

Sovereign Privacy & State Secrets Act

OF THE SOVEREIGN MAGISTRAL ORDER OF THE TEMPLE OF SOLOMON

Ordo Regius Magistralis Templi Solomonis

Enacted by the Government and Ratified by the Grand Master

(Act of 2011, as Amended in 2016)

The text of this Act is the complete amended version, with all previous Acts, amendments, sovereign orders and administrative regulations fully incorporated, as consolidated from all traditional, customary and enacted sovereign protocols and laws of the Sovereign Magistral Order of the Temple of Solomon since 1118 AD.

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Preamble

Whereas, the Sovereign Magistral Order of the Temple of Solomon is a sovereign subject of international law, exercising governmental rights and authorities as a non-territorial principality of statehood, with legal and jurisdictional independence;

Whereas, the Order does not pursue any secret agendas, and implements only its very public historical missions declared as public law in its sovereign Constitution (Constitution, Preamble), and publicly declared in its authenticated translations of restored historical documents such as the Code of Chivalry of 1066 AD, Temple Rule of 1128 AD, and Templar Code of 1150 AD;

Whereas, in furtherance of pursuing and implementing its publicly declared missions, the Order (with its Crown Officers and Subjects) is legally entitled to the universal protections of personal privacy and privileged professional confidentiality, as provided by established international law on basic human rights and fundamental freedoms;

Whereas, the particular strategies and specific means and methods by which the Order lawfully conducts its legitimate official activities are legally privileged and protected by sovereign immunity and diplomatic privileges and immunities by force of international law on non-interference, nation-state sovereignty, diplomatic and consular relations;

Whereas, the primary interests and functions of the Order and its government as a sovereign principality of statehood consist of defending, upholding and advancing international law, human rights, the rule of law, and the collective heritage of humanity;

Whereas, in the modern era those primary interests and functions of the Order are pervasively under offensive attack by state-sponsored terror organizations, state-supported criminal organizations, and corrupted state agencies and foreign governments, both overtly and covertly;

Whereas, such systemic violations against the rule of law both warrant and require the strongest possible legal protections for the defense of the sovereignty, security, rights and operations of the Order and its Crown Officers;

The Sovereign Magistral Order of the Temple of Solomon has enacted the present juridical law as a parliamentary Act, to provide for the national security and common defense of those whose protection and welfare depend upon the official activities of our sovereign principality.

Article 1 – Title & Enactment

- 1. The full title of this law shall be the "Sovereign Privacy and State Secrets Act of 2011" (as amended in 2016). The short title shall be the "State Secrets Act" (hereinafter "Act").
- 2. This public law is duly officially enacted by the Government of the Order of the Temple of Solomon (hereinafter "the Order") as a sovereign subject of international law, by approval of its titled officials of the Grand Mastery, and by ratification by His Most Eminent Highness the Prince Grand Master as Head of State.

- 3. The present Act comprises a fundamental body of public law defining the named sphere of sovereign rights and authorities of the principality of statehood, and thus constitutes a binding multilateral contract and covenant between the Order, its Crown Officers and other Subjects, and all third parties of the general public and the international community.
- 4. The present Act also serves as public law providing benefits supporting the sovereign rights and authorities of the Ancient Catholic Church, possessing its own autonomous statehood as a sovereign subject of international law in its own right, as a Sister State under Ecclesiastical and Sovereign Patronage of the Order, under Constitution Article 12. For the purposes of this Act, wherever applicable in context, all references to the Order, its departments and governmental officials fully incorporate simultaneous or alternative reference to the Ancient Catholic Church, and its analogous departments and pontifical officials.

Article 2 – Classification of State Secrets

- 1. All information, materials and communications of the Order and its Crown Officers which consist of proprietary intellectual property, of the type which would otherwise be protected by confidentiality rights by doctrines of customary or conventional international law, are hereby classified as official State Secrets of the Order.
- 2. All information, materials and communications of the Order and its Crown Officers which consist of legal strategies, legal advice or legal affairs, of the type which would otherwise be protected as privileged lawyer-client relations shielded by confidentiality by doctrines of customary or conventional international law, are hereby classified as State Secrets of the Order.
- 3. All information, materials and communications of the Order and its Crown Officers which consist of judicial strategies, judicial adjudication or judicial affairs, of the type which would otherwise be protected as privileged independence of the Judiciary shielded by confidentiality and immunity by doctrines of customary or conventional international law, are hereby classified as State Secrets of the Order.
- 4. All information, materials and communications of the Order and its Crown Officers which consist of diplomatic or consular strategies, operations, missions or functions, of the type which would otherwise be protected by sovereign immunity rights as privileged diplomatic correspondence, diplomatic bags or transport by doctrines of customary or conventional international law, are hereby classified as State Secrets of the Order.
- 5. All information, materials and communications of the Order and its Crown Officers which consist of ecclesiastical ministry functions in the form of counseling, confession and similar traditional practices, of the type which would otherwise be protected by historically customary or contemporary jurisprudence as privileged priestly confidences shielded by confidentiality by doctrines of customary or conventional international law, are hereby classified as State Secrets of the Order.

- 6. The specific nature of official assignments, the precise scope of official capacity, and the authorized means and methods of operations of Crown Officers of the Order, of the type which would otherwise be protected by sovereign privilege rights or personal privacy rights by doctrines of customary or conventional international law, are hereby classified as State Secrets of the Order.
- 7. All information about any and all events and circumstances which may or may not have occurred during the performance of any official functions of any Crown Officer of the Order, of the type which would otherwise be protected by privileged diplomatic confidentiality rights, personal privacy rights or due process rights by doctrines of customary or conventional international law, are hereby classified as State Secrets of the Order.
- 8. In addition to the above, any other information, materials or communications of the Order and its Crown Officers, of any nature, without restriction, may be classified as State Secrets by unilateral declaration of the Sovereign Grand Master as Head of State, whether by pre-emptive determination or retroactive declaration.

Article 3 – Protection of State Secrets

- 1. Under no circumstances shall any subject matter which is classified as State Secrets under the present Act be compelled, required nor requested to be disclosed in order to prove its nature as being that of protected State Secrets, nor under any other claimed justification nor pretense.
- 2. No foreign country, government, state agency or court shall presume to impose their own conceptions of "state secrets", and no interpretation of what constitutes "state secrets" shall contradict the provisions of the present sovereign legislative Act, as applied to the Order and its Crown Officers.
- 3. In the event of any uncertainty in particular cases, for the avoidance of debate or dispute as to what in fact constitutes officially classified State Secrets of the Order within the lawful scope of its official sovereign authorities, privileges and immunities, any interested foreign authority shall submit an inquiry to the Order (through its official website). The Government will issue a written determination in reply, within a reasonable timeframe without undue delay. Only the Government alone shall autonomously determine whether or not the subject matter in question falls within the legal classification of protected State Secrets.
- 4. All Crown Officers, and all other members, subjects or nationals of the Order who may be entrusted with State Secrets as defined by the present Act, are bound by a legal obligation to maintain, preserve and make good faith efforts to protect all sensitive information of the Order which they have actual or constructive knowledge, or have reason to believe, consists of sovereign State Secrets. Such persons are liable for compensatory damages, restitution, and punitive damages for breach of this fundamental obligation. Such persons may only be subject to criminal charges and penalties if the breach constitutes Treason or Hostilities Against Peace under constitutional law of the Order. (Constitution, Article 22.)

- 5. It shall be a criminal offense for any private person or foreign official, carrying liability for any private organization, quasi-governmental entity or government entity of which such person or official is an agent, to disregard, undermine or otherwise violate the protected rights in, or the status, protections and immunities of any State Secrets of the Order, as established by the present Act or under codified or adjudicated international law.
- 6. Jurisdiction over any criminal offenses against State Secrets of the Order is vested in the sovereign Judiciary as the Magistral Courts or any appointed Court of Record of the Order. (Constitution, Articles 23-25.) The provisions of the Sovereign Protection and Rule of Law Act of 2010 shall apply to such criminal charges and legal proceedings, in addition to the provisions of the present Act.

Enactment & Ratification

The present Sovereign Defense and Crown Office Act of 2011, as Amended in 2016, is hereby fully enacted and ratified, in accordance with Article 20 of the Constitution, by the following legal acts of the Government and Grand Mastery:

Enacted by the Government:

His Excellency Viscount Michael Henry Dunn Grand Commander as Chairman of the Government Sovereign Magistral Order of the Temple of Solomon

03 March 2016

Ratified by Magistral Assent of the Grand Master:

His Most Eminent Highness Prince Matthew of Thebes

Sovereign Grand Master as Head of State

Sovereign Magistral Order of the Temple of Solomon