Appendix I

Sir Nikolai,

Please see that the following items are added to the Imperial Estates Agenda for November 1, 1997. If you have any questions feel free to contact me at 760-758-3899 or shokes@home.com.

Thank you,

HRM Sir Thomas I

The following are Estate actions that I am proposing:

1. The Imperial Estates with the knowledge that Bylaw Violations have occurred at the Imperial Wars previous to this date do ratify the results of those wars despite any Bylaw infractions.

2. All points, titles, or ranks received by members of the populous prior to this date, at events that violated the Imperial Bylaws, are sustained and approved.

The following are Bylaw amendments that I am proposing for the Estates Meeting:

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ARTICLE I: GENERAL

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To

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Change

ARTICLE IV: DUES

A. Membership dues are set by the Imperial Senate. Dues may be paid in annual or semi-annual installments to the Steward of the Empire. Dues may be paid to the Steward of a chartered subdivision, but must be sent as presented, to the Steward of the Empire. The current practices of subdivisions of a chartered subdivision in handling dues shall not be altered. Any subdivision or chartered subdivision created after March 1st, 1992 shall comply.

B. Distribution of dues paid shall be as follows**: seventy (70)** percent to the Imperial treasury and **thirty (30)** percent to the local treasury.

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B. Distribution of dues paid shall be as follows**: seventy (70)** percent to the Imperial treasury and **thirty (30)** percent to the local treasury. Payments of these Imperial Dues and Steward reports regarding membership information are do to the Imperial Steward on the First of each month.

Change

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERSHIP

D. All Ruling Nobles of the Estates Minor shall be required to sponsor one (1) event per calendar year. All Ruling Nobles of the Great Estates shall be required to sponsor two (2) events per calendar year. All Ruling Royal Peers shall be required to sponsor one (1) Crown event per month, of which during the course of a year two (2) must be war events. The Ruling Imperial Peer shall be required to sponsor the Imperial Crown war and any war events which take place between two or more chartered subdivisions. The Ruling Imperial Peer may not sponsor more than three (3) Imperial Crown events exclusive of the Imperial Crown War. Not more than two (2) crown events may be war events, with the exception of a Crown or Civil war event. A member shall not be allowed to participate in more than one (1) Crown event per month for purposes of meeting their requirements for advancement. There are two exceptions to this: 1) Imperial Crown events and 2) Crown/Civil Wars. At all Crown events members shall be afforded the opportunity to earn their requirements for advancement in their area of endeavor.

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Change

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERSHIP

B. An official event is any meeting of the membership which is held in a medieval context, setting and style for the purpose of education, recreation and/or competition, as long as the event is; sanctioned by the Crown (crown sanction may be revoked in writing for a just and stated cause.), sponsored by a subdivision, announced thirty (30) days in advance to the membership through official channels, presided over by the Crown or a Ruling Noble, and attended by the ministry officials or their designated deputies responsible for the type of activity(ies) undertaken.

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1. Demonstrations and classes require only Crown approval if they are attended by 10 or more people.

Change

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

C. All changes to the Imperial bylaws shall be published within thirty (30) days through official channels before becoming law. Members shall not be held responsible for said changes to the Imperial bylaws until such a publication has taken place. Once per year all changes and additions to the Imperial bylaws shall be published in an addendum and distributed to the membership. All Crown and Estate writs shall be published within thirty (30) days through official channels before becoming enforceable.

To

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

C. All changes to the Imperial bylaws or Imperial Estate writs shall be published within thirty (30) days in the official Imperial newsletter or by registered mail to each member (active or inactive) of the Imperial Estates before becoming law. Until such a publication has taken place, the former Law shall take precedence. Once per year all changes and additions to the Imperial bylaws and Imperial Estate writs shall be published in an addendum and

distributed to the membership. All Crown and Estate writs shall be published within thirty (30) days through official channels before becoming enforceable.

Change

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

F. RIGHTS OF THE ESTATES;

3. The Imperial Grand Assembly has the right to:

d. any expenditures which are raised and approved at a meeting of the Senate are subject to veto by the Grand Assembly. Any expenditures that are proposed by the Imperial Crown shall be submitted to the Senate and Grand Assembly at least 60 days prior to the Senate meeting and are not subject to veto by the Grand Assembly.

To

F. RIGHTS OF THE ESTATES;

3. The Imperial Grand Assembly has the right to:

d. Veto any expenditure that was approved by the Imperial Senate.

Change

F. RIGHTS OF THE ESTATES;

5. The Crown has the right to:

a. Imperial Crown has specific rights unto itself as well as the rights of a Royal Crown.

ii. to render an opinion concerning any disputed interpretation of Imperial law or writ. Within thirty (30) days of a written request for interpretation the Imperial Crown shall consult with the Royal Crown and Chancellor and Imperial Chancellor and review the disputed Imperial law or writ and the arguments. The decision of the Imperial Crown is final and binding.

To

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with the Royal Crown and Chancellor and Imperial Chancellor and review the disputed Imperial law or writ and the arguments. The decision of the Imperial Crown may be over turned by the Imperial Estates, the Imperial Senate, the Imperial Grand Assembly, or a Court of Law.

Change

F. RIGHTS OF THE ESTATES;

5. The Crown has the right to:

b. Royal Crowns.

i. to render an opinion concerning any disputed interpretation of local codicil or writ. Within thirty (30) days of a written request for interpretation the Crown shall consult with the Chancellor and review the disputed local codicil or writ and the arguments. The decision of the Imperial Crown is final and binding.

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Change

F. RIGHTS OF THE ESTATES;

5. The Crown has the right to:

b. Royal Crowns.

iii. to make new law that does not alter the Imperial bylaws or local codicils until the next meeting of the Estates General.

To

F. RIGHTS OF THE ESTATES;

5. The Crown has the right to:

b. Royal Crowns.

iii. to make new law that does not alter the Imperial bylaws, Imperial Law, or local codicils until the end of their reign or until overturned by the Royal Estates.

Change

ARTICLE VII: MINISTRIES

5. THE MINISTER OF ROLLS.

The Minister of Rolls is responsible for recording each member's earned requirements, ranks, awards, titles and the date each was received. The Minister of Rolls shall publish advancements as soon as they occur in the next regular official publication. There will be published a list of standings once per year. The Minister of Rolls or a warranted deputy must attend all scheduled Crown events. Requirements: Imperial - Knight Minister or higher, chartered subdivision - Chamberlain or higher.

3. THE STEWARD.

The Steward is responsible for the legal obligations and finances of the Adrian Empire or chartered subdivision. Requirements: must be qualified in bookkeeping and/or accounting, Imperial - Knight Minister or higher, chartered subdivision - Chamberlain or higher.

4. THE SOVEREIGN OF ARMS.

The Sovereign of Arms is responsible for maintaining the Armorial. The Imperial Sovereign of Arms is responsible for supervising and coordinating the heraldic functions and activities of the College of Arms and its members. The Imperial Sovereign of Arms shall be the foremost heraldic officer of the Adrian Empire and the head of the College of Arms. The Imperial Sovereign of Arms shall have the exclusive right to resolve conflict of armorial devices submitted by the membership of the Adrian Empire. The Sovereign of Arms of a chartered subdivision shall have the exclusive right to approve armorial devices submitted by the membership of the chartered subdivision. Requirements: Imperial - Knight Minister or higher, chartered subdivision - Rector or higher.

a. College of Arms. The College of Arms shall be a sovereign body of arms, and shall consist of the Imperial Sovereign of Arms and the Sovereign of Arms of each chartered subdivision.

i. The College of Arms shall protect only the Arms of the membership of the Adrian Empire and those Arms that the Imperial Sovereign of Arms and the Imperial Crown agree are worthy of protection.

ii. The College shall not grant arms, but only approve of their design and construction.

iii. The College may reserve a blazon for a member of the Adrian Empire against the day when that member shall have the right to bear them.

iv. The College of Arms shall further aid the Imperial, Royal, and Noble Estates in the design and staging of authentic ceremonial that are adapted to the needs of the Adrian Empire.

v. The College of Arms is entitled and required to establish a body of standard terminology, usage, and rules for heraldry within the Adrian Empire.

5. THE CHRONICLER.

The Imperial Chronicler is responsible for overseeing the publication of all official Adrian Empire publications, the editors of the official publications, and serving as a source of publishing expertise and advice for the benefit of the Adrian Empire. The Chronicler of a chartered subdivision is responsible for the publication and editing of official chartered subdivision publications. Requirements: Imperial - Knight Minister or higher, chartered subdivision - Rector or higher.

8. THE MINISTER OF PHYSICKS.

The Minister of Physicks shall be the coordinator of all First Aid at events. The Minister and all deputies must have at least advanced First Aid Training. Requirements: Imperial - Chamberlain or higher, chartered subdivision - Rector or higher.

9. THE HOSPITALER.

The Hospitaler shall be responsible for the keeping and growth of the Hospitaler's Chest, a compilation of equipment and clothing to be for the general use or the members of the subdivision until such a time as they acquire their own equipment or clothing. The Hospitaler shall keep a record of all items donated, who has borrowed items, and Estates member which owe items. Requirements: Imperial - Chamberlain or higher, chartered subdivision - Rector or higher.

10. VICEROYS.

A Viceroy is appointed by the Imperial Crown to act in it's stead for a remote region. A Viceroy shall act on behalf of the Imperial Crown, and in consultation with the Imperial Crown. The authority of the Viceroy shall be limited to the terms spelled out in the Warrant of Appointment

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8. THE MINISTER OF PHYSICKS.

The Minister of Physicks shall be the coordinator of all First Aid at events. The Minister and all deputies must have First Aid Training. Requirements: Current CPR and Advanced First Aid certification.

9. THE HOSPITALER.

The Hospitaler shall be the conduit for new or prospective members to gain information on the Adrian Empire. The Hospitaler shall be responsible for keeping copies of all current Manuals and information on the Adrian Empire that might be needed by the membership. They shall also keep a "lost and found" and track items donated to the chartered subdivision or Empire.

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ARTICLE XV: PAX REGIUM AND INTERIM CIVIL WAR

B. INTERIM CIVIL WAR.

4. FEALTY.

In Civil War, only personal fealty will be binding. Those in fealty by dint of Estate shall be free to choose whichever side they wish in a Crown Civil War. This applies only to Crown wars and Crown Civil wars, Civil wars of subdivision v. subdivision shall require that all attending combatants of a stated side (ie., principle to the war) fight for their liege. Combatants who are not bound to a principle in the war shall be free to choose their own side unless working for a fief fee (service for Fealty).

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Change

ARTICLE XVI: CROWN WAR

A. A Crown War held to fill a vacant Crown shall be conducted in the following manner:

3. NON-COMBATANT CONTENDERS.

A non-combatant contending for the Crown, must don armor and join their army on the field. If the contender is not a Sergeant or better in the Combatant Roll, they may not carry or use a weapon on the field during armored battles. Only contenders must join their army, non-combatant consorts need not appear on the field.

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ARTICLE XVI: CROWN WAR

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A. A Crown War held to fill a vacant Crown shall be conducted in the following manner:

5. RECRUITING.

Once the slate of contenders is set, the war parties shall meet at the appointed sight. At the conclusion of Opening Court, or the last Court of a retiring Crown, the Chancellor shall read the list of contenders for the Crown. They shall, in ascending precedence, address the general populace. At the end of the addresses, the membership of the chartered subdivision may choose for whom they will fight. The Minister of War shall then count the armies. The four (4) largest armies shall be permitted to vie for the Crown. The remaining membership of the chartered subdivision shall re-divide themselves among the four (4) successful armies. At this time, the visiting members and

participates shall be chosen by the contenders for their force. The distribution of all visiting members and participates shall be in proportion to the size of the armies as set by the choice of the membership of the chartered subdivision.

a. In the event that there are less than four (4) viable armies, the Minister of War and the Chancellor shall confer on limiting the field to two (2) armies or making further distributions if they believe that it is desirable to alter the rules to insure that at least two (2) contenders have working armies. This authority does not extend to coercing members to support a different contender or to dividing visiting members and participates in such a way as to negate the selection of the populace. In the case where there is clear advantage to a single contender, and the other final contenders agree, that person shall be declared Heir Apparent and the war will be fought by even sides for the entertainment of the populace.

b. Unless a clear winner is declared as a result of this selection process, the armies shall be set as per the final distribution. These members shall be bound to their contender until he/she is eliminated. If their contender is eliminated they may drop out of the fighting or ally with another contender.

To

ARTICLE XVI: CROWN WAR

A. A Crown War held to fill a vacant Crown shall be conducted in the following manner:

5. RECRUITING.

At opening court on the day of the war the contenders shall, in ascending precedence, address the general populace. At the end of the addresses, the membership of the chartered subdivision may choose for whom they will fight. The Minister of War shall then count the armies. The two (2) largest armies shall be permitted to vie for the Crown. The remaining membership of the chartered subdivision shall re-divide themselves among the two (2) successful armies. At this time, the visiting members and participates shall be chosen by the contenders for their force. The distribution of all visiting members and participates shall be in proportion to the size of the armies as set by the choice of the membership of the chartered subdivision.

a. In the event that there is only one (1) army that person shall be declared the Heir Apparent and the war will be fought by even sides for the entertainment of the populace.

b. Members shall be bound to their contender until he/she is eliminated

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Change

ARTICLE XVI: CROWN WAR

B. WAR.

The Minister of War will then provide a copy of the first days battles to each contender. On the following morning, after Opening Court, the battles will begin. There shall be fifteen (15) war points consisting of three (3) light weapons battles, two (2) renaissance weapons battles, one (1) renaissance champions battle, two (2) armored battles, and one (1) armored champions battle and six (6) arts points consisting of three (3) from the masters' tournament and three (3) from the knights' tournament. At least four (4) group battles, one (1) champions battle, and three (3) arts

points shall be decided on the first day. If the contender is a Knight Combatant, he must represent him/herself in the armored champions battle. At the end of the day the top two (2) armies shall be allowed to continue the following day. The members of the eliminated armies must, prior to closing court, bind to a new army in order to participate the next day.

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Change

ARTICLE XVI: CROWN WAR

C. VICTORY.

In the event that a single army wins a majority of the possible war points, that army's contender shall be proclaimed Heir Apparent and the balance of the battles shall be fought for the amusement of the populace. The Heir Apparent must proclaim the date and location of the coronation.

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