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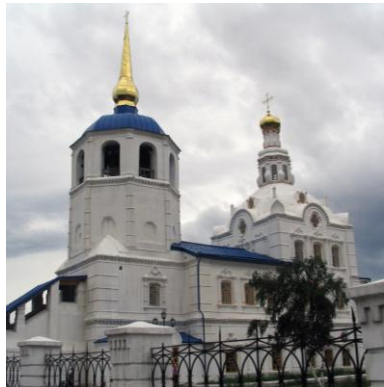


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Party leaders demand resignation Acting Grand Pensionary

SKY CITY, 21/11/316 || In a joint statement on Friday morning, the leaders of most political parties in the Lectern of United Kencari Peoples have asked Acting Grand Pensionary Duncan Fairweather to step down and give way to a more competent successor, a request that Fairweather refused. The party leaders' statement follows news about unauthorised military movements around the city of Southwatch.

Defense Minister Oliver Boynton was seen shouting at general Cedric Rawsthorne last Thursday, when they met in the street before the ministry just after the news had arrived that an unauthorised military unit of South Watch is bringing parts of the area around South Watch under its control. Boynton allegedly ordered the general to take immediate action, which the latter refused because of the agreements with other former Bowdani nations that state that the former Bowdani army is not supposed to take any active measures except defending the area as a whole, until it has been decided how the military will be divided among the nations. The fact that several of the other nations already broke this agreement left the general unphased. The nation wide state of emergency that has been in force since 12 November has therefore had no effect whatsoever.



Cathedral of Our Maiden of Litmarsh in Sky City

AGP Fairweather on Friday afternoon issued a short reaction saying that he would not step down at the party leaders' request, simply because these parties have yet to be elected and as such do not represent the will of the people yet. 'I recognise that the situation in the country is grave and my government and I are doing everything in our power to counteract the unfortunate developments', he said. 'Appointing another acting Grand Pensionary in our opinion would only contribute to these developments at this point.'

A general reaction to the internal chaos in the LUKP from the Bowdani Orthodox Church came on Sunday. The largest church in the LUKP, it

had stayed out of the political affairs until now, with Patriarch Kevin calling on all factions to end hostilities and contribute peacefully and in a constructive manner to the creation of a glorious new nation.

Unconfirmed mutiny armed forces hailed by DO party

SKY CITY, 22/11/316 || A mutiny is said to be going on in several units of the Bowdani armed forces, unverified sources report. The army's highest ranking officer, general Cedric Rawsthorne, was reportedly killed.

Although most parties so far condemned the mutiny, George Foley, leader of the conservative Cruisanist party *Direction Orthodoxy* (DO), hailed the move and expressed the hope that something can finally be done about the organisational deadlock in which the LUKP finds itself at the moment.

The Direction Orthodoxy party has existed for many years, but so far played a minor role in the politics of Bowdani and thereafter the LUKP; the party never got any seats in a parliament. According to unreliable polls however, many citizens of the LUKP have been starting to share the DO's sometimes radical opinions. From the beginning, the DO has been against the agreed solution regarding the division of the Bowdani armed forces and Foley has been saying 'told you so' along the whole negative development of events since the LUKP's independence last month, and proposed to create the LUKP's army no matter what the other successor states of Bowdani think.

Foley (49) has lead the DO since 312. He said to be close friends to Patriarch Kevin and some suspect that the latter played a significant part in Foley's rise within the DO. With many citizens of the LUKP afraid of what the future may bring, there has been a significant rise in church attendance, which may be good for the DO.

"Unit X" property of Sarigis

SARIGIS, 20/11/316 || The 'mystery military unit X' that is located north west of the city of South Watch, belongs to the large property of the self proclaimed Lady of Sarigis, Emma Gough. She made this information public herself, together with a warning to 'stay away from it if you know what's good for you'. She said that it was not a military unit, but rather a facility where large scale biological and chemical experiments take place.

'My late grandfather received permission from Bowdani's successive Leah governments to do whatever he liked as long as it was in the interest of the Republic of Bowdani', Ms Gough said. 'The facility shall not be approached by anyone; we don't want to risk a disease like the Plague to wreak havoc on our continent, now do we?'

Although it was the political establishment in Sky City that reacted the most outraged about Ms Gough's statements, it is believed that they were intended for the self proclaimed leader of South Watch, Lord de Beaverbrouc, whose troops have steadily been annexing territory bordering South Watch and are approaching the location of the facility.

Further armies nationalised

COARNIGG, 25/11/316 || The (acting) political leaders of the Coare Republic, Vaara, Gen, and Western Shore met in Coarnigg today to discuss the situation in the former Bowdani nations in the western part of the continent, after Bêltse unilaterally nationalised the parts of the former Bowdani armed forces that were located on Bêltse territory, and with reports of mutiny in the LUKP.

The leaders of the four nations agreed that they too would nationalise their armies, but expressed the intention to discuss a better division 'once all this is over', a spokesman told the press afterwards.

Acting prime minister of the Coare Republic Dame Mildred Kerr mentioned the possible creation of a Central-Smalik Defense Union last week, the initial main aim of which would be the protection of the smaller former Bowdani nations from the chaos that is ruling the LUKP at the moment, but nothing was said about this plan after the meeting.

Army turns away from Sky City

SKY CITY, 26/11/316 || The mutinised armed forces within the LUKP made a statement that they won't take orders from the acting government in Sky City, 'which is clearly incapable to govern this country'. Nothing further has happened yet. Acting defense minister Oliver Boynton declared the mere statement to be a 'coup d'état' and called upon the loyal parts of the army to defend the country.