



The March 1993 Clark

First Clark of the 16th Ziu

1. Results of the November 1992 Clark

As no bills have passed both the Cosă and Senäts, Royal Assent was not required.

The Cosă and Senäts both rejected the following bills:

15RC33 – The National Cuisine Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Rejected by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

15RC34 – The Ureu q'Estadra Sa Amendment

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Rejected by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

15RC35 – It's Midnight in Talossa... Do You Know Where Your Voters Are?

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Rejected by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

The Cosă passed a Vote of Confidence in the Government 0-0 .

Members of the Cosă voted as follows:

Name	Party	Seats	RC 33	RC 34	RC 35	VoC
Nick Kovac	MP	6		Did not vote		
Andrew Worm	MP	6		Did not vote		
Ben Madison	PC	28		Did not vote		
Ián von Metáiriä	PC	27		Did not vote		
Wes Erni	PC	27		Did not vote		
Jack Schneider	SEIRP	12		Did not vote		
Danihel Lauriéir	UNP	30		Did not vote		
Antonio Riley	UNP	17		Did not vote		
Sandee Prachel	UNP	17		Did not vote		
Tom Buffone	UNP	45		Did not vote		
			0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Senators voted as follows:

Name	Province	RZ33	RZ34	RZ35
		0-0	0-0	0-0

2. This Month's Business

The First Clark of the 16th Ziu runs from March 1st to 21st 1993/XIV.
Voting on the Clark is open until the 21st of March at 7:30 PM Talossan time.

The following bills have been presented for consideration:

16RC01 – The National Cuisine Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC02 – The Ureu q'Estadra Sa Amendment

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC03 – It's Midnight in Talossa... Do You Know Where Your Voters Are?

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC04 – The Provincial Simplification Amendment

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC05 – The National Law Act (Rewrite of Article 90)

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC06 – The Talossan Civil Rights (Entrenchment) Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC07 – The Quorum Bill

Introduced by None

16RC08 – The Gangway for Judicial Activism! Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC09 – The FLUNK Legalisation Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC10 – Official National Pastime Act II

Introduced by Ián von Metáiriá (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

16RC11 – MCs are Responsible for Their Own Votes Act

Introduced by Ián von Metáiriá (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

The full text of these bills is available in the appendix.

The following motion is to be voted on by the Cosă only:

Vote of Confidence

Do you wish the current Government to continue in its term of office?

3. Judicial Decisions

Pursuant to Lex.G.12.1, the Chancery announces that no decisions were rendered by any national court since the publication of the last Clark.

4. Prime Dictates

Pursuant to Lex.H.2.7.1, the Chancery announces that no Prime Dictates were issued since the publication of the last Clark.

Ordered printed today, March 1st 1993/XLVI
The Secretary of State / El Secretar d'Estat
Ián von Metáiriâ

A. Full text of all bills on the Clark

16RC01 - The National Cuisine Act

WHEREAS , no other eatery can conceivably compete with Taco Bell for the sheer amount of Talossanity spewed forth within its walls, and **WHEREAS** Mexican food is good and popular among a broad swath of Talossans (whether or not they have been seduced by the wiles of Latin rhythms etc.), Therefore the Cosá hereby declares that Talossa's nation cuisine, inasmuch as it's possible for a country that routinely eats fast food and microwave lunches to have one, is more or less the same as Taco Bell food. King Robert I is called upon to use his lingual skills to create Talossan names for said food. (Example: "burrito" in Spanish means "little donkey"--probably because of the meat they use. Talossan for "little donkey" is *asinét*. So a burrito in Talossan is an *asinét*.) ¡Viva Talossa!

Proposed by: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC02 - The Ureu q'Estadra Sa Amendment

The words "Proposed By" in Art. 62 of the Constituziun are changed to read "Uréu q'Estadra sã" (or "proposed by"). This has the effect of allowing either choice of wording to be used by MCs when proposing bills. In English the new text means "I petition that it might be so."

Proposed by: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC03 - It's Midnight in Talossa... Do You Know Where Your Voters Are?

WHEREAS , few of us really want to hang around John's neighborhood at midnight, and **WHEREAS** having election deadlines come at midnight leads to some weird situations and is disruptive to some schedules, Therefore, notwithstanding the purely traditional practice of "keeping the polls open" till midnight of the last day of an election (or of a month, for Clark purposes), the Secretary of State is hereby instructed to keep a sort-of conventional "business day" where the deadline for any official RT business (ballots, Clarks, etc.) is set at 7:30 p.m. of the day in question.

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC04 - The Provincial Simplification Amendment

Articles 85-90 are hereby redone as follows:

Art. 85. Talossa is made up of Provinces and Territories based (since the law of 1984) around defined geographic blocks called cantons (i.e., census tracts). Provincial/Territorial borders may only be changed by the Cosà.

Art. 86. All Talossan citizens shall belong to the Province or Territory in which they live. Citizens living outside of Talossa are assigned to the Province or Territory they live closest to, unless exception is made by law.

Art. 87. Territories are cantons (or groups thereof) which are not self-governing. They are administered by Governors appointed for an indefinite period by the Cosà.

Art. 88. Provinces are cantons (or groups thereof) which are self-governing and autonomous. They are administered by constitutional governments (either presidential or parliamentary) elected democratically in the Province. Provinces must hold elections once every two years, or sooner. Provincial constitutions must allow provincial laws to be overturned by national law.

Art. 89. No Province has the right to secede from the Kingdom of Talossa, or to pass any law which contravenes the rights and principles enumerated in this Constituziun.

Art. 90. In all things, national law is superior to provincial law. The Cosà may, when it is clear that the Province is attempting illegal, unconstitutional, or secessionist activities, or when it becomes demonstrably imperative, suspend the constitutional government of a Province by law.

Proposed by: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC05 - The National Law Act (Rewrite of Article 90)

Art. 90. This Consitituziun takes precedence over all provincial legislation. National law, defined as law which genuinely furthers the interests of the Talossan nation, is superior to provincial law. In the event of a conflict between a Law of the Cosà (or PD) and a law passed by a Province, the Cort shall decide which law is genuinely national on the basis of its utility for Talossa as a whole. The Cosà may, if a Province attempts illegal, unconstitutional, or secessionist activities, or when it is demonstrably imperative, suspend the constitutional government of a Province by law.

Proposed by: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC06 - The Talossan Civil Rights (Entrenchment) Act

The following is inserted after the 19th Covenant: "ENTRENCHMENT PROVISION. The preceding Covenants of Rights and Freedoms, being sacred and necessary to the defence of our free society, are entrenched provisions of this Constituziun. They may only be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Talossan people in a referendum."

Proposed by: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC07 - The Quorum Bill

16RC08 - The Gangway for Judicial Activism! Act

I, Robert Madison, Senior Justice of the Talossan Uppermost Cort, hereby serve notice to the Talossan people that, in the interests of decentralising Talossa and un-Benning one of its highest offices, I am hereby resigning my seat on the uppermost cort, pending the approval of the Cosà. Furthermore, in my capacity as King of Talossa, and with the apparent blessing of nearly everybody, I hereby nominate Nick Kovac, who served with... with... uh, who served on the Cort's most recent case, to be my successor.

Proposed by: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

16RC09 - The FLUNK Legalisation Act

WHEREAS , in Spetember 1992 the Cosâ created the "Shrine" of FLUNK as a territorial unit distinct from its neighbouring Province despite the fact that the Constituziun (Art. 85) does not allow the territory of Talossa to be divided into entities other than Territories and Provinces, but

WHEREAS , Nick Kovac and Andrew Worm have done a good job as the high priests of their Shrine, and the Cosâ has no wish to deprive them of their personal fantasy fiefdom,

THEREFORE: The Cosâ hereby reconstitutes FLUNK as a "sacred shrine of Talossa" within Mussolini Province by which shall have full provincial-like authority over its own territory (a sort of Autonomous Okrug under Nick's and Andy's control) and shall not be subject to the laws of the Province, but rather shall have the unique provincial-like relations to the National Government envisioned in their original bill.

Proposed by: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode), Nick Kovac (MP-FLUNK)

Noi urent q'estadra sâ,
Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)
Nick Kovac (FLUNK)

16RC10 - Official National Pastime Act II

The wargaming/military simulation hobby has been and continues to be a major activity of several leading RT Citizens, including the King, PM Buffone, Wes Erni, Jack Schneider, Nick Kovac and myself. It not only includes gaming of a military nature, but political and purely fanciful ones as well. it's a great outlet, and allows guys to make use of pent-up testosterone in a harmless, non-agressive way (take note, peaceniks!). It has served not only as a form of national glue, but is laregly responsible for many of the above-named Citizens joining the RT in the first place. For these reasons, the Cosà confers upon "Wargaming" the title "Official National Pastime." Please?

Proposed by: John A. Jahn (PC-Maritiimi)

Uréu q'estadra sã,
Ián von Metáiriã (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

16RC11 - MCs are Responsible for Their Own Votes Act

WHEREAS the potential exists for the unsavory manipulation of the Secretary of State by MCs voting on the behalf of other MCs without their knowledge or consent, Therefore the Cosâ hereby declares that, beginning with the next Clark, all MCs must vote for themselves, and not through surrogates. They have innumerable options to communicate their own votes to the Secretary of State or to Undersecretary of State Madison, including postcards, letters and phone calls. MCs are responsible for casting their own votes with their own assigned seats, and cannot cast votes for other MCs. If an MC will be unavailable to vote for some reason during any particular month, they may inform the Secretary or Undersecretary that they wish to vote exactly as another, named MC. That will be considered the sole justification for MC surrogate voting.

Proposed by: John A. Jahn (PC-Maritiimi)

Uréu q'estadra sâ,
Ián von Metáiriá (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)