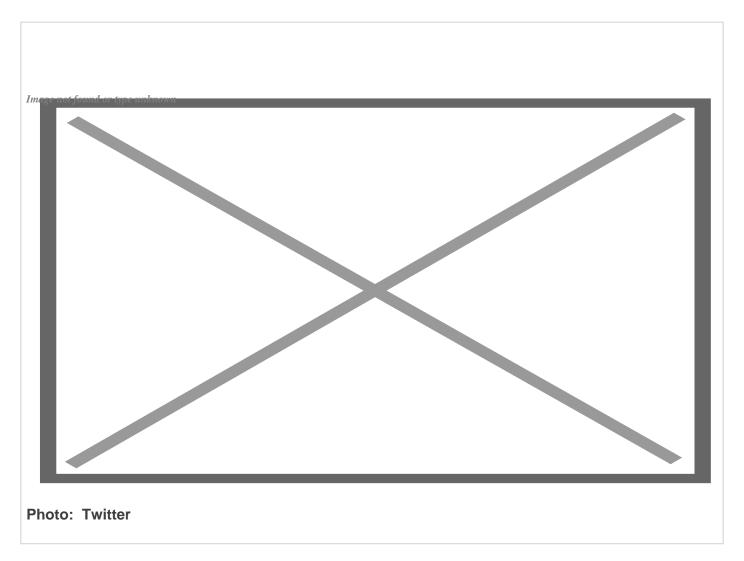
## Experienced leader Roosevelt Skerrit to remain at the helm of Dominica



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The ruling Labor Party and its leader, Prime Minister Roosevelt Skerrit, strengthened their leadership in Dominica, when early general elections, requested by the premier, were held this week.

Labor will continue to lead the government by winning 19 of 21 seats in the House of Assembly, or Parliament, a result described as important, although opposition parties declined to take part in the electoral arena.

The charismatic Skerrit had advocated for an early election because, in his opinion, Dominica required a renewed team for the current times, which he described as unpredictable.

In the opinion of the politician considered with a successful management, the small island of 751 square kilometers and 75,000 inhabitants faces harsh challenges such as the Covid-19 pandemic and its consequences in the economy and the consequences for the international markets of the conflict in Ukraine.

When his party emerged triumphant and he guaranteed his continuity as head of government, Skerrit celebrated the event together with his supporters, who praise his experience.

The Labor leader will lead for the sixth time the destinies of the island located in the Eastern Caribbean, an active member of CARICOM, the Caribbean Community, and with excellent relations with Cuba and Venezuela, countries he visited in 2022.

Determined to strengthen inter-Caribbean and area ties with Latin America through the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States, the Head of Government deploys a tireless task to prepare the island nation for the effects of climate change.

Precisely, Dominica was devastated in 2018 by Hurricane Maria, which, with the force of Category Five, left 31 dead, losses of US \$1.3 billion and ruined the agricultural branch.

A determined promoter of regional integration and with Dominica as a member of ALBA, Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America, Skerrit will begin what he reported will be his last term in office, despite being only 50 years old.

With comfortable parliamentary backing, Roosevelt Skerrit is determined to continue contributing the best of his experience to his people. For the Caribbean, his presence in the high magistracy of Dominica is good news, in order to seek new directions for the region.

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