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Memorandum for the Secretary-General**DRAFT**

Subject: Required Actions to Re-Establish Communications and Investigate Disruption of Same with the UESC Marathon and the Terran Colony, New Cascadia, at Tau Ceti.

1. Primary objectives. Re-establishing regular, reliable communications with New Cascadia (referred to as ‘the Colony’ hereafter) at Tau Ceti is absolutely essential. Establishing a dialog with the current Colony leadership or alternately, re-establishing contact with shipboard AI or colony AI. Furthermore, additional action must be taken to restore order to the Colony if the situation indicates such to be appropriate to accomplish these objectives.

1_1. If upon arrival at the Colony it is discovered that the reliable and ongoing communication between the home system (referred to as ‘Sol’ hereafter) and Tau Ceti was interrupted by anti-government elements, we must establish a dialog with this group.

1_2. It is important to mention here that there is a non-zero likelihood that the interruption in communications between the Colony and Sol originated in a possible rampancy event (ref. doc. V-17(m)07427/Traxus IV; 2206).

2. Secondary objectives. Experience has shown that positive action pulls our Allies with us, whereas inaction results in doubt as to our resolve. Announcement of additional steps to provide whatever additional aid the Colony may require, as well as future proofing the Colony’s ability to maintain reliable communications with Sol will demonstrate to Mars, Luna, and our Allies in the Main Belt, that the UESC is capable of providing aid no matter how distant the call. But the momentum of that advantage must be maintained by the timely manner by which we are able to commit those assets.

3. Direct assistance. The repair or replacement of the Colony’s communications array is our primary concern. In doing so, we must also discover the source of the array’s failure. Beyond this we must commit to the ongoing efforts of the advancement and success of the Project Marathon’s original mission.

3_1. Determine nature of Disruption. Once the nature of the disruption is discovered every effort must be made to future proof the Colony’s communication apparatus against further disruption from this source.

3_2. Reinforce Colony Infrastructure. The following vessel and personnel will be dispatched at the earliest possible opportunity to Tau Ceti.

3_2_1. UESC Equanimity T-SR 151. Kingfisher-class[RM1] Salvage and Rescue craft to be refueled and overhauled, with modification made during overhaul to meet mission specific parameters.

3_2_2. Command Personnel. A four-person command team consisting of the CAPTAIN of the vessel attached to the mission, a specialist Civilian Liaison Coordinator (CLC), a specialist Emergency Relief Coordinator (ERC), and the Commanding Officer of the attached Support Unit.

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3_2_3. Support Personnel. One platoon-strength Engineering Unit assembled from a pre-screened list of volunteers with access to 50 additional 2nd generation clones (ref. Ogun II~III or equivalent) will be re-deployed to the Colony at Tau Ceti.

3_2_4. Security Personnel. Two squad-strength units of specialized SPECFOR operatives assembled from a pre-screened list of volunteers with access to 48 purpose-built 3rd generation clones (ref. Harpē M1-2) will be re-deployed to the Colony at Tau Ceti.

3_2_5. Rampancy-centric response team. One squad-strength unit of specialized SIGINT operatives assembled from a pre-screened list of volunteers with access to 40 purpose-built 2nd generation clones (ref. Mimir Mk I-II, Odin Mk III-V, Athena α-δ, or equivalent) will be assembled and deployed to the Colony at Tau Ceti.

3_3. Decommission rampant AI(s). As there are eleven (11) AI in total (three (3) shipboard and eight (8) planetside), it is possible they will encounter eleven unique situations.

4. Indirect Assistance. Because of the length of the trip, the crew and complement of the attached vessel should be prepared to acclimate/integrate themselves into Colony society.

5. WORST-CASE SCENARIO. In the unlikely event that the Colony is found to be beyond recovery for any of the situations stated above, it may become necessary to destroy all surface assets and reassess potential sites for a new colony on Argolis (ref. doc. W-95(t)01143/Project: Marathon).

6. Future-proofing communications to Tau Ceti. In order to ensure uninterrupted communications more securely with the Colony, we propose building a network of self-regulating signal-boosting relay satellites between Sol and Tau Ceti.

6_1. Proposed signal-boosting relay satellites. To be positioned at one light-year intervals. Twelve self-regulating Communication relay satellites transmitting data via a gravitation wave/neutrino modulator purpose-built by manufacturer decided by bid.

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