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TREATY OF AMITY WITH  
THE GRAND MIXED LODGE OF FREEMASONS OF GREECE

December 3, 6023 A.:L.:

The Honorable Order of Universal Co-Masonry  
The Very Ills.:. Bro.: Magdalena I. Cumsille 33°  
Most Sovereign Grand Commander

It has been my honor and privilege today to tie the bonds of Brotherhood between Universal Co-Masonry and the Grand Mixed Lodge of Freemasons of Greece closer together. One of the principal objects of Freemasonry is to unite all Masons in the solemn object of becoming a great Universal Brotherhood empowered with the ideal of Service. Living in the midst of a time where separateness, vice, and greed reign supreme; the three enemies against the humanitarian and theological doctrines of Freemasonry, it is especially important to foster friendship among sympathetic allies. May our Masonic Orders endeavor to communicate to the world the Light of Masonry, because it is our duty as Freemasons to serve Humanity. Let this Amity Treaty help both Obediences to become stronger in Wisdom, Strength, and Beauty! That we may continue to devote ourselves to fighting against separateness by promoting unity in diversity, against vice by spreading the moral lessons of Freemasonry, and against greed with justice.

We have at this moment the opportunity, not only intellectually and emotionally, but in physical practice, to promote the high Masonic principles of Brotherly Love, Justice, and Truth throughout the world. Let us not forget that it depends on us, who are serving Masonry today, to keep Her alive for those who will come after us to accelerate the completion of the Great Work, the Magnum Opus of Masonry, that started many eons ago. The obstacles that we meet in the present are only helping us to keep the torch of Masonry lit for future generations.

We, as Builders, must raise the Temple of Humanity. This demands that we meet all obstacles which may assail our path with joy, and use the Masonic teachings to surrender our false notions so that true knowledge may become our guide.

We need to be careful not to direct all our energies to the solution of social problems, education, and charitable projects, for that only helps the outer man. It is our duty as Masons to help the inner man by teaching him idealism and morality. Our work is to be concerned with our ethical behavior with one another so that we can affect the whole, that mankind may be raised to a higher Life. This is naturally a slow process, and it is subject to the pulsations and alternations in the current of life that affect all of Nature's forms. Evolution has been working on it for ages. The Masonic Lodge seems to be, among other things, an experiment in group training, discipline, and developing skills. It certainly offers a unique field where people, like us, with similar ideals and aspirations can work together as a community of Brothers, from different parts of the world, so that we can accelerate the evolutionary plan of The G.A.O.T.U. by sparking a hunger for higher aspirations for something greater than modern, mundane, and meaningless life. Like our Brothers, the Alchemists, used to say, let us "*assist Nature by Art.*"

Today we are joined together as friends, each developing its part in the Grand Design of Masonry. On behalf of myself, the Supreme Council of Universal Co-Masonry, and of all the Brothers of the United Federation of Lodges, we wish the Grand Mixed Lodge of Freemasons of Greece a prosperous future! May Masonry flourish throughout your beautiful country, with honor to your ancestors, those ancient Brothers of the Mysteries who fed the world philosophy, art, and more importantly, the hunger to strive for the highest! May the Great Architect of the Universe help all of us, the Artificers of Masonry and not of metals, to make a better world! "**ORDO AB CHAO**"; may we create order through the never-ending struggle in accomplishing our work.