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Domestic

d'Arrigo Administration Releases New Budget Proposal

- by Neve Amelia-Thomas

Magistrate of Furnifold Jacopo d'Arrigo and his administration has released their budget proposal for the second half of 2017-2018 fiscal year. This proposal serves as the goals that Mr. d'Arrigo and his administration wish the Senate to fund. It is the Senate's decision to take this into account when they design their own budget in a month's time. The budget calls for an increase of 650 million ISD to pay for the increased military and infrastructure costs of Furnifold. Meanwhile, an additional 50 million ISD is to pay for an increase in government bureaucratic posts across the board, to move officials up the promotion ladder and open space for more entry-level and internship positions for younger Furnifolds. No agency is to receive a cut under this proposal. "This budget represent careful analysis and thought on where our



priorities need to be for the next year," Magistrate d'Arrigo said in a statement. "We will be distributing this to Senators for their lookover, and we hope they engage my administration in the future."

On the Senate side, they have not released a budget yet, but insiders believe that many of these proposals will not be retained in their budget, due to the 700 million ISD increase in the budget. Analysts suspect that Senators will be hesitant also due to the increase in taxes they will need to accrue in order to pay for this budget. "We stress fiscal responsibility, which is why we will be taking a good hard look at what Mr. d'Arrigo has sent over, to determine how it will best serve the people of Furnifold without hurting the people of Furnifold." Chancellor Faith Jagan said to reporters. Ms. Jagan and her staff in the Senate will craft a budget, then vote on it in the Senate, which requires a two-thirds majority vote. It will then move onto the Magistrate's desk, where he can either veto or sign it. If he

vetoes the bill, it will return to the Senate for a two-thirds override. It is expected that Chancellor Jagan will be able to whip the votes for the initial budget, and then will be able to survive a possible Magisterial veto.

The Senate has until the end of next month to propose a budget, where it will then be brought to the floor for vote, just in time for the 2017 fiscal half-year to begin. The budget will govern the rest of 2017, and then all of 2018, when a new budget will be proposed.

Funifold Royal Navy to Build New Destroyers

- by F.T. Morison

Furnifold has announced a joint partnership with the nation of Chianski to produce five naval destroyers over ten years here in Furnifold. Chianski will be retaining three of them, while Furnifold will build the other two. "This was done in order to cut down on costs as much as possible. We will expect to see our arsenal improve so as to improve our posture in all of Urth." Foreign Secretary Jackson Woolf said to reporters.

The destroyers will be produced every three years for the next ten, with one year spent on procurement. All construction and procurement is to be done in Furnifold. The total cost to Furnifold is 4.48 billion ISD over the ten years. Chianski will be giving Furnifold 840 million a year for ten years, which will be going right back into contracts for the companies that Furnifold hires to produce the destroyers.

Business

Shares of Commodities Rise

- by Uche Markopolos

Sales of Furnifold agricultural commodities have risen in the wake of the impending opening of the Global Furnifold Commodities Market (GFCM), according to Financial Services Firm Manleh Cousins."There is evidence to suggest that the first day of trading on the GFCM will be one of the most active days in Furnifold history," a spokesperson for Manleh Cousins said. "The number of sales have increased by nearly twenty percent in the past week. What's more is that the majority of these sales are coming from first time buyers."

Though they have not analyzed the data yet, Manleh Cousins has projected that the firsttime buyers are agricultural workers. They have pooled together resources and invested in several commodities that they have produced. "We are encouraging our workers to buy into these commodities," according to one farm owner. "We are confident this give that will employees a stake in the



growth of their labor, and will give them a financial incentive to watch the sales of our products."

While economists believe that there is growth ahead for Furnifold on the GCFM, they caution buyers against a possible "make it big" mentality. "We will not be able to predict what will happen after that first week, and that is why it is necessary to diversify your account, and not put all money in one commodity," Economist Maynard Lewis said. "Watch the market, trust your advisers, and don't be afraid to sell early, and you will do fine," were his words of advice to our reporters. The GFCM opens on April 8th, in what is sure to be a big day for Furnifold.

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