PROVINCIAL REPORT OF DIOECESIS EUROPAE CELTICAE ET GERMANICAE BY DUX CN. CORNELIUS LENTULUS

Reporting period of Kal. Apr. C. Cethego Q. Arrio (IV) cos. – Kal. Apr. M. Cotta C. Petronio cos. (1 Apr. 2023 – 1 Apr. 2024)

1. Number of current Nova Roman citizens in your provinces:

199

2. Web addresses of the main internet forum of the province, and all additional provincial forums that are public:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/britannia.novaroma.org https://www.facebook.com/groups/gallia.novaroma https://www.facebook.com/groups/germania.novaroma.org https://www.facebook.com/groups/thule.novaroma.org https://www.facebook.com/groups/hispania.novaroma.org

Besides these, all of the subprovinces have a Discord channel each.

2.1. Monthly average number of messages in the main provincial forum:

90 (combined number)

2. 2. Average number of Nova Roman citizens posting per month:

8 (combined number)

2.3. Total number of members (citizens and peregrini combined) in the provincial forum:

370 (combined number)

3. Number of those real life gatherings in the reported period in which at least **5 citizens of the province** participated:

12

Natale di Roma, April, 2023 Gorsium Floralia, April 2023 VIII Conventus and Aquincum Floralia, May, 2023 Auxilia Festival in Park in the Past, May, 2023 Romans Longobardorum, June, 2023 Kalkriese Meeting, July, 2023 Carnuntum Late Antiquity Festival, August, 2023 Savaria Carnival and Lentulus's Triumph, August 2023 Carnuntum Römerfest, September, 2023 Roman weekend at Park in the Past, September, 2023 Saturnalia in Chester, December, 2023 Roman weekend at Park in the Past, March 2024

There were many more gatherings with less than 5 citizens which are not listed now, and possibly some with more than 5 citizens are left out.

4. Reenactment groups that officially cooperate with the province:

4

Legio XIV Comitatensis (Project Quartodecimani), allied legion Legio XX Valeria Victrix (Deva Victrix, Roman Tours Ltd), allied legion Legio XX Valeria Victrix Germanica (Nova Roma, Inc.), fully NR legion Cohors VI Raetorum (Traumwelten), allied legion

5. Names of all candidates for the governorship:

Cn. Cornelius Lentulus

COMMENTARII CN. CORNELI LENTULI DUCIS ET LEGATI PRO PRAETORE

After the 25th Anniversary Year, the Sacred Year of Concordia, I am very proud to report that our dioecesis has doubled in almost every sense, and it is the first time that I can victoriously announce that I am recommending, and requesting the Senate, that the subprovince called Provincia Britannia be detached from the Dioecesis Europae Celticae et Germanicae and be restored to the status of full province. I have recruited two new legions, the Cohors VI Raetorum from Regio Noricum et Raetia, Provincia Germania and the Legio XX Valeria Victrix Germanica. a fully Nova Roman legion founded by legatus C. Atrorius Praeconinus. We have also founded a military municipality, Castra Ovum in Provincia Britannia, and recruited several new citizens with that simultaneously. We have even good developments in the previously moribund Hispania. The 25th Anniversary Year of Nova Roma was spent gloriously and triumphantly in the Dioecesis, with much success. The Dioecesis Europae C. et G. had **at least 12 large scale events with more than 5 Nova Romans attending**, which is an amazing result. I continue my report with presenting the state of development in the constituent subprovinces of the dioecesis.

Germania

Germania has raised its second and third legions in this reporting period, the Legio XX Valeria Victrix Germanica (maintained by Nova Roma, Inc.), fully Nova Roman legion, founded by my legatus and proquaestor C. Artorius, in the Regio Germania Inferior-Superior-Magna and the Cohors VI Raetorum, (Traumwelten, Inc.), allied legion, founded by Spurinna Squiria and commanded by praefectus L. Helvenatius, centurio, in Regio Noricum et Raetia. Germania has now three legions which bring the fantastic results as they did in this reporting period already.

Thanks to the work of **proquaestor C. Flavius Stilicho**, we continued to make the Carnuntum Late Antiquity Festival one the most important events of Nova Roma, and there were at least **4 large scale events with more than 5 Nova Romans participating**, and many more with less Nova Romans present. I applaud the work of quaestor D. Claudius Aquilinus, too, who support the provincial events and attended several of them. The most important events of our Germanian citizens were:

- Natale di Roma, April, 2023
- Kalkriese Meeting, July, 2023
- Carnuntum Late Antiquity Festival, August, 2023
- Carnuntum Römerfest, September, 2023

Germania still doesn't excel in online forum activity.

I have personally attended as governor the Carnuntum Late Antiquity Festival in August, and offered sacrifices for obtaining the favor of the gods on the province, its citizens and for its continued development. I have built a very good collaborative relationship with the Cohors VI Raetorum which also functions as a Roman textile dying workshop, which will be very useful not only for the province, but for all Nova Romans in the world.

To sum it up, I still cannot recommend the separation of Germania from the dioecesis: we have now many legions and events, but our sole candidate for the governorship has become almost fully absent from Nova Roma activities, and the community is still fragmented, don't keep in touch online, and this should better be solved before we complete the reorganization. However, I can declare that generally Germania is now in better condition than most of our independent provinces.

Britannia

I am reporting that Britannia is now ready to become a full province: my job is completed here. I am confident that it will work perfectly with a new governor. My second in command, the **provincial proquaestor C. Petronius Stephanus Turpilianus** made a wonderful job, for which he will deserve very high accolades. Together we made several strategic victories in the province which is now a bastion of Nova Roma. The biggest turning point was the founding of the military municipality of Castra Ovum which has become a sort of capital of Nova Roma Britannia with several new citizens. Its commander, the **praefectus castrorum et legionis A. Ocratius Maximus Gittus, centurio**, the Legio XX Valeria Victrix deserves very high praises as well, because he was a key to the success.

Britannia hosted the main events of the Ludi Apollinares in this reporting period because my proquaestor C. Petronius was this year's praetor.

I would like to give a special mention to **quaestor Q. Cornelius Rufus** who assisted me to organize a Nova Roman interprovincial event together with **proquaestor of Australia C. Sempronius Scepsis Agricola**: the **Nova Roma 25th Anniversary March Along Hadrian's Wall**.

The forum activity is satisfactory, with informative and often engaging posts, usually about 60 per month.

The province participated in **at least 4 large events with more than 5 citizens**, and in **several smaller events** in the reported period which will not be enumerated in this report, but there has been a provincial event in about every month. These are the bigger ones and more important ones:

- May 2023 9 day "Auxilia Rome's Cutting Edge" festival at Park in the Past
- July 2023 weekend "Colchester Roman festival," our Ludi Apollinares
- September 2023 1 day "Cork Museum Open Day" at Cork Museum, Ireland
- September 2023 Roman weekend at Park in the Past
- December 2023 one day Saturnalia parade in Chester
- March 2024 Roman weekend at Park in the Past

All that said, I think I have demonstrated to the Senate that Britannia will be able to stand as a full province. With the new Nova Roman fortress and the legion which has a stable set of annual programs, with several magistrates, a consul and many new dedicated citizens, Britannia will not fall back in an inactive period. I see the guarantee that everything will continue and develop which is currently in place, and the future of Britannia as an independent province is secured. As dux of the Dioecesis Europae Celticae et Germanicae, I officially request from the Senate that Britannia be made a province again, detached from the dioecesis, and consul C. Petronius Stephanus Turpilianus be made its governor. I request that the Senate do this before the end of the IX Conventus Novae Romae in Britannia so that we can celebrate the full province status and the new governor at the Conventus.

Thule

Regretfully there is no success to report from Thule, where my **proquaestor Ap. Curius** found even more difficulties than in the previous year. We have lost our good contact with a promising reenactment group, and we couldn't recruit more active citizens in the region to help the situation. Thule continues to survive only as a subprovince of the Dioecesis.

The promising news is that my proquaestor has started the first steps of his own new local group, and has prepared new Roman equipment and other accessories. It is our hope that these good quality tools will facilitate the attraction of new citizens in the area.

Gallia

Our greatest hope in the current developments of Gallia is **Ti. Antonius Serenus**, president of the **Ave Bagacum** reenactment group, which is one of the finest Roman groups of the world. In this reporting period, Nova Roma has supported the Ave Bagacum organization with a very accurately researched Roman ritual choeaography, guideline, enhanced with footnotes and sources: the cooperation proved to be fruitful, and I try to base **our next steps of development** on this.

Hispania

I am happy to report about Hispania that the foundations have been laid down: I have successfully recruited a core team of activists, and I have started the negotiations with the Legio IX Hispana Punta Umbria about affiliation. We have had a number of events where less than 5 citizens participated, which is a good start. I believe I will have good news to report next year!

I conclude my dioecesis report with the repeated request that the Senate upgrade the subprovince Britannia to the status of provincial, and appoint consul C. Petronius Stephanus Turpilianus as governor with the imperium he already has as consul. I praise my proquaestors and legates who did a wonderful job in the 25th Anniversary Year of Nova Roma, and salute the Dioecesis Europae Celticae et Germanicae as one of the best working entities of Nova Roma, a true nest of strong and active new provinces to be born!

Cn. Cornelius Lentulus DUX DIOECESIS legatus pro praetore