KENTUCKY UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY OFFICIAL PROPOSAL

Proposal #:

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Title: An act to ensure sovereign statehood to any sufficiently populous ethnic group

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Justification clause: Many ethnic groups are subjugated to exist within oligarchic societies operated of, for, and by other peoples, infringing on their human rights; historical examples include the Polish, Jewish, and Dravidian nations, while concurrent examples include the Palestinian, Romani, and Biafran peoples. Therefore, this act aims to prevent this infringement on sacrosanct privileges by allowing all sufficiently populous ethnic groups the right to a sovereign state.

Section 1: To prevent a global deluge of secession, only large groups shall be guaranteed a home state; an exodus to a facilitating state would be much more practical for smaller groups. "Sufficiently populous" shall be defined as any group composed of more than 0.002% of the world population (approximately 140,000 people in the year 2013) and that composes at least 60% of the population of a region measuring more than 2500 square kilometers in land area.

Section 2: "Ethnic group" shall be defined as a group sharing common ancestry (as determined by mtDNA or Y haplotypes) and cultural traditions distinct from surrounding population while maintaining a separate identity from aforementioned surrounding groups. The United Nations General Assembly shall have power to confer ethnic group status to any group by a majority vote.

Section 3: A sufficiently populous ethnic group shall be considered deprived of their sovereignty when their effective representation within their national government is in a ratio of less than 3:4 with their actual proportion of the population or when a dominant group has an effective representation to actual proportion ratio of 3:2.

Section 4: Any sufficiently populous ethnic group deprived of their sovereignty, after their own government has failed to acknowledge and respond to significant measures to ensure proportional representation, may apply for United Nations support in those measures or recognized statehood. Section 5: A simple majority vote in the United Nations General Assembly can provide de jure support for the ethnic group's quest for representation or for recognition of the ethnic group's right to a state. Section 6: A simple majority vote in the United Nations Security Council, exempting any vetoes by permanent members, shall provide military support for further measures to gain proportional representation or a declaration of statehood.

Section 7: When a sufficiently populous ethnic group does declare statehood with United Nations approval, it shall constitute only a region in which, for any given and continuous area of 484 square kilometers having a radius of at least 17 kilometers, the ethnic group composes 60% of the endemic population (the region shall be assumed to meet this qualification unless proven otherwise).