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Acting Grand Pensionary composes government

SKY CITY, 18/10/316 || After the dissolution of the Republic of Bowdani, acting Grand Pensionary Duncan Fairweather of the Lectern of United Kencari Peoples (LUKP) has composed a government that is almost exactly the same as the last government of Bowdani apart from one major difference: the minister of foreign affairs. Eleanor Carlisle, the previous foreign affairs minister and now a citizen of the Coare Republic, was replaced by Kaddör Beess, the former mayor of Ecboven (Two-bridges), who is of Kencari origin and as such a first important step in a more equal division of power over the nation's peoples.

One of the first actions of the new government will be to call for general elections. The new parliament, the *Council of Peoples* will have to confirm the administrative division of the LUKP, after which elections can be held there; only then the provincial Electors can be appointed who will elect the first Grand Pensionary. 'There is a lot on the agenda, but with patience and diligence we will accomplish all those tasks', AGP Fairweather said after he presented his government.

Opposition parties and groups criticised the new (acting) government, claiming that the fact that only one member had to be replaced because she now has a different citizenship than the remaining members of the government, shows how unjustly Bowdani was ruled. 'Only one minister ended up as a citizen of one of the other new countries; and to the acting government this appears to be no sign at all that perhaps there is something wrong with them to begin with! At least half the government should have been replaced!' according to Hok Ceren, leader of the Kencari Movement of Citizens; according to them, one Kencari minister in an overall Ingallish cabinet is far from enough.

In several larger cities protests have been organised by Ingallish groups who fear that the power shift may cause them to become second rate citizens in their own country. In the city of South Watch these protests have been the strongest; houses and businesses of non-Ingallish citizens were targeted and in some cases severe damage has been reported. The acting government has expressed their intention to send an investigator.

Coare Republic asks for recognition, UNV membership

COARNIGG, 19/10/316 || The first former Bowdani non-monarchy with an (acting) government up and running, the acting minister of foreign affairs of the Coare Republic Mr Meocyn Peec has spoken out to the world, asking other nations to recognise his country and announcing that his country formally applied for membership of the United Nations of Vexillum.

The Coare Republic is located in the far north-west of former Bowdani, bordering Caboteniasa to the north and Tak to the east, with an 'I must say splendid!' (according to the minister) view on the Cislendian Ocean in the west. The Coare Republic wants to present itself as a neutral partner, a safe alternative in case other countries on Smalik aren't able to answer demands or fulfill expectations. It is calling on foreign investors to come to Coare and benefit from 'very lucrative tax rules' that it intends to put in place.

Earlier, acting prime minister Dame Mildred Kerr told the press that parliamentary elections will be held on 10 and 17 December. 'It is of utmost importance that we get a legally elected government to run this country', she said. 'The members of the House of Coare shall be elected on 10 and 17 December; the election of the 129 members of the First Chamber will take place on 10 December, the election of the 51 members of the Second Chamber on 17 December.'

The president will be elected by the House of Coare somewhere in February 317, but a date for that hasn't been set yet. 'First things first; it is essential that the people of this Republic have themselves represented as quickly as possible.'

'Train schedule should resume'

COARNIGG, 17/10/316 || Acting foreign affairs minister of the Coare Republic Mr Meocyn Peec asked the acting government of the Lectern of United Kencari Peoples to resume the railway schedule between Zastrey (LUKP) and Coarnigg; since 16 October, the line was suspended for unknown reasons.

'Although we are now talking about an international railway line and the exact agreement between our countries has yet to be determined, it was arranged before the dissolution of Bowdani that this wouldn't affect transport connections for the time being; we have to maintain a certain normality in these complex times', the minister said.

A spokesman of the LUKP ministry of transport replied that it hasn't been specified how long a period "for the time being" should be. 'The LUKP's priority is to establish the new borders. This period is of course transitional, but we want to avoid that it is used by criminals to intensify their smuggling activities. As long as it isn't clear what the new countries' new external connections will be, we will proceed with caution.'

Minister Peec replied that his government will register a complaint with the LUKP authorities.



Three dead in explosion Nucani

FORT BOARE / NUCANI, 19/10/316 || An explosion in the town of Fort Boare (Nucani, LUKP) has killed three people and injured several more, local reporters say. The explosion took place in a restaurant known as a popular meeting place for the Kencari community, which has immediately pointed fingers to local Ingallish extremists. The police are doing their investigations and haven't been willing to comment on the matter yet.

According to unofficial figures, only 13% of the Fort Boare population is registered as Ingallish, whereas 71% is of Kencari origin. Acting Grand Pensionary Duncan Fairweather has called for an immediate stop of ethnically motivated violence. The mayor of Fort Boare, Rass Bbaugust, said that the government should take more action to prevent the country from succumbing into civil unrest.