



The February 1994 Clark

Fourth Clark of the 17th Ziu

1. Results of the January 1994 Clark

The following bills received Royal Assent and have been passed into law:

17RC14 – The Final Solution to the Dead Citizens Problem Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

17RC15 – The Anti-Objectivity Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

17RC18 – People to Provinces, Again, Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

17RC19 – The Fluvia Province Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

17RC20 – The Electrabase Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

17RC21 – The No Ouija Boards Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

17RC22 – The Vindsvaning Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

17RC23 – The Mar Noastra! Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

17RC17 – The By-Election Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Agreed to by the Cosă 0-0, by the Senäts 0-0

The Cosă and Senäts both rejected the following bill:

17RC16 – (Records Missing)

Introduced by None

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 14	RC 15	RC 18	RC 19	RC 20	RC 21	RC 22	RC 23	RC 16	RC 17	VoC
Brook Pănetă	APP	22							Did not vote				
Ben Madison	PC	30							Did not vote				
Ián von Metáiriá	PC	45							Did not vote				
Art Verbotten	PC	35							Did not vote				
Wes Erni	PC	35							Did not vote				
Gary Schwichtenberg	PC	40							Did not vote				
John McGarry	PC	8							Did not vote				
			0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Senators voted as follows:

Name	Province	RZ14	RZ15	RZ18	RZ19	RZ20	RZ21	RZ22	RZ23	RZ16	RZ17
		0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

2. This Month's Business

The Fourth Clark of the 17th Ziu runs from February 1st to 21st 1994/XV.

Voting on the Clark is open until the 21st of February at 7:30 PM Talossan time.

The following bills have been presented for consideration:

17RC24 – The We Still Have to Make it Official, Electrawoman Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

17RC25 – The Neat Pins and Ribbons Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

17RC26 – The Sophisticated Random Number Generator Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

17RC27 – The Turn Up the Speaker Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

17RC28 – The Bill Simmons: Hack His Head Off! Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

17RC29 – The Vincent and Guillaume Jacob: Hack Their Heads Off! Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

17RC30 – The Patrick Matter: Hack His Head Off! Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

17RC31 – The Frederic Maugey: Hack His Head Off! Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

17RC32 – The Signing of the Oath Act

Introduced by Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

17RC33 – The Destruction of the Last Vestiges of Schneiderism Act

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

17RC34 – Untitled

Introduced by John McGarry (PC-South-West Territories)

17RC35 – The Ban the Obnoxious Adolescent Idiots Act

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

17RC36 – Foreign Policy Initiative: Europe

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

17RC37 – The Talossan National Musical Library

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, February 1st 1994/XLVI
The Secretary of State / El Secretar d'Estat
Ián von Metáiriá*

A. Full text of all bills on the Clark

17RC24 - The We Still Have to Make it Official, Electrawoman Act

WHEREAS Article 4 of the Constituziun specifies that the nation's capital is "Abbavilla", and **WHEREAS** last month we voted to change the capital to Electrabase, we hereby amend Article 4 to read "Electrabase" rather than Abbavilla.

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

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

17RC25 - The Neat Pins and Ribbons Act

WHEREAS one of the King's traditional duties has always been to confer awards and decorations to deserving citizens, but **WHEREAS** somehow this duty was left out of the official list of what Ben can do in Art. 13 of the Constituziun, the Cosà hereby inserts "confer awards and decorations" into said list in said article.

Uréu q'estadra sà: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

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

17RC26 - The Sophisticated Random Number Generator Act

For several years if a Cosâ election ends with multiple parties being entitled to a fraction of the same seat, a coin has been flipped to determine which one party gets teh whole seat. This is not specified anywhere in the Constituziun, but we hereby so specify by adding the following to Article 39: "In the event of a single seat being evenly divided among two or more parties mathematically, a coin toss (or series thereof) will be used to determine which party obtains the seat."

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

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

17RC27 - The Turn Up the Speaker Act

WHEREAS the office of Speaker of the Cosà is currently filled by the alarmingly active John McGarry, and **WHEREAS** it seems right to give the Speaker some token political power to make the Cosà run more smoothly, the Cosà hereby deletes the sentence "A tie between pěr and contrà is considered a rejection of the bill" from Article 69, and adds the following as Article 70 of the Constituziun:

"In the unlikely event of a tie between pěr and contrà votes, the Speaker of the Cosà may cast a tie-breaking vote, if he so chooses. If he declines, the vote is deadlocked and the bill is considered defeated."

Art. 108 (regarding the Speaker and Living Cosà) is deleted, and this is added as Article 55a:

"The Prime Minister shall designate, when he designates his Cabinet, an individual to serve as Speaker of the Cosà (Talossan: el Tüischac'h) during the upcoming term. He may be removed and replaced by law. He Speaker shall cast a tie-breaking vote on any bill on any Clark (Art. 70). Moreover, the Speaker shall preside, direct and maintain order at Living Cosàs. He is considered the honourable President of the Cosà and shall be awarded all due veneration."

Uréu q'estadra sà: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

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

17RC28 - The Bill Simmons: Hack His Head Off! Act

WHEREAS, the Cosâ now has the power to strip physically or politically dead citizens from the citizenship rolls of Talossa, and **WHEREAS** Bill Simmons, who became a citizen in 1987, has not been seen in years nor has he voted in a single Talossan elections since January of 1988, Therefore the Cosâ hereby terminates his citizenship, it being understood that if he is in fact still alive he may appeal this decision to the Uppermost Cort.

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode) & John Jahn (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

Noi urent q'estadra sâ,

Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Ián von Metáiriâ (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

17RC29 - The Vincent and Guillaume Jacob: Hack Their Heads Off! Act

WHEREAS Vincent Jacob, who became a citizen in 1986, has not been seen in years nor has he voted in a single Talossan election ever, Therefore the Cosâ hereby terminated his citizenship, it being understood that if he is in fact still alive he may appeal this decision to the Uppermost Cort. This termination of citizenship is also to apply to his son Guillaume, hom no living Talossan has ever seen, but who also enjoys the right of appeal to the Uppermost Cort should he in fact be alive.

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode) & John Jahn (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

Noi urent q'estadra sâ,

Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Ián von Metáiriâ (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

17RC30 - The Patrick Matter: Hack His Head Off! Act

WHEREAS Patrick Matter, who became a citizen in 1986, has not been seen in years nor has he voted in a single Talossan election ever, Therefore the Cosâ hereby terminates his citizenship, it being understood that if he is infact still alive he may appeal this decision to the Uppermost Cort.

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode) & John Jahn (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

Noi urent q'estadra sâ,

Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Ián von Metáiriâ (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

17RC31 - The Frederic Maugey: Hack His Head Off! Act

WHEREAS Frédéric Maugey, who became a citizen in January 1983, has not been seen in years nor has he voted in a single Talossan election since August 1987, Therefore the Cosâ hereby terminates his citizenship, it being understood that if he is infact still alive he may appeal this decision to the Uppermost Cort.

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode) & John Jahn (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

Noi urent q'estadra sâ,

Ben Madison (PC-Vuode)

Ián von Metáiriâ (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

17RC32 - The Signing of the Oath Act

WHEREAS Talossa has a habit of linguistically-inept people become Prime Minister (witness painful bouts of Jahndeutsch and Wes Erni's inability to follow a simple text about Spanish being "exacerbated by shifts between inflection and parataxis, not all of which has been unidirectional... including periphrastic tenses... but postponing the main discussion of clitics"), and **WHEREAS** the next PM most likely will be the thoroughly nonlingual Gary Schwichtenberg, the Cosâ hereby creates a new tradition and amends Art. 47 of the Constituziun to read as follows:

"The Prime Minister shall be sworn in by taking the historic Oath of Office in the Talossan language. He signs a written copy of it in the presence of the King of Talossa, or a Justice on the Uppermost Cort, and, if he so chooses, may recite the oath verbally at the same occasion. If he does not recite the Oath verbally, he shall merely swear the word "üc" ('yes') to indicate his intention nonetheless to be a good Prime Minister. Signed Oaths shall be kept in the National Archives, to be used as evidence in future criminal cases. The Historic Oath of Office is as follows: [rest of article unchanged.]"

Uréu q'estadra sâ: Robert Madison (PC-Vuode)

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

17RC33 - The Destruction of the Last Vestiges of Schneiderism Act

The Cosâ, in its "infinite wisdom," approved a Jack-authored bill (LC27, 10/91) that, in characteristically muddled language (and thinking), denounced "Capitalism's intrinsically resulting social classism and political plutocracy." It called Capitalism "antithetical to the Christian virtues," which inlde "anti-wealth tendencies and non-ecxploitation of the weak." He goes on and on, referring to it as "Law of the Jungle economics"which in the end must be "continually modified or even disbanded" so that we don't fall into "a philosophy of Social Darwinism or natural law." Holy cow!

O.K., so capitalism isn't perfect, but what this current law does is give sanction to Jack's definition of it, which no one save Satro and Kim Il Sung share. In approving this bill, the Cosâ hereby strikes down LC27 of 10/91, and instead takes no position one way or the other on the issue of "Capitalism."

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

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

17RC34 - Untitled

WHEREAS Talossa strives to be as progressive as possible,

WHEREAS Talossa currently has no substantial policies regarding space exploration,

WHEREAS The major planetary powers have recently reached a historic cooperation agreement,

WHEREAS The citizenry of Talossa is overwhelmingly in favor of space exploration,

AND **WHEREAS** The hopes and dreams of Talossan and planet Earth lie in space,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Cosâ request King Robert I to establish a royal commission to examine issue, establish policy, and offer legislation regarding space exploration, travel, multi-national cooperation and extraterrestrial policies. This royal commission shall be entitled, "The Royal High Commission on Space and Cool Space Stuff."

Proposed by: John McGarry (PC-South-West Territories)

Uréu q'estadra sâ,

John McGarry (PC-South-West Territories)

17RC35 - The Ban the Obnoxious Adolescent Idiots Act

17RC35 - The Ban the Obnoxious Adolescent Idiots Act

The Cosà hereby calls upon the Law and Order Ministry to hunt down, arrest, and forever deport from all Talossan territory, all of those obnoxious teenage and twenty-something morons who skateboard;

and all those similar morons who spend hour upon hour bouncing little bean bags in the air.

Oh, what fun!

All confiscated bean bags and skateboards are to be gathered together and burned at a solemn ceremony to be held on Duce Day, 1994/XV (July 29th).

KEEP THE FIRES BURNING, CHILDREN!

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

Note: Passage of this bill effectively kills PD34 of PM Buffone, issued on 9/30/92, which allowed the skateboarder menace to flourish in our beloved, tranquil nation in the first place.

*Scribe's Note: This Act was repealed by Act of the 42nd Cosa with passage of [42RZ19](#).

Uréu q'estadra sã,

Ián von Metáiriã (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

17RC36 - Foreign Policy Initiative: Europe

The Cosâ hereby wishes to grant Talossan Moral Support to U.S. President Bill Clinton for his excellent recent trip to Europe. During that trip, President Clinton helped to bolster Russian President Boris Yeltsin (who needs all the bolstering he can get!), enacted the "Partnership for Peace" plan to eventually get Eastern European countries into N.A.T.O., got the Russians to stop aiming their ICBMs at us (and we at them), and brilliantly succeeded in getting the Ukraine to dump its 3rd-largest nuclear weapons stockpile. Also, he got the western European nations to support stronger measures against our mortal enemy: Serbia (including greater possibility for air strikes).

While Talossa is generally pleased with the current state of affairs regarding American-Talossan-European relations, we wish to also state our displeasure for the cowardice and irresolution thus far exhibited by N.A.T.O. countries with regards to the Serbian war against humanity, and we therefore call upon N.A.T.O. to take all necessary measures to defeat Serbian aggression (and come to the aid of General Erni and his hard-fighting Talossan Royal Dragoon Guards).

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

Uréu q'estadra sâ,

Ián von Metáiriá (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)

17RC37 - The Talossan National Musical Library

The Cosâ hereby confers upon John Jahn the official title of Talossa's National Musical Historian & Archivist. His extensive collection, which as of last moth comprised some 753 CDs, LPs and pre-recorded cassettes, plus untold hundreds of Jahn-recorded cassettes, is also hereby designated the Kingdom's National Musical Library. Jahn's collection includes some 498 CDs, 236 LPs, and several hundred cassette tapes. The variety included in this collection is also incredibly diverse, including Classical, Opera, Vocalists, Big Band Music of the '20s through '60s, film and musical show soundtracks, military band music, and rock and roll and adult contemporary music of the '50s through early '80s. With scant exceptions (Harry Connick Jr., Gloria Estefan among them), music has declined in quality over the past decade or so, so the Library has little of that noise. Nevertheless, it's by far the most diverse and extensive collection in the Kingdom, and Jahn has offered to record any selectioons desired by any Talossans for free should they ask (the whole collection is organized ruthlessly and easily accessible) Jahn also has several excellent books on instruments, composers, bands, Sinatra and musical history, which are part of the Library.

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

Uréu q'estadra sâ,

Ián von Metáirià (PC-Maritiimi-Maxhestic)