

BLACK MIRROR

PROCEDURAL MATRIX – JANUS PROTOCOL

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1. SYSTEM INITIALISATION

1.1 Activation

The Chair shall initiate proceedings by activating the JANUS Protocol.

System Message:

JANUS PROTOCOL INITIALISING

All designated authorities are requested to initialise.

System status: **ACTIVE**

The committee shall then come to order.

1.2 Roll Call

Roll Call shall be conducted by the Chair.

Delegates may respond:

- **Present**
- **Present and Voting**

Once Roll Call has concluded, a delegate's status may not be changed.

2. BASELINE ESTABLISHMENT

2.1 System Sync — Opening Statements

Each delegate shall be provided an opportunity to establish their portfolio's position on Project JANUS.

Opening statements should address:

1. The delegate's assessment of the JANUS incident.
2. Their portfolio's primary concern.
3. Their proposed immediate response.

Suggested speaking time: 60–90 seconds.

The purpose of this stage is to establish the committee's initial **SYSTEM BASELINE**.

3. SYSTEM QUERY

3.1 Structured Debate

The Chair may initiate a **SYSTEM QUERY** to direct debate towards a specific aspect of the JANUS crisis.

A System Query shall consist of:

QUERY ID
CENTRAL QUESTION
TIME LIMIT

Example

SYSTEM QUERY 01

Who should retain ultimate control over autonomous defence systems?

Possible areas of inquiry include:

- Human Control
- State Responsibility
- AI Autonomy
- Attribution
- Neural Rights
- Cybersecurity
- Infrastructure Security
- Information Integrity

The Chair may recognise delegates to respond to the Query.

4. AUTHORITY PROTOCOL

Each portfolio possesses a designated area of **procedural authority** based on its JANUS mandate.

These authorities are not equivalent to additional voting rights. They allow relevant delegates to formally raise issues within their area of expertise.

4.1 Human Autonomy Review

Applicable portfolios may request a review where a proposal substantially affects:

- Human autonomy
- Bodily autonomy
- Individual freedoms
- Human control over autonomous systems

4.2 Security Verification

Relevant security portfolios may request verification of technical claims concerning:

- Authentication
- Cybersecurity
- System containment
- Attribution
- Security architecture

4.3 Accountability Review

Relevant legal portfolios may request that any proposed action identify:

- The responsible actor
- The legal basis for responsibility
- The consequences of autonomous action

4.4 Infrastructure Review

Relevant technology portfolios may raise concerns regarding:

- Cloud infrastructure
- Global digital networks
- Computing capacity
- Critical technological infrastructure

4.5 Information Verification

Relevant information and media portfolios may request verification of claims concerning:

- Synthetic media
- Disinformation
- Information manipulation
- Public trust

The Chair shall determine whether a requested review is procedurally admissible.

5. BREACH PROTOCOL

The Chair may introduce a **JANUS SYSTEM ALERT** at any stage of proceedings.

System Alert Format

[JANUS SYSTEM ALERT]
SYSTEM INTEGRITY COMPROMISED.
NEW INFORMATION AVAILABLE.

The Chair shall then issue a Crisis Update.

5.1 Breach Levels

LEVEL 01 — INFORMATION BREACH

New information becomes available to the committee.

LEVEL 02 — SYSTEM DISRUPTION

Existing assumptions or previously established information may be affected.

LEVEL 03 — ACTIVE CRISIS

The committee is required to respond to an immediate development.

LEVEL 04 — JANUS OVERRIDE

Standard proceedings may be temporarily suspended or modified by the Chair.

The Chair shall clearly identify the level of every Breach.

6. FORK PROTOCOL

A **FORK** represents a major strategic decision in the development of the JANUS crisis.

The Chair may present two or more possible courses of action.

Example

JANUS FORK DETECTED

PATH A — CONTAIN

Immediately restrict autonomous systems.

PATH B — INTEGRATE

Permit controlled operation under international supervision.

Delegates shall negotiate and determine the preferred course of action.

The consequences of the chosen pathway may influence subsequent Crisis Updates.

Note: No Fork shall have a predetermined "correct" answer.

7. CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

The Dais may provide selected delegates with **CLASSIFIED INFORMATION**.

Classified information:

- Is not automatically known to other delegates.
- May be disclosed voluntarily by the receiving delegate.
- May be used during committee proceedings.
- May contain incomplete or conflicting information.
- May subsequently be verified, challenged, or invalidated by the Dais.

Delegates are responsible for determining how and when to use information available to them.

8. CLOSED NETWORK

8.1 Unmoderated Caucus

An Unmoderated Caucus shall be referred to as a:

CLOSED NETWORK

During a Closed Network, delegates may:

- Form alliances and coalitions.
- Exchange information.
- Negotiate proposals.
- Draft the JANUS Accord.
- Prepare crisis directives.
- Coordinate responses to active system events.

The duration shall be determined by the Chair.

System Display

CLOSED NETWORK ACTIVE

NETWORK ACCESS: OPEN

DURATION: XX MINUTES

9. PROTOCOL OVERRIDE

The Chair may activate a **PROTOCOL OVERRIDE** in response to a major development.

PROTOCOL OVERRIDE AUTHORISED.

During an Override, the Chair may:

- Introduce an emergency Crisis Update.
- Suspend a specific procedural stage.
- Require immediate responses from selected portfolios.
- Initiate an Emergency System Query.
- Call an Emergency Moderated Caucus.
- Introduce new operational constraints.

Protocol Override shall be used only when required by the progression of the crisis.

10. JANUS ACCORD

The final substantive outcome of the committee shall be the:

JANUS ACCORD

The Accord shall establish a framework addressing the following five system questions:

01 — CONTROL

Who retains authority over autonomous systems?

02 — ACCOUNTABILITY

Who bears responsibility when autonomous systems act?

03 — LIMITATION

What actions or capabilities should be prohibited or restricted?

04 — OVERSIGHT

Who monitors compliance and system activity?

05 — FAILURE

What mechanisms apply if the established framework fails?

The Accord may contain clauses, protocols, mechanisms, institutions and emergency procedures as determined by the committee.

11. FINAL SYSTEM AUDIT

Before the conclusion of proceedings, the Chair shall conduct a **FINAL SYSTEM AUDIT**.

The committee shall determine the final status of Project JANUS.

JANUS STATUS

- ☐ **CONTAINED**
- ☐ **CONTROLLED**
- ☐ **UNSTABLE**
- ☐ **ACTIVE**
- ☐ **UNKNOWN**

SYSTEM AUDIT

Human Oversight: _____

Autonomous Activity: _____

Final Authority: _____

Accord Status: _____

The Chair may introduce a final Crisis Update before the audit is concluded.

12. TERMINATION SEQUENCE

The conclusion of the committee shall be presented as a **TERMINATION SEQUENCE**.

JANUS PROTOCOL — TERMINATION SEQUENCE

SYSTEM STATUS: [STATUS]

ACCORD STATUS: [STATUS]

HUMAN OVERSIGHT: [STATUS]

AUTONOMOUS ACTIVITY: [STATUS]

FINAL AUTHORITY: [AUTHORITY]

PROTOCOL TERMINATED.

The Chair shall then formally adjourn the committee.

13. PROCEDURAL DISPLAY LANGUAGE

For website implementation, the following terminology shall be used consistently throughout the Black Mirror committee interface:

Conventional MUN Term

Roll Call

Opening Statements

Black Mirror Term

Identity Verification

System Sync

Moderated Caucus	System Query
Unmoderated Caucus	Closed Network
Crisis Update	System Alert
Emergency Crisis	Active Crisis
Procedural Suspension	Protocol Override
Strategic Decision	Fork
Confidential Information	Classified Information
Draft Resolution	JANUS Accord
Final Review	System Audit
Adjournment	Termination Sequence

14. CORE PRINCIPLE

The Black Mirror committee is designed as an **adaptive crisis simulation** rather than a conventional committee.

The procedural framework should allow delegates to:

DEBATE → INVESTIGATE → NEGOTIATE → RESPOND → ADAPT → DRAFT → AUDIT

The objective is not simply to produce a document.

The objective is to determine whether the committee can establish a system capable of controlling JANUS **without surrendering human agency in the process.**