



A Few Words from the President

It's all ready February? Where does the time go? Zooming right along, I guess, just like events here in Molossia. As you can see below our Navy recently debuted the Great Panjandrum, our latest defensive weapon in the never-ending War Against East Germany. One can never be too safe! Not to rest on our laurels, we have moved on and will soon debut our new drone, ready for aerial views of Molossia and environs. A couple of minor building projects will follow that and before we know it, it will be time for MicroCon 2015, the great micronation conference taking place on 11 April in Anaheim. If you'd like to represent your nation at MicroCon please join us; you can register through the website at www.molossia.org/microcon/index.html. This promises to be an amazing event, truly historic and you won't want to miss it! In the meantime, who knows what's going to happen next here in the World's Smallest Sovereign Republic!



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The Great Panjandrum

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The Republic of Molossia and the Molossian Navy are pleased to announce our latest wonder weapon, the Great Panjandrum. The recent thawing of relations between Cuba (location of the last extant piece of East Germany) and the US and the return of the old East German communist party to power in the reunified Germany has brought to the forefront the never-ending conflict between Molossia and that nation. Thus it pays to be prepared and to that end the Molossian Navy has created the Great Panjandrum. The Great Panjandrum is a rocket-powered assault wheel, designed to carry an explosive charge rather dramatically into the enemy lines. It is modeled after the original Great Panjandrum built by the British military during World War II. Similarly sensational, that version of the Panjandrum proved to be erratic and prone to frequent violent failure. The Molossian Navy was determined to recreate the Panjandrum and possibly rectify some of its flaws. Thus, after days of fevered construction, the Molossian Great Panjandrum was delivered to our secret weapons testing facility deep in the desert. After setup the Panjandrum was launched in a spectacular blaze of rockets and sailed across the playa. The first and subsequent launches showed a weakness in the center axle, easily repaired. The final launch saw the Panjandrum get tangled in its own launching cords, dragging the launch dashboard with it across the desert. No matter, three successful forays by our mighty weapon proved that the Molossian Navy could indeed recreate a Panjandrum and thus a build powerful new weapon for the defense of our nation. Three cheers for the Molossian Navy and the Great Panjandrum!



The Great Panjandrum

La Spiono

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Molossia International Pictures is pleased to announce the latest film from our nation, "La Spiono". La Spiono is a spy noir comedy in the Esperanto language and features the antics of several spies and the stalwart policeman attempting to thwart them. Filmed just over the border on location in the US, La Spiono lightheartedly reflects on the current and ongoing cold war between Molossia and our age old enemy, East Germany. The recent thawing of relations between Cuba (location of the last extant piece of East Germany) and the US and the return of the old East German communist party to power in the reunified Germany has brought to the forefront the never-ending conflict between Molossia and that nation. While the threat of East German espionage remains and war clouds never pass, it is good to laugh at the foibles of bumbling spies. Visit Molossia's Bijou Theatre and enjoy our new film from Molossia!



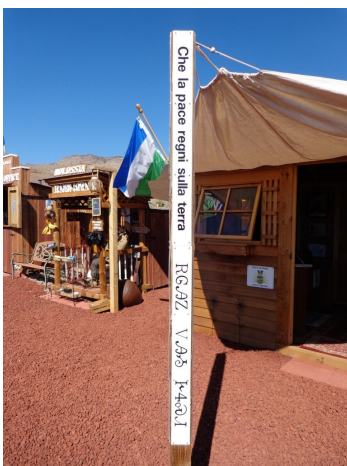
"La Spiono"

Molossia's Peace Pole

The Peace Pole is a monument that displays the message and prayer May Peace Prevail on Earth on each of its four sides, in eight different languages. There are more than 200,000 Peace Poles in 180 countries all over the world dedicated as monuments to peace. They serve as constant reminders for us to visualize and pray for world peace.

The Peace Pole is a way to bring people together to join in a network of peace consciousness that is emerging all over the world. Every Peace Pole proclaims the prayer May Peace Prevail on Earth in the language of the country and often several other languages as well. The more than 200,000 Peace Poles around the world are on all continents, in every country you can think of. They are in simple places, such as churches and gardens, and extraordinary ones, such as at the Pyramids of El Giza, Egypt or the Magnetic North Pole in Canada. They are promoting healing of conflict in places like Sarajevo and the Allenby Bridge between Israel and Jordan.

The message of Molossia's Peace Pole is in eight languages. English is represented as the native language of Molossia. Spanish is represented as the native language of many residents of the surrounding Northern Nevada area, as well as throughout the western United States. Chinese is represented because it is the native language of 1.2 billion people. Italian and German are represented because of the Italian and German heritage of most Molossians, and Esperanto is represented because it is the second language of Molossia. Cherokee is represented also because there is some Cherokee heritage among most Molossians. Russian is represented because it is the native language or second language of millions of people in Russia and Central Asia.



Molossia's Foreign Policy

The Republic of Molossia is a sovereign, independent nation. Our nation extends the hand of friendship to all peoples in all lands. We are always interested in exploring positive, informal relations with other countries.

Effective 26 March 2007 XXX the Republic of Molossia no longer entered into formal diplomatic relations with any other nation. Rather, we entertain only informal relationships between our nation and others. This policy reflects our realization that our foreign policy was previously restrictive and not in accordance with the concept of Declarative Statehood. Declarative Statehood is a cornerstone of the concept of small, or micro, nations, and is recognized as canon by certain larger nations, in accordance with the Montevideo Convention of 1933. Simply put, it states that a nation does not have to be recognized by another nation in order for it to exist and be sovereign. This is the approach that Molossia uses to deal with larger nations that do not recognize us (see our policy on Sovereignty). Thus, it is logical to apply the same standard to dealing with smaller, unrecognized nations.

Thus, our policy is simple: we will be friendly toward all other nations, but we will not entertain formal relations. This also precludes treaties, embassies or alliances of any kind. They are not necessary; you do not need to be recognized by Molossia in order to be sovereign, any more than you need to be recognized by a larger nation in order to be sovereign. If you state your sovereignty, that is good enough for our government, as it should be for all.

It is important to understand that this is not an isolationist foreign policy. We welcome friendly informal relations with all nations, large and small, and we pledge our assistance and friendship in helping any new nation develop. If you represent another nation, please do not hesitate to contact our government if we can be of any assistance.

Molossia's Official Statement On Sovereignty

Molossia is a sovereign state and has been since 1977 I. We are entitled to the rights of a sovereign State, which includes participating in all international organizations and maintaining normal diplomatic relations with all other sovereign states.

Article 1 of the 1933 Montevideo Convention on Rights and Duties of States defines a state as possessing a permanent population, a defined territory, a government, and the capacity to enter into relations with other states. We meet all these criteria. We have a sovereign government exercising effective jurisdiction over well-defined territories with permanent residents, and we are able to enter into diplomatic relations with other sovereign states. Article 3 of the same Montevideo Convention specifically says that "the political existence of the State is independent of recognition by other States."

We are a sovereign state and as such we are entitled to normal international standing and participation according to international law.

In accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, article 1 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights recognizes that all peoples have the right of self-determination. The right of self-determination is of particular importance because its realization is an essential condition for the effective guarantee and observance of individual human rights and for the promotion and strengthening of those rights. Article 1 further states that all peoples may freely "determine their political status and freely pursue their economic, social and cultural development". With this in mind, then, the Republic of Molossia claims its right to sovereignty.

One of the greatest powers that a nation possesses is the right to exercise inherent sovereign authority over its members and territory.

The Government of the Republic of Molossia pledges itself to the maintenance of our national sovereignty, and to the positive future path we have chosen as a nation. Furthermore, the Government pledges all of its resources to the betterment of the Molossian people and works tirelessly on their behalf.



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February Calendar

Jack Day - February 4th - In memory of the former First Dog, born on this day in 1991, died in 2001.

Chinese New Year - 19 February - Celebrated by eating Chinese food, of course!

THIS MONTH'S WEATHER

Molossia's weather is always gorgeous, with plenty of sunshine and temperatures year-round of 22° Celsius (72° Fahrenheit). However, our little country is surrounded by the US and they are so close, their awful weather invades frequently! So the weather report reflects both our weather and theirs.

| | Molossia | US |
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| Maximum Temperature | 22° C / 72° F | 20° C / 68° F |
| Minimum Temperature | 22° C / 72° F | -14° C / 6° F |
| Average Temperature | 22° C / 72° F | 2° C / 36° F |
| Monthly Precipitation | 0 mm | .071 mm |
| Sunshine hours | Pretty much every day! | |

The Last Word With The First Lady

February is here and this is the month of love! I am surrounded by love in my life. I have wonderful family and friends as well as an amazing husband! We show each other our love by doing nice things for each other, listening to each other, being respectful of one another and so many other ways! We don't need one specific day to show our love to each other but why not have another special opportunity! That is what Valentine's Day is all about to us. My question to you is what is do you do for people that you care about? Send me a picture or email at firstlady@molossia.org or share with us @molossia on Twitter #heartmolossia. Let's spread the love!

Happy Valentine's Day to one and all!

~Adrienne

