

# SUPPLEMENTARY PROVINCIAL STATUS REPORT

Nov. Q. Arrio (III) A. Tullia cos. ‡ MMDCCLXXIV a.u.c.

to

Apr. Sex. Lucilio (II) A. Tullia (II) cos. ‡ MMDCCLXXV a.u.c.

Supplementary Provincial status report compiled for the Senate, Res Publica Nova Romana

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### I. Purpose

The Senate has ordered an out-of-cycle report from all provincial governors with the issue of *Senatus consultum de relatione provinciali requirenda*. Governors are normally required to report before the Kal. Feb. of each year under *Senatus consultum de relationibus praesidum provinciarum*.

A report for the period of Q. Arrio (III) A. Tullia cos. was already released for Provincia Australia on a.d. IV Non. Nov. and advertised via the Forum Romanum (post #97484). Despite the comprehensive nature of this report, the senate has demanded additional reporting up to the including Kal. Apr. of Sex. Lucilio (II) A. Tullia (II) cos.

The Senatus consultum de relatione provinciali requirenda attempts to repeat numerous requirements already stipulated under Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis. Reports from Provincia Australia have already been including reporting requirements against article II.B of the policy for several years now. This report will therefore only cover the months of November to April as required by the Senatus consultum de relatione provinciali requirenda. Information for the previous stipulated months may be sought from the existing report available on the Nova Roma province website:

www.novaroma.org/nr/Provincia Australia - Praetorium (Nova Roma)

### II. Current Citizen Status & Activity

#### i. OVERVIEW

Provincia Australia has introduced a new citizen activity recording processes since January and will now include this style of reporting in all future reports. This process will better articulate the applicable data required by the *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis*. The following data is only for the period from November-March, the periods not already covered by previous reporting.

The province has recently introduced a new website and forum to replace the existing forum website. It is anticipated it will be formally released in April this year. Like the old site, it is not intended to replace the province pages on the corporate Nova Roma website. The new site will be shown in data reporting below.

Meeting the requirements of II.B.4 of *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis*, Legio X Fretensis (Ancient Roman Reenactors Victoria) remains a staunch 'Allied Legion' of Nova Roma. Cohort II of Legio X also remains as an Autonomous Military Reenactment Unit, operated under the same group.

Refencing II.B.5 of *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis*, the current governor remains as the only viable candidate locally to date. Proquaestor C. Sempronius Scepsis Agricola makes another obvious choice for governor; however, as a committee member of Ancient Roman Reenactors Victoria, he is prohibited under their by-laws from holding higher office. No other citizen has yet presented intent or a level of activity commiserate with the office of governor.

#### ii. RECENT CITIZEN CHANGES SINCE LAST REPORT

The following table is only for changes to the citizenry of the province since the last report. For the full list of citizens and reporting obligations under II.B.1 of *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis*, see the last main provincial report release.

| New Provincial Citizens:                      |                                     |  |  |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| Marca Iulia Aquila Agrippa                    | Moved to Provincia Australia        |  |  |
| Decimus Claudius Textor                       | 11 Feb 22                           |  |  |
| Marcus Sempronius Scepsis                     | 10 Jan 22                           |  |  |
|   |                                     |  |  |
| Additions to Lost Citizens:                   |                                     |  |  |
| Decimus Cassius Cato (Marcus Claudius Drusus) | Renounced citizenship 05 Nov 21     |  |  |
| Lucius Iulius Canus                           | Renounced citizenship 26 Nov 21     |  |  |
| Marcus Arcadius Pius                          | Added from discovered archived data |  |  |
| Appius Aquilius Artifex                       | Moved to Provincia Britannia        |  |  |
|   |                                     |  |  |
| Additions to Inactive Status:                 |                                     |  |  |
| Paulus Olympius Gallus                        | Added from discovered archived data |  |  |
| Gaius Sentius Bruttius Sura                   | Added from discovered archived data |  |  |
| Marcus Flavius Aurelius                       | Added from discovered archived data |  |  |
|   |                                     |  |  |
| Additions to Active Status:                   |                                     |  |  |
| Quintus Cassius Messalla                      | Updated from latest census data     |  |  |
| Lucia Claudia Catilina                        | Updated from latest census data     |  |  |
| Lucius Cornelius Ambustus                     | Updated from latest census data     |  |  |
| Tiberius Marius Regulus                       | Updated from latest census data     |  |  |
| Decimus Caecilius Metellus                    | Updated from latest census data     |  |  |
| Gaius Claudius Calvinus                       | Updated from latest census data     |  |  |

#### iii. LIST OF PROVINCIAL CITIZEN ACTIVITY

The following is a brief list of activities conducted from the release of the last main report, covering Nov-Apr. The table below indicates whether the activity counts towards the requirements under II.B.3 of the *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis*.

| Date              | Event                           | Attendance | Host                                   | Notes  | II.B.3<br>Requirements<br>met? |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|------------|--|--|--------------------------------|
| 03/11/2021        | Praetorium<br>Meeting           | 2          | Governor                               | Online   | No                             |
| 06/01/2022        | Praetorium<br>Meeting           | 2          | Governor                               | Eating<br>Station,<br>Ravenhall<br>VIC             | No                             |
| 14/01/2022        | Praetorium<br>Meeting           | 3          | Governor                               | Online   | No                             |
| 17/01/2022        | Praetorium<br>Meeting           | 2          | Proquaestor                            | Physical   | No                             |
| 02/02/2022        | Local (vicus)<br>Meeting        | 3          | Magister vici<br>(candidate)           | Physical   | No                             |
| 06/02/2022        | Legionary<br>Training           | 4          | ARRV -<br>Legio X<br>Fretensis         | Usual Legion<br>Training,<br>Ferntree<br>Gully VIC | No                             |
| 14/02/2022        | Praetorium<br>Meeting           | 1 Governor | Eating<br>Station,<br>Ravenhall<br>VIC | No   |                                |
| 26/02/2022        | Provicial<br>Virtual<br>Meeting | 3          | Proquaestor                            | Online   | No                             |
| 05/03/2022        | Provicial<br>Virtual<br>Meeting | 7          | Proquaestor                            | Online   | Yes                            |
| 12-<br>13/03/2022 | Legionary<br>Training<br>Camp   | 3          | ARRV -<br>Legio X<br>Fretensis         | Milford VIC  | No                             |

#### iv. PROVINCIAL CITIZEN ONLINE COMMUNICATION

In accordance with article II.B.2 of the *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis*, provinces are required to have an online communication forum with at least 15 resident participants. The data provided is of an actual manual count, not averages. Some results are only an estimate as the identities of a small number cannot be verified or checked for duplication in their accounts. The following table specifies the registered fora of Provincia Australia for the supplementary period:

| Forum                                       | Address  | Total<br>Members                       | Province<br>Citizens | II.B.2<br>requirements<br>met? |
|---|--|--|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| ANR<br>Facebook                             |  |  |                      |                                |
| Group<br>(Includes                          | facebook.com/groups/australia.novaroma.org             | ≈94                                    | ≈23                  | Yes                            |
| Messenger                                   |  |  |                      |                                |
| Group):                                     |  |  |                      |                                |
| Forum<br>Domitium<br>(Discord)<br>Australia | discord.gg/9T7w2qVRX8                                  | N/A - channel<br>of Forum<br>Domitium. | ≈15                  | Yes                            |
| Channel:                                    |  |  |                      |                                |
| ANR Province<br>Website                     | austnovaroma.jcink.net/                                | 16                                     | 13                   | Yes                            |
| (Current)                                   |  |  |                      |                                |
| ANR Province<br>Website (New)               | austnovaroma.wixsite.com/provincia-<br>australia/forum | 1                                      | 1                    | No                             |

In accordance with article II.B.2 of the *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis*, provinces are required to achieve 15 messages per month by at least 5 citizens. The data provided is of an actual manual count, not averages. The following table specifies the communication activity for Provincia Australia for the supplementary period:

|   | No. of Citizens Posting | No. Of Total Citizen<br>Posts | II.B.2 requirements met? |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| November  |                         |                               |                          |
| ANR Facebook Group<br>(Includes Messenger Group): | 1                       | 1                             | No                       |
| Forum Domitium (Discord)<br>Australia Channel:    | 2                       | 9                             | No                       |
| ANR Province Website<br>(Current)                 | 0                       | 0                             | No                       |
| ANR Province Website (New)                        | N/A                     | N/A                           | N/A                      |
| December  |                         |                               |                          |
| ANR Facebook Group<br>(Includes Messenger Group): | 5                       | 23                            | Yes                      |
| Forum Domitium (Discord)<br>Australia Channel:    | 1                       | 5                             | No                       |
| ANR Province Website<br>(Current)                 | 0                       | 0                             | No                       |
| ANR Province Website (New)                        | N/A                     | N/A                           | N/A                      |
| January   |                         |                               |                          |
| ANR Facebook Group<br>(Includes Messenger Group): | 6                       | 50+                           | Yes                      |
| Forum Domitium (Discord)<br>Australia Channel:    | 1                       | 5                             | No                       |

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| ANR Province Website<br>(Current)                      | 0 | 0   | No  |  |
|--|---|-----|-----|--|
| ANR Province Website (New)                             | 1 | 5   | No  |  |
| February   |   |     |     |  |
| ANR Facebook Group<br>(Includes Messenger Group):      | 8 | 50+ | Yes |  |
| Forum Domitium (Discord)<br>Australia Channel:         | 1 | 2   | No  |  |
| ANR Province Website<br>(Current)                      | 0 | 0   | No  |  |
| ANR Province Website (New)                             | 1 | 2   | No  |  |
| March  |   |     |     |  |
| <b>**</b> Month not yet complete. Data not available** |   |     |     |  |

### **III.** Province Status Evaluation

#### i. EVALUATION SUMMARY

In accordance with *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis*, provinces are evaluated for ongoing efficacy. As the *senatus consultum* was brought into effect on a.d. VIII Id. Oct. Q. Arrio P. Annaeo cos. there has now been three applicable reporting years based on the reporting requirements of *Senatus consultum de relationibus praesidum provinciarum*.

Aligning to the February reporting cycle of the *Senatus consultum de relationibus praesidum provinciarum*, all previous reporting combined with this supplementary report, supports that Provincia Australia has now obtained **three of a maximum five 'Unsatisfactory' ratings** allowable in a five-year period. If the province does not obtain an 'Active' status before the Kalends of February of 2777, the province will be automatically dissolved in accordance with III.B.2 of the *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis*.

#### ii. REQUEST FOR WAIVER

As invited under article III.B.1 of *Senatus consultum de relatione provinciali requirenda* and as permitted under III.C of *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis*, the governor formally petitions the senate to waive all requirements up to this year's (Sex. Lucilio (II) A. Tullia (II) cos.) February reporting requirement date stipulated under the *Senatus consultum de relationibus praesidum provinciarum*.

Nova Roma was still in a state of crisis until prid. Kal. Ian. ‡ Q. Arrio (III) A. Tullia cos. with the release of *Senatus consultum ultimum de re publica restituenda*. Provinces cannot have expected to function successfully under a state-recognised crisis. Despite the easing of the crisis, the world was then inundated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Australia was under heavy state ordered lockdowns and the praetorium was most affected, residing in the state of Victoria, where the strongest restrictions were. The easing of some final restrictions only occurred in February of Sex. Lucilio (II) A. Tullia (II) cos.

The dictatorship crisis and state of emergency caused reluctance among province citizens to return to activities, or in some cases resulted in some citizens renouncing their citizenship. It seems counterproductive to be under a state of emergency but levy such strict requirements on provinces to meet activity standards. This becomes quite preposterous to initiate so soon when you consider the past illegal dictatorship regime was forcing many people away while conducting a campaign of bullying. The requirements mandated under *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis* were levied on the provinces too soon.

The COVID-19 pandemic killed thousands of people in Provincia Australia with macro governments implementing emergency powers to control the spread of disease. Nova Roma failed to recognise the impact of COVID-19 and continued to enforce stringent measures (whether maliciously or neglectfully) on the provinces in an attempt to bring people together physically, the complete opposite of the recommended advice by health experts across the world. It is not reasonable to expect citizens to participate to any significant degree in Nova Roma when many were struggling to find work, deal with the sickness or death of loved ones, or deal with the ongoing mental health issues that result from long periods of quarantine.

It is due to these factors that the governor seeks the senate to waive all requirements of the *Senatus consultum de provinciis ordinandis* up until the Kal. Feb. Sex. Lucilio (II) A. Tullia (II) cos. Enacting such a waiver for Provincia Australia will remove the three accrued 'Unsatisfactory' ratings (in effect, rating the province as 'Active' for the three reporting cycles so far). This will allow the province to reset and remove the risk of an unnecessary dissolution in 2777 a.u.c. should it be unable to achieve the required goals in the remaining two years.