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~ Foreign Ministry of Salanda GUM Withdrawal Clarifications ~

~ 1 - Salanda rejects claims of foreign interference in its withdrawal from the Grand Unified Micronational GUM ~

The Foreign Ministry of Salanda would like to clarify that Salanda left the Grand Unified Micronational (GUM) on the 30 September 2024 for its own national interests and not as part of

an organised block in the sense that the withdrawal was planned earlier than when an organised group of other nations left but it coincided with their withdrawals too because of parliamentary procedural delays with its withdrawal.

The Foreign Ministry of Salanda also clarifies that Salanda was not offered any benefits by other withdrawing nations such as Austenasia as 1) it had already established formal and strong relations with it and 2) there was no tangible benefit in any other claimed offers such as a new organisation since Salanda made it clear that organisations weren't really its thing for the current period and it made clear its intention it would not join any new organisations within that period, furthermore Salanda was not offered benefits by any other nations too and it would not have accepted them since Salanda made it clear it wasn't part of an organised block withdrawal in that sense.

~ 2 - Real reasons for Salanda's withdrawal and departure ~

The first and foremost reason for Salanda's withdrawal is that it felt the Grand Unified Micronational (GUM) was not actually achieving anything as an organisation other than ratifying more members into it with Salanda's perception being that GUM quorums were not really about the organisation actually taking on any projects or really fostering ties between member nations but just on accepting more member nations, as such on the first point Salanda felt like its membership in the GUM was a bit stale since it seemed like the GUM didn't have a lot of vested interest in projects and collaborations of member states and that Salanda was actually doing more on its own regarding international projects and collaborations with other nations than the GUM could have done as such having membership would not only really do any help for Salanda but could actually be a drag on its resources and that the GUM as such was a bloated organisation which is a significant reason for Salanda's decision to withdraw.

The second reason is the chaos and targeted attacks during GUM election campaigns and it is one of the reasons why Salanda supported the reformist campaign not for the reason that if it failed a new organisation would be made by withdrawing members as mentioned Salanda had no interest in that but for the fact that Salanda had hoped that a reformist administration of the GUM could have helped the GUM take productive measures such as starting projects such as summits and issues on climate change for example as well as building new major agreements between nations and keeping the member states properly active in the organisation by giving them vested interest to do so. Further while the reformist campaign was running it seemed to get very personal and a lot of petty attacks such as nation name disputes between members from Salanda's perspective painted quite an unprofessional take on the organisation which significantly affected its decision to withdraw.

The third and final reason is also very significant which is Salanda's perception of institutionalised antisemitism that took hold in the organisation after October 7 Terrorist Attacks - where the organisation relentlessly seemed to pursue actions that tantamounted to many many condemnations on any actions Israel did for example and putting pressure and in a sense bullying nations with a Jewish heritage such as Salanda to not speak out against it while not

issuing any such condemnation of Hamas with some nations even supporting Hamas and when it was reported no action was taken this as such was another major reason which was perceived in Salanda as the final nail in the coffin for its membership in the GUM as such greatly affecting the decision to withdraw notwithstanding the other aforementioned reasons.

~ Conclusion of the Foreign Ministry of Salanda Report ~

All these 3 major reasons combined caused Salanda to initiate its exit process from the Grand Unified Micronational (GUM) while it was slowed down due to Salanda's parliamentary procedure which was quite burdened during that period it was ultimately passed and signed and sealed into law on the 30 September 2024. There were no other reasons and considerations why Salanda withdrew from the GUM aside from these three reasons, however this report was clarified as such due to recent false claims that Salanda withdrew due to foreign interference and pressure Salanda categorically rejects these claims as false and as such decided today to release the actual reasons on its withdrawal from the GUM in order to combat misinformation that alleges the contrary.