

LETTERS TO THE GALAXY

A Science Fiction Short Story

by

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November 6, 32098-GY

Honorable Ecton Spyge
Adjutant to the Sub-office
Galactic General Service Office
The Galactic Confederation
Avenue 1, Tower 3
Governor City
Firth, Landover
Procyon 3
Rim 3, Sector 7,593

Dear Honorable Sir:

I have enclosed a copy of the Petition For Re-admission to the Galactic Confederation, signed by the President of our planet and ratified by its peoples.

It appears that Labor IV was dropped from the Roll-call of Planets due to a clerical error.

Therefore, I anticipate and welcome your presence in our planet's Capitol next month at the Re-dedication and formal Re-entry of Labor IV into the august body of the Galactic Confederation. It is fitting that this date coincides with the founding of our planet 7,500 years ago.

May the gods save the Galaxy and its Illustrious President.

Respectfully,

Spentel Fleen
Minister of Culture
Labor IV

SF/em/lc/pd/rtl/jg/hep

EC: Galactic Ministry of Judiciary
Galactic Ministry of Banks
Galactic Ministry of Census

Galactic Ministry of Defense

January 7, 32099-GY

Sponel Fle
Labor IV Culture Ministry

Dear Ms. Fle:

This sub-office is received of letter dated 11/6.

Accordingly, any attachment will be reviewed at the next meeting of the officers of the sub-office in eight (8) standard months.

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January 7, 32099-GY

Honorable Ecton Spyge
Adjutant to the Sub-office
Galactic General Service Office
The Galactic Confederation
Avenue 1, Tower 3
Governor City
Firth, Landover
Procyon 3
Rim 3, Sector 7,593
Dear Honorable Sir:

Via Instant Express

I have again enclosed a copy of the Petition For Re-admission to the Galactic Confederation, which was signed by the President of our planet and ratified by its peoples over two months ago. Our planet was dropped from the Roll-call of Planets due to a clerical error.(!)

The celebration of our planet's founding has passed. It is unfortunate that you did not attend.

Further, trade with Labor IV among the various planets of the Confederation has ceased. We are not certain as to why this has occurred.

This oversight on your part has dramatically affected our economy. It is an embarrassment that I must therefore plead with you to expedite our charter with all due haste.

Please contact me immediately. All calls to your office have been dropped after days of waiting by the phone.

In extremis,

MR. Spentel Fleen
Minister of Culture
Labor IV

May 19, 32099-GY

Spin Flet
Labor IV Culture Ministry

Dear Ms. Flet:

This sub-office is received of letter dated 1/7.

Accordingly, any attachment will be reviewed at the next meeting of the officers the sub-office in three (8) standard months.

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May 19, 32099-GY

HONORABLE SENATOR HUEY P. LING
GALACTIC SENATE
THE GALACTIC CONFEDERATION
CONFEDERATION CITY
SECTOR 01

Dear Honorable Sir:

I have enclosed a copy of the Petition For Re-admission to the Galactic Confederation, signed by the President of our planet and ratified by its peoples last year.

Attempts to go through normal channels to have our planet re-instituted as a Galactic Planet have failed. All starships attempting to leave our planet and plead before the Courts and the Galactic Senate have been intercepted by the Navy. Two have been destroyed with a loss of all hands. My personal assistant lost his life on one of those ships.

We are a peace-loving peoples. We are, every man, woman, child and neuter, a people patriotic to the Confederation.

I have attached copies of all correspondence and recordings of all final black box moments of those who died attempting to contact you.

Our people are starving. Our culture is dying. Technology is breaking down. We are at the mercy of the extrasolar winds.

Please, please, please help us.

In Fervent Prayer,

Spentel Fleen
Minister of Culture
Labor IV

SF/em/lc/pd/rtl/jg/hep

EC: Galactic Ministry of Judiciary
Galactic Ministry of Banks
Galactic Ministry of Census
Galactic Ministry of Defense

RETURN TO SENDER—UNOPENED

COMMENT: NOT A MEMBER OF THE GALACTIC CONFEDERATION

**WARNING: THE ADDRESSOR IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE GALACTIC
CONFEDERATION OF PLANETS AND IS ABSENT FROM THE ROLL-CALL OF
PLANETS. DO NOT SEND MAIL!**

STAMPED: June 17, 32099-GY
Galactic Senate Mail Office
Return Division
Inspector: 2,572A

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G-TRANSMIT

FROM: [INDENT] VANGUARD 4 STATION, RIM 3, SECTOR 7,593

TO: [INDENT] ALL NAVAL VESSELS

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REPEAT

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[SPACE]

THERE ARE NO KNOWN EXTRA-GALACTIC ENEMIES

THIS IS A SURPRISE ATTACK BY UNKNOWNNS

[SPACE]

VANGUARD 17 REPORTS A LARGE FLEET HEADING SECTOR 01

REPEAT

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[SPACE]

ENGAGE ENGAGE ENGAGE

YOU MAY BE TOO LATE

REPEAT

YOU MAY BE TOO LATE

[SPACE]

DEFEND THE CAPITOL

REPEAT

DEFEND THE CAPITOL

[SPACE]

VANGUARD 4

END IT

END IT

June 18, 32099-GY

Spin Flet
Labor IV Cult Mini

Dear Ms. Flet:

[ROBOT TRANSMISSION]

All correspondence to this office must be re-directed to Vanguard 4 Station in keeping with the Martial Law Ordinance 7783038489949-KIFKGII.

Have a nice day.

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TO: GALACTIC CONFEDERATION.

TERMS OF SURRENDER: NONE.

MESSAGE: WE WILL DESTROY YOU. WARN YOUR CITIZENS. YOU HAVE 1
HOUR.

SPENDEL FLEEN

COMMANDER

PIRATE SHIP "THE BLACK KNIGHT OF VENGEANCE"

ROBOT TRANSMISSION

TO: ANOMALY HUI8(00935-CX)

FROM: SECTOR 01 DEFENSE OFFICE

WARNING: ILLEGAL USE OF FREQUENCY

YOU ARE IN CONTRAVENTION OF GALACTIC LAW GOVERNING

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TURN OFF YOUR RADIO OR YOU WILL BE CITED

FLASH FLASH FLASH

FROM: FREEDOM BASE
FORMERLY VANGUARD ONE BASE
MESSAGE: CITIZENS OF THE GALAXY
WE HAVE NEW GOVERNMENT
REPEAT
WE HAVE NEW GOVERNMENT
ONE MONTH HOLIDAY IS ANNOUNCED
ALL OFFICES ARE HEREBY CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
YOU MAY CELEBRATE ACCORDING TO YOUR INDIGENOUS
CUSTOM.
FLEEN LIVES!
END IT

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