#### **About the** National **Assembly of the** Republic of Slovenia

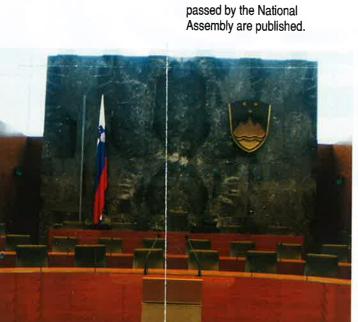
The National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia began its functions pursuant to the Slovenian Constitution after the second democratic elections in 1992. The deputies are the representatives of all the people and are not bound by any instructions.

The last parliamentary elections, at which ninety deputies were elected to the National Assembly, were held on 15 October 2000. The deputies of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia are elected for a term of four years. Elections are called by the President of the Republic.



President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia **Borut Pahor (ZLSD)** 

The President of the National Assembly represents the National Assembly and presides over its work. In his absence he is replaced by three Vice-Presidents. The Secretary General heads the offices of the National Assembly. Her tasks include ensuring that laws and other acts





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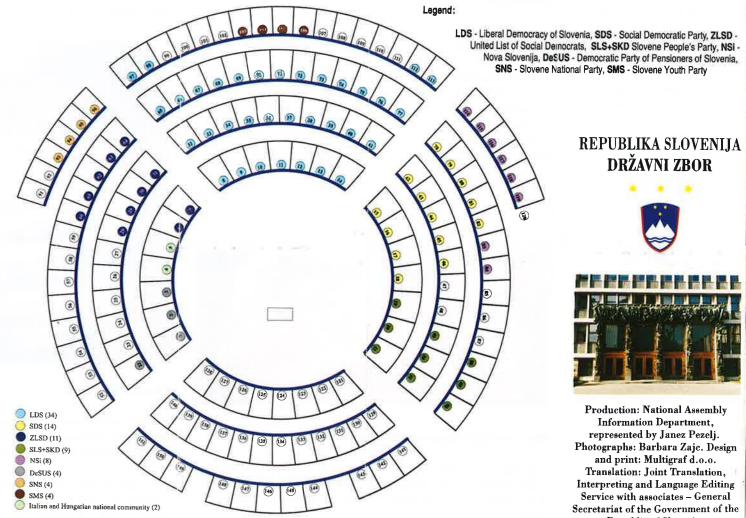


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