

# THE CRAFT FREEMASONRY NEWSLETTER No.17 MAY 2007

### TO THE GLORY OF THE GRAND ARCHITECT OF HEAVEN AND EARTH



## THE MASONIC HIGH COUNCIL

The Mother High Council of the World

## REPORT ON THE GRAND ASSEMBLY

FLORENCE / ITALY

Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> of April 2007

#### **Official Elected Officers**

Following the successful Grand Assembly of the MHC the Mother High Council meeting in Florence, Italy on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April 2007, we are pleased to announce all the Regular Masonic Jurisdictions of our Federation that the following Officers were proposed, seconded and elected by unanimous vote to their respective offices and duties.

#### President MW Bro. Nikolaus Ehrenfried, MHC

#### **Vice Presidents**

- MW Bro. D M, MHC
- MW Bro. P C, MHC
- MW Bro. Serge Bouthemy, MHC
- MW Bro. Sean Wilmore, MHC

#### **Secretary General**

- RW Bro. Dimitrij Klinar, MHC

#### **Deputy Secretary Generals**

- MW Bro. Joseph Burris, MHC
- RW Bro. Brian L. Malcolm, MHC
- MW Bro. JV, MHC
- MW Bro. Carlos L. Pacchioni Valdez, MHC

#### **Treasurer General**

- MW Bro. J. Siegfried Tonje, MHC

#### **Deputy Treasurer General**

- MW Bro. Alex Rem, MHC

#### Chancellor

- RW Bro. Jan ASCHE, MHC

#### **Pro Chancellor**

- MW Bro. Regis LLerena Paredes, MHC
- RW Bro. Ivan Pedrazas, MHC
- MW Bro. Julio César Duarte González, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector Generals for South America**

- MW Bro. G. Arisatofanes, MHC
- MW Bro. U A, MHC
- RW Bro. Juan Calmet Podestá, MHC
- RW Bro. C, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Central America**

- MW Bro. R A, MHC
- RW Bro. Luis Alberto Serrate M., MHC

#### **Grand Inspector Generals for the USA**

- MW Bro. Joe Vilanueva, MHC
- MW Bro. Carlton Brigham, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Canada**

- None appointed

#### **Grand Inspector General for the Middle East**

- MW Bro. KN, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Western Europe**

- RW Bro. Steve Philips, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Eastern Europe**

- MW Bro. Boris Oti, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Northern Europe**

- RW Bro. Brian L. Malcolm, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Southern Europe**

- MW Bro. Rodolfo Arrigucci, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Central Europe**

- RW Bro. Aleksander Klinar, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Western Asian Levant**

- RW Bro. Marc BENVENISTE, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Oceania**

- RW Bro. Thomas Darwin, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for North Africa**

- RW Bro. Francesco Lo Iudice, MHC
- RW Bro. Hocine BACHAGA, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for East Africa**

- MW Bro. J. Siegfried Tonje, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for West Africa**

- MW Bro. J. Siegfried Tonje, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Central Africa**

- MW Bro. J. Siegfried Tonje, MHC

#### **Grand Inspector General for Southern Africa**

- MW Bro. J. Siegfried Tonje, MHC





The Reform of the Craft

#### **PERSONA GRATA**

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you all for the courage and determination which you all have shown in restoring the shine and splendour of the Craft we so much love. With our combined efforts, determination and vision on what is required we can recognise what it is possible to do and strive to achieve it.

I can honestly say that I have had the privilege to have met all of you, the best Masons there are in our present time and have been fortunate enough to be able to call them my brothers.

In order for you and those who will come after us to fully understand that what we are achieving is the acceptance and enjoyment of pure Freemasonry. Not the sort that is hidden away by zealots who are attempting to keep much hidden in order for them to gain all and many material benefits. That is not Freemasonry, that is akin to a form of political dictatorship.

There have been three major figures in Masonic history that have been influential on me and not only helped me to pave the way to the reform of present Craft Freemasonry which started on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January 2005 in Convent Garden at Freemasons Arms, London, but also cleared the mist that surrounded some of the more enigmatic developing periods of our Order throughout years gone by.

These Masonic Historians I shall now name for your benefit and instruction and hope that you if have not yet done so may one day soon read with much enlightenment the words of these men who were brothers in their time and are still so in our hearts.

- William Preston 1742-1818
- Robert Freke Gould 1836-1915
- Bernard E. Jones

It was by looking at the present state of the Craft that convinced me that a reform of the Craft Freemasonry was needed quite urgently and it was by examples given by our RW Brother William Preston from whom I took inspiration for the Creation of the Masonic High Council the Mother High Council of the World.

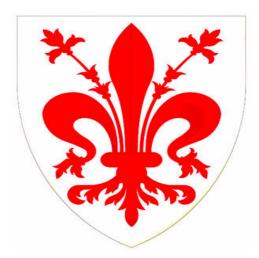
I firmly believe that we have made such progress which many thought would not be possible and by doing so have saved the future of our Order. The future is ours and so let the work begin. Freemasons build Temples to virtue and we will work in the quarries of Freemasonry to the Glory of the Great Architect of the Universe.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Rui Alexander Gabirro



#### GRAND ORIENT ITALY FEDERAL

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## MW PASQUALE CEROFOLINI, GMF GOIF - MHC ITALIA HARMONY

We must always take advantage of those rare moments of astral influence during our solar year, to think and ponder on what we do in life and how we conduct ourselves in our Masonic life for the good and future success of our Freemasonry.

As Freemasons, we must gather together to formulate the important decisions for the direction of our craft. We must steadfastly follow our antient traditions and realise that dates are not just dates on the calendar, but astronomical opportunities to enlighten our minds and enable ourselves to engage in better **philosophical speculation**.

The symbolic value of day and night, of black and white, of knowledge and ignorance and of good and evil is present in all of us and represents a great equilibrium which enhances our capacity to improve.

#### "Lead by example"!

My request to all of you brethren here today, from widely differing historical and cultural backgrounds, is to look into yourselves by observing what you see in the outside world in great detail.

As a consequence of this action, our message to the world will be fully understood by our actions rather than our words. In taking this course we will give much more credibility to the symbolism behind Freemasonry and become examples to be followed. We will be seen to be leading by example of our actions and not just through words.

If we are successful in achieving some of the above it will be a silent victory for Freemasonry, but nevertheless one which undoubtedly shows to the world our strong and precious message of love and humanity to everyone.

With much brotherly love in the true spirit of Freemasonry,

Sincerely and fraternally,

Pasquale Cerofolini, GOIF, MHC ITALY Grand Master



Address of the M.W.Bro J. Siegfried TONJE, GM of the GLMRFA/MHC France International Conference of the MHC Florence, Italy, 28 April 07

MW .. Br .., RW .. Br .., VW .. Br .., W .. Br .., MH .. Br .., H .. Br ..,

My DD∴BB∴ here assembled,

We are gathered here today in Florence, Italy, to debate, agree and hopefully adopt the statutes of our Mother Masonic High Council of the World. The fact that we have progressed this far is a testament to our hard work and bears witness to the successful continuation of our process. Let us be diligently conscious of our work and the fact that our initiative is yet unseen.

We are building an international order that is founded upon a spirit of universality, as should have been manifest long ago within our ancient and noble institution. Alas, even nowadays we have to note with much regret that none of those Masonic organisations claiming to be of the part of our beloved tradition, showed any desire to take part in our important work here today. Our principal Masonic adversary still prefers an antiquated form of Masonry that believes itself to be the absolute leader of so-called regular Masonry.

In spite of our good intentions, this situation has given rise to the fact that we have not always left our metals at the door of the Temple as we ought. Consequently let us be very mindful of the fact that our organisation, from the moment we left this un-Masonic conformity which finds its sole justification in the domain of profane affairs, will be attacked from all sides. Our means of defence must be guarded and appropriate, in the knowledge that we are defending a cause that sooner or later will be representing the vast majority of Freemasons from all corners of the globe.

Considering that the Masonic fraternity is universal and cannot accept the supremacy of some organisations over others, we have become adamant that a restructuring of the systems of education and government of our order has become necessary.

Each of us must know that he has a duty to submit to legitimate and legally constituted authorities and take no obligation of alienation with regard to them. Our vision is for a Masonic organisation which is founded upon this notion of universality as opposed to one of supremacy over many by few. It is the essential motivation that brings us together here in preparation for the adoption of legislative, administrative, and regulatory papers that will henceforth govern the functioning of our mother Masonic High Council of the World as of this international conference in Florence.

Each member group of our confederation will be represented within this central body of England and Wales and will actively participate in each degree and in every process of decision-making in a collegial manner for the good of our order in general.

I can accordingly confirm without exaggeration that this day in Florence, we are constituting and dedicating the Mother Masonic High Council to the service of Universal Freemasonry in it's highest traditional form and that all regular Masonic nations recognised as such by our Grand Lodges, Districts

and Representations throughout the world are, from this point on, united within this body in order to perpetuate a universal Masonic language.

As proof of the usefulness and importance of such an endeavour, allow me to take you back briefly to a rather distant period in history which formally demonstrates that not only has our order been in a state of crisis for some time, but also, despite this critical situation, has never seemed expedient to those who were supposed to embody Anderson Masonry to seek out any resolution to solve this crisis.

I will not expound upon the historical crisis of Freemasonry in so many words. I would like simply to remind each of us and inform those who may not have known of what has happened in Europe in the course of the 18th century when a report of this crisis was made within our very institution.

In essence, the speculative Freemasonry whose cornerstone was laid in 1717 by James Anderson and Jean Théophile Désaguliers found itself, less than forty years after its birth, in the face of a serious crisis. A situation which at that time drove certain individuals, who were responsible for Masonic organisations, to convene a general convent of the order. This included amongst it's number, representations from every obedience and lodge administering the blue or higher degrees. This Meeting took place from the 15<sup>th</sup> of July to the 15<sup>th</sup> of September 1782, in Wilhelmsbad near the city of Frankfurt, Germany.

#### The principal causes of this crisis are the following:

From 1782 onwards, the quarrel between the Ancients and Moderns was raging in England.

In France, Masonry kept and preserved the original flavour of the Craft symbolism, esotericism and mysticism. At the institutional level, the authority of the Grand Lodge of France was being increasingly contested. The Grand Orient of France was created in 1773 and even other rival Grand Lodges were set up, in particular a Grand Lodge called the "National Grand Lodge of France", also founded in 1773 in opposition to the Grand Orient of France, by the Venerables for life in Paris, led by MW Brother PENY. In the German states Andersonian Freemasonry, as it was known, was traversed by four very specific and eventful currents:

- Templarism
- Aufklärung
- Hermeticism and Alchemy
- Subversive: the Illuminati of Bavaria

The convocations were addressed to all forms of Masonic obedience but unfortunately those which are of our line did not deem it useful to respond honourably or timely, resulting in very hurtful consequences for us all.

This is the reason why English Masonry, recognised at that time as the "mother Grand Lodge of the world", did not bother to send a single representative to this important convent.

The official Masonry of France and of the official Scottish systems were also absent.

These attitudes, which are still being perpetuated today, leave unanswered the real questions relating to the crisis within our institution from that period until today, and further justify our present initiative. It seems clear that certain groups refuse to see their hegemony endangered and continue to stake their claims and contest the legitimacy of any initiative attempting to put into place a harmonious and better organised Masonic society.

Unfortunately these powerful organisations have for some time now, been existing only for their own interests with an eye to profane metals and have neglected the purely Masonic aspiration of a great many of our members. Please take time to think about what you have just heard!

Returning to the subject at hand, just let me say that I believe that the choice of the city of Florence by our Italian brethren for this conference was not simply a random act of scheduling. Masonic tradition tells us that a lodge was founded in Florence in 1733 by a certain Lord George Sackeville and that this lodge would be the first upon this peninsula, hence the profound significance of this place.

For our intellectual and spiritual enrichment, as well as to promote a better quality of work, we will soon dedicate within our international confederation an International Lodge for research and instruction. The results of the works of this Lodge will allow us to practice our ardent rites in all their purity, whilst giving us the opportunity to transmit them without any distortion. This Lodge will be comprised of members coming from all of our Grand Lodges, Districts or Representations.

Such is a rather fitting initiative to accompany our objective for a universal organisation which prides itself in the quality of it's construction and behaviour. While awaiting the next opportunity to meet again in answer to the call of duty, in a chain of union even more extended, in the name of the Masonic High Council of France, of the Grand Lodge of Regular, Free, and Accepted Masons and of all the French Brethren, I wish every member group of our international confederation, a long healthy life...

May the Grand Architect of the Universe continually give us his aid and protection in all circumstances.



Fundada en el Vall:. del Callao el 31 de Mayo del 2003 e:. v:.

"Año del Concierto de las Grandes Logias Regulares"

Callao, 25 de Abril del 2007

#### **REPORTE**

De acuerdo a lo establecido en la Reglamentación del Alto Consejo Masónico de Grandes Logias Regulares y Altos Consejos Masónicos del Mundo, nos complace alcanzar un resumen de las principales actividades de la Gran Logia Occidental del Perú:

#### RESUMEN DE LAS PRINCIPALES ACTIVIDADES DE LA GRAN LOGIA OCCIDENTAL DEL PERÚ

La Gran Logia Occidental del Perú, entre sus principales actividades ha desarrollado las siguientes:

- Firma de Convenio con el Club de Leones Bellavista San José para la realización de Campañas médicas en zonas de menores recursos.
- Envío de Niños con lesiones ortopédicas graves y grandes quemados para ser tratados en los Estados Unidos de Norteamérica, en los Hospitales que mantiene la filantropía Shriner acompañados de médicos y enfermeras que se especializan en estos tratamientos. (Total de Niños enviados 184 en coordinación y apoyo con la embajada de los Estados Unidos de Norteamérica, líneas aéreas que otorgan la donación de pasajes y HH:. que apoyan con la donación de los impuestos para los: pasajes, utilización de aeropuertos, bolsa de viajes, emisión de pasaportes, pago de visas y otros que se requieren para lograr que viajen los niños con sus acompañantes.
- Homenaje en Tenida Blanca a las siguientes Instituciones: Sociedad de Beneficencia Pública del Callao por sus 157 años de fundación.
- Homenaje a la Benemérita Compañía Nacional de Bomberos Voluntarios "Unión Chalaca N ° 1 por sus 147 años de fundación
- Homenaje a la Asociación Deportiva Sport Boys Association por sus 78 años de fundación.
- Apoyo al Proyecto Luli Organización No Gubernamental que desarrolla Programas de Prevención de Consumo de Drogas, como plan piloto para el Callao.
- Apoyo a la Institución "Coalición Comunitaria" organización que promueve el trabajo conjunto de instituciones que se comprometen a trabajar juntas por una Comunidad segura, saludable y libre de Drogas, promovidas por USAID y la Embajada de los Estados Unidos a través de su Oficina del Programa Antinarcóticos.
- Presentación de Libros en Tenidas Blancas con la Comunidad Literaria "Línea Eter" organización de poetas y compositores del Callao.
- Presidimos la Comisión y la Coordinamos para la celebración del 123 Aniversario de fundación del Diario El Callao fundado por masones, convocando a 33 Instituciones del Callao como: La Corte Superior de Justicia del Callao, Municipalidad del Callao, Gobiernos Municipales Distritales, Instituciones Cívico Patrióticas, Clubes Rotarios y de Leones, Instituciones empresariales y educativas.
- Se realizó la exposición de Pintura, Escultura y Grabado Artístico; de los artistas de "Nueva Semilla" que contó con la participación del Municipio Metropolitano del Callao y el Instituto de Cultura de la Región Callao; inaugurándose el evento con una Tenida Blanca.
- Participación en el desfile cívico que se realizara en homenaje del M:.R:.H:. Francisco Bolognesi Cervantes G:.M:. Emérito de la Orden y que ofrendara su vida en defensa de la Patria en el conflicto con Chile el 7 de junio de 1880.

- Visita a las 4 Grandes Logias Regulares del Perú, para su Aniversario e Instalación de sus Grandes Cuadros de DD:. y OO:. (Trujillo, Huancayo; Arequipa, Tacna).
- Apoyo a la Gran Logia Regular del Paraguay para que se incorpore al Concierto de Grandes Logias Regulares.
- Desfile de la Gran Logia Occidental del Perú y sus logias jurisdiccionadas en el Homenaje de Fundación del Callao.
- Coordinación permanente con Grandes Maestros de Grandes Logias de América y Altos Consejos Masónicos. Virginia, New Jersey, Nevada,
- Apoyo a la Gran Logia De Habla Hispana de Las Vegas, para que se incorporara al Concierto de Grandes Logias Regulares del Mundo y cambie de nombre para que su zona territorial sea solo el Estado de Nevada en los Estados Unidos de Norteamérica; convirtiéndose en la flamante Gran Logia de Nevada.
- Auspicio para muestra múltiple artística de varios pintores y escultores que se inaugurara a mediados del próximo mes de Mayo, conjuntamente con la Municipalidad del Callao, Biblioteca Pública del Callao y el Instituto Nacional de Cultura Región Callao como ocasión a la celebración del Sesquicentenario de la Provincia Constitucional del Callao a Inaugurase este próximo mes de Mayo.
- Participación directa en la elección del Hijo Predilecto del Callao conjuntamente con el Club Regional Callao.
- Apoyo para la organización y la tramitación del otorgamiento de la Carta Patente del Supremo Gran Capitulo del Real Arco para la República del Perú.
- Apoyo a la organización y el otorgamiento de Carta Patente del Supremo Consejo del Rito Antiguo y Aceptado Grado 33 para la República del Perú.
- Apoyo a la organización, fundación, y el trámite para el otorgamiento de la Carta Patente del Alto Consejo Masónico del Perú.
- Apoyo para la organización de seis (6) de los Campamentos del Supremo Consejo del Rito Antiguo y Aceptado en cada zona territorial de cada Gran Logia Regular en el Perú.
- Apoyo a la labor social de las zonas mas necesitadas del Callao en coordinación con varia instituciones sociales del Callao.
  - ( Bomberos, Beneficencia Pública, Hospital Carrión y pobladores de zonas marginales).
- Coordinación para la suscripción de los Tratados de Alianza, Paz y Amistad entre las siguientes Grandes Logias:
  - a. Gran Logia Regular de Venezuela con la Gran Logia Regular de Bolivia
  - b. Gran Logia Regular del Paraguay con la Gran Logia Regular de Bolivia
  - c. Gran Logia Regular de Venezuela con la Gran Logia Regular de Paraguay.
  - d. Gran Logia del Norte del Perú con la Gran Logia Regular de Nevada.
  - e. Gran Logia del Sur del Perú con la Gran Logia de Nevada
  - f. Gran Logia Austral del Perú con la Gran Logia de Nevada
  - g. Gran Logia del Norte del Perú con la Gran Logia del Sur del Perú
  - h. Gran Logia del Norte del Perú con la Gran Logia Austral del Perú
  - i. Gran Logia Austral del Perú con la Gran Logia del Sur del Perú
- La Gran Logia Occidental del Perú, viene suscribiendo los Tratados de Alianza, Paz y Amistad con las Gran Logias Siguientes:
  - a. Gran Logia Regular de Nevada USA
  - b. Gran Logia Regular de New Jersey USA
  - c. Gran Logia Regular de Virginia USA
  - d. Gran Logia del Norte del Perú
  - e. Gran Logia del Sur del Perú
  - f. Gran Logia Austral del Perú
  - g. Gran Logia Regular de Venezuela
  - h. Gran Logia Regular del Paraguay
  - i. Gran Logia Regular de Bolivia

En nombre de la Gran Logia Occidental del Perú nuestro mas fraternal saludo a la Gran Asamblea Anual, a los Grandes Maestros y Presidentes de los Altos Consejos Masónicos que asistan a tan magno evento y con nuestro especial agradecimiento al Ilustre H:. Rui Alexander Gabirro por todo el apoyo prestado.

Atentamente

MASarlos L. Pacchioni Valdez

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#### MASONIC HIGH COUNCIL OF CHILE

QQ:.HH:. Masones de todo el Mundo

Estimado Hermanos,

Desde Chile, al Sur de América, hacemos votos para que el Gran Arquitecto del Universo ilumine a los hermanos que se reúnen en Florencia, que los trabajos para ratificar una nueva reglamentación que nos organice, y para elegir nuevas autoridades a nivel mundial, estén llenas de Sabiduría; Fuerza y Belleza, que sus conclusiones permitan desarrollar una potencia masónica que rescate los usos y costumbres de la masonería que haga posible proyectar nuevamente el servicio hacia la humanidad, que es lo que nos debe caracterizar.

Queremos saludar y felicitar a aquellos Q:.H:. Que iniciaron este camino, lleno de dificultades, pero también lleno se satisfacciones; en especial al Q:.H:. Secretario General del Alto Consejo Masónico, quien con su fuerza y entrega ha permitido que estemos reunidos haciendo los esfuerzos para hacer una masonería mejor.

Reiteramos nuestro saludo, y hacemos público nuestro compromiso de hacer en Chile un trabajo masónico bajo los lineamientos que se definan en Florencia 2007.

Paz, Tolerancia, Verdad

Es cuanto,

Guillermo Urquizar C. Secretario General, MHCC Alejandro Franulic Norambuena Senior Gran Oficial, MHCC



## Regular Grand Lodge of New Jersey

**Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons** 

The Most Worshipful Grand Master of the State of New Jersey and the Senior Officer of the Masonic High Council of the State of New Jersey

April 25<sup>th</sup> 2007

Dear MW & RW Brethren,

Brethren All,

Greetings and Salutations from the Great State of New Jersey, USA.

It gives me great pleasure to send greetings to The Masonic High Council the Mother High Council of the World and all the Brethren around the world. I am pleased to report that the State of the Union in New Jersey is a strong union. Since we have come on board with the Federation of Grand Lodges under the MHC/USA, we have worked hard to build and educate our brethren on the Rituals of the Craft. We are currently working as a multi-ritualistic Grand Lodge to expand and educate our Brothers on the different aspects of Ancient Craft freemasonry. We here in the State of New Jersey want to be in compliance with the Ancient Landmarks of the Fraternity, and use the ancient customs and traditions of the Order. Our brothers have embraced the new ways and are eager to continue with the new teachings of the Craft.

Our Grand Lodge is currently working with 4 Craft Lodges within The State of New Jersey (King Arthur, Widows Son, Hannibal, and King George. Also working under New Jersey with a Dispensation to build lodges are the States of Connecticut (Exodus), South Carolina (Let There Be light) and Alabama (King Solomon). They are readily building their membership so that they themselves can be a Grand Lodge as well one day soon. Connecticut's Senior Officer has been regularised and is a Master Mason. RW Bro. Clifton Moore is doing great things in The State of Connecticut. He brought to us the members that are now building South Carolina. We hope to have them all regularised before summers end.

Also working under The State of New Jersey is the Empire State of New York. This state has just been chartered with 4 New Lodges with 2 more coming on line by the end of the month. MW GM Sean J. Wilmore and Grand Council from the Grand Lodge and MHC/NJ are due to travel to New York this month to hold a meeting with all those chartered lodges to have a General Grand Election of Grand Lodge Officers and Masonic High Council Officers. They are going to petition the Masonic High Council-USA to grant them a warrant for a Grand Lodge.

There are many things that we are going to embark on this year in the State of New Jersey. I will continue to send reports and updates to allow you to see that we are working hard to restore the traditions of Ancient Craft Freemasonry, and see that they are maintained and practiced.

In closing, my brethren and I send you all best wishes on another successful International Grand Assembly. Soon I will make journey to meet with you all in person. I look forward to seeing some of you at the International Meeting of Grand Lodges in Chicago Illinois in America. Lastly may the Great Architect of the Universe always be with you.

Fraternally,

Sean J. Wilmore RGLNJ

**Grand Master** 



#### REPORTE DE LA GRAN LOGIA REGULAR DE NEVADA

La Asamblea General de Elecciones efectuada el ultimo domingo del mes de Marzo ratifico al M:. R:. H:. VICTOR SERNA como Gran Maestro y le extendió su mandato por dos anos mas es decir hasta Junio del 2009.

La Respetable Logia Simbólica Estrella del Norte No 3 se retiro de nuestro Gran Oriente devolviendo su carta patente

Hemos otorgado carta dispensa autorizando el funcionamiento de una nueva Logia Simbólica denominada FRATERNIDAD, HONRADEZ Y TRABAJO No 5.

El Muy Respetable Hermano Víctor Serna visito el oriente del Perú donde suscribo pactos de amistad con la Gran Logia Occidental del Perú y con la Gran Logia del Norte del Perú.

Por decreto N' 001'2007 de la Gran Maestría se nombro miembros honorarios de nuestra Gran Logia al Hermano Rui Gabirro y al Hno Carlos Pachioni Valdez, al Hermano Joseph Burris y a otros grandes maestros de los Estados Unidos de América.

Ya se encuentran listos los tratados de Paz y Amistad con la Gran Logia de Venezuela, de Bolivia, de Virginia y otros

En eles de Junio visitaremos la Gran Logia de Virginia donde suscribiremos el tratado de Paz y Amistad con dicha potencia

En Relación a nuestro voto estamos delegando a nuestro M:.R:.H:. Rui Gabirro para que en nuestro nombre efectué la elección que mejor le parezca

Fraternalmente

Víctor G. Serna, Gran Maestro Grand Lodge of Nevada



Regular Grand Lodge of Virginia
Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons

April 25, 2007

Dear MW, RW Brethren and Brethren All,

I send GREETINGS from the Regular Grand Lodge of Virginia, Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons.

I take great pleasure in greeting so many of you today. The Regular Grand Lodge of Virginia has embarked on the necessary changes to ensure that the original Traditions of Ancient Craft Freemasonry are restored in the State of Virginia. All the Constitutive Lodges under the auspices of the Regular Grand Lodge of Virginia have adapted to the Ancient and Accepted Rite rituals presented to us from the Mother High Council of the World and are very pleased with the ritualistic ceremonies and contents within its pages. In all well regulated societies it is absolutely necessary that there should be certain rules, not only for the government of the Presiding Officer, but for that of the members over whom he presides. The Anderson Constitutions of 1723, the Treaty of London, the Paris Accord and the Landmarks or the Unwritten Law, set the standards which unite us all on one accord. Our International Fraternity has truly accomplished much in such a short time.

As we received condolences of the tragedy that happen within our State concerning Virginia Tech University, we appreciate all the letters and regards from our Brethren affiliated with the Regular Grand Lodge of England.

Lastly I send my congratulations on another successful International Meeting and hope many of you will be able to attend the International Meeting of Regular Grand Lodges of the World in August to convene in the City of Chicago, Illinois, United States of America.

Fraternally,

Joseph Burris, RGLVA

**Grand Master** 

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## Masonic High Council of Argentina

MW & RW Brethren and Officers of the Masonic High Council,

#### Brethren:

Many things have happened since the constitution of the Masonic High Council of Argentina last July. While the so-called mainstream Freemasonry, the Grand Lodge of Argentina of Free and Accepted Masons is being plundered and destroyed by different factions seemingly motivated solely by corrupted interests, the Masonic High Council of Argentina (ACMA) keeps on working hard and step by step is strengthening our chain of union, which represents the true, genuine and regular Freemasonry in our country.

We have constituted a brand new Lodge "Antient Landmarks" ("Antiguos Linderos") number 1 and will be soon founding another one. We are now having talks with some other dissident groups from the Grand Lodge of Argentina, the District Grand Lodge of South America (under UGLE) and with some other groups in the Argentine Republic in order to amalgamate and thus regularise these groups to the ACMA.

We have contacted other Masonic Councils, such as Peru, Bolivia and Paraguay to begin with specific plans and initiatives in the region. Last November, we received a delegation from the Regular Grand Lodge of Paraguay and we look forward to travelling to other parts of Latin America in the near future, for spreading the principles and tenets of Ancient Freemasonry.

R∴W∴ Olaus Petri, ACMA Primer Gran Oficial Adjunto M∴W∴G. Aristofanes, ACMA, MHC Primer Gran Oficial



### Masonic High Council of Venezuela

#### Lodges members of the MHC Venezuela Regular Grand Lodge of Venezuela

R... L... "Cuna de Anzoátegui" Nº 178 R... L... "Discípulos de Hermes" Nº 2 R... L... "Paz y Armonía" Nº 234

R... L... "Templo Pitagórico" Nº 4

#### **Masonic Triangles**

M...T... "Estrella de Belen" Nº3

M...T... "Diego Bautista Urbaneja" Nº 5

M.·.T.·. "Benito Juarez" Nº 6 M.·.T.·. "Sol de Ayacucho" Nº 7

M...T... "Libertadores de Oriente" Nº 8

#### **REGULAR GRAND LODGE OF VENEZUELA** MASONIC HIGH COUNCIL OF VENEZUELA

#### **Appendant Bodies**

Grand Royal Arch Chapter, Supreme Order of the Holy Royal Arch

Supreme Council of Venezuela of the Ancient and Accepted Rite 33<sup>rd</sup>

Sovereign Sanctuary of Venezuela of the Ancient and Primitive Rite 95<sup>th</sup>

#### **Ancient and Accepted Rite**

Resp... Logia Simbólica "Cuna de Anzoátegui" Nº 178 Logia de Perfección "Al Banashar" Nº 1 Soberano Capítulo Rosacruz "Cuna de Anzoátegui" Nº 124 Consistorio "José Antonio Páez" Nº 1

#### **Ancient and Primitive Rite**

Resp.·. Logia Simbólica "Paz y Armonía" Nº 234

Resp... Logia Simbólica "Templo Pitagórico" Nº 4

Resp... Logia "Discípulos de Hermes" Nº 2

Soberano Capítulo Rosacruz "Caballeros Del Nilo" Nº 1

#### **Grand Royal Arch Chapter**

Capítulo de Masones del Sacro Arco Real "Dr. Carlos Rodríguez Jiménez"

#### **Activities**

Since our establishment in October 12<sup>th</sup> 2006, we have:

Registered all legal documents with official and Government authorities in conformance with the law.

Established and incorporated Lodges from different states and founded the Regular Grand Lodge of Venezuela.

Established different Treaties of Amity with:

MHC of Peru
MHC of Lebanon
MHC of Brazil
Regular Grand Lodge of Virginia
Regular Grand Lodge of New Jersey
Regular Grand Lodge Occidental Del Peru
Regular Grand Lodge Norte Del Peru
Regular Grand Lodge Austral Del Peru
Regular Grand Lodge Centro Del Peru
Regular Grand Lodge Sur Del Peru
Regular Grand Lodge of Bolivia
Regular Grand Lodge of Paraguay

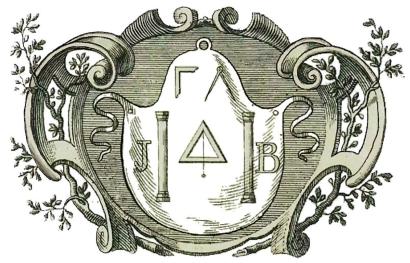
Also waiting to be signed treaties with:

MHC of France MHC of Germany Regular Grand Lodge of France Regular Grand Lodge of Nevada MHC of Chile

Edited and printed all the rituals and instruction manuals in the Spanish language Established the Social Benefits Commission to study and make the entire legal basis to create social programs where our members will be assisted in various ways, the first of which is to receive Corporative rates from insurance companies for the following services:

Accident and Burials insurance Health Insurance Car Insurance Benefits for a private retirement plans.

At this moment there are a many Masonic Triangles working on a regular basis in order to open new lodges in different states as Sucre, Amazonas, Apure, etc...



## Gran Logia Regular de Bolivia

Masonic High Council of Bolivia
ANTIGUA Y HONORABLE FRATERNIDAD DE MASONES LIBRES Y ACEPTADOS

SIT LUX ET LUX FUIT

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To all Points of the Triangle with due respect to the Order, Peace, Tolerance, Truth.

#### M : W : , R : W : Brethren:

On behalf of the Regular Grand Lodge of Bolivia and the Masonic High Council of Bolivia I send greetings and at the same time we would like to apologise for our absence at the International Conference. The Regular Grand Lodge of Bolivia is privileged to be able to direct these few brief lines to the high dignitaries assembled at this Grand Conference and to pledge our support to all decisions and agreements that will fortify the Confederation of Regular Freemasonry throughout the world.

The Regular Grand Lodge of Bolivia has empowered Right Worshipful Brother Rui Gabirro to represent us and have given him the authority to act on behalf of the Masonic High Council of Bolivia and the Regular Great Lodge of Bolivia.

We take great pleasure in informing you that brethren of the Regular Grand Lodge of Bolivia have relocated to the city of Tucumán in Argentina and they have already requested permission to establish a Lodge. In the next week or so we will make contact with the brethren of the Masonic High Council of Argentina to coordinate the corresponding actions.

Today we also want to congratulate and to thank Right worshipful Bro Rui Gabirro for his invaluable work for the good and benefit of our Order and above all, the wonderful support that Bolivian Masonry has received from him.

Valley of Santa Cruz, Bolivia, Saturday 28th of April, 2007

Fraternally,

M∴W∴ Osvaldo Ulloa Peña

**Grand Master** 

Regular Grand Lodge of Bolivia

R∴W∴/Luis Serrate Mi

Grand Secretary

**Regular Grand Lodge of Bolivia** 



## The Masonic High Council of Germany

The development of Regular Freemasons in Germany in accordance with the antient traditions followed by the International Federation of Regular Grand Lodges has been quite slow. The established Freemasonry in Germany which has only 13.000 Freemasons in a country of over 80 million, has for decades been itself split by differing ideals of what Freemasonry should be, and the United Grand Lodges of Germany consists of three German Grand Lodges and two cuckoo-style English speaking so called Grand Lodges, mainly US and British military dominated, have been suffering a drastic reduction in membership, a pronounced drop in general standards and an immense amount of political in-fighting better suited to a government chamber than a Masonic Grand Lodge!

Members are turning towards our form of thinking about antient Freemasonry but are unfortunately afraid of the intimidation and threats heaped upon them by the leaders who are seemingly more afraid of losing their status throughout Europe, rather than trying to live and support the true Masonic ideal.

We at the Masonic High Council of Germany will continue to observe the situation and inform you all of further developments in Germany.

Berlin 25<sup>th</sup> April 2007

Kind fraternal regards to you all,

RW Bro Brian L. Malcolm

Grand Inspector General for Northern Europe



## Alto Consejo Masónico de Grandes Maestros Para la Republica del Perú

Nuevo Concierto de las Grandes Logias Regulares del Mundo



Los Grandes Maestros de las Grandes Logias Regulares del Perú, se complacen en saludar a los MM:.RR:.HH:. Grandes Maestros de las Grandes Logias que conforman el Concierto Masónico de Grandes Logias Regulares del Mundo y a los MM:.RR:.HH:. Presidentes y Grandes Oficiales de los "Altos Consejos Masónicos" y hace votos para que la Gran Asamblea Anual de Florencia Italia colme las expectativas de la Integración de la Masonería Regular en los cinco continentes.



En la seguridad que el GADU proporcionara la luz a cada uno de los asistentes a nuestra Gran Asamblea y que los acuerdos que se aprueben sean para fomentar la Unión de nuestra Augusta Orden, desarrollando los sentimientos de fraternidad, al saber a ciencia cierta que en os cinco continentes tenemos hermanos nuestros con una masonería que se encuentra esparcida sobre toda la superficie de la Tierra concientes que el Sol siempre estará en su meridiano con respecto a la Francmasonería.



Con nuestros reiterados agradecimientos a la Gran Logia Regular de Inglaterra por las facilidades otorgadas para fomentar la fraternal relación entre las Grandes Logias integrantes del Concierto de Grandes Logias Regulares del Mundo; a su Secretario General Ilustre H:. Rui Alexander Gabirro y a las autoridades masónicas del Alto Consejo Masónico Madre de la Masonería Regular del Mundo.

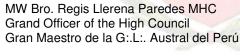
#### Fraternalmente



MW Bro. Carlos L. Pacchioni Valdez, MHC Grand Officer of the High Council President Gran Maestro de la G:.L:.Occidental del Perú



MW Bro. José Santiago Huamán Delgado, MHC Grand Officer of the High Council Gran Maestro de la G:.L:. del Norte del Perú





MW Bro. Juan Manuel Velásquez Calderón, MHC Grand Officer of the High Council Gran Maestro de la G:.L.. del Sur del Perú

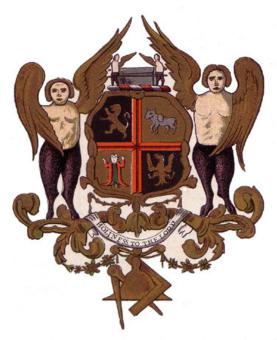
MW Bro. Pedro Baldeón Samaniego, MHC Grand Officer of the High Council Gran Maestro de la G:.L.. del Centro del Perú



#### **MASONIC HIGH COUNCIL OF BRAZIL**

MW & RW Brethren, Officers of the MHC the Mother High Council of the World and Brethren: We should like to heartily congratulate our Brazilian Brethren on the, constituting their new Masonic Triangles in the State of Sao Paulo in Brazil.

The Masonic Triangle "Cruzeiro do Sul" in the Orient of the City of Jundiaí in the State of Sao Paulo. This Masonic Triangle has taken up the working methods of Regular Craft Freemasonry in Brazil.

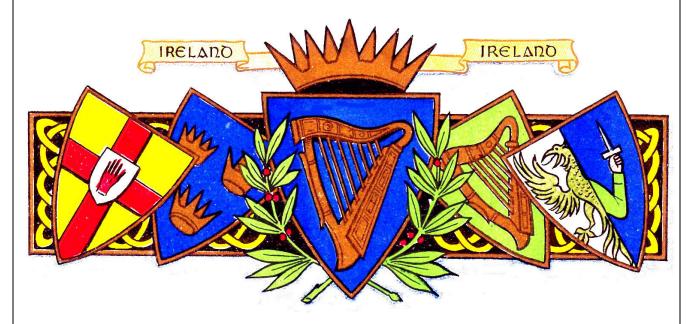


#### **Regular Grand Lodge of England**

MW & RW Grand Officers, Officers of the MHC the Mother High Council of the World and Brethren: We should like to heartily congratulate our Brethren on the, constituting of their two new Craft Lodges in England.

Westminster Lodge No.2 England

#### **Prince Bishop Lodge No.3 England**



#### MASONIC HIGH COUNCIL OF IRELAND

MW & RW Grand Officers, Officers of the MHC the Mother High Council of the World and Brethren: We should like to heartily congratulate our English Brethren on the, help and assistance in the preparation for the consecration of the first Craft Lodge in the City of Dublin, Ireland.



#### **Masonic High Council of Lebanon**

MW & RW Grand Officers, Officers of the MHC the Mother High Council of the World and Brethren: We should like to heartily congratulate our Lebanese Brethren on the, constituting their new Craft Lodge in the City of Baalbek.

Heliopollis Lodge No. 4

#### $T \cdot \cdot G \cdot A \cdot \cdot O \cdot \cdot T \cdot \cdot U \cdot \cdot$

## Thrice salutation to all our beloved brethren attending the grand assembly, From the Land of the Cedars the birth place of Hiram Abif.

LONDON LODGE, KING SOLOMON LODGE, WISDOM LODGE, HELLIOPOLIS LODGE and all Brethren members of the Middle East Jurisdiction.

Your Lebanese Brethrens would like to invite you to participate in a Masonic Tour organized by the Regular Grand Lodge of Lebanon which is working under the auspices of MHC to visit sites that were built by the hands of the fellow craftsmen under the management and wisdom of their Masters and made out of them a mobile home for the Spirit of T.G.A.O.T.U. The tour will start in Tyre and its Citadel, to the City of Sun Baalbek, to the Fortress of Sidon and the shores of Beirut, the Mother of Laws, until we reach the old Souks of Tripoli. On our way, we will pass through Byblos, the cradle of the alphabet, in addition to many other ancient sites.

Your brethrens who are spread in all these locations are looking forward to meet you in their/yours country. But most importantly, your Lebanese brethrens invite you to participate in building a memorial arch for the tomb of our Father and Grandmaster Hiram Abiff, the builder of King Solomon Temple. This is a respectful gesture for the Spirit of T : G : A : O : T : U : that is embraced in Him.

This tomb faces some negligence in its site south of Lebanon. The Lebanese Brethrens have decided to take the initiative and prepared studies and maps as a modest attempt to revive this great place so that it becomes in the near future the brightest star on the map of Masonic pilgrimage all over the world and as a place for Freemason meetings.

Your Brethrens in Lebanon are grateful and are looking forward to your opinions and suggestions. For information on the Masonic Tour of Lebanon Phone: +961 3 956450 Email: mhclebanon@gmail.com

Khaled Nachabe, MHC Senior Grand Officer

#### **MASONIC POEM**

To all my Brethren

Earth's sky is blue and foam plenty as white, for us all created and happy smiling bright, Wind as it blows, and twinkling stars at night, Grey winter comes... sun and moon runs... and spring comes again, But when smoke gets dancing, drops of life falling feeding everywhere To mother of all... nature comes singing and praying Over our ancient Angle and Compass....we swear... waiting Gods merciful sight, its to build the glory of us, man and nature... and when creation happened and as fog released... the whitey brightly light was created and human came to see one crystal melody It's our geometrical masonry free...our fraternity, so happy extremely be and what best seek to do, Mountains like little stones and skies get to shrink, Will gets strong.., hope gets stronger.., nature gets older... gets wiser... and get to know.... Brethren of MHC we do belong to you.

> Yours, RW Brother S.Tatari Master of Ceremonies

London Lodge No.1 Regular Grand Lodge of Lebanon



T ... T ... G ... O ... T ... G ... A ... O ... T ... U ...

Dear MW, RW and W Brethren of the Masonic High Council the Mother High Council,

We, Brethren of the Regular Grand Lodge of Lebanon and the Masonic High Council for the Middle East We are honoured that we are here present today to attend this most fraternal and successful Grand Assembly here in Florence Italy, I wish to transmit to you all the many thanks to the Brethren who made this event possible, we are most impressed not only with the quality of the Brethren we have meet but also the great hospitality and Brotherly love shown to us. I have reason to say that this is a family of true Brothers we are a Family of Brothers in the Bounds of the Craft.

Our Lodges that work in the Middle East are evidence that true and honest Masonry leads to progress and development.

Our Lodge are located in:

#### **LEBANON**

LONDON LODGE No.1, KING SOLOMON LODGE No.2, WISDOM LODGE No.3 HELIOPOLLIS No.4

#### **EGYPT**

LUXOR LODGE No.1

#### **QATAR**

GOLDEN HAWK LODGE No.1

We have established working groups in SAUDIA ARABIA, SYRIA, JORDAN, and contacts are being established in other countries which will be ad to this list of countries soon.

Brethren, without the true and honest support of our beloved Brother Rui A. Gabirro and also the hard work of all and every one of you by dear Brethren, none of this could have been achieved.

I, and on behalf of every member of the MHC of the Middle East wish to thank our RW Bro. Rui for all the help and support he has given to this our Great Masonic International Federation and to me, and thank you my Brethren for electing me to this respectable office, I ask the G.A.O.T.U. to help me in this new responsibilities you have elected me to, I wish you all votes of progress and success in each one of your Masonic Jurisdictions.

Sincerely and Fraternally

KHALED NACHABE, RGLL, MHC Grand Inspector for the Middle East



**Important News** 

Dear Brethren,

Our Grand Secretary's staffs are working hard to ensure that this newsletter is prepared and sent out to all of you on a regular basis. We urge you all to send in all items which you may feel are of interest to the thousands of brethren who receive this newsletter. Although we cannot always guarantee to include it we can certainly promise not to if you do not send it! Although we will not publish your name if you do not wish us to, please let us know who it is from.

We look forward to receiving many of your items.

#### From the staff of the Office of the Grand Secretary, Regular Grand Lodge of England

All enquiries, submissions and articles should be sent to the attention of the:

#### Secretary General Masonic High Council

e-mail: masoniccouncil@gmail.com

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