

Gubernatorial Decree #010

A DECREE

to

establish foreign relations.

24-GD-010

BE IT ENACTED by His Imperial Majesty Emperor Jonathan I through the Office of Governing Commissioner, as stated:

I) Foreign relations framework

- 1) In view of recent consultation with His Imperial Majesty the Emperor, the Office of the Governing Commissioner (henceforth 'the Office') shall be authorised to cultivate foreign relations on behalf of New South Scotland.
- 2) In cultivating foreign relations, New South Scotland shall only act in its capacity as an Austenasian Crown Dependency. Discussions with other national and sub-national entities, formal or informal, shall not necessarily represent broader Austenasian foreign policy and shall not itself convey diplomatic recognition.
- 3) The Office shall not conduct itself in a manner that contradicts or otherwise undermines Austenasian foreign policy.
- 4) The Office shall focus its diplomatic efforts on national and sub-national entities located within Australasia, Melanesia, Polynesia and Micronesia, to be known as the *'area of diplomatic priority'*.

II) Honorary Consulates

- 1) The Office shall be authorised to invite nations with formal diplomatic relations with the Empire of Austenasia to establish ceremonial, non-resident Honorary Consulates within the Honorary District of Bamuru.
- 2) The Office shall also be authorised to invite nations without formal diplomatic relations with the Empire of Austenasia to establish ceremonial, non-resident Representative Offices within Bamuru.
- 3) In return for hosting an Honorary Consulate or Representative Office in Bamuru, the Office shall seek to establish an accompanying New South Scottish Representative Office within the territory of the diplomatic partner.
- 4) Honorary Consulates and Representative Offices located in Bamuru or operated by New South Scotland shall be treated in accordance with the *Vienna Convention on Consular Relations*.

III) Bamuru Dialogue

- 1) The Office shall seek to develop a formal or informal *'Bamuru Dialogue'* with national and sub-national entities located within the area of diplomatic priority.
- 2) The Bamuru Dialogue shall seek to engender collaboration within the area of diplomatic priority, building diplomatic mass and encouraging collegiality between its national and sub-national entities.
- 3) The Office shall only admit into the Bamuru Dialogue suitable national and sub-national entities with: a friendly disposition; acceptable form of government; reasonable territorial and demographic composition; and high level of political maturity. Determinations of suitability shall be made at the discretion of the Office.

IV) Definitions, extent and commencement

- 1) This Decree shall take effect in all of New South Scotland.
- 2) This Decree shall be known in common form as the 'Gubernatorial Decree to Establish Foreign Relations 2024'.
- 3) This Decree shall also be known in code as 24-GD-010
- 4) This Decree shall take effect immediately.

BY THE RT. HON. HUGH MCFARLANE KCA'S HAND.

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