

ADDRESSED TO
BENEDICT GREY
GOVERNOR OF THE MOON SETTLEMENT

Dear Governor, friends,

I turn to you with a situation that is more than urgent. We are aware that the whole area in which you live is seriously destabilized and is undergoing a major crisis. The Governor failed to reasonably organize the coexistence of different groups and thereby ensure that the interests of all concerned were protected, included their common territory. The representatives of the Moon therefore asked the Alliance for an immediate intervention.

The Alliance Parliament decided to provide a helping hand to the entire Moon in this difficult hour and, a moment ago, they expressed their determination to take the Moon under the protection of the Alliance and to guarantee its autonomous development reflecting its identity.

The Alliance, for its own tranquility and security as well as for the general welfare and peace of the settlement of the Moon, will tolerate no permanent disturbances. The Alliance Parliament, well aware of the possible threats and dangers to the population of the Moon settlement, has immediately sent a military garrison necessary to ensure the security and peace in the whole area. These units are at this moment very close to your orbit and await confirmation of your acceptance of our assistance.

We expect that within the next ninety minutes the Governor or his representative will issue a public statement confirming a serious desire to serve the true interests of all the groups residing on the Moon for the benefit, peace, and welfare of all. He will also order the immediate disembarkation of all Alliance peace-keeping units and, in regards to this matter and to reach a final reconciliation, will put the destiny of the inhabitants of the Moon settlement, as well as of the entire Moon, with full trust in the hands of the Alliance Parliament.

On behalf of the Alliance Parliament

Mary Troy, attorney for the Moon settlement

The Alliance Parliament immediately requests:

1. To identify and remand to Alliance custody the criminals who are responsible for killing the Alliance couriers from the ship which is located on the surface of the Moon;
2. That all local armed forces and police forces disarm themselves and stand down;
3. That the departure of or all military, cargo and private ships be temporarily interdicted;
4. That all cannons be withdrawn from gun emplacements;

5. That airfields and their equipment be maintained in their current condition;

6. That public life not be interrupted in any way, on the contrary, further functionality of all authorities, especially the connection with the outside world, which must remain available to the owners of the executive power coming, must be assured;

7. That there be no further disturbances in the economy and, in particular, to ensure further functionality of the agriculture, trade and industry;

8. That complete moderation of the exchange of opinions in public, whether in print, in theater, in radio or in other public occasions be ensured.

Any units that try to oppose the Alliance will be immediately engaged and destroyed. Any ships that leave their posts will be summarily shot down. Locations that prepare defensive measures will be destroyed from orbit.

Please confirm in 90 minutes at the latest by a public declaration from the Governor of the Moon settlement that you have taken into consideration and acceded to the requests listed in the attached recording, which are stated by the Alliance in order for the Moon to be protected appropriately.