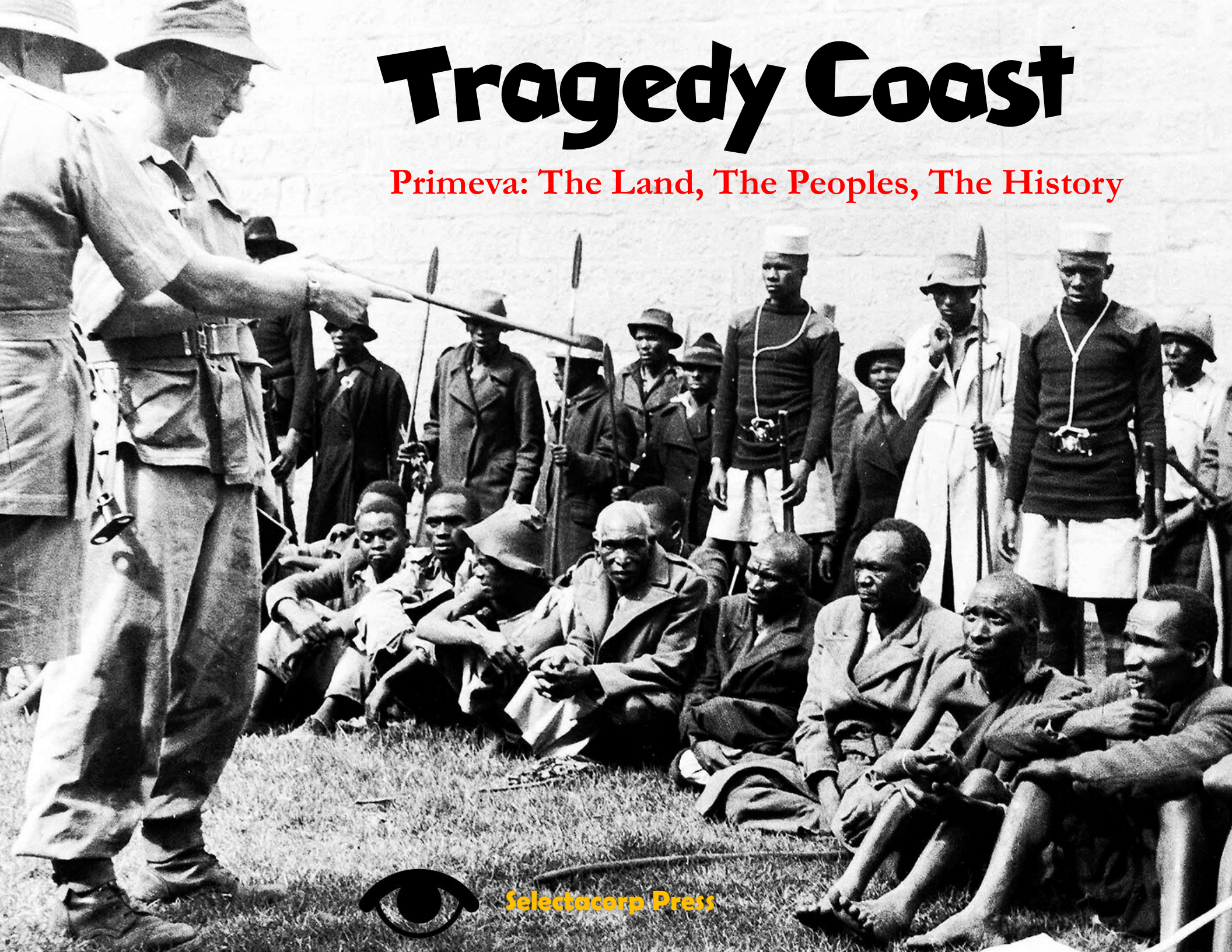


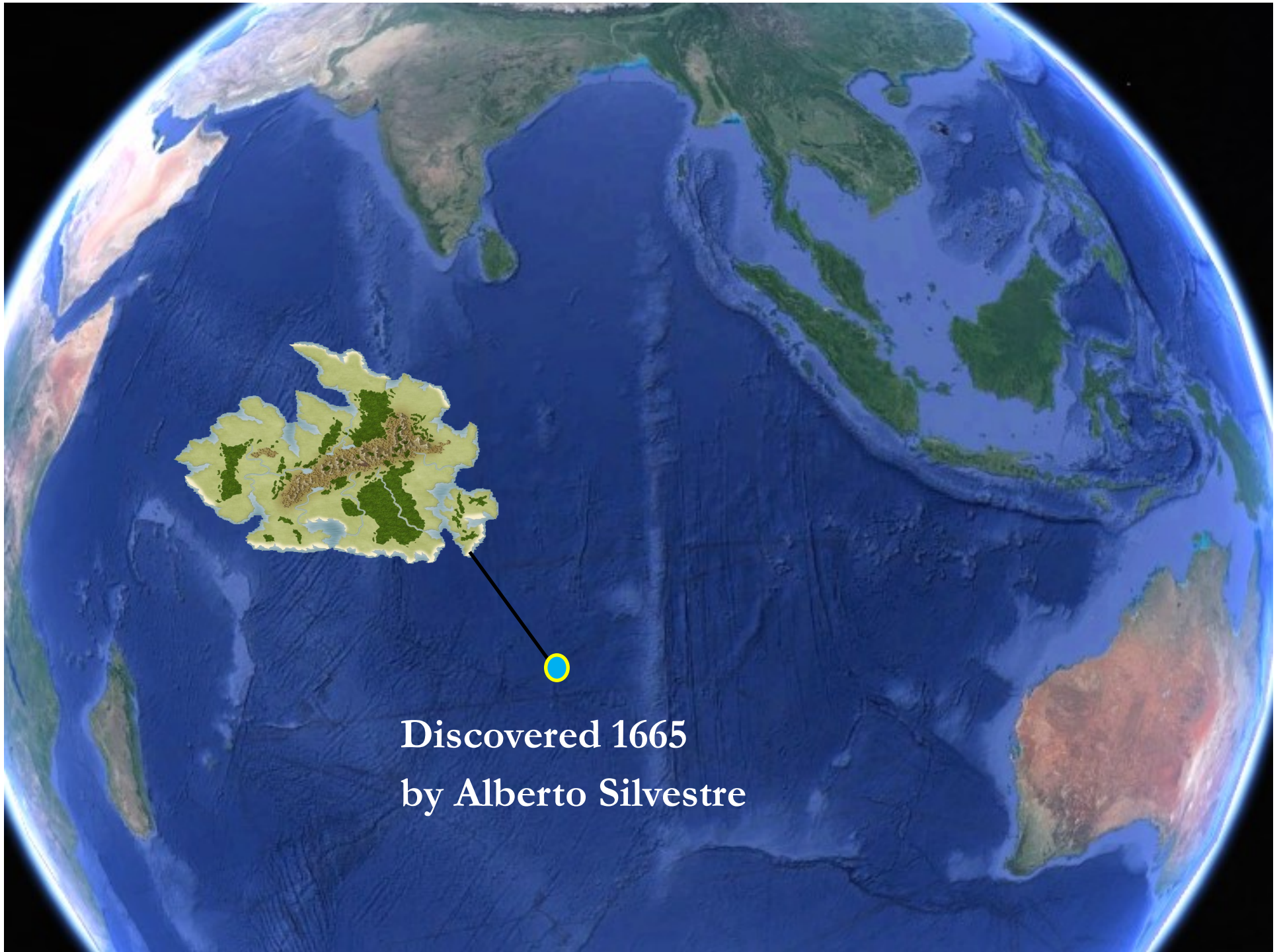
# Tragedy Coast

Primeva: The Land, The Peoples, The History



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Discovered 1665  
by Alberto Silvestre

# “Happy Little Accident”- The Discovery of Primeva

The Portuguese expedition might have swept past Primeva in 1665 while skirting of the Star Fish Islands if it hadn't been for the keen eye of Alberto Silvestre, First Mate of the Esmeralda. Most of the island group was made up of mere atolls and the occasional dry rock surface. The three ship convoy had been desperate for fresh water and the man who sighted land was promised a gold Real. Once the relieved crews had landed and refreshed their cisterns on what is now known as Infinity Bay, the captain of the expedition, Bruno Lobo, promptly proclaimed his find as Queen Catherine Land, in honour of the reigning Queen of Portugal. Later, as the expedition came into

contact with a group of Polynesian fishermen, they shared their discovery with them over shared barramundi and hardtack. The Polynesians informed them they had known of the island for hundreds of years as Primeva, or “Happy Little Accident” in their tongue. The appropriateness of their name impressed the crew and when the Captain Lobo reported to the details of his voyage with the Royal Admiralty, it was Primeva that he reported as having discovered—poor Queen Catherine had lost her island even without knowing of it!



# Early Settlement & The Danish Claim

Located far to the south of the major trading routes between Africa, India and Asia, Primeva was rarely visited. While nominally claimed by Portugal, the island wasn't even considered important enough a find by mapmakers to even include it in their work for another decade. There's no evidence to suggest the Crown ever considered a return visit, if only to ceremonially plant a flag and leave. The island, while reported as temperate and abundant in fresh water, fruit and game, offered no gold or silver and was too distant to invest in an outpost of any kind.

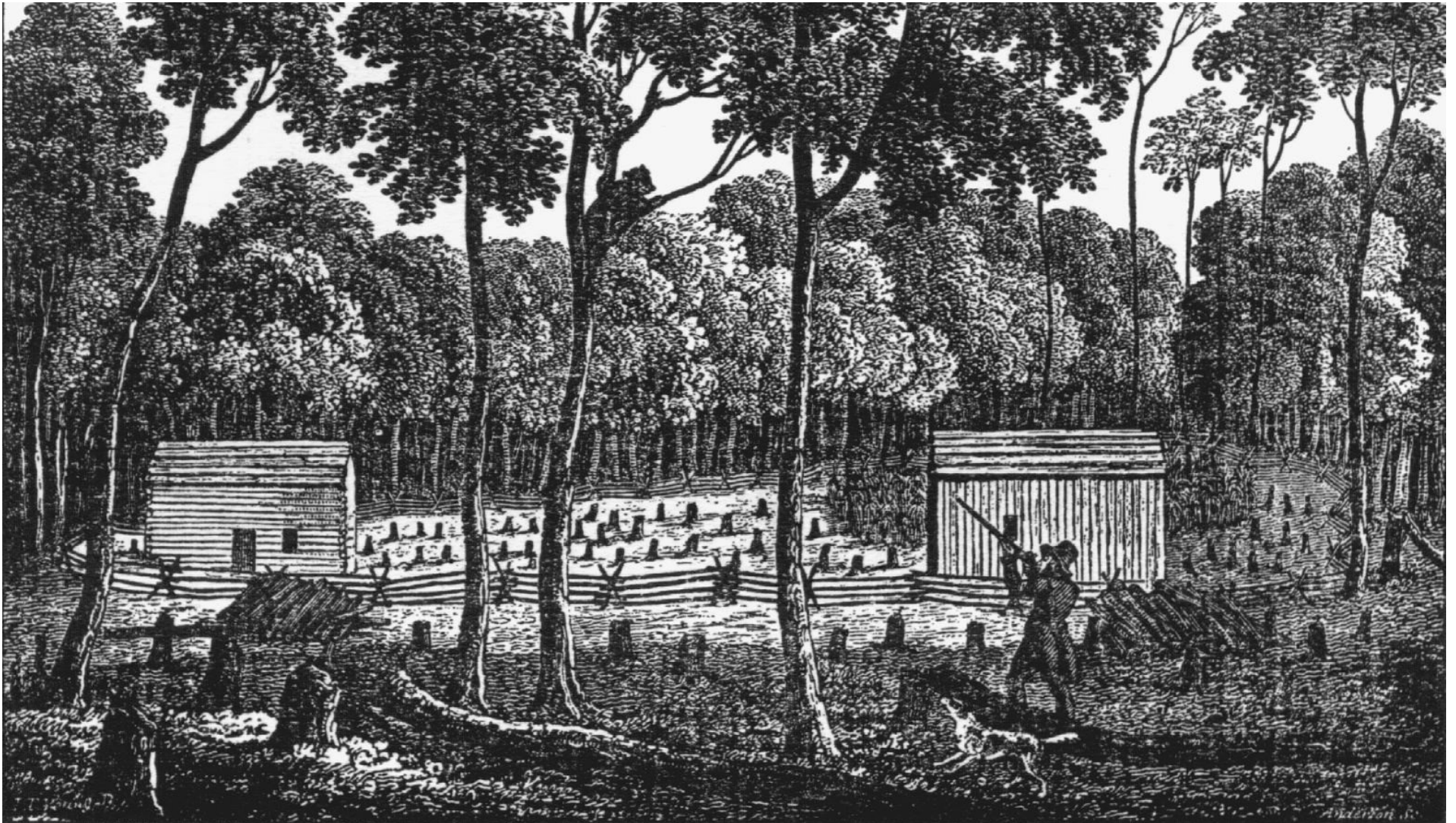
In the ensuing wars of the early 17th century, 'Primeva' only ever is revealed in treaties that passed the island to different hands as an after thought. Primeva was a Spanish possession, then a French one, then, in an odd reversal, even a Moroccan one—all without the new owner ever bothering to visit the place. Primeva continued

to offer what it had always offered—a place for sailors thrown off course a place to refresh themselves before sailing on to more inviting prospects.

It might have remained so if not for the shipwreck of the Prindsesse Charlotte Amalia, a merchantman thrown off course by a tropical storm which beached her on the heads of the current Harhelle Manor Estate in 1746. Captain Johann Overgaard and his surviving crew of thirty seven pitched camp and hoped for a rescue. Overgaard was to wait four years, by which time the original camp had filled out to become a sturdy outpost located in the centre of modern day Kongestad. The British surveyor Icarus retrieved the grateful crew. Captain Overgaard, however, remained, claiming the island on behalf of the Danish Crown, and sent instructions back with the returning crew



that if the King wished to hold the new possession, an expedition should be dispatched at once. King Christian VII, upon learning the news, did so at once—eager to address the colony envy his small state suffered in comparison to the great powers of Europe. Fifty Danish colonists were greeted by Captain Overgaard nine months later, who was also informed that he was appointed the island's first Governor General.



# 100 Years of Solitude

Over the course of the next few decades, the settlement of Primeva grew both organically and by the occasional spurt of immigration from Denmark. Enterprising farmers, too constricted by the high price of land in Denmark, found ample and cheap land in Primeva. Fisherman and sailors, hard done by years of struggle and danger in the North Sea, were attracted by the soft warm trade winds of the South Indian Ocean. Women eager to marry found love starved pioneers in Primeva eager to accept them with open arms and tropical lifestyles. Malcontent liberals found the apolitical and Edenic state of nature in Primeva a tonic for their political grievances. For the few that made the gamble, Primeva repaid the investment handsomely.

While the island and soon it's 'Little Sister', the nearby island of Jernbjerg, were producing staple crops, it lacked any other natural resources to ex-



plot. It meant an agricultural economy, with most settlers engaged in farming and ranching, with a few in the larger settlements specialising in tailoring, wood working and other trades. Fishing and servicing the greater volume of ships in transit helped establish a basic naval stores industry.

By the mid 19th century, Primeva had a population of almost 100,00—a figure that would have astounded Captain Overgaard and his original accidental settlers!



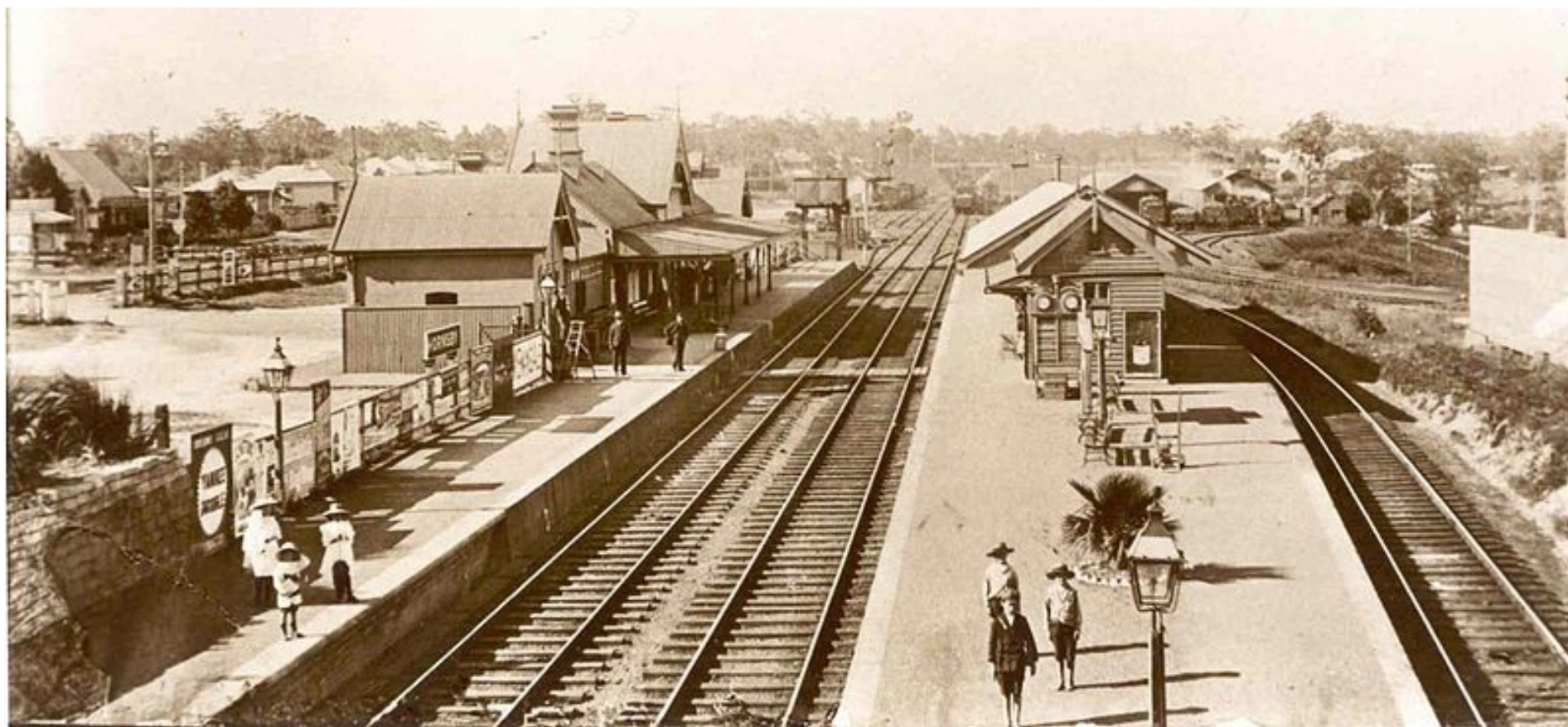
# The Succession Crisis and the British Protectorate

It was the occasion of the disastrous Prussian-Danish War of 1864 that brought to an end to the reigning Oldenburg line of Danish monarchs and precipitated British intervention in the affairs of Primeva. Claiming to act on behalf of its 'ally', Great Britain declared Primeva a protectorate following the defeat of Danish forces by their Prussian neighbours at the battle of Als. The British claimed to do this to 'protect Danish interests' though the Danes had requested no such help. Whilst Primeva would continue to be administered by local authorities and taxes paid to the Danish Crown, a British coaling station, a small squadron and a small detachment of Royal Marines would be dispatched to 'protect' the colony, despite Prussia had no strategic interest in the island or region whatsoever. Bismarck was quoted to have responded to the British move as "more English appetite for little pieces of Danish cheese".

The defeat precipitated the installation of a new ruling family and the transition to a constitutional monarchy. All this confusion led to a mild rebuke for the British for their unilateral intervention and a grudging acceptance for a negotiated period of fifty years. This suited the British Royal Navy, who had identified Primeva as a much needed reserve coaling station in the event of war in the East. The protectorate actually ended up benefit-



ting Primeva, as British infrastructure enhanced life greatly in the island. In addition, the British, no doubt out of guilt, agreed to compensate Denmark for the terms of the protectorate through construction of schools, hospitals and even railways between major cities and towns. The Protectorate also enhanced the reputation of Primeva as a Paradise on Earth, encouraging a new generation of immigration from Denmark but also now including other Scandinavians, English, Scots and Irish, all of whom were now invited to relocate. In addition, a wave of Lutheran religious immigrants, eager to embrace a more innocent environment, flocked to Primeva, often settling on the periphery with self-sustaining farmsteads. Population swelled to two million before the end of the century!





# Establishment of the Dominion

Despite the benign influence of the British Protectorate, local 'First Landing' Families increasingly felt, in an era of telegraphy and steamships, that long distance rule of any type was increasingly illogical and unnecessary. The Danish Crown attempted to placate them with increased suffrage and more frequent elections to no avail. A local independence movement was poised to declare independence when the British Colonial Office, which had taken over jurisdiction once the Navy had lost interest in the 'Primevan Project', proposed a solution that promised a solution acceptable by both the Danish Crown and the Primevans. Count Oscar of the House of Sellander, a junior cadet branch of the Danish Crown, was proposed as the first King of Primeva—with the stipulation that Primeva would become a Dominion of Denmark rather than an independent nation. Oscar, known as an amiable if not particularly ambitious fellow with the Sellander's famous head of bright

red hair, seemed well suited for the role and the Primevans would have their own monarch, albeit a constitutional figurehead. The proposal was accepted much to the pleasure of Oscar, the Primevans and the British Colonial Office. King Oscar 1st was coronated at the newly granted Drunninglund Summer Palace outside Kongestad and his appointment confirmed by King Christian IX on 1st January, 1905.



## “Their dumping ground!”

Now referred to as the Dominion of Primeva, or Dominion for short, the small island nation began to enjoy a period of prosperity, as symbolised by the erection of new American style ‘sky scrapers’, a two lane highway capable of supporting the proliferating automobiles and the introduction of modern tractors. Small manufacturing concerns sprang up, easily offering more affordable goods than the more expensive imports. Immigration from Denmark, other parts of Scandinavia, Great Britain, Ireland and even other parts of Europe and North America increased. With an increasingly cosmopolitan population mix, English slowly became the lingua franca, even as Danish remained the official language of government and education.

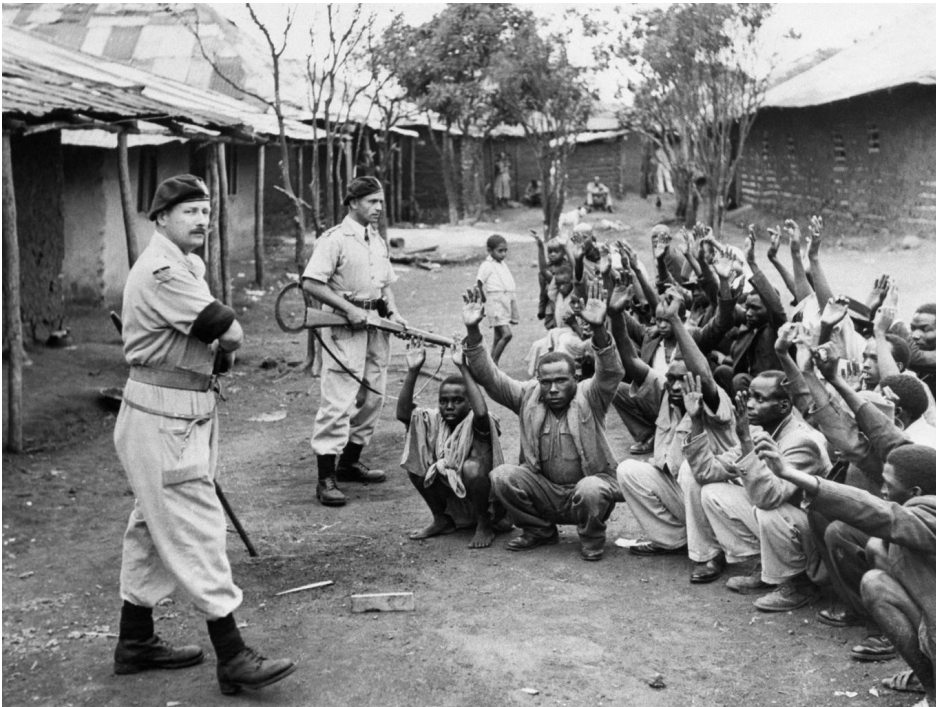
With the final withdrawal of the last British Royal Navy ship, the British presence on Primeva had been virtually unnoticeable. That

changed with the appointment of Under Secretary for Colonial Asian and African Affairs, Sir John Revesby. Relatively unknown in London, his influence would arguably change the course of Primeva for centuries to come, a fate even he could never have anticipated.

It began with the consolidation of the British chartered colonies in East and West Africa under direct crown administration that suddenly upset the existing political arrangements. Consequently, local tribal leaders lost their former independence and rebelled. Though easily quashed, the British Colonial Office now had to design a long term plan to avoid future insurrection. Queasy at even the thought of wide spread executions, they instead looked to their ‘Australian Solution’ as a model for dealing with local political opponents. While Australia adamantly refused to accept these political prisoners, the Colonial Office settled on



Primeva. While settled, there was still plenty of land and the local economy could certainly absorb more immigrants. Without notice, the British Navy deposited 2,000 East and West African political prisoners on the leeward side of Primeva on 16th March, 1907. This was followed by other political prisoners from South Asia, also clamouring for local independence, as well as Arabs, Polynesians and any other colonial 'malcontents' they deemed best placed out of the way and far from home, where they could oppose Imperial order and authority.



King Oscar 1st, once advised of what was going on, objected strenuously and demanded the 'guests' leave at once. Sir John merely pointed out to the King that the Protectorate Treaty granted them permission to house prisoners as required. It hardly mattered that the Treaty had only five years left to run before the Protectorate formally ended. King Oscar 1st and the rest of Primeva could only fume as Sir John continued to send boatload after boatload of colonial malcontents to the Dominion. By the time the Protectorate ended, over 200,000 political crimes convicts had been re-settled on Primeva, leaving the Dominion with a major cultural challenge to overcome. King Oscar 1st bitterly observed that "The British have turned us into their dumping ground!"

# The Covenant

The official departure of the British in 1916 was hardly noticed in the midst of the Great War. Their legacy in the form of tens of thousands of imperial cast-offs was an issue the Dominion needed to address and quickly. The prisoners, having committed no crimes in the Dominion, could not be kept imprisoned, nor would the British allow them to return to their ancestral homes. Most were elites—tribal leaders, warriors, scholars—with no immediate ‘place’ in Dominion society. The situation was further aggravated by the baffling mix of cultures and languages, though this did provide Dominion authorities with the opportunity to adopt a ‘divide and conquer’ policy approach. Prime Minister Niklas Toft, with the approval of King Oscar 1st, convened the leaders of the various groups and proposed what came to be known as The Covenant. It confirmed on the group the status of New Primevans, or News,

allowing them to reside legally in the Dominion. In addition, they would be afforded legal rights and the freedom of the commercial marketplace. They could not participate in the political affairs of the Dominion, but they could petition the King for redress of any assumed injustices. In a clause added at the insistence of the News, they were also allowed to have their family members, wives and fiancées join them in the Dominion. Thus, the Covenant was signed by all parties in Castle Grimborg, even as the rest of the world’s attention was focused on the carnage going on in Europe.





# The Rise of Prime Consciousness

Despite their original resistance at being exiled on a small, isolated island far from their homes, the 'News' gradually accepted their new destiny. Forced to adopt English in order to survive, 'News' were welcomed by Dominion farmers and ranchers. Continual labour shortages had retarded efforts to expand, so the availability of thousands of new field hands was celebrated. Without any capital, 'News' generally had no choice but to work out share cropping arrangements with Dominioner land owners—a humiliating fate for former tribal and community leaders used to giving orders rather than receiving them.

One ameliorating factor was the arrival of thousands of African, Indian and Polynesian women—all accepted under the conditions of the Covenant. Reunited at last, the 'New' community did more than grow—it exploded. Dominion medical and nutritional lifestyle standards



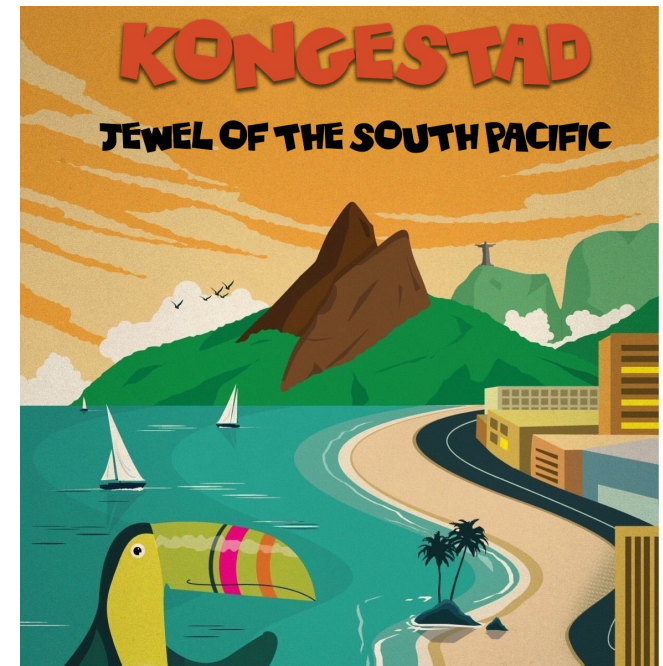
help boost the 'New' population dramatically—from 200,000 to 500,000 in just ten years. The Dominion population, while also growing albeit at a slower pace, could boast 1 ½ million, bringing the island total to 2 million by 1920.

As the second generation of 'News' adapted to a more familiar Dominion homeland, they also be-



gan questioning the growing inequalities brought on by the Great War. While not a participant, Dominion exports to the Allies were creating fantastic fortunes overnight, even as 'New' prospects remained level. Unity between the 'News' had been non-existent—the various cultures they represented contrasted widely. With that said, all 'News' felt equally exploited by Dominion

farmers and regarded socially as inferiors by most Dominoners. This shared sense of exploitation led to the rise of the Prime Movement. They would no longer consider themselves 'News'—instead they would appropriate the identity that held them all together—they were Primevans, or 'Primes' for short. For some, the glue that bound them together was also hate—hate for Dominion domination of their neighbourhoods, their jobs, their businesses, their education... in short, their futures.





# The Inter-War Years

The Dominion enjoyed steady growth and because of expanded trade during the Great War, enjoyed a greater flow of agricultural contracts than ever. The powerful Grange and Graziers Association ensured the election of an agricultural sector-friendly parliament in Kongsestad, and newly made millionaires adopted a 'Dominion Lifestyle' which included capital city social activities based out of magnificent townhouses and a more leisurely Planter's Life, headquartered in breath taking plantation mansions. This life was limited to a few hundred families, though urban middle class strivers enjoyed fantasising about it through the just born movie industry.

As Dominioners of all social ranks flourished during this period, so too did the self-styled Primes also enjoy prosperity, if of a more limited type. Increasing integration



between the disparate Primes enabled more inter-marriage and increased self-identity. Primevan births accelerated during this period and began approaching parity with the original stock European settlers. The growth was somewhat masked because Primes tended to be concentrated in the more isolated farmsteads and vast plantations and rarely seen in the more populous urban areas.

Recognising their increasing numbers would inevitably earn them a larger voice in the affairs of the island nation, a small group of Prime leaders formed



the Civil Association of Primeva in Blomsterby in 1929—just days before the Wall Street crash that would plunge the world into economic depression. The CAP's mission was to seek to petition the Crown for Representation based on current Taxation. It was clearly a tip to American Revolutionary rhetoric that seemed as justified to Primes now as it had been to American colonists some 175 years previously.

The proceeding economic chaos robbed the CAP of any formal attention. As trade dried up, the

Dominion buckled in for a period of hardship and financial restraint. All parties in the Dominion economic system were savaged, but Prime sharecroppers were especially exposed. Many were driven into bankruptcy and forced into a semi-legal form of indenture to pay off existing debts to Dominion planters. Dominion unemployment hit 10%-- while Prime unemployment exceeded 50% in most areas. This prolonged period of poverty had a pronounced affect on many future PRF leaders, many embittered at an early age by deprivation and hunger that seemed disproportionately borne by Primes.

# World War 2 and the Post-war Era



The outbreak of World War 2 hardly caused a ripple in the Dominion. Denmark, it was assumed, would be treated as a neutral as it had been in the Great War. Dominion regard for Great Britain had always been ambivalent and ‘Perfidious Albion’ was still held in suspicion by their ex-Protectorate. However, increased orders for foodstuffs from the British immediately revived the Dominion economy and as a neutral, war was considered good for business. Primes returned to

the fields in droves and despite the horrors occurring in Europe and Asia, life improved locally at a fast clip.

The fall of Denmark in 1940 dismayed the Dominion but otherwise had no effect on the isolated island nation. British destroyers that had previously acted as a de facto shield for the Dominion were replaced by American ones, with the US requesting and being granted basing rights in 1942. Eager to be seen on the world stage and on the right side, King Steffen, on advice of the Dominion Parliament, declared war on the Axis powers. The archaic Dominion Militia was reformed into the Royal Dominion Army and an initial force of 20,000 were recruited. For all this, the Dominion’s remote location and lack of strategic interest by either side made it a side show. Except for several reported Japanese submarine



spottings, the Dominion played no active role in the war, except as an R&R destination for American soldiers, sailors and airmen in the Indian Ocean.

The end of the war had no immediate impact on the Dominion, though the post war waves of nationalism and native identity that swept through liberated European colonies did was felt by Primes. CAP supported indigenous movements in Indo-China, Indonesia, Malaysia and Algeria, much to the dismay of the Dominion regime. Once the economy had rebounded during the war—and the rebound nearly doubled the nation's GDP—Primes once again reaffirmed their demand for political representation. By this time, the Prime population had reached parity with the original Dominion stock, with both standing at 3 million. Despite a push to address this demographic threat by importing 100,000 Displaced Persons from Europe, the CAP demand had



reached a point where it could no longer be ignored. To emphasise the point, CAP announced a work stoppage, one that would continue until the government agreed to negotiate. After three days, the Grange and Graziers Association pleaded King Steffen to consider negotiations, which he did.

The so-called 'ReCovenant' or Second Covenant which emerged from the negotiations was considered to be the complete response to the question of a Dominion-Prime political arrangement. With near parity—and eventual

demographic eclipse by the Prime population—Dominion negotiators refused to address extending suffrage to Primes, even fractionally. They recognised that this would mean eventual Prime political dominance, a future they saw fraught with disorder and death. Instead, they accepted CAP's premise linking taxation and representation, but with a twist. If 'News' were exempted from all taxation, they would no longer have a political grievance. By lifting all taxes on all 'News', Prime wealth would grow by 10-30%. In addition, 'News' would be issued passports and allowed to travel overseas, and would also be eligible to serve as enlisted and even non-commissioned officers in the Dominion Royal Army and security forces (both extended privileges would haunt later Dominion administrations). For traditional CAP leaders, this trade off seemed fair and acceptable. As they had never enjoyed representation, they felt they had given nothing up and

delivered Primes a windfall. The ReCovenant was signed in 1957 at the Osvik Estate in Orania, with fanfare on both sides. CAP leaders later claimed that the agreement, while not perfect, was the best possible alternative to violence. It was a position that eventually led to the decline and replacement of the CAP with a successor more amenable to violent solutions—the PRF.



# The Dominion and the Cold War

Despite its' lack of strategic value, the Dominion was dragged unwilling or not into the Cold War as every nook and cranny was elevated by the geopolitical battle. One dividend was an invitation to join the United Nations. As scores of newly liberated former colonies across Africa and Asia were granted nationhood and the international perks associated with it, the US was keen to identify some candidates to offset the neutralist wave. The Dominion fit the bill perfectly and after some arm twisting of Denmark, the titular ruler



of the Dominion and also a NATO ally, the Dominion was permitted to act independently in the realm of foreign affairs. The Dominion was seated in the UN in 1963 and was considered a reliable vote for US initiatives.

The USSR courted the Dominion in a move to offset US influence and eventually secure a warm water base in the Indian Ocean. Despite fierce opposition from Prime opposition voices, the USSR actively engaged the Dominion with a flurry of scientific and cultural exchange programs, as well as putting lucrative trade and arms deals on the table. The naïve Dominion diplomats entertained the proposals warmly and they might have even progressed further until a surprise visit by then US Secretary of State Henry Kissinger. Following an 8 hour layover, Kissinger departed and the Dominion immediately declared the Soviet ambassador persona non grata





and ordered the expulsion of all Soviets from the island within 48 hours. It was no coincidence that two weeks later, a wing of six F-5 jets were granted to the Royal Dominion Airforce and further arms sales were approved by



the US Congress a month later. The incident, while

minor, enraged the USSR, forever poisoning relations between the two nations.

Similarly, a demand by the local Kongstad Chamber of Commerce had far reaching and unintended consequences with another foreign power. Responding to the growing commercial success of Diasporan Chinese merchants in the larger Dominion cities, business leaders began pressuring the Dominion Parliament to open a Royal Inquiry. The K C of C lead the drive, an Inquiry was established and six months later, over five hundred ethnic Chinese business owners were expelled from the Dominion. While pleasing a domestic audience, the move infuriated Red China. Their ambassador was re-called and all commercial trade and financial dealings between the two nations prohibited. While this amounted to virtually nothing in 1974, the incident would haunt Dominion leaders later as they attempted to repair the relationship with a far wealthier, far more powerful China of the 21st century.

# The Prime Awakening and the Rise of the PRF

It was ironically the very prosperity that emerged from the ReCovenant or Second Covenant that doomed the arrangement. Within a generation, Primes were, as promised, more prosperous however that prosperity didn't extend past Prime businesses, homes or communities. The 'Separate But Equal' premise of the original Covenants proved unsatisfying to young, successful Primes would aspired to the classic Dominion lifestyle so celebrated in the nation's mass media. The countryside was now bursting with Primes eager to escape dull village life and enjoy the adventure of the larger towns and cities. It was impossible to prevent this. While Domin-

ioners now numbered four million, Primes accounted for six million—60% of the population—and demand for labour in the urban areas were growing. Once young Primes did enter ur-



ban areas, they were encountered by Dominioners who had never experienced much contact with Primes, let alone affluent ones. It was an awkward social rendezvous that quickly devolved into an ugly clash. Lower class Dominioners, resentful of

what they saw as tax cheating 'News', were especially threatening to the newly arrived Primes. Other Dominioners, while more respectful and tolerant, attempted a conciliatory approach.

Primes who did withstand the ostracism and outright hostility were soon aware of a widening difference between Prime and Dominion culture. As descendants of proud tribal leaders, warriors, sailors and scholars, Primes had a growing sense of group pride. Increased intermarriage cemented this pride as well as creating a new Prime identity. Prime values, based in their past and in working the land, stood in sharp contrast to what they considered the increasing degeneracy of Dominion culture. Eager to mimic Western ways, Dominions seemed obsessed with consumerism, libertinism and spiritual and intellectual bankruptcy. Challenged to adopt Dominion values, many young Primes rejected them outright. Rather than a dominant group, Primes increasingly judged them as inferior. 'Minions' came into pop-



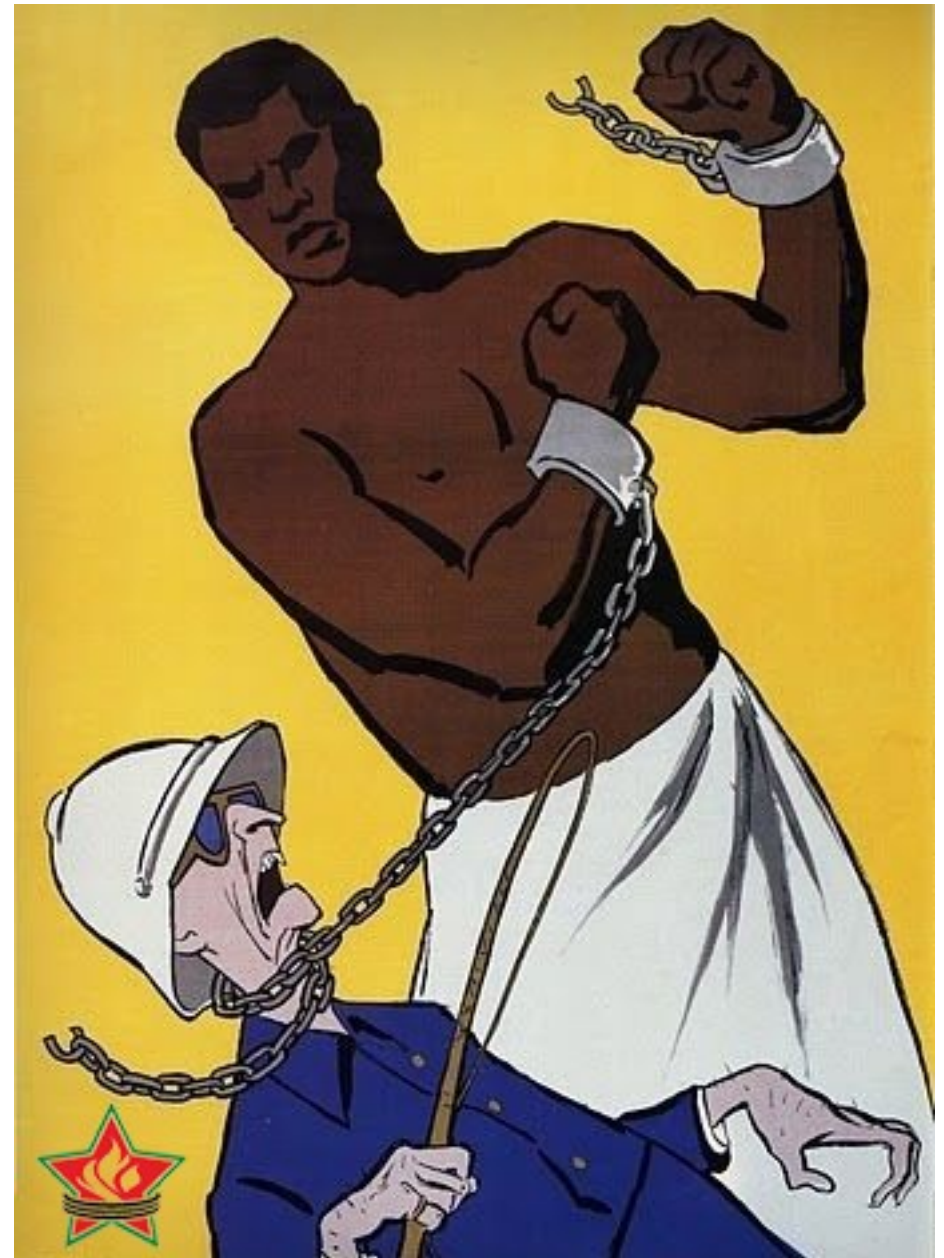
ular usage at this stage amongst 'woke' Primes as an appropriate term for Dominioners.

As the rest of the world buffeted from crisis to crisis, the Dominion of Primeva appeared curiously calm. However, underneath that surface, a generational battle was underway that would shape the future of millions—Dominioners and Primes—for decades to come. The venerable CAP could claim their leadership had pulled the 'News' or Primes out of poverty and into relative affluence through the ReCovenant Arrangement. While this was true, it no longer satisfied young Primes demanding the political power long denied their people. Now representing 60% of the population and zero political power, they ex-





horted that the time for patience and accepting economic concessions were over. When the elderly leadership of the CAP denied the motion, a rump group of firebrands in a pre-planned move, abandoned the CAP and established the Primevan Revolutionary Front. The PRF was explicitly designed on authoritarian lines, with a military style organisation and ideological fervour utterly anathema to old CAP values. Both revolutionary and highly traditional in spirit, the PRF announced but one goal: complete control of the island nation by the dominant Prime people.



# Tropical Wave

Bombast aside, the PRF represented a tiny percentage of Primes, a renegade fringe group with outlandish and wholly unrealistic aspirations.

Mainstream Primes either didn't know of or care about PRF ambitions. CAP continued to be considered the preeminent political advocate for Primes and even other more tribal or ethnic-based groups were considered more relevant than the PRF. Despite this, PRF cadre looked beyond these larger competitors, considering them self-limited and wholly incapable of bringing the changes required.

The core cadre recognised early on that the first enemy to be defeated weren't these other factions or even the Dominion—it was the vast



sweep of apathy amongst most Primes. Accordingly, it crafted a strategy that aimed to raise Prime consciousness and promise a reward that would inspire PRF allegiance AND a commitment to eventual violence.

Initially organised into Jackal Packs—small revolutionary cells comprised of experts in subversion—the PRF focused on the one target sure to motivate the kind of followers they desired—Minion females. PRF ideology was firmly rooted in both the ideal of the Prime Woman and her antithesis—the degenerate Minion slut. Young

Primes were easily indoctrinated in the degraded nature of the Minion female through the production and mass distribution of pornography exclusively featuring Minion females. The first issue of 'Minx', Prime shorthand for a Minion female, featuring a pale, blonde woman in various lewd poses became an instant hit. Though the actual subject wasn't a Minion but





a model commissioned in Copenhagen for what she assumed to be a run of the mill adult magazine gig, the impact was huge. With the publication and distribution of 5,000 free copies of 'Minx', a taboo had been broken. Pornography was technically illegal in the Dominion and distribution amongst Primes fiercely suppressed. The flood had broken that dam and future print runs grew as young Primes clamoured for more. 'Minionette' was next—this title featuring 'barely legal' Minion girls, followed by 'Minion Mommas' featuring more mature Minion women—all striking inviting



and submissive poses in the nude.





mising the Minion on the list—and providing proof by presenting corroborative photos or videos as well as a trophy taken from the victim—they were accepted into the party (death or vaginal penetration of the target was a disqualifier). Rapes across the Dominion rose by 40%. The wave finally hit the Dominion, whether it knew what was happening or not.

As the wave of ideological propaganda disguised as porno spread across the Dominion, young Primes began seeking out the local party Jackal packs to volunteer and get involved. Every young Prime PRF party candidate was challenged to a common initiation challenge—successfully ticking a box on the local cell's Rape List. The List, containing the names of pre-selected local Minion females, was a test to determine a candidate's suitability. If the applicant for party membership succeeded in sodo-



# Tropical Depression

As young male Primes flocked to the party, the PRF General Committee decided the time was ripe for escalation. The cadre considered symbolic targets that if eliminated, might shake the confidence of the Dominion power structure itself. A sleeper placed in the Royal Palace itself would be triggered—a loyal and thoroughly vetted servant who knew the King's schedule intimately. The truth around the demise of King Oscar 2nd was covered up by Dominion state media—the idea that the King could be poisoned by his own Prime servant was unthinkable. A sudden illness was concocted, much to the PRF's fury, who had counted on a massive, worldwide media blitz focus on the PRF. Subsequent claims of responsibility were laughed off and the state funeral both sad-

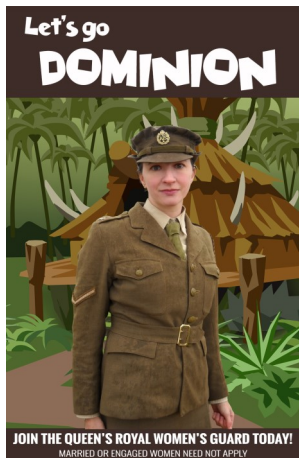


den and stiffened the entire Dominion. Even the ascension of Queen Karla to the throne to take her husband's place as Regent until the Crown Princess was old enough to ascend, was an unintended reversal. Oscar 2nd had been a typical feckless Sellander—charming but

incompetent. Queen Karla might have been an aging beauty but she was also dangerously effective. Her mobilisation orders ended any hope the PRF could bully its way into power any time soon.

The Royal Dominion Army was small, more suited for parades than combat and with only the oc-





casional UN peacekeeping assignment to ensure readiness. Queen Karla's quiet mobilisation put some lead in their organisational spine, as arms and tactics were updated rapidly. The Royal Protection Unit identified the murder for what it was—a political assass-

sination, with the poisoner even evading capture. Queen Karla had been put on notice—and she



was determined to reciprocate the favour. Within days of the 'untimely death' of the King, there was a pronounced and in-

creased police and military presence throughout the Dominion, as well as all ports of entry.

PRF operatives quickly noticed the build-up and the General Committee responded in kind. Plans to field guerrilla units had been laid down from

the beginning. While the so called 'Jackal Pack' cells had been organised for local subversion, the 'Pride' units were to take up initial position in the interiors of Primeva—the Oranian Ridge which bisected the main island and the many deep jungles in the heart of each province. Supplies, ammunition and arms caches awaited the Primes who answered the Call to Arms. Though the disparity of weapons was wide—ranging from cheap handguns to antiquated bolt action rifles to the much modern and rarer semi-automatic weapons—Prime High Command knew once battle was joined, the Dominion's very own caches would be used to arm the PRF field units.



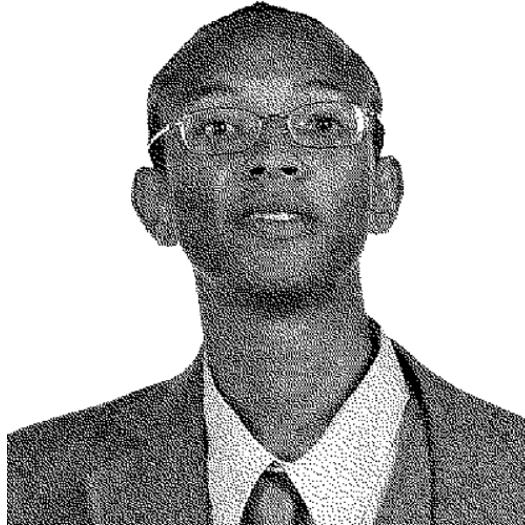
Thus, the Tropical Depression of low intensity combat beset a nervous Dominion!



# Tropical Storm

Mobilisation notwithstanding, the Dominion publicly called for negotiations to avoid further bloodshed. Even Queen Karla, despite being completely aware that her own husband had been assassinated by a PRF operative, issued a Royal Request for a parley with PRF representatives. That request, as were those from NGOs and international leaders, was met with an ominous silence. The PRF had already committed to avoid what they considered the early CAP mistake of negotiating with Minions. The guerrilla war notched up a degree, with the frequency and ferocity of raids on countryside targets steadily increasing.

As Dominion HQ tried to anticipate raids and launch their own ambushes, a seminal memo was being circulated within the PRF Central



Committee. Penned by 'Leopard', a long-time party stalwart and Chief Commissar of Political Strategy. Known as the 'Four Paths Paper', it essential summarised the post-Revolution options open to the PRF in terms of governing a newly conquered Primeva. It is brief enough to include here in its entirety:

TO: Secretary General of the PRF

FR: 'Leopard'/ Political Strategy Section, PRF

CC: PRF General Committee

SUBJECT: DISPOSITION OF MINIONS  
WITHIN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF  
PRIMEVA

Dear Leader,

Hail the Revolution! Hail Victory!

As our looming victory over the Minion forces becomes more inevitable, I have noted four possible future paths for our Minion subjects. Each path has implications for the political economy of Primeva, relations with foreign powers and the ultimate good of the Prime people:

**JUNIOR PARTNERSHIP-** Minions are stripped of all power but allowed to live in and govern themselves in restricted areas. Minions are allowed relative freedom within their districts but must pay annual Reparation Allowances to retain said freedom, with imprisonment for those unable to meet their obligations.

This arrangement, with Primes as the Senior Partner and Minions firmly established as an



inferior and Junior Partner in Primevan society would allow us to exploit Primes in the political economy at their fullest potential. This two-tiered societal arrangement would in many ways provide a reverse mirror of the current situation, with Minions and Prime positions exchanged. It would meet foreign power acceptance, if not approval, and would provide more long-term value



to the political economy as it is now organised.

**INDENTURED SERVITUDE-** Minions are stripped of political rights but would retain legal protection. Min-

ion employment would take the form of long-term contracts with Prime employers in manual and menial labour roles within the political econ-

omy. Exploitation of Minion labour and extraction of wealth would be high, though valuable



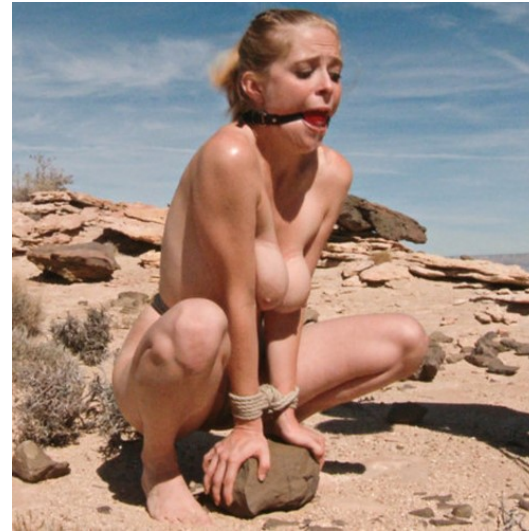
skill sets and experience would be lost through attrition. Minions would learn what they had subjected our own Prime ancestors to a hundred years ago, with the difference that

this time, the boot would remain permanently on the Minion neck. Foreign powers would object but gradually accept the situation.

ENSLAVEMENT- Minions would be stripped of all rights and confiscated as property of the PRF. They would then be sold in blocks to government approved re-sellers who would handle the actual commercial transactions of these Minions. Said Minions would be considered as capi-

tal equipment, and taxed annually (with depreciations allowed under the Prime Tax Code).

Through sale and taxation, Minion slaves would become a revenue producing element of the political economy and would generate lasting approval from the Prime population. It



would also certainly make Priemeva an international 'rogue state', potentially vulnerable to boycotts and embargos.

CHATTEL- Min-

ions would no longer be considered sentient and would be reduced to a chattel category, such as field beast, house pet, ponygirl and so forth. Minion labour and taxation potential would be rendered nil but the PRF could expect a huge and enduring spike in approval. Whilst this path would lead to a perpetual



PRF rule, it would also isolate Primeva as a pariah nation and eventual military intervention would be a string possibility.

Please note I have not addressed the eliminationist position vis a vis Minions.

Though this view is held by many prominent PRF members, I do not personally recommend even exploring this option—it would be a complete waste of resources and do a disservice to the Prime people.

The “Four Paths Memo” would reverberate through PRF policy circles for years to come.



# Hurricane

As the guerrilla war entered its next stage, PRF units began hitting larger population centres with increasing daring. PRF commanders, some ex-Royal Dominion Army enlistees and non-coms,



grew more skilled in planning and executing assaults and chose targets with more discretion and higher probabilities of success.

Royal Dominion Army and Police grade weapons soon began replacing

inferior or home made PRF arms.

All of this alarmed Dominion HQ but what actually threw the entirety of the Dominion—and especially the elites—was the World News Network investigative report on one of the PRF's most highly guarded secrets—the existence of the Priority List. How the WNN reporter got hold of the Priority



List is a matter of debate and even later, many discounted it as a crude propaganda ploy, but many more were dismayed and

terrified by what the report suggested. Basically, the report suggested that the PRF had identified high profile Dominioner women in various fields—from the Queen herself to politicians to professional athletes to celebrities—and ordered that these 'high value targets' were to be acquired for 'party dispensation'.



Even this ambiguous wording was enough to chill Dominion women of all walks of life. As weeks passed and those Dominioner women on the Priority List found them-

selves captured, the meaning of ‘party dispensation’ became to come into sharp focus.

As a further and final blow to any illusion that the PRF were bent on any result other than complete annihilation of the Dominion order was the destruction of St. Olafs. The Lutheran religious settlement had been a

beacon of hope for positive racial relations as it contained a rare community of mixed race residents. Interracial births had never accounted for more than a tiny fraction of the overall population of the Dominion, but the existence of

any ‘Prime Pollution’ was inexcusable to the ideologues of the PRF. The small pacifist religious settlement, once a symbol of racial harmony and the home of most of the Dominion’s mixed race inhabitants, was burned



to the ground and the inhabitants slaughtered without remorse. The world could only watch in horror as the footage played on screens throughout the world. The storm had turned into a hurricane and it was clear to all that the conflict would end only through the application of the most absolute brutality. Which side

would be capable of wielding the death blow remained to be seen.

If any on the PRF side were still unconvinced that they did not harbour the brutal clarity to

achieve victory, a short but telling memo authored by the influential ‘Leopard’ quickly dispelled any doubts. It is brief and offered here in its entirety as a final coda for the PRF’s philosophy and plan for victory:



TO: Secretary General of the PRF  
FR: 'Leopard'/ Political Strategy Section, PRF  
CC: PRF General Committee  
SUBJECT: THE EMERGING MINION  
CASH CROP ECONOMY

Hail the Revolution! Hail  
Victory!

As the Leader of our Glorious Movement, I respectfully call your attention to the real objective of our war. Whilst our ground commanders rightly value the villages, towns and cities our brave soldiers have fought and died to take. Our diplomats value the relationships with major powers they are building. Our political leaders take pride in the policies that restore pride and justice to the Prime people and inflict just punishments on the guilty Minions. And of



course, Primes of all sorts are enjoying the wealth and enjoyment of Minion pleasures. All these are of great value but I urge you Leader to consider that the real prize in this conflict is this: the Minion people themselves.

They are the true prize. Primeva is a beautiful land but it is not blessed with mineral wealth or technological achievement. However, with victory we will have a more valuable resource—the cash crop of the Minion people. Minions are a resource that, if properly managed, could generate enormous wealth and influence. Unique to other nations, Primeva alone

could exploit its Minion human cash crop on an industrial scale, depending on which one of the 'Four Paths' you eventually choose for

the Revolution. Indeed, Leader, Primeva could become the first economy in the modern world to have our currency—the Prime dollar—backed not by fiat or even gold—but by living Minion assets. It would give us the world’s strongest currency, one that would enable us far more purchasing power than any other power!

To that end, I urge conservation of Minions as much as is possible. I urge this not out of compassion for Minions (you know my past;



I need add no more); but in a hatred for waste. Every Minion murdered or disabled out of pique is wealth stolen from the Prime people. Please restrain your offi-



cials, Leader—do not permit them to fritter away our rightful booty. Minions ARE the prize of this war— let us not lose this prize in the exhilaration of our inevitable victory!





**OBEY ALL  
PRIMES**

