The Novapol Convention

Chapter I. The organisation

Establishment

1. The Micronations signatory to the Novasolum Treaty, hereinafter referred to as "the Micronations", hereby establish a continental criminal intelligence organisation, hereinafter referred to as "Novapol".

Legal personality

2. Novapol shall have legal personality shall enjoy in each Micronation the most extensive legal and contractual capacity available to legal persons under that Micronation's law. Novapol may in particular acquire and dispose of property and be a party to legal proceedings.

Task

3. Novapol shall foster and stimulate closer cooperation between the national units of the Micronations. For this purpose Novapol shall:

- establish and maintain a computerized information system as regulated in Chapter II of this Convention;

- When it deems such necessary, suggest measures to approximate the rules on criminal matters of the Micronations.

National Units

4. Shall be considered national units for the purpose of this convention, and shall exercise the rights granted to them by this Convention:

- the police forces of the Micronations;

- the criminal prosecution services of the Micronations;

- the immigration services of the Micronations.

Ministerial Committee

5. (a) A Ministerial Committee, consisting of the ministers of Justice of the Micronations, shall be the highest organ of Novapol and shall exercise the powers granted to it by this Convention and may issue Resolutions for the proper execution of this Convention.

(b) The Ministerial Committee shall convene whenever it deems such necessary and at least once a year, in the month of February.

Director

6.(a) The Ministerial Committee shall appoint a Director for Novapol. The decision of appointment shall be taken in consensus, or if required, by unanimous vote. The Director shall exercise the powers granted to him by this Convention or a Resolution of the Ministerial Committee.

(b) The Director shall in particular be responsible for the proper working in technical and operational respects of the information system as mentioned in article 3 and regulated in Chapter II. The Director may for this purpose engage employees.

Headquarters

7. Novapol shall be empowered to conclude a headquarters agreement with the Kingdom of Gotzborg. The necessary arrangements concerning the accommodation to be provided for Novapol in the Kingdom of Gotzborg and the facilities to be made available by that Micronation as well as the particular rules applicable in the Kingdom of Gotzborg to members of Novapol's organs, its Director, employees and members of their families shall be laid down in a headquarters agreement between Novapol and the Kingdom of Gotzborg, to be concluded after obtaining the unanimous approval of the Ministerial Committee.

Chapter II. Computerized information system

Purpose

8. The information system as mentioned in article 3 may be used to store, modify and utilize only the data necessary for the future investigation of criminal offences and the future review of immigration applications. Data entered shall relate to persons who, in accordance with the national law of the Micronation concerned, are suspected of having committed or having taken part in a criminal offence or who have been convicted of such an offence

Content

9. Personal data as referred to in article 8 may include only the following details:

- (sur)name, maiden name, given names and any alias or assumed name
- micronationality
- used and known IP-addresses
- sex

- criminal offences, alleged criminal offences and when and where they were committed or allegedly committed

- citizenship or other immigration applications, whether or not successful
- means which were or may be used to commit the criminal offences
- offices, departments or any other entity handling the case and their filing references

Authority's access to data

10. Only national units, the Director and the Novapol employees so empowered by the Director shall have the right to input data directly into the information system and retrieve it therefrom. Retrieval shall be subject to any provisions as set by the Ministerial Committee by Resolution.

Incorrect, contradicting and supplementing data

11. Only the unit which entered the data may modify, correct or delete such data. Where a unit has reason to believe that data as referred to in article 9 are incorrect or wishes to supplement them, it shall immediately inform the inputting unit; the latter shall examine such notification without delay and if necessary modify, supplement, correct or delete the data immediately. Where there is an obvious contradiction between the data input, the units concerned shall consult each other and reach agreement

Linking of the computerized system to other systems

12. The computerized system of collected information operated by Novapol must under no circumstances be linked to other automated processing systems, except for the automated processing systems of the national units.

Individual's right of access to data

13.(a) Any individual wishing to exercise his right of access to data relating to him which have been stored within Novapol or to have such data checked may make a request to that effect free of charge to the national unit in any Micronation he wishes, and that unit shall refer it to the Director of Novapol without delay and inform the enquirer that Novapol will reply to him directly.

(b) The request must be fully dealt with by the Director of Novapol within three months following its receipt by the national unit of the Micronation concerned.

(c) The right of any individual to have access to data relating to him or to have such data checked shall be be refused if such refusal is necessary to protect security and public order in the Micronations or to prevent crime or to protect the rights and freedoms of third parties. The Director may for this purpose consult the national units. A decision of refusal may be appealed before a competent court in the Micronation of residence of the individual having made the request.

Correction and deletion of data

14. (a) If proceedings against the person concerned are dropped or if that person is acquitted, the data relating to either decision shall be deleted.

(b) If data that are incorrect or that contravene this Convention have been passed to Novapol by any of the Micronations, that Micronation shall be obliged to correct or delete them in collaboration with Novapol. The Micronations which are recipients of the data shall be notified forthwith

(c) Any person shall have the right to ask Novapol to correct or delete incorrect data concerning him. Novapol shall inform the enquirer that data concerning him have been corrected or deleted. If the enquirer is not satisfied with Novapol's reply or if he has received no reply within three months, he may refer the matter to a competent court in his Micronation of residence

Chapter III. Ratifying and denouncing the Treaty

Requirement in order to adhere to the Treaty

15. Only micronations signatory to the Novasolum Treaty may adhere to this Treaty.

Ratification of the Treaty

16. The formal ratifications of this Treaty shall be communicated to the government of the Kingdom of Gotzborg for registration. This Treaty shall be binding only upon those signatory micronations whose ratifications have been registered

Entry into force of the Treaty

17. The Treaty shall come into force one week after the date on which the ratifications of two signatory micronations, fulfilling the requirement of article 15, have been registered.

Denouncing the Treaty

18. A micronation which has ratified this Treaty may denounce it by an act communicated to the government of the Kingdom of Gotzborg. Such denunciation shall not take effect until one month after the date on which it is registered.

Signed for Natopia:

His Sovereign Majesty, Reverend Nathan the Only, Sovereign Natopian Emperor, Baron of Ziegeland, Sovereign of the Order of the Black Hole, Avatar of the House of Waffle-Paine, Grand Commander of the Natopian Defense Force, Knight of Order of the Griffin, Companion of the Order of the Rio Grande, Knight of Sullifree, Knight Stranger of the Order of Ronen

Signed for Alexandria:

Edgard II R.

Signed for Anthelia:

Mr. Koen Nevens, President of the Republic of Anthelia

Signed for Gotzborg:

In witness whereof we have caused this Novapol Convention by the affixation of the Royal Seal of the Kingdom witness ourself at Lonenberg Palace the twenty-first day of December in the sixteenth year of our reign. HIS ROYAL MAJESTY August Charles II, By the Grace of God King of Gotzborg, Archduke of Reichlau, Grand Duke of Lucerne, Marshal of the Union of Seven Nations, Lord of the Border Marches, Admiral of the Southern Reaches, Duke of Jutien, Count Kendal