









#### INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ

### System of government

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### THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

- Three separate but equal branches
- Congress legislative
- President executive
- Supreme Court judicial

## Congress

- makes the laws
- two houses:
- the Senate 100 members, two from each state, elected for six years
- the House of Representatives 435 members, the number determined by the population of each state, elected for two years

## Where does Congress meet?

• the Capitol, Washington, D.C.



## President's executive powers

- is the commander-in-chief of the armed forces
- is the head of the executive branch of government
- has the power to sign and veto laws
- chooses new federal judges and top officials
- presents the budget
- can give executive orders (the same power as normal law)

# Who can become the US president?

- He must be a natural-born citizen of the USA.
- He must be at least 35 years old.
- He must be a resident of the USA for 14 years.
- He must not have a criminal record

What is the seat of the President?

## The White House



### The Present President

- the Democrat Barack Obama
- inaugurated 2009
- elected for four years
- re-elected in November 2012



## The Supreme Court

- makes sure the laws are constitutional
- has nine judges appointed for life



### The Constitution

- adopted in 1789
- the world's oldest written constitution in force
- the main feature is the division of political authority between the state and the national level (federal)
- 27 Amendments : e.g. 1865 abolition of slavery

1920 women's right to vote

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