

THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE THIRD IMPERIUM

We the people of the Sylean Federation as the descendants of Emperor Theodore III of the Rule of Man do hereby ordain these articles of incorporation of the Third Imperium.

ARTICLE I PURPOSE

The Third Imperium is to provide for the common defense of it's member worlds and to promote trade and commerce between its member worlds. The Third Imperium wishes to extend membership in the Imperium to all worlds that were once members of the Grand Imperium and the Rule of Man and to those worlds the Third Imperium encounter in the course of it's expansion.

ARTICLE II CITIZENSHIP

All citizens of member worlds are citizens of the Third Imperium. All rights and duties stated in these articles are extended to all sophonts in the Third Imperium. All citizens of the Imperium shall enjoy the protection of the Emperor when travelling to other worlds within the Third Imperium.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

The Third Imperium extends membership to all worlds of the Rule of Man and any worlds the Third Imperium encounters in the course of it's expansion. In order for a world to be a member of the Third Imperium it has to accept the following conditions.

- 1) The world's application is made with voice of it's government.
- 2) The world will designate a position in it's government to receive the honor of being made a Noble within the Imperial Nobility.
- 3) The world cede to the Third Imperium 100 hectares and 2 degrees of geosynchronous orbit above the cession.
- 4) To pay to the Imperium revenues not to exceed 10% of a world's GWP per year.
- 5) To remove all import dues, tariffs, and taxes of incoming commerce from other member worlds.
- 6) To provide for the common defense of the Imperium by making available in a state of war the world's armed forces and resources.
- 7) To surrender all nuclear weapons to the Imperium.
- 8) To respect the rights and duties of all Imperial Citizens
- 9) To respect the right of all intelligent living sophont to own their own person.

If a world at any time after the acceptance of it's application violates any of the above conditions then the Emperor is allowed to insure that world's compliance with the conditions. All worlds have the right resolve their internal affairs without interference from outside parties or from the Emperor as long as those internal affairs does not violate any of the above conditions.

ARTICLE IV
EMPEROR

The Emperor of the Third Imperium is the supreme source of Imperial Authority and Governance. The Emperor of the Imperium shall be nominated by the previous Emperor and confirmed by a 2/3 vote of the Imperial Moot. In the absence of a nominee the Imperial Moot shall elect and confirm the Emperor. Emperor shall serve for the duration of his natural life span.

In honor of his achievements and action in making these articles possible, Cleon Zhunastu is hereby made Emperor Cleon I of the Third Imperium.

The Emperor shall have the power to insure that the common defense and that commerce are provided throughout the Third Imperium.

Any or all powers or duties not delegated to either the member worlds or the Imperial Moot are reserved for the Emperor.

ARTICLE V
IMPERIAL MOOT

The Imperial Moot membership shall comprise of the Imperial Nobility. The Imperial Moot shall sit in continuous session on Capital. In recognition of interstellar distances each Imperial Noble is allowed to give his vote to a proxy. Such proxy must also be a Imperial Noble. A Imperial Noble is allowed to take back his vote from his proxy at any time. The powers of the Moot is as follows:

- 1) By a majority vote dissolve the Third Imperium.
- 2) By a 2/3 vote confirm the nomination of the Emperor.
- 3) To advise the Emperor at any time.

None of these powers are not meant to be considered in any way to constrain the powers of the Emperor.

ARTICLE VI
IMPERIAL NOBILITY

The Imperial Nobility is open to all citizens of the Third Imperium. The Emperor alone retains the right to appoint, create, and remove Imperial Nobles.

The duties of Imperial Nobles is to aid the Emperor in insuring the common defense and commerce of the Third Imperium.

The Emperor alone is to define the rights and duties of the Imperial Nobilities.

ARTICLE VII
CAPITAL

Upon the ratification of these article; the world Sylea shall be renamed Capital and be made the seat of the Imperial Government.

IN CLOSING, we the citizens of the Third Imperium hope that with the establishment of these articles that all sophonts may enjoy peace and prosperity for all times.

RATIFIED BY THE WORLDS OF THE SYLEAN FEDERATION IN THE 453trd YEAR
AFTER THE FOUNDING.