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dropped a copy on your desk before you got in. read it before lunch, not during. short version is in the yellow.

— R.H.

added a few notes of my own coming through — hope you don't mind. mostly context from across the office.

— A.K.

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1 · FACTION PROGRESS UPDATES

Each faction's latest public position below, distilled from Q2 press material. You are not endorsing these claims — only acknowledging them accurately if pressed. Expected question areas and current spokesperson noted at the foot of each entry.

1.1 The Schrödingers Society (*logistics*).

- **Q2 activity:** two new regional hubs (Tacoma, Lyon); freight-carrier partnerships signed with three majors; peer-reviewed methodology paper on live-cargo configurations expected early 2031.
- **Their framing:** "significant progress" on a standard cargo configuration; working delivery-on-arrival targets described only as "within welfare thresholds" (the specific figure is held back for the forthcoming paper).
- **Expected questions:** throughput claims; welfare threshold; hub openings; partner carriers.
- **Spokesperson of record:** Director of External Affairs (no change from Q1).

if the Tacoma bin rumour comes up — one nervous cleaner, a story that grew legs in the telling. would not feed the room. — R.H.

if anyone chases the delivery-on-arrival numbers, hold the line. standard logistics caveat, nobody gets to 100 on live cargo. — R.H.

worth keeping in mind — any arrival-rate framing tends to read in print as animals, not cargo. matters for transcripts. — A.K.

1.2 The Meweugenics Society (*selective breeding and genetics*).

- **Q2 activity:** Breeding Line Registry advanced to v0.6; technical bulletin published on generational stress markers in high-yield lines; formal funding-parity submission made to this office.
- **Their framing:** approximately 50 active lines; "line governance" advanced as a distinct discipline; stress-marker work offered as evidence of methodological rigour.
- **Expected questions:** programme scale; ethics; the "line governance" vocabulary; the funding-parity request.
- **Spokesperson of record:** Society Secretary.

two lines came off the registry between v0.5 and v0.6 with no public note. file it. — R.H.

line removals between registry versions are routine housekeeping. probably not a question the room will press on. — A.K.

procurement gossip — their feed and enrichment orders don't obviously square with the declared headcount. nobody's counted. if it comes up, don't confirm a number. — R.H.

1.3 Copy Cats (*cloning*).

- **Q2 activity:** Clone Cat Protocol (CCP) first-stage field trial operational across six veterinary partner sites (launched Q4 2029, now in its third quarter); major expansion round confirmed, backed by an unnamed private consortium; construction begun on a new central-campus production facility (internally "Block 4").
- **Their framing:** "full compliance with ethics review"; "no adverse events to date."
- **Expected questions:** the ethics-compliance claim; trial-site locations; the identity of the consortium; the Block 4 timeline.
- **Spokesperson of record:** Chief Science Officer.

worth knowing — breeding programmes at this scale routinely carry reserve and trial cohorts that don't appear in the public headcount. that's true across all three factions. — A.K.

one of the trial-site coordinators used the phrase "a bit off" about the CCP kittens. the vets won't complain — they don't want to get dropped from the programme. file it. — R.H.

"unnamed consortium" is doing a lot of work in that sentence. — R.H.

2 · PRESS CORPS NOTES

Expected attendees and current beats. Treat all with equal courtesy.

worth preparing a short redirect on Block 4 funding — the phrasing in their release actively invites the question.

separately — i've heard "a bit off" put more strongly. two vets have reportedly used the word "wrong." brace for the sharper phrase if it comes. — A.K.



Mara Quillen — *The National Ledger*

Mandate delivery and infrastructure. Two follow-ups this year on hub openings.

Tomas Vel — *Capitol Public Radio*

Science policy. Long polite questions; usually publishes within the briefing frame.

Ben Marwick — *Frontier Broadcasting*

Generalist. Folksy register, slow-spoken. Low-bandwidth questions on the surface.

she's been in and out of Tacoma for about a month. if she uses the word "waste," she already has the story — she's fishing for you to confirm. redirect.

— R.H.

Mara is the only reporter in that room doing actual work on the hubs. if she asks, the story exists. the only question is whether it breaks today or next week.

— A.K.

fine. give him the working-group line, he'll write it down, he'll go home.

— R.H.

small thing — Tomas will try to steer you into saying the word "eugenics" in the English sense. the Society has a name; please use the name.

— A.K.

Ben is not as dumb as he sounds. last quarter an aw-shucks question of his took us a week to clean up. when he gets folksier, he's winding up for something pointed. watch his hands.

— R.H.

one thing on Ben — his wife's brother works at the Lyon hub. his questions may lean that way without him meaning it.

— A.K.

if a reporter names a city, change the subject. any city.

— R.H.

Meweugenics' board lapsed in March. we do not say that out loud. ever.

— R.H.

the operative language is "in renewal." if anyone asks about the Meweugenics board status, please use "in renewal."

— A.K.

"do not laugh" was added after last quarter. we all know why.

— R.H.

3 · TOPICS TO SIDESTEP

1. Funding splits between the three factions. (*Defer to Treasury liaison.*)
2. Any comparative evaluation of the three approaches.
3. Specific incidents at any faction facility.
4. Current ethics-review status for any specific faction.
5. Mortality or attrition figures in transport or trial cohorts.
6. Any question using the words *cloning*, *engineering*, or *expendable*.
7. The energy cost of the mandate.

4 · NEUTRALITY NOTES

- All three approaches are receiving fair and equal evaluation.
- The Mandate Evaluation Office's role is co-ordination, not adjudication.
- Scientific debate is healthy and welcome.
- Our priority remains the daily kitten distribution mandate.
- We will not pre-empt the conclusions of the working group.
- If pressed for a personal opinion, defer to the office.
- Do not laugh.