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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Request for Meeting with Russian Ambassador to the UK

I am writing to you on behalf of His Holiness Prince-Bishop Luke of Kekistan, to request a formal meeting with the Russian ambassador to UK, so as to cordially thank him for his staff's tweet on the 3rd of April 2017, where you made written acknowledgement of our state.

The tweet from the "Russian Embassy, UK" account stated, "Kekistan today, Lithuania tomorrow? #FreeKekistan". On the 1st of April 2017, Prince-Bishop Luke declared the Theocratic Republic of Kekistan, on the 2,060 km² the uninhabited, stateless and former British territory of Bir Tawil (terra nullus bordering Egypt and Sudan) at 21°52' 14" N 33°44' 14" E to which neither Sudan or Egypt lay claim. (Previously on 29th of March 2015, he had named this land Jonesia.) Shortly after, your office made said tweet.

This written acknowledgment by our state from an official office of a member of the international community satisfies the constitutive theory of nationhood defines a state as a

person of international law. We realise a number of persons have sought to lay claim to this land, but only the claim of Prince-Bishop Luke is legitimate, due to your written acknowledgement of our state.

With regards to the declarative theory, on the first requirement, a defined territory, we meet such. However, this requirement is not stringent, because to be fair, the The Sovereign Military Order of Malta has no territory at all. In similar style, Prince-Bishop Luke has established the fraternal order of the Knights of Kekistan. Unlike the territory of for example, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, our land is not inhabited by another state.

Regarding the expectation of a government, Prince-Bishop Luke has appointed a Round Table of Cardinal Ministers, who drew up at his instruction the Constitution of the Theocratic Republic of Kekistan, and various laws, including The Homesteading Act (2017), which were approved by His Holiness.

On the third requirement, we have the capacity to enter into relations with other states, as arguably you have done with ourselves. We seek recognition of our state from, and for peaceful co-existence alongside, both Egypt to the north, and Sudan to the south.

Regards to the fourth requirement, a permanent population, we view ourselves as the government in exile, and in this regard we are similar to many countries, including Liberland. Funds are being raised, and we are carefully planning a visit to the area where we shall plant a flag and seek to reside permanently.

Please consider President Vladimir Putin, Foreign Minister of Russia, Sergey Lavrov, and ambassador Alexander Vladimirovich Yakovenko, to have all been offered honorary Kekistani knighthood by Prince-Bishop Luke, of which you may also accept by an affirmative response with your correspondence acknowledging our state. Please do this by responding to the email address listed above, to the attention of Nick Cardinal Hurley, our Cardinal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Thank you for your time. If you have any queries in the meantime, I will be happy to answer them. You can contact me by the email address above. We would be most grateful to receive your acceptance of the award.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Corey Smith". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned at the bottom of the letter.

Corey Cardinal Smith,

His Holiness's Cardinal Secretary for Justice and Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,

The Principality of Kekistan (Jonesia)

