

Empire of Adammia

Ruling Council

Act 17

Emergency Situations Act 2014

This Act of Council hereby prepares the state and its government for the possibility of extraordinary occurrences that could affect the Empire of Adammia.

Section 1

- a) At any time, the Monarch, or the Prime Minister with the Monarch's consent, or the Ruling Council acting by its standard majority vote, may declare that the Empire is in a State of Emergency. A State of Emergency may also be ended by any of these processes.
- b) A State of Emergency must only be declared when any of the provinces of the Empire are under threat from either a serious natural disaster or a man-made crisis such as a foreign invasion, widespread rioting or a civil uprising.
- c) During a State of Emergency, it is the sole purpose of all branches the the government – the Monarchy, the Office of State, the Ruling Council, National Government and Grand Court, to preserve the integrity of the state and its inhabitants. All legislation except for the Supreme Directive may be overlooked in order to meet this objective.
- d) During a State of Emergency, the following individuals and institutions have supreme authority over the Empire in the following hierarchy, with each only assuming any authority when those higher than it are incapacitated or otherwise unreachable:
 - The Monarch
 - The Prime Minister
 - The Lord Chancellor
 - The Line of Succession, in order of line to the throne, followed by the Monarch's Consort, and the Monarch's parents
 - The collective body of the Ruling Council, acting by vote
 - The Deputy Prime Minister
 - The remaining Ministers, in the precedence of the order in which their Ministry was established
 - The Archduke / Archduchess, over their Region only
 - The Duke / Duchess, over their Province only
 - Other nobles, over their respective areas only

Section 2

- a) An attempt by a province to secede from the Empire is illegal and shall be treated as a rebellion.
- b) The Local Government of a province may submit a request for secession to the Monarchy or the Ruling Council. It is then the responsibility of the Office of State to organise a local referendum within the province. If the referendum shows that there is more than 50%

support of the population for secession, then the province shall no longer be considered Adammic territory, and the Local Government shall assume full sovereignty over the province. Alternatively, Acts of Council or Imperial Decrees may grant a province independence or cede it to another state. These two methods are the only legal means by which a province may leave the Empire of Adammia.

Section 3

- a) In the event that the Ruling Council reaches less than three members, and is thus unable to meet, the Council shall be considered suspended and the Monarch shall assume full authority over the nation.
- b) In the event that the Ruling Council is suspended, the Monarch is dead, and the Line of Succession is empty, the the Empire shall automatically be considered in a State of Emergency. Without the Ruling Council available to name a new Line of Succession, the Office of State shall organise a Monarchical Election in which each province shall elect a candidate, and the nation shall then elect a new Monarch out of the total candidates. If there is no Lord Chancellor to organise this election, then one shall be appointed by the highest official according to the hierarchy outlined in Section 1 Article D, with the extension of the members of the Order of Adammia, in order of their rank. If not a single official can be found to organise the election, the citizens shall randomly choose an acting Lord Chancellor to organise the election.
- c) If the Empire only has a single citizen, and that citizen is not Monarch, then they shall immediately become Monarch.

Section 4

- a) The state of the Empire of Adammia may not be dissolved whilst the Supreme Directive is in force.
- b) If there are no citizens of the Empire of Adammia, but there are honorary citizens remaining, the Empire shall be considered dormant. During this time, any honorary citizen may declare themselves a full citizen, thus becoming Monarch and restarting the Empire. However, should there be no full or honorary citizens remaining, the Empire shall be considered defunct, though any future revival of the Empire thereafter can be legally considered the successor state to the Empire.

Section 5

- a) His Majesty's Imperial Treasury shall allocate a portion, no less than 5%, of its monetary reserves as emergency funds. These funds may be used during and following a State of Emergency in order to repair the damage caused by the crisis.

Written by HIM Emperor Adam I

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8 in favour

4 not present

Signed,

Imperator Adammiae I

13th July 2014

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