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Secretary General
United Nations
New York [10017], New York

Re: Notice of Accession to:
Convention on Road Traffic, with Annexes and Protocol
Done at Geneva September 19, 1949; entered into force
March 28, 1952. 3 UST 3008; TIAS 2487; 125 UNTS 22.

Dear Secretary General:

Notice of Accession

Whereas, the Undersealed President, under Section 2.0 et seq. of the Constitution of the Dominion of Melchizedek sealed July 18, 1991, has full, Sovereign and vested power and authority to enter into treaties by signature, ratification, adherence and accession thereby binding the Dominion of Melchizedek and its Citizens;

Now Be It Hereby known, that the Dominion of Melchizedek, an Ecclesiastical Sovereignty, with Sovereign rights over Karitane island of the Polynesian South Pacific group [close to 24 degrees south latitude and 159.5 degrees west longitude] hereby accedes as a "State" to the:

Convention on Road Traffic, with Annexes and Protocol
Done at Geneva September 19, 1949; entered into force
March 28, 1952. 3 UST 3008; TIAS 2487; 125 UNTS 22
(hereinafter the "Convention").

said Convention to apply to, inter alia, Karitane island of the Polynesian South Pacific group [close to 24 degrees south latitude and 159.5 degrees west longitude]. It is intended by this Notice that the Dominion of Melchizedek be and hereby is an acceding "party" to the Convention, as the term "party" is signified in the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties U.N. DOC. A/CONF. 39/27, (1969), 63 A.J.I.L. 875 (1969), 8 I.L.M. 679 (1969) at Article 2, Paragraphs 1(a), (b) and (g), and Article 11.

Furthermore, it is intended for purposes of this Notice that the Dominion of Melchizedek be treated as a Sovereign Ecclesiastical "State" with full "political existence of the state independent of recognition by other states" as expressly stated in the Convention on Rights and Duties of States, 49 Stat. 3097, T.S. 881, 165 L.N.T.S. 19, 3 Bevans 145, done at Montevideo, Uruguay on December 26, 1934 which states at Articles 2 and 3:

"The federal state shall constitute a sole person in the eyes of international law."

"The political existence of the state is independent of recognition by other states. Even before recognition the state has the right to defend its integrity and independence, to provide for its conservation and prosperity, and consequently to organize itself as it sees fit, to legislate upon its own interests, administer its services, and define the jurisdiction and competence of its courts."

This Notice of Accession is respectfully given in accordance with Chapter VII, Article 28 which states:

"1. Any State may, at the time of signature, ratification of accession, or at any time thereafter, declare, by notification addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, that the provisions of the Convention will be applicable to all or any of the territories for the international relations of which it is responsible. These provisions shall become applicable in the territories named in the notification thirty days after the receipt of such notification by the Secretary-General or, if the Convention has not entered into force at that time, then upon its date of entry into force."

Notice is hereby further given that Dominion of Melchizedek Automobile Travel Association ["DOMATA"] is a duly authorized association under the political subdivision of the Dominion of Melchizedek Ministry of Land Transportation, within the signification of Chapter V, Article 24, Paragraph 3, given the executive power to issue both Dominion of Melchizedek domestic driving certificates [after competence has first been established], and the further power to issue International Driving Permits in accordance with the "Model Permit" contained within Annex 9 to the Convention.

Correspondence concerning this Notice of Accession may be directed to the Office of the President, Karitane Island, South Pacific, Mail Routing: Embassy of Melchizedek, P.O. Box 99, Yarralumla, ACT 2600, Australia.

Yours Respectfully,

Office of the President
Dominion of Melchizedek

By:  [L.S.]

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President