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ELECTIONS IN SAN MARINO
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SUBJECT : Elections in San Marino

TO : Director, Local Government S.O.

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- 11) Democratic Union

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Votes for

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2212	1141

The "Committee of Freedom" having obtained a 2 to 1 majority won 40 out of the 60 seats in the Council.

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c) REPRESENTATIVES OF POLITICAL PARTIES IN THE GRAND COUNCIL

Communists	16
Socialists	18
Democratic-Syndicalists	6
Democratic Union	20

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