

East Pacific Charter

Preamble

0.0 We, the assembled nations of the East Pacific, desiring a more prosperous and perfect region, do hereby gather to establish this Charter of the East Pacific.

Chapter 1: Government

1.0 The East Pacific Government shall be divided into three roles; Executive, Legislative, and Judiciary.

Executive

1. This Charter does hereby vest supreme authority in the office of Delegate, and does appoint him sole executor of this charter and of any subsequent laws passed by the legislative branch.
 1. The delegate shall have ultimate control over membership of the region, and shall have the power to remove from the region any nation seen to be in contravention of this charter or subsequent laws passed by the legislative branch.
 2. The delegate shall be appointed as the representative of the nations of the East Pacific to the United Nations.
 3. Such power as is granted to the delegate as representative to the United Nations shall be used to further the interests of the nations of the East Pacific; he does agree to abide by the will of the nations in this matter, as shall be expressed by popular vote of the Ratified Nations of the East Pacific.
 4. The delegate shall be appointed as ambassador of the East Pacific to foreign regions, and shall have the power to make such treaties as are permissible under this charter, and do not violate the individual rights of nations.
 5. The delegate shall appoint advisors as he sees fit, and may designate to them any such powers as are granted to him under this charter.
 6. The delegate shall be elected by popular vote of those nations within the East Pacific who are themselves members of the UN.
 7. The delegate shall be appointed for life, or until such time as he chooses to stand down, at which point he may either direct the transference of power to a suitably appointed alternative, or allow open election among the UN nations.

8. During the period of the delegate's incumbency, all nations are actively prohibited from campaigning for the delegacy, and the legislative house is instructed to make such laws as are necessary to enforce this.
9. In the event of the incapacitation of the delegate, power shall pass to a prior appointed successor, who shall be nominated by the delegate and approved by the legislative branch. Such appointed nations shall be exempt from clause 1.1.8.

Legislative

2. This charter does hereby vest legislative authority with the Magisterial Assembly, and does charge them with the preservation and maintenance of this charter, and with the establishment of any laws necessary for its enforcement and as may be required for the well being of the region.
 1. The Assembly shall make laws by the popular vote of the Magisters. All laws must subsequently be approved by the delegate, who shall maintain power of veto.
 2. The Assembly is charged to make no law contrary to the word or will of this charter, such as shall be interpreted by the judicial branch.
 3. Being aware of the possibility of change, this charter does empower the Assembly to make amendments to the charter itself; such amendments must pass by a margin of 70% of the active members of the Assembly. Such amendments must be further approved by the delegate, and finally by popular vote of Ratified Nations.
 4. The Assembly is charged to appoint, by popular vote, a Consul, who shall be its representative to the executive and judicial branches, and to whom shall be appointed the task of maintaining order within the Assembly.
 5. Membership of the Assembly shall be eligible to all Ratified Nations of the East Pacific, who shall signal their desire to join by formal announcement, and who must then be seconded by another ratified nation, and finally must be approved by popular vote of the Ratified Nations.
 6. The Consul of the Assembly may, at his discretion, remove temporarily from the Assembly any seen to be acting in contravention to the word or will of this charter or subsequent laws passed by the Assembly. At his own choosing, or at the request of the nation in question, he must submit such evidence as he possesses to the judicial branch for ruling.
 7. At regular intervals to be no less than 5 and no more than 7 months apart, the exact date to be determined by the Delegate, the Assembly shall be

dismissed, and all Magisters shall be required to resubmit themselves for election as described in 1.2.5

Judicial Branch

3. This charter does hereby appoint as Judicial Branch the Regional Court, and does charge them as sole interpreters of this charter, and of any subsequent laws passed by the legislative branch
 1. The Regional Court is empowered to make rulings on the actions of the delegate as executor of this charter, and to support them or declare them void, in which case they may instruct the delegate to repeal such actions.
 2. The Regional Court is empowered, at the request of the Consul of the Assembly, or at the request of a member removed temporarily by the Consul, or at their own choosing, to pass judgement on the actions of a member of the Assembly, and if necessary to order their indefinite removal from the Assembly and any further punishments as the Regional Court shall deem expedient.
 3. The Regional Court shall further make rulings on the actions of any nation within the East Pacific, and if judging them to be in contravention to this charter or the laws of the East Pacific, may order such punishment as they deem necessary.
 4. Trials in the Regional Court shall be held in open session, and the proceedings shall be visible to all ratified members of the East Pacific.
 5. The Regional Court shall be privy to any and all knowledge as is required by them to correctly interpret this charter and subsequent laws, which shall be provided to them by the delegate and by the Assembly at their request.
 6. The delegate or Consul of the Assembly may, in the interests of regional security, request to the presiding judge that a closed session be held, whereby the judge may permit that the session or certain parts of it be held in private.
 7. The Regional Court shall be composed of such nations that have ratified this charter, and that are not members of the Assembly. They shall be nominated by the delegate, and must be subsequently approved by the Assembly.
 8. The number of nations on the Regional Court must always be odd, and shall never exceed seven. In the event of incapacitation of a member of the Regional Court, the delegate is charged to appoint a replacement with all due haste.
 9. Should a nation being charged by a partial representation of the Regional Court be unsatisfied with such verdict as is passed, they may request that the full Regional Court sit in decision on such verdict, and ratify or nullify it as

they see fit. The full Regional Court may choose to accede to or deny this request.

Chapter 2: The Individual Nations

Rights of the Individual Nations

1. Being wary of the possibility of misinterpretation, this charter does hereby state the following rights as explicitly preserved to the individual nations.
2. That each nation shall have the power of free speech, and that the Assembly shall make no law to limit this, nor shall the delegate take any action to curtail it, save when, at the discretion of the delegate or duly appointed representatives, a nation is determined to be acting deliberately to cause a public nuisance, in which case this right may be suspended pending a full investigation by the judicial branch.
 1. That each nation shall have the power to make such alliances as it sees fit, so long as these alliances do not act against the East Pacific, nor against the word or will of this charter.
 2. That each nation shall have the power to form whatever armed forces as they deem necessary for their own defence, or that of the East Pacific.
 3. That each nation shall have the right to full and unbiased trial by the Judicial Branch in the event of any action being taken against them by the regional authorities, or in the case of any accusation being levelled against them.
 4. That each individual nation shall be free to enter and leave the region as they see fit. Upon informing the government of their decision to leave the region, Ratified Nations shall be required to surrender any governmental roles such as set out in this charter, and shall not be eligible to hold such roles until they return to the region.
 5. All other rights not here described or reserved to the government shall remain in the hands of the individual nations.

Charges of the Individual Nations

1. No nation shall seek to overthrow the government of the East Pacific, or by their actions, to see it weakened.
 1. Nations are charged to abide by such laws as are passed by the Assembly.

Chapter 3: Adoption of this Charter

1. This charter shall be considered adopted upon approval by the delegate, and by popular vote of the incumbent senate, and by popular vote of the nations of the East Pacific.
 1. Having passed popular vote of the nations, the Senate may decide when it is expedient that this charter comes into effect.
2. Upon adoption by the region, each nation may at its own discretion ratify the charter by formal declaration within the East Pacific Forum, at which time they shall be deemed 'Ratified Nations', and shall be subject to the rights and privileges ascribed to such by this charter.