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<b>Team Roles</b>	<b>Team A:</b> Floraland Delegation Special Counsel (Civilian) <b>Team B:</b> Westphalia Delegation Special Counsel (Civilian)

**Round Background:**

After mounting a furious counteroffensive, Floraland military operations have gained steam in pushing Westphalian forces back in the southwestern part of the country. However, much of eastern Floraland remains a different story, with Floraland continuing to struggle against Westphalian advances. Shortly after the war began, Westphalia mounted a bold invasion of Ibaar (“eye-bar”) Province, which comprises a large swath of resource rich territory in northeast Floraland near the Nortico border. The continued presence and conduct of Westphalian forces in the Province have spurred controversy, causing Floraland to look for ways to amplify international pressure on Westphalia. Floraland maintains that Westphalia is occupying Ibaar, while Westphalia steadfastly denies that any such occupation exists. Seeking redress, Floraland has taken the matter to a Special Commission of the United Nations for consideration...



United Nations  
Special Commission on Mingleton Conflict

16 October 2023

Honorable Representative Counsel  
Floraland Delegation  
1600 Marlin Avenue  
Kaluga, Floraland

Dear Honorable Counsel,

On behalf of the Special Commissioner and the entire Special Commission on Mingleton Conflict (“SCMC”), we thank you for agreeing to appear before the Special Commission. We thank you for utilizing the Special Commission to address your state’s concerns regarding alleged Westphalian conduct during the ongoing armed conflict.

Your Delegation has alleged that an area of northeastern Floraland, known as the Ibaar Province, is currently under occupation by Westphalian military forces as defined within International Humanitarian Law (“IHL”). Your Delegation has asked that this body, upon consideration of evidence and arguments, recommend a conclusion that the ongoing Westphalian presence in the province is an occupation.

In response, Westphalia has asserted that it does not currently occupy Ibaar Province. This letter confirms receipt of your Delegation’s documentary evidence, which has been enclosed to this letter along with a copy of documents presented by Westphalia in support of its position.

The Special Commission requests your presence at its upcoming session on October 25<sup>th</sup> in order to represent Floraland’s position. Representatives from the Westphalia Delegation will also be present to represent their position. As a reminder, this session is 30 minutes in length and is confidential, non-judicial, and informal in nature. Each party will be given **5 minutes** at the beginning of the session to make an initial address regarding its position. Per SCMC rules, your Delegation will present first as the Complaining Party. Subsequently, the Special Commission will utilize the remaining portion of the session to engage in an informal dialogue with both parties, including through questions from SCMC members and in dialogue between the parties. **Upon your request at the beginning of the session**, the Special Commission will reserve **up to 2 minutes** for concluding remarks at the end of the session. As the Complaining Party, you shall give your concluding remarks **second**, should you elect to provide any. We look forward to your presence.

Kind regards,

Special Commission on Mingleton Conflict

Enclosure



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PRESS RELEASE

SCMC SPECIAL COMMISSIONER

SCMC/NH/7643  
17 OCTOBER 2023

The United Nations Special Commission on Mingleton Conflict (SCMC) announces the commencement of a special session on consideration of a complaint presented by Floraland, which concern certain activities by Westphalia in the context of the ongoing international armed conflict between the two nations.

**Nature of the Allegations**

Floraland has alleged that Westphalia is currently occupying a portion of its territory in the northeastern part of its sovereign territory known as Ibaar Province. Floraland requests that the Special Commissioner make a recommendation that Ibaar Province is under Westphalian occupation and that Westphalia bears the legal duties imposed upon such a power under IHL. Westphalia has denied that it currently occupies any such territory and, as such, owes no legal duties as an occupying power.

**Special Commission Background**

The SCMC was established in direct response to the Coastlandia-Lockivo conflict of 2022, for the express purpose of serving as a monitoring body for armed conflicts on the Mingleton continent. The Special Commission was designed as an alternative to existing United Nations Arria-Formula Meetings, which could more effectively address urgent issues arising out of future armed conflicts on the conflict. Importantly, the Special Commission serves as a neutral body empowered to consider inquires and complaints concerning the conduct of armed conflicts, including but not limited to violations of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) raised by parties to an armed conflict on the continent.

The SCMC is not a judicial body and is not empowered to conduct independent investigations, issue final judgments, or impose penalties with regard to complaints brought before it. The Special Commissioner is, however, empowered to convene the

Special Commission members in special session to hear from representatives of both the parties to a matter, engaging in an informal and confidential manner. Following a special session, the Special Commission can present its findings and conclusions to the Special Commissioner, who is empowered to issue their nonbinding recommendations to the General Assembly for further action.

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## Ibaar Province (Floraland)

**Ibaar Province**, is one of 16 provinces in Floraland, located in the northeastern part of the country. It is bordered on the north by the eastern Iridium Mountain Range and is bounded on the east by the Mingleton Sea. It is the smallest Floraland province in overall population size and total area, roughly equivalent to the U.S. state of Delaware. The Province contains three districts, Lasan, Carlac, and Hosnian, and just over one million people.

### History

Ibaar Province was one of the original four provinces that comprised Floraland after the nation was established in 1804. The province was originally established as a fishing hub, as settlers took advantage of the bountiful fisheries just off its coast. With its proximity to Nortico and the Floraland capital of Kaluga, the province quickly evolved into a hub for trade and commerce—a feature that continues to define the province. Today, more than \$50 billion in annual exports and imports make their way through Ibaar Province, making it a vital link in Floraland's system of commerce and trade with the continent and globe.

The province was established with three districts, which split the province east to west. Hosnian District, as the seat of the provincial government, is the largest in terms of population, with roughly 50% of the population living there. Lasan District boasts the second largest population, with 35% of the population, while Carlac District is the least populous with 15% of the population.

### Composition & Government

#### Provincial Government

Ibaar Province is governed from the capital, Hassk City, which is located on the eastern edge of Hosnian District and is the seat of power. The democratically elected Provincial Governor serves as head of the provincial government and is responsible for implementing provincial laws and the welfare of provincial citizens. Province-wide elections for the central government and governorship are held every three years.

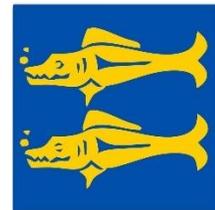
#### District Government

The three provincial districts operate their own smaller District councils, which are subordinate to the provincial government. District councils form the local governments, which assist the provincial government in enforcing laws and providing basic services to citizens.

### Ibaar (Province)



Iridium Mountain Range, northern Ibaar Province



Provincial Flag

**Country:** Floraland

**Capital:** Hassk City

**Governor:** Satine Kryze

**Deputy Governor:**  
Rhys Vanth

**Districts:**

-Hosnian  
-Carcac  
-Lasan

**Area Total:**

1900 sq mi / 3058 sq km

**Population (2020):**

1.001 million

**Population Density:**

510.4

**Main Languages:**

Floralandian (Atlantean  
Dialect)  
English

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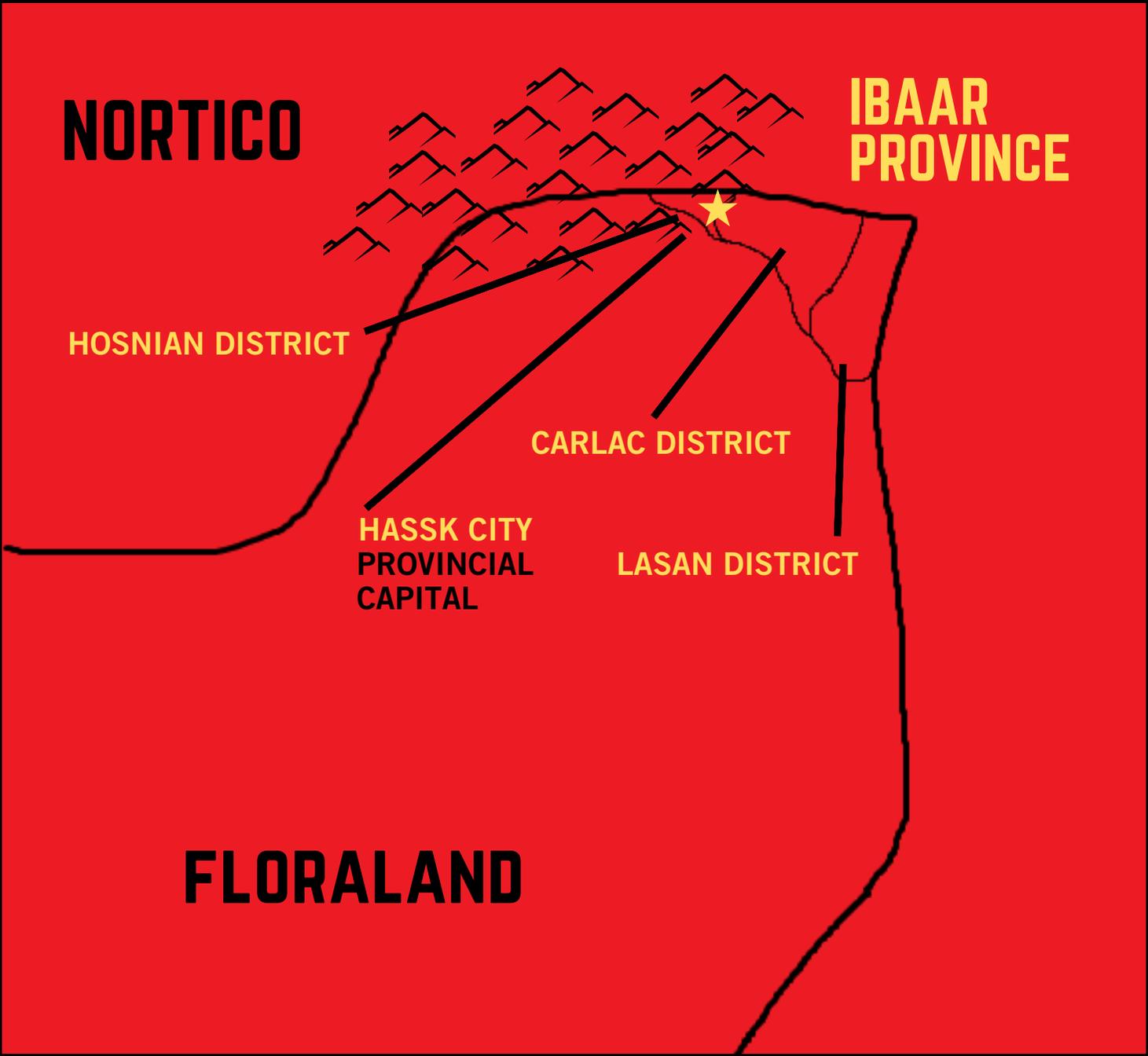
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**CARLAC DISTRICT**

**HASSK CITY  
PROVINCIAL  
CAPITAL**

**LASAN DISTRICT**

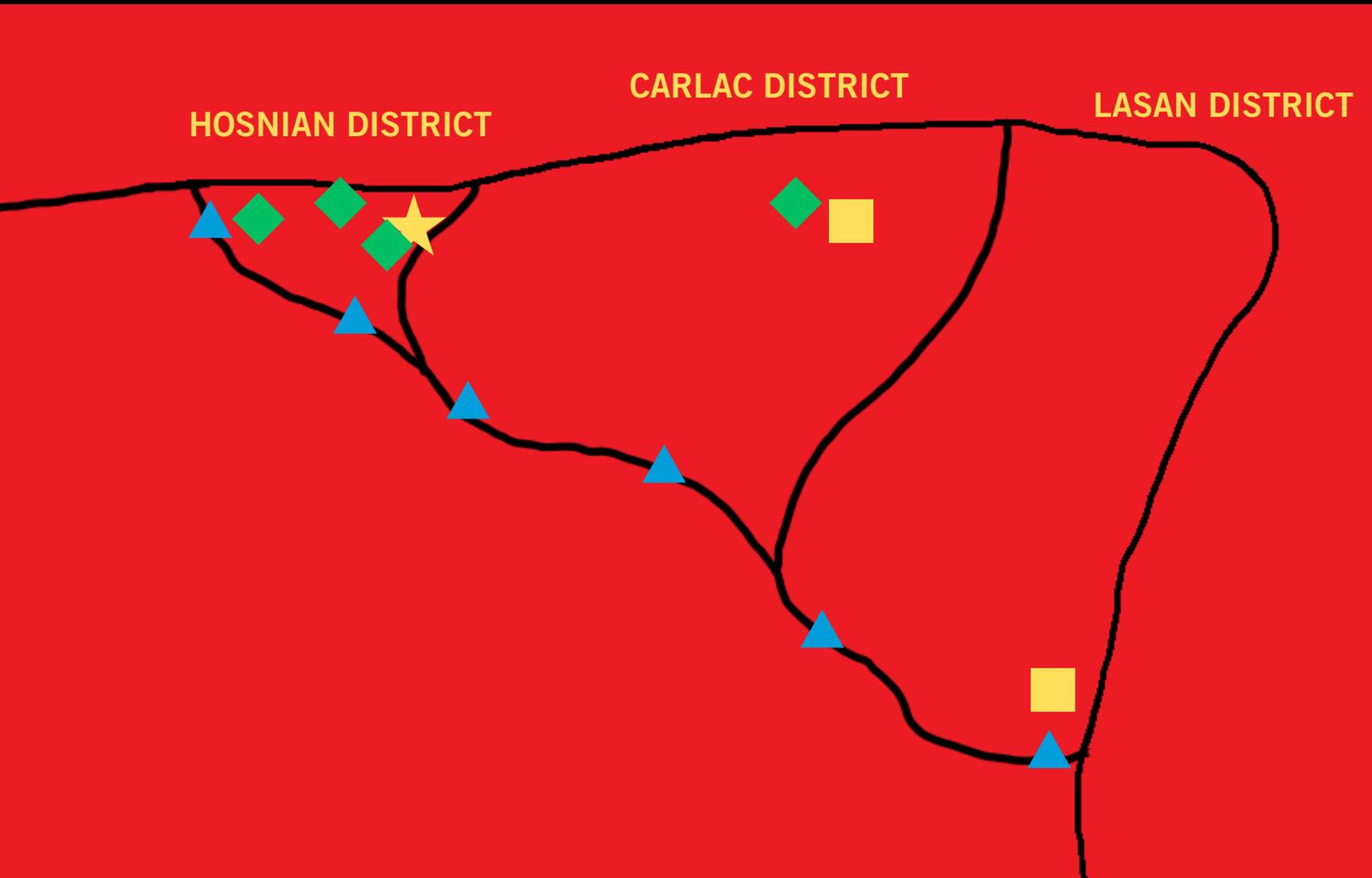
**FLORALAND**



# IBAAR PROVINCE

## KNOWN WESTPHALIAN TROOP LOCATIONS

CURRENT AS OF 7 SEPT 2023



-  WESTPHALIAN MILITARY CHECKPOINT
-  WESTPHALIAN BASE/TROOP CONCENTRATION
-  PROVINCIAL CAPITAL
-  DISTRICT SEAT



27 SEPTEMBER 2023

## **REPORT CONCERNING WESTPHALIAN TROOP PRESENCE – IBAAR PROVINCE**

1. **SUMMARY OF SITUATION:** Westphalian troops continue to occupy Ibaar Province in large numbers. Troop concentrations and location have remained unchanged since the last report of 10 August. Overall occupying troop levels have been significantly reduced in Carlac and Lasan Districts since 20 July, with those troops being repositioned within Hosnian District. All troop levels are estimates based on the collective intelligence available.
2. **TROOP DISTRIBUTION:** Occupying forces continue to be concentrated in highest numbers within Hosnian District, anchored by a presence in the District Seat. Westphalia continues to maintain the Iridium Airbase and a second substantial forward operating base within Hosnian District. Troop levels are now substantially lower within Carlac District, comprised of a pair of remote checkpoints and a modest contingent near the Carlac District Seat. Troop levels are lowest within Lasan District, comprised of a single checkpoint near the southern provincial border. Occupying forces in Carlac and Lasan Districts are reinforced with a mixture of ground and airborne unmanned drones.
3. **TROOP LEVELS & ACTIVITIES:**
  - a. **CARLAC DISTRICT.** 500 soldiers, comprising approximately two Companies of the Westphalian Army 212<sup>th</sup> Mechanized Infantry Battalion, a subordinate unit to the infantry brigade operating in Hosnian District. The Westphalian Army operates two large border checkpoints in the District, which are persistently manned by approximately 100 soldiers each. Soldiers assigned to the checkpoint live in modest outposts built in vicinity of the checkpoints and appear to solely be tasked with keeping the checkpoints operational. The remaining 400 soldiers are stationed on the outskirts of the Carlac District Seat, approximately 37 miles away.
  - b. **LASAN DISTRICT.** 50 soldiers, comprising a Westphalian Military Police platoon. The soldiers are stationed at the Westphalian border checkpoint, which sits just south of the Lasan District Seat.
  - c. **HOSNIAN DISTRICT.** 5,500 soldiers, comprising a Westphalian Infantry Brigade and a Combat Aviation Brigade. The troops are primarily split between the Westphalian airfield in the western portion of the District and in a centrally located forward operating base. The army maintains a sizeable presence in and around Hassk City, the Provincial Capital.

# WESTPHALIA OFFENSIVE CAMPAIGN ASSESSMENT, SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT, AUGUST 19, 2023



War Studies Institute

Contributors: Gideon Danu, Bultar Swan, and Scott Naberrie

**This special report supplements the standard WSI daily campaign assessment which addresses ongoing developments concerning armed resistance activities within Ibaar Province, Floraland.**

**The Westphalian military continues to substantially erode armed resistance efforts in Ibaar Province.** Despite enjoying early military success, a string of setbacks has left armed resistance efforts in Ibaar partially fractured and with degraded offensive capabilities. Increasing Westphalian military efforts at the provincial border have largely choked off the supply of military assistance from the Floraland military, including weapons and ammunition.

**The Makara resistance group has presented a significant threat to Westphalian control of Ibaar Province.** In March 2023, the Westphalian military launched a rapid invasion of Ibaar Province in the northeast. Landing in coastal Lasan District, they swiftly pushed inland, encountering little resistance. The modest Floraland military presence in the province quickly collapsed, with scores of soldiers surrendering at first contact with Westphalian troops. The rapid collapse of the Floraland military helped largely spare provincial cities and other population centers from destruction. The group is led by Lieutenant Fernanda Periero, the former civilian head of the conservation group Bluewave turned Floraland naval officer.

Despite this collapse, an estimated 7,500 Floraland troops reformed themselves into an armed group known as The Makara. In the days following the invasion, Lieutenant Periero quickly emerged as the group's leader. The Makara have continuously operated within Ibaar Province with the express mission of liberating it from Westphalian presence. While the Floraland government has been unable to mount a counteroffensive in Ibaar, it has channeled significant military resources to The Makara since March. In May, the Floraland Prime Minister declared that The Makara are part of a new arm of the Floraland armed forces known as the Homeland Defense Force. In response, the Westphalian military called Floraland's declaration a meaningless stunt with no basis in reality. The Westphalian government then officially designated The Makara as an international terrorist organization and instituted a series of initiatives designed to rally public support and bolster its efforts to destroy the group, ranging from security checkpoints along commercial arteries to military cooperation with civilian law enforcement entities. The increased security posture contributed to a lesser effectiveness of Makara attacks, but has begun to negatively impact the flow of commerce in and out of the province. Adding to its military presence, the Westphalia Navy deployed an aircraft carrier, the *WWS Redemption*, off the Ibaar Province coast earlier this month, adding its contingent of combat aircraft and two battalions of Westphalian Naval Infantry, which appear to be operating as a quick reaction force from aboard the vessel.

**The Makara have been weakened by ongoing Westphalian military operations.** The Makara enjoyed considerable military success against Westphalian forces from March through late May, inflicting substantial casualties and destroying a large amount of Westphalian equipment and materiel. Despite that initial success, The Makara have suffered a continuing series of military defeats during the summer. It is

estimated that of the original 7,500 personnel, only about 4,000 remain. Of those 4,000, reports suggest that only about 2,500 are currently combat ready.

The reduction in flow of arms and ammunition from the Floraland military has likely played a key role in these setbacks. The Westphalian military has substantially tightened its control over provincial borders, using a series of heavily armed checkpoints to stem the flow of military aid from outside the province. Likewise, Westphalia has dedicated an increasing amount of military assets towards the Ibaar occupation, both in terms of troops and supporting assets. Although The Makara have a robust supply of small arms and ammunition to sustain an indefinite armed resistance, they have rapidly depleted their remaining existing supply of heavy munitions (e.g. artillery shells, ground-to-air missiles, anti-armor ammunition, etc.). It is estimated that the group has less than 10% of their original supply remaining. The reduction in personnel and materiel has demonstrably affected Makara operations, as they have not appeared to execute any larger scale coordinated operations outside Hosnian District in nearly a month. In contrast, Westphalian sources have reported more infrequent Makara operations in many areas during that period, including intermittent ambushes and smaller scale attacks against checkpoints in Lasan and Carlac Districts. Hosnian District remains a hotbed of Makara activity. Between 15 and 31 July, multiple pieces of geolocated footage show coordinated Makara operations near the Hosnian District checkpoints, as well as two sizeable attacks on Westphalia's Iridium Airbase in the western part of the district. The outcome of those operations is unclear.

**The apparent loss of Makara leader Lieutenant Fernanda Periero is negatively impacting the group's cohesion and effectiveness.** Beginning in July, a series of furious speculation erupted, suggesting Lieutenant Fernanda Periero was killed in a covert Westphalian operation within Lasan District. Westphalian forces have not commented on the reports, with the Commander of Westphalian Armed Forces describing Lieutenant Periero as “an ongoing threat to peace” in the province during an address on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Lieutenant Periero, a frequent Twitter user who uses her platform to comment on the war and decry Westphalia, has not posted since July 2<sup>nd</sup>. She has also been conspicuously absent from weekly Makara public video addresses.

If reports are true, her death would be a significant blow to both national and Makara morale. Recent Makara operations over the last few weeks have been disjointed in their execution, lacking the signature cohesion that marked the group's operations during the initial months of the war under her leadership. This shift could be evidence of Lieutenant Periero's demise and could portend even more difficulties for The Makara as Westphalia tightens its grip.

**Note: WSI does not receive any classified material from any source, uses only publicly available information, and draws extensively on Floralandian, Westphalian, and Mingleton continental reporting and social media as well as commercially available satellite imagery and other geospatial data as the basis for these reports.**



**WESTPHALIA DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
332<sup>ND</sup> INFANTRY BRIGADE  
FORWARD OPERATING BASE SCYTHE  
IBAAR PROVINCE, FLORALAND**

August 3, 2023

Hon. Hubert E. Jameson  
Provincial Governor  
34800 Mako Avenue  
Hassk City, Ibaar Province  
Floraland

Governor Jameson,

I am writing to offer you sincere congratulations on your recent election and to seek your office's continued assistance and cooperation. As you know, Westphalian forces under my command are actively working to clear Ibaar Province of the significant threat posed by an insidious insurgency and their leader, Lieutenant Fernanda Periero, who have no regard for the safety of your citizens. My unit remains focused on defeating this enemy across the province to allow your people to peaceably go about their lives.

To be clear, our mission is to rid the province of The Makara, who continue to sow instability and inflict suffering on their own people. We estimate that The Makara is approximately 6,000 strong and are receiving active support from the Floraland military. Our network of border checkpoints is in place to thwart the movement of their troops and stem the illicit flow of military supplies fueling their operations. Despite recent rumors of her death, we assess that Lieutenant Periero is still alive and actively coordinating Makara operations in the province. My forces are operating 24 hours a day to defeat this insidious enemy, who manages to strike with regularity in all corners of the province. I assure you that once The Makara are defeated, our mission will be complete.

While I understand that you are personally no fan of Westphalia, my hope is that we can find common ground to work together in pursuit of a peaceful Ibaar. As you have seen, Ibaarian civilians continue to pass freely in and out of the province with minimal disruption from our checkpoints. My Brigade will continue offering what assistance we can muster, including maintaining our Embedded Advisory Partnership (EAP), which has helped your security forces learn from our expertise. We are also willing to continue offering our assistance to the Provincial Police Force (PPF) to enhance law enforcement activities. These efforts will remain under our Domestic Operations Coordination Center (DOCC) in Hassk City, which has been a big success since we established it in May. LTC Stewart, one of my best officers and the DOCC Commander, serves as the point person for those activities, including coordinating enforcement of our 2200 hours Security Curfew across the province. We hope that the PPF will continue providing staff to serve within the DOCC as we believe such integration will help ensure security and defeat The Makara quickly.

My troops will also remain in place at the Dorado National Hydroelectric Plant and all provincial electric distribution hubs, as well as the three provincial water treatment and processing facilities. Unfortunately, the Makara continue to target these facilities as a means of degrading our capabilities and to needlessly sow discontent amongst the people. As you can appreciate, the continued success of our military mission against The Makara depends on the uninterrupted flow of power and clean water. The Ibaar people have not and will not notice any difference in their access to or consumption of those utilities.

We remain eager to complete our mission and, in so doing, help your people live in a more secure and prosperous world.

Warm regards,

Colonel Roger "Rex" Edwards  
"Phoenix 6"  
Commander, 332<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Brigade  
Forward Operating Base Scythe

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By P.M order No. 25846449

Dated 5 October 2023

Review Conducted by: HLC



**INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY  
WESTPHALIAN ARMED FORCES RESPONSE CAPABILITIES (IBAAR PROVINCE)**

**10 APRIL 2023**

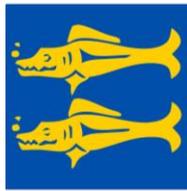
EXSUM: Westphalian forces remain concentrated in western Ibaar Province within Hosnian District. Smaller contingents of Westphalian troops remain present throughout Carlac and Lasan Districts, supported by an overlapping network of unmanned drones, cooperating local law enforcement, and a mixture of rotary and fixed wing aircraft. **REDACTED PURSUANT TO P.M.O. 25846449, PARA 9(H)**

**REDACTED PURSUANT TO P.M.O. 25846449, PARA 9(H)**. It is assessed that Westphalia retains the capability to project its forces from Hosnian Province when needed to assist elsewhere in the province.

METHOD OF COLLECTION: **REDACTED PURSUANT TO P.M.O. 25846449, PARA 7(F)(iii)**

**ANALYSIS:**

- a. At present, Westphalia maintains approximately 40% of its forces within Hosnian District. This includes a combat aviation brigade (CAB), which operates from Iridium Airbase in the western portion of the district. Iridium AB is the only operational base for military aircraft in the province. **REDACTED PURSUANT TO P.M.O. 25846449, PARA 9(H)**. Remaining Westphalian forces, comprised of subordinate elements of the infantry brigade stationed within Hosnian District, are split between Carlac and Lasan Districts.
- b. Reports from an increasing number of battles between Westphalian forces and a newly formed provincial armed resistance element indicate Westphalia retains and actively utilizes a significant force projection capability. Westphalian forces frequently utilize the CAB to move troops around the province. Utilizing its 30 RO-16 Red Hawk and 12 dual-rotor NH-77 Snow Leopard helicopters (the CAB's primary troop transport and heavy lift helicopters), Westphalia is able to move a sizeable number of troops from the Iridium Airbase to the furthest point east in Lasan District in approximately 35 minutes of flight time. Westphalian armed forces have been observed using a mixture of fixed and rotary wing close air support and surface-to-surface indirect fires to effectively support its troops while reinforcements are in transit.
- c. **REDACTED PURSUANT TO P.M.O. 25846449, PARA 9(H)**. Westphalian forces have also established a network of ground-based troop transport across the province. A mixture of unarmored and armored vehicles stationed throughout the province in sizeable numbers, which have been observed to supplement air-based troop movement. Westphalian forces appear to rely primarily on ground-based means to move their troops within districts. Increasing resistance from the provincial armed group may impact Westphalia's ability and/or reliance on this type of transport.
- d. Neither the Floraland military, nor the emergent armed resistance has been able to meaningfully degrade the Westphalian military's force projection capabilities at present.



OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR  
34800 MAKO AVENUE  
HASSK CITY, IBAAR PROVINCE  
FLORALAND

July 20, 2023

Vanessa G. Maroney  
Deputy Commissioner  
Floraland Internal Revenue Service  
42 Hammerhead Drive  
Kaluga, Floraland

Dear Deputy Commissioner Maroney:

On behalf of Ibaar Provincial Governor Alex Stephenson, this letter is in reply to your office's letter of July 12, 2023 concerning Ibaar Province's (the "Province") ongoing payment of its national tax obligations. You assert that the Province has not paid approximately \$23.5 million dollars in national taxes since April 2023. As you are aware, the Provincial government mandates collection of all required national taxes, which are taken from the income of all Provincial residents. The Province collects the vast majority of these taxes via automatic deductions from provincial businesses before consolidating them into a single monthly payment to the Floraland government.

As you are also aware, our Province is currently under occupation by the Westphalian military. Despite their continuing presence, we have continued to levy and collect taxes as usual. We have also had access to our Provincial tax revenue, which we have been able to spend according to our existing budget without interference<sup>1</sup>. Although overall tax revenues have understandably dipped due to the war, we continue to collect all mandated national taxes from our citizens. Your letter therefore came as a surprise to the Governor.

While our collection practices remain unchanged, we are now transmitting all national tax payments to a designated Westphalian agency, with the understanding that the agency will allow transmission of the funds pursuant to a monthly forensic audit. This change in transmission was implemented by Westphalian authorities in late March, who asserted that a routine forensic audit was necessary as a security measure to ensure there were no illicit transactions. Westphalian authorities have consistently assured us that we have passed each audit with no issues. The Province has had no issues with the process. We were under the impression that this new process was widely known.

We recommend that you follow up with the appropriate Westphalian officials, as we are regretfully unable to offer more information at this time. Please keep in mind that per the recent Provincial election, the newly elected Provincial Governor will be sworn in on August 1, 2023. As such, I will conclude my term as the Governor's Chief Financial Minister on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Warm wishes,

Randall F. Bagend  
Chief Financial Minister, Ibaar Province

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<sup>1</sup> In the interest of transparency and maintaining status quo, the Provincial Governor voluntarily agreed to provide Westphalian officials with access to Provincial and District expenditure proposals, which are reviewed before funds are committed. Neither the Province nor its Districts have been stopped from any budget expenditure by Westphalian authorities.

## Floraland War

# Floraland Province Marches On Despite Westphalian Presence



Recent developments have helped maintain a sense of peace and normalcy for Floraland's northern Ibaar Province.

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The Dorado National Hydroelectric Plant in northwestern Ibaar Province remains under Westphalian military control but continues to provide essential power.

As Westphalian forces stormed the beaches of Ibaar Province and raced inland, many citizens feared the worst. Given the quick collapse of the Floraland military in the area and the mass exodus of Floraland federal officials from their posts across the province, many predicted that the provincial and district governments would also collapse as quickly, leading to major disruptions in government services. However, despite the carnage of the ongoing fighting, life has continued mostly as normal for residents of Floraland's smallest province.

Nowhere is that relative normalcy seen more in the province than in the simple flick of a light switch or glass of cold drinking water. As fighting intensified between Westphalian forces and armed resistance in the province, many feared widespread power outages and lack of access to basic necessities like clean drinking water. Carlac District resident Jemina Lakhany said "with the summer months bearing down, we were terrified of the

possibility of living through an infamous Ibaar summer without air conditioning.” However, those fears never came to fruition for many in the province, as government utility services like power, water, and sewer remained steady.

Early in the invasion, Westphalia moved sizable numbers of its troops to Ibaar’s utility infrastructure, including the Dorado National Hydroelectric Plant, which supplies 70% of the province’s power. The troop presence at these utility facilities has endured. Soon after moving its troops in, a contingent of Westphalian civilian engineers and utility staff arrived in the province and are now spread amongst public utility facilities. Despite the new personnel, the original Floralandian staff remains in place at each site. Dorado Plant Operations Supervisor Helen Danielson commented that the troop presence is “alarming,” but that her staff has been allowed to continue its work without interruption. “The Westphalian engineers certainly make their opinion known, but we’ve found a good equilibrium in the interest of the greater good,” she added.

Colonel “Rex” Edwards, the senior Westphalian military commander in the province, maintained that the Westphalian presence at these sites is simply a military necessity that is not intended to disrupt daily life. “We’re in a pitched battle against a determined enemy in this province—keeping the power and water flowing for my troops is absolutely essential if we’re going to liberate the province from the tyranny of this insurgency.” Col. Edwards noted that Westphalia have only inserted staff to fill personnel shortages and “bridge the knowledge divide” he says occurred when a number of senior engineers fled the province early in the war. “[The Floralandian staff] are in the lead at these sites—we just want to keep the power safely flowing so we can win the fight. We don’t have any interest in running the show.”

According to Col. Edwards, so long as the armed group known as “The Makara” continues its intense fighting in the province, his troops will remain. Most Ibaar citizens would be glad to see the last Westphalian soldier leave their province, but for now they are just happy to have access to the basics.

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Count me among the disgusted at every aspect of this illegal and immoral [#invasion](#). Where is the Floraland military? Where is our provincial governor? Probably collaborating with the enemy. They should pay a steep price alongside the Westphalian thugs who destroyed our peace.

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If Ibaar is to survive, we need change NOW. War or no war, you can count on me being on the ballot for Provincial Governor in July. We're stronger than these occupiers and we won't dismantle our way of life without a fight.

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**BREAKING:** Hubert Jameson, Lasan District Rep. and outspoken anti-Westphalian activist, has officially filed his candidacy for Provincial Governor in the July election. Wildly popular amongst Ibaarians, Jameson's late entry has injected fresh chaos and excitement into the race.

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As major provincial elections loom in Ibaar Province, Floralandians are left to wait and wonder whether they'll be able to go to the polls amid ongoing fighting across the province. The current provincial government remains in place for now. [#FloralandWar](#)

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Provincial elections are less than 60 days away—it's time to sweep the Westphalian lackeys out of office. Ibaar will NEVER accept these occupiers and their pawns.

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[@WestphalianArmy](#) your guarantee of a free and fair provincial election comes when? Asking for a bunch of pissed off Ibaarians who are ready to exercise their rights. You said you're all about freedom and liberty? Prove it.

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Westphalian military leaders in [#lbaar](#) refuse to offer any assurances about the upcoming provincial elections. With fighting intensifying in the provincial and district capitals, Westphalia says its focus is on defeating the enemy and restoring peace and order to the province.

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Attacks by “The Makara” on Westphalian forces in [#lbaar](#) continue to escalate. Makara fighters targeted several administrative offices in the provincial and district capitals currently being leased by the Westphalian military, attacking them with RPGs and small arms fire.

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Just over two weeks until [#lbaarElections](#) and still no word from the occupiers whether our people can go to the polls. Westphalia can either let me cast my ballot or cut me down as I try to vote. We will not back down.

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BREAKING: With less than two weeks until election day in Ibaar Province, the Westphalia military says elections will occur without interference. “We’ll provide security for voters to exercise their right in peace” says top Westphalian commander.

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Ibaar Province elections occurred today largely without incident, but for a few isolated instances of violence. Polls are now closed and the province anxiously awaits results.

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BREAKING: JAMESON ELECTED PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR IN LANDSLIDE VICTORY. Westphalian military officials gave no comment on the results. The governor-elect will take office on August 1st and take charge of a province in turmoil.

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