DIVINIA CHANGED ITS LAW

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AS YOU ALL KNOW, THERE WAS QUITE A COMMOTION LAST WEEK AROUND KAREN SMITH, A CIVILIAN FROM DIVINIA. MRS.SMITH SIGNED UP FOR OUR WORK EXPERIENCE IN EQUALIA FOR A WEEK. AFTERWARDS, SHE RETURNED TO DIVINIA WITH A GREAT EXPERIENCE AND A DIFFERENT OUTLOOK ON LIFE.

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Divinia is known to have a great influence on its residents through Big Sister. Unfortunately, Mrs. Smith did not escape the all-seeing eye. She was sent to a facility to be screened. This information reached some of our locals who have worked with Karen. Our source told us that Mrs. Smith would have to be re-educated so that Big Sister could regain power over her.

The whole situation caused a lot of commotion, not only in Equalia but all over the world. A lot of people were offended by this restriction on freedom of speech. What we totally understand. In Equalia, we have an open and welcoming mind. We definitely weren't happy with this news either. However, we do believe that the believes and traditions of every country should be respected, even when they are different from ours. As long as there are no violations of human rights, we respect the other countries.



So thanks to our courageous Equals, Karen Smith was given a second chance.

As the government of Equalia, we deemed it our duty to start a conversation with Divinia. We met on November 27th to negotiate on this delicate matter. We offered that Karen Smith, or anyone else, could become part of our community a few days a month. After our proposal, Divinia came up with another solution. To our surprise, they proposed to change their law. Up till now, people were allowed to visit Divinia without coming into contact with its residents. In addition to this law, residents will now be allowed to leave Divinia but on one condition. Once you leave the country, you can never enter it again. Citizens of Divinia are now allowed to move to other countries. The only consequence is that they no longer have the right to enter their home country.

Because Equalia is a country where everyone is welcome, no matter where you come from or who you are, we have agreed to their proposal. Karen Smith and her family are welcome to join our community and live their best life here.

Karen will be moving to Equalia next week and leave Divinia for good. Her 5 men and 17 children will be joining her. The family will be living in one of our communes in our capital, Equilano. We will throw a party for them so they'll feel welcome in their new home. Feel free to come celebrate with us and get to know our new friends!