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An Act relating to the Legal Jurisdictions of Sarovian Colonies and Dominions.

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1. Preamble

The New Sarovian Empire is a colonial power, and as such, must strictly and clearly define her numerous protectorate states that fly the Sarovian tricolour. In the original draft of the Constitution, it wrote:

"Whereas the establishment of Colonies and Dominions abroad on separate continents to bear true allegiance to the Empire and Her Crown may arise, all colonies of one or less officially recognized territories are to be the private property of His Imperial Majesty the Queen-Empress. Whereas the territory exceeds one official boundary, it must within five days of receiving said extra territory formulate its own Charter, becoming an official dependent Dominion with its own Government, bearing true allegiance to the Crown. Whereas a state officially becomes a Protectorate of the Crown, the Crown shall receive the official title of Protector of the X People for his entire life, though it shall not be hereditary and passed on to the next monarch."

As such, it is written that when a crown colony exceeds the official boundary given by the Imperial Parliament, it must within five days request its Charter of Sovereignty, which shall grant it autonomy in domestic affairs.

2. Military Power in the Crown Colonies

Whereas the need arises for a Crown Colony to depend on protection by hostile force of arms, the federal armed forces of the Imperial Sarovian Armed Forces shall enforce strict control over the territory and interests of the Crown Colonies. All forces stationed in the Crown Colonies are to be directly answerable to the Prime Minister of New Sarovia and the Ministry of Defence of the New Sarovian Empire, and will continue to operate in all Sarovian manners they are accustomed to elsewhere, be it in garrison or on campaign.

All members of the Imperial Sarovian Armed Forces within a Crown Colony are considered to be on deployment, but will not receive any decorations or awards that have the connotation of being deployed outside of the New Sarovian Empire, unless they leave the borders of said Crown Colony. All regulations, directives and orders must be followed as if they are on domestic territory.

3. Civil Power in the Crown Colonies

Crown Colonies shall, when the necessity arise, be appointed by order of the Commonwealth & Colonial Secretary on behalf of His Imperial Majesty the Emperor, a Colonial Governor of an occupied territory or colony. This Colonial Governor may, when appointed, serve at His Imperial Majesty's pleasure to protect the integrity and wellbeing of their Crown Colony. They consist of the powers of an officer of the peace, and may introduce and dictate colonial edicts with the approval of the Prime Minister of the New Sarovian Empire, in all matters fiscal, development and domestic. Colonial Governors may hold a commission in His Imperial Majesty's Armed Forces.

4. Legal Status in the Crown Colonies

Crown Colonies act as an extension of the natural core territory of the New Sarovian Empire on a different continent, without the benefits of representation. Crown Colonies fall under the Mathiveas Code of Law as their legal code, with the Imperial Sarovian Constabulary enforcing the laws, whereas citizens of the New Sarovian Empire registered

to live in the Crown Colonies may not vote in Sarovian elections. Crown Colonies are considered the personal property of the Sarovian state, and as such, personal property of His Imperial Majesty the Emperor alone. Crown colonies must fly the Sarovian tricolour in the canton of their flag. All heraldry, names and appointments must be approved by the Commonwealth Secretary. Crown colonies may, if the colony is advanced enough, form a Legislative Assembly based on Sarovian provincial law, but shall not be considered a province.

5. Legal Status in Dominions

Sarovian Dominions are, officially, sovereign independent nations as per the Carolusburg Edict, but a variety of restrictions to their movement and sovereignty are placed in order to maintain Sarovian unity and the Commonwealth. Dominions may:

- a) Raise their own armed forces, though may be considered "full time" or "professional", must be Reserve or Militia forces, of which the forces may, on decree of the Sarovian Commonwealth & Colonial Minister, immediately fold into the Imperial Sarovian Armed Forces for a temporary time and follow all ISAF rules and regulations,
- b) Implement their own criminal and civil laws;
- c) Host their own elections, free from interference;
- d) Recommend a Governor-General to the Commonwealth and Colonial Secretary, though this may not be followed; and
- e) Hold all the necessary powers of any Sarovian government.

Dominions may not:

- a) Engage in foreign diplomacy without the consent of Sarholm;
- b) Change their Constitution without explicit consent of Sarholm, or if their Constitution is patriated to their own country, the Sarovian Supreme Court will serve as the Dominion's Supreme Court; and
- c) Change their succession laws without the explicit consent of Sarholm.

The Constitutions of Sarovian Dominions are not kept in their respective nations, but rather in Sarholm itself, unless patriated. At any moment, the Imperial Parliament may vote to modify or amend the Constitutions of any Sarovian Dominion, provided the House and the Peerage both provide a ¾ majority and the Governor-General of said Dominion is in concurment. This vote may not be done if the Constitution is patriated, however, the Governor-General of any Dominion may, in times of emergency, transfer the Constitution back to Sarholm.

6. Civil Power in the Dominions

Dominions shall form their own laws and legislation as befitting their constitutions. They shall either use the service of the Imperial Sarovian Constabulary or form their own independent police force, of which members shall enforce the peace. The Governor-General of the Dominion shall also consist of the powers of an officer of the peace, and may introduce and dictate colonial edicts with the approval of the Prime Minister of the Dominion. Governors-General may hold army commissions in a ceremonial role.