



## PROPOSED OUTLINES FOR THE CONSTITUTION OF THE LUNAR UNION

1. A democratic society, based on a free market economy, with freedom of speech and religion and void of racial discrimination. The official language will be English, its currency the Lunar (symbol: ₰ ) and its flag:



The white "snowflake" symbolizes the top view of a habitat module, as shown on the LU web site, the black background symbolizes space, the blue ribbon People from Earth (the blue planet) and the laurels stand for peace and progress.

(other designs may be proposed)

### Limitations

- a) As the availability of energy and the use of it will be limited for decades ahead, if not permanently, due to the vacuum conditions on Luna, a LUNAR Energy & Resources Authority (LERA) will have to control the distribution of energy as to what purposes used, thus limiting free enterprize where needed.
  - b) Freedom of speach excludes the spreading of hatred and agitation against others, also and in specific when based on religious grounds. Violaters will be deported back to Earth and banned for life to ever return to Luna.
  - c) Freedom of religion is as to its practice confined within the private walls of homes, privately financed houses of worship and schools (public schools are free, fully state financed). In no way is any religion allowed to put its mark on society. In consequence, all legislation is void of religious words and expressions.
2. A non-politicial and non-violence society.

### Specifications

- a) There are no traditional ideologies in the political system, nor any such political parties. The government is led by a chosen President for a certain term, who appoints his/hers Department Secretaries, all being professionals in their fields, and who has all the legislative and executive power, as long as a certain parliamentary majority does not excercise a veto in whatever matters. This parliament exists of a certain number of chosen representatives of and by the Citizens of Luna. The Citizens of Luna are all who have joined the Lunar Union, even long before it has become active in Space and on the Moon. As such, the Lunar Government will be in function also long before that time, formed on Earth and recognized by all countries (or the UN) - this is our task today to achieve in our respective countries. Hence, the LU must be a Global Organization first, long before it effectively can take possession of the Moon.
- b) Weapons, defined as devices that are designed for the sole purpose to kill people, are banned on Luna. There will thus also be no military presence on Luna. Whoever brings a weapon to Luna, or uses a tool as a weapon, will be sent back to Earth. There will be no prisons on Luna either. Convicted criminals will be deported to Earth for a certain time, may it be months, years, or for life.

### 3 The Lunar Union guarantees all citizens living on Luna:

- a) Free medical care. Nobody has to suffer beyond what medical science can prevent.
- b) Free education to any level. Luna will have its own competence on all levels.
- c) Appropriate living accommodation. This is imperative by the vacuum condition on Luna anyway, nobody could survive in a "slum" and so there are none.
- d) A minimum income, regardless gender and professional background. Whoever cannot earn up to this minimum income, may it be because of sickness, unemployment, or by whatever other reasonable(!) cause, will get the difference paid out. The whole amount will be paid out when retirement age is reached, regardless one's gender, financial and/or professional status - there are no other social benefits on Luna. Those who would try to abuse the system, the "parasites", will be permanently sent back to Earth (even when born on Luna!).

### 4 The financial system

- a) Speculation money basically is "air money" and as such highly inflatory. Real money is what results from human activity, not from what Nature provides for free, such as land. Also natural resources have no value of their own, but first when human activity makes them available for use. Therefore land cannot be owned by juridical persons, but the use of it is assigned by the Land Authority of Luna (LAL) to enterprizers and developers applying for it on a first come basis. Once assigned, the right of usage remains as long as the purpose of usage doesn't change and the usage continuous. Immobilities, such as fixed installations, buildings, etc, are of course private property and can be traded - the land assignment will then go over to the new owner(s), against an official registration fee only.
- b) Stockmarkets, where huge amounts of money simply disappear into and reappear out of nothing, fully out of control, will not be allowed on Luna. This is all "air money", causing inflation and economic crises of the kind we observe today world-wide. Companies can issue shares to attract investment capital, but the Business Authority of Luna (BAL) sets the price of them, based on an economic evaluation of the issuing companies - no more speculation disasters!
- c) The Revenue Authority of Luna (RAL) collects taxes in a percentage of the trade value of products and enterprizes. These values are set by the market and are well known, not leaving any room for manipulation (evasion) of corporate income taxes otherwise. Considering that as good as all Lunar products will have no competition from Earth bound products, this revenue tax ought to be enough to run the Lunar Society, to build and maintain its infra-structure, so personal income tax on wages may not be needed, or will be very low.

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So far as to present. Please use the discussion forum in the yahoo LU group to propose changes, extensions and ammendments. Create polls to vote for them by the members of the group.