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Monday 3rd February

IMPERIAL DECREE – Decree LXVIII (Imperial and Military Symbols)

His Imperial Majesty the Emperor

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

Order,

I am pleased to lay before the House Imperial Decree LXVIII, issued on the 19th of December. This creates an Imperial Standard, which is the flag of the monarchy and the Emperor's personal flag. It also creates flags for each of the service branches of the military: a "war flag" for the Army, and ensigns for the Navy and the Air Force, as well as a civil ensign for merchant vessels and the like. I invite honourable members to comment, ask questions, or to move to overturn if they so wish.

Also I have no idea why the coat of arms is upside down in that preview, I suspect it has something to do with switching from LibreOffice on my laptop to OpenOffice on my desktop. The one tomorrow will be a PDF so shouldn't have that problem. For the convenience of members, I have arranged the new flags into a gallery here.

Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Leader of the Red Green Alliance

Wait are we on war footing, have I read the decree properly?

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

No we're not, the military flags and ensigns are for ceremonial use.

Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Leader of the Red Green Alliance

Ah okay, can we propose an amendment?

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

Not to decrees, you'll have to table an Act of Parliament. Unless you tell me what it is and I like it, in which case I can just issue another decree.

Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Leader of the Red Green Alliance

Gotcha, can I table an act of Parliament to make it clear that this military ensigns is ceremonial and can't be used as a way to take us to war?

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

If you want, but it would be fairly redundant; the mechanism by which we declare war is already outlined elsewhere. I'll try to find it for you.

Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Leader of the Red Green Alliance

Okay it's a purely symbolic bill but to make it clear that this can't be used to take us to war.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

I don't understand how a flag can be used to take us to war. It's just a flag.

Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Leader of the Red Green Alliance

Flags have hidden meanings and can make it seem like we're going to war.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

I can give the hon. member my assurances that it is not government policy to declare war on anybody and that we can only foresee these flags being used for ceremonial purposes. Indeed if we did want to declare it would have to be approved by both chambers of Parliament, so there's no chance of anything sneaking past you. I am happy to put this on the record publicly if that makes the hon. member more comfortable.

Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Leader of the Red Green Alliance

I'm glad the honourable gentleman has put this on the record for us today, I am concerned that the military flags could be used to make it appear we are preparing to war therefore opening us

up to attack.

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

"I don't like the red one"- Lady Anna Worthington, Chief Wind of the Storm.

Procedural motion – Motion of Closure

His Imperial Majesty the Emperor

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

I am moving a procedural Motion of Closure on the decree presently before the House. Almost everybody has seen it and has had chance to give their views, and it seems to be uncontroversial. Furthermore, by closing this item early it allows the Speaker more freedom to choose what time to begin tomorrow's item. As this is a procedural motion it will be debated in this chat. If it is not opposed there will be a division in half an hour; else, in two hours.

Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)

Is this the vote on the flags, or a vote on whether or not to have a vote on the flags?

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

This is a vote to close the debate early, rather than letting it run its whole 24 hour course.

Question: Closure on the item of business presently before the House.

DIVISION

The ayes to the right: 5

- H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)
- Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)
- Lord Oscar Gilmour (LMP)
- Lord Charles Michael (LMP)
- Lady Hermione Peace (DNK)

The noes to the left: 1

- Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Recorded abstentions: 3

- Lord Callum Gurr (STM)
- Lady Emily Simpson (RGA)
- Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Did not vote: 4

- Lord Edward Hilton (LMP)
- H.I.H. Emperor Mother Jayne (LMP)
- H.G. Lord Sam Maude (RGA)
- H.G. Lady Sophie Thornton (LMP)

The ayes had it.

Tuesday 4th February

IMPERIAL DECREE – [Decree LXIX](#) (European Union)

His Imperial Majesty the Emperor

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

Order,

In the absence of the Speaker I would like to lay before the House Imperial Decree LXIX, issued last Friday 31st January. This establishes our honorary association with the EU which I expect many of you have already seen in the press. I invite honourable members to comment, ask questions and to move to overturn if they so wish.

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

Nice.

Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)

I back this. Nice.

Lord Callum Gurr (STM)

Nice.

Lady Hermione Peace (DNK)

Deputy Prime Minister

Nice.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

I believe the House is in agreement.

Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)

Nice?

Wednesday 5th February

QUESTIONS – Questions to the Minister of Foreign Affairs

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

Order,

Questions are now invited to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, who is myself. This session will be open for 24 hours. Ask away.

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

Is the secession of New Richmond, Augusta, and Terentia enough to make you consider breaking ties with the same-sex banning Austenasia? From what I can tell from minimal reporting, this is the social democrats currently in government walking out of the micronation, where the opposition has the following ideology [screenshot of MicroWiki].

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Minister of Foreign Affairs

At this present time, the Ministry expects that Mr. Tezcan is very likely to be the next Prime Minister of Austenasia. The Ministry is well aware of past projects of Mr. Tezcan such as the "Tsardom of Pavlov", which instituted a range of homophobic and misogynistic policies. I will take this opportunity to state that Adammia will not tolerate any effort that may be taken which may make Austenasia incompatible with the human rights that we in Adammia take for granted. Adammia stands poised and ready to take a stand on human rights in Austenasia, and I am personally willing to see such actions carried through to their natural conclusion. Assuming that Mr. Tezcan wins the upcoming general election, we will be monitoring the Austenasian parliament very closely, and we are willing to suspend diplomatic relations at the first sign of homophobia or misogyny.

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

Banning same sex marriage wasn't and isn't homophobic enough, apparently. The Storm Party continues to hold the view that this is clearly a breach of human rights that Austenasia are unapologetic about and that this should be grounds enough to end all association with them. We stand with queer people, and will hold you to account.

Procedural motion – Motion of Closure

His Imperial Majesty the Emperor

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

I am moving a Motion of Closure on the questions session presently before the House. As this is a procedural motion, it will be considered in this chat. As before, if the motion is not opposed, we will vote in half an hour; else, in two hours. See above for my reasoning.

I wonder if those voting no are planning on asking any foreign affairs questions themselves?

Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)

My no was more because I am aware that people in this chat work and the lateness that the questions started last night, paired with your proposal to close them early may restrict those certain individuals from asking questions should they wish to. As when I worked, I'd be asleep by midnight and then not really have any time to do Adammic things till I got him from work, at half

6 earliest.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

All but one Members have seen the post on Facebook.

Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)

Seeing and having time to take action are very different things. I am happy to change my vote if nobody wishes to ask any more questions but I don't want anyone to miss out.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

I am always happy to publicly answer written questions outside of this particular timeslot. I will take your remarks on board moving forwards though. The only reason debates are starting so late in the day is because the first one started late and they all normally last 24 hours.

Question: Closure on the item of business presently before the House.

DIVISION

The ayes to the right: 4

- H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)
- Lord Oscar Gilmour (LMP)
- Lord Callum Gurr (STM)
- H.G. Lady Sophie Thornton (LMP)

The noes to the left: 2

- Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)
- Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

Recorded abstentions: 0

Did not vote: 7

- Lord Edward Hilton (LMP)
- H.I.H. Emperor Mother Jayne (LMP)
- H.G. Lord Sam Maude (RGA)
- Lord Charles Michael (LMP)
- Lady Hermione Peace (DNK)
- Lady Emily Simpson (RGA)
- Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

The ayes had it.

Thursday 6th February

ACT OF PARLIAMENT – [Climate Emergency Act 2020](#)

Lord Oscar Gilmour

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

Order,

We come now to the Climate Emergency Bill. I call Oscar Gilmour to introduce the bill. Debate will then be open for 24 hours.

Lord Oscar Gilmour (LMP)

Minister of National Development

Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. As of this moment, our planet faces an unprecedented crisis. The mistakes of the past and the ignorance of the present have led us to one defining moment. Adammia must do its part to combat the climate crisis and assure the safety of our planet for generations to come. Therefore, I am calling upon this House to unite and declare a climate emergency. Thank you.

Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

Leader of the Opposition

The Storm Party fully support a declaration of a climate emergency, and we appreciate the inclusion of the suggestion from Lord Gurr regarding paper. This bill is clearly not going far enough in making actual changes, but as a first step, it has my support.

H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)

Deputy Speaker

If I may make a few remarks before calling the division, firstly let me say that I am happy to see Lord Gilmour return to the House following the birth of his daughter Luna, and I hope that he and his family are doing well.

Secondly, let me say that I am happy that various opposition suggestions such as a ban on palm oil and the requirement on the government to buy FSC-certified paper have been included in the latest version of this bill. I hope this shows that the government is willing to work with the opposition on policies that are practical and uncontroversial.

Friday 7th February

ACT OF PARLIAMENT – Climate Emergency Act 2020

Question: that this House passes the Climate Emergency Act 2020.

DIVISION

The ayes to the right: 7

- H.I.M. Emperor Adam I (LMP)
- Lord Colonel Asher Bond (STM)
- Lord Oscar Gilmour (LMP)
- Lord Callum Gurr (STM)
- H.G. Lord Sam Maude (RGA)
- H.G. Lady Sophie Thornton (LMP)
- Lady Anna Worthington (STM)

The noes to the left: 0

Recorded abstentions: 0

Did not vote: 6

- Lord Edward Hilton (LMP)
- H.I.H. Emperor Mother Jayne (LMP)
- Lord Charles Michael (LMP)
- Lady Hermione Peace (DNK)
- Lady Emily Simpson (RGA)
- Lord Billy Thompson (RGA)

The ayes had it.