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LETTER FROM SECRETARY GENERAL

Dear delegates,

I would like to give a warm welcome to all of you that come to participate CityMUN 2020. I hope to give you an amazing experience that you can look back on with joy.

Over the course of 3 days in total, you are going to be saving our world. I hope that you take this opportunity to widen your horizon to in a respectful manner, challenge and be challenged and form new friendships. Our team worked so much for you, both academically and organizational. During these 3 days, we hope that you'll be pleased.

We can't wait to see you all in CityMUN 2020. Please don't hesitate to ask me anything via email.

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**Yours Sincerely,
Merve Karakulak**

Letter from Under Secretary General

Honorable delegates, esteemed chairs, dear guests and friends, It is great delight that we serve you as the Secretariat of Boğaziçi High School Model United Nations Conference. In March 2020 in Kütahya. In my opinion MUN conferences should be more than just resolutions, socials and coffee breaks. At these conferences, many different cultures, world views and interests are getting together under an opinion. Also MUN conferences help you to improve your English, speaking and solution skills. Everyone from our beloved organising team has worked incredibly hard to make this conference an unforgettable experience for all of you. We can not wait for you to come to Kütahya, challenge yourselves, find new directions, think beyond borders, build bridges, and alter the course towards a future that lasts. Before moving on the study guide, I would like to express my gratitude and pay my regards to Secretary General Mrs. Merve Karakulak for giving me the opportunity to work with them. I hope you will enjoy the committee and make good memories!

Yours sincerely,

You can contact me for inquiries about the guide and conference in general at

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Committee Overview

In this committee some of the characters are fictive which will be given by me and I want you to know that committee is about TV Series Vikings so in my view you should also watch it for inspiration to yourself. And in this study guide character analysis will be read by you. And I'd like to express that informations below are all historical. These are just for letting you know about the event. And let me tell you more, this committee will be different from the GA committees. In crisis committee almost everything works differently.

What will you read:

1-Historical information about Siege Of Paris

2-Character Analysis

Siege Of Paris

The Siege of Paris and the sack of Paris of 845 was the culmination of a Viking invasion of France. The Viking forces were led by a Norse chieftain named Ragnar, who traditionally has been identified with the legendary saga character Ragnar Lodbrok . Ragnar's fleet of 120 Viking ships, carrying thousands of men, entered the Seine in March and proceeded to sail up the river.

The Frankish king Charles the Bald assembled a smaller army in response, but as the Vikings defeated one division, comprising half of the army, the remaining forces retreated. The Vikings reached Paris at the end of the month, during Easter. After plundering and occupying the city, the Vikings with drew when they had been paid a ransom of 7,000 French livres [2,570 kilograms) of silver and gold from Charles the Bald.



Invasion and Siege

In March 845, a fleet of 120 Danish Viking ships containing more than 5,000 men entered the Seine under the command of a Danish chieftain named "Reginherus", or Ragnar. This Ragnar has often been tentatively identified with the legendary saga figure Ragnar Lodbrok, but the accuracy of this remains a disputed issue among historians. Around 841, Ragna had been awarded land in Turholt, Flanders, by Charles the Bald, but he eventually lost the land as well as the favour of the King. Ragnar's Vikings raided Rouen on their way up the Seine in 845, and in response to the invasion, Charles-who was determined not to let the royal Abbey of Saint-Denis be destroyed assembled an army which he divided into two parts, one for each side of the river. Ragnar attacked and defeated one of the divisions of the smaller Frankish army, took 111 of their men as prisoners and hanged them on an island on the Seine. This was done to honour the Norse god

Odin, as well as to incite terror in the remaining Frankish forces.

The Vikings arrived in Paris on Easter Sunday, 29 March entered the city and plundered it. During the siege, a plague broke out in their camp. The Norse had been exposed to the Christian religion, and after first praying to the Norse gods, they undertook a fast, acting on the advice of one of their Christian prisoners, and the plague subsided. The Franks could not assemble any effective defence against the invaders instead he paid treasure.

Considering Ragnar's earlier loss of land to Charles, the substantial payment may also have been regarded as some form of compensation to Ragnar, and the invasion itself as an act of revenge. This was the first of a total of thirteen payments of so-called Danegeld to Viking raiders by the Franks (the term is not expressly known to have been used at this point). While agreeing to withdraw from Paris, Ragnar pillaged several sites along the coast on the return



voyage, including the Abbey of Saint Bertin.

Although Charles had been criticised severely for granting the largeransom payment to the Vikings, he had other more critical issues to deal with at the same time, including disputes with his brothers, regional revolt and disgruntled nobles, as

well as pressure from abroad. Since he would have trouble trusting his own counts to assemble and lead troops to defeat Ragnar's large force militarily, paying them off instead would buy Charles time, and possibly peace from further Viking raids—at least in the near future.

CHARACTER ANALYSIS

VIKING SIDE

1-Ragnar Lothbrok

Ragnar Lothbrok, legendary Viking warrior and king in the whole sagas. Ragnar is completely well known commander and its good to consider him and it was told that he married with two legendary female warriors Lagertha-Aslough. Ragnar who is succesful commander attacked inside the England and France and he fought for the throne of Denmark post of civil war he became the King of Sweden, Denmark on the contrary of his victorious life he was prisoned by King Aelle (King of Northumbria) and thrown to pit which was full of snakes humilated and killed Despite his qualities all pointing him as a fearsome warrior and blood thirsty conqueror, Ragnar is a familyman as well. He is a fine husband to his first wife, Lagertha not as much so to his second wife Aslaug who cheats on him with a wanderer causing Siggy to die while saving then eglected children of Ragnar's. While a great warrior he is an even beter father to his children; whom he adores. Particularly his son Bjorn, whom he dotes on and grooms as his successor. Ragnar also cherishes his brother Rollo, though his love for his brother blinds him to his resentment for him. The brothers eventually face off in a violent war as Rollo betrays Ragnar time and time again. Ragnar deeply cherishes the lives of his friends even when they hurt him and kill one another.

-Good warrior



-People beloved that he was coming from Odinson it made him much more powerful

-He had an organizer character, perfect speaking, affect skills so he can easily gather people together

-Pretty good at ruling and commanding his army -Completely intelligent, and farsighted .

2- Bjorn Ironside

First son of Ragnar -Lagertha, known as he was strong Viking commander also known that he continued attacking France. In year 860 sides of Spain was looted and from Cebelitarik South Sides of France also looted by Bjorn Ironside.As his father also he had a victorious life, after the French attack he invaded inside the Europe after that he looted Sicily, North Africa and rest of his life he ruled as a wealthy king. Bjorn was raised with the typical Northman conduct. He values his family and is devoted to both of his parents Björn, since he was young, yearned to become a warrior like his parents; now old enough, Björn is more than ready to prove himself in battle. He shows extreme loyalty to his father even after years of separation. After returning from France he rallies the people to Ragnar's side and reminds them of where all their wealth and success has come from.

-A good warrior also he gives the title of his name because he had muscles which are strong like iron

-Wasn't a good tactician but always fought in front sides so it makes the army more ambitious and gives them more courage

-Completely keen on adventures and this caused invading Medditerianen

-He had an adventures, strong and crusader character who can not accept losing it makes him stronger than the others and fights to the end

3-Sigurd Ragnarsson

Between all of his brothers he was the most similar one to Asloug. He was beloved special because of his snake eye.He had a rageto his brother Ivar. He has no commanding skills or tactic skills. But he was a good warrior and unbelievable love to his family.

- Was a good warrior**
- Not a good tactician or commander**
- Deeply loved his family**

4- Floki

Floki is an eccentric and joyful man with a bizarre and zanyair about him and is often the source of entertainment among his friends. Though this is arguably a facade to hide the more serious and emotionally troubled man brooding beneath the surface. Nonetheless, he is sincere in his loyalty to Ragnar and is respected for his sharp intellect and wisdom so much so that Ragnar trusted him to negotiate peace talks with King Horik on Ragnar's behalf. He is regarded as an equal if nothingless than an individual of particularly high standing among the other warriors of Kattegat. Despite his seemingly non chalant and apparently strange facade, Floki is very dedicated and proud of his work. He finds joy and often laughs during their plunders, whether he is killing or discovering new things in the land they visit. He is a man who is devoted to his gods and lives to serve them.

- Floki's fighting style is unusual but practical. Instead of traditional Viking weapons such as the spear and longax, Floki prefers a small hatchet and a long knife.**



-Floki is also a very able and knowledgeable ship wright and carpenter, creating the long ship which allows Ragnar to travel west into Britain, which earned him the nick name "Floki the Boat builder." Hints of a spiritual ability have been made throughout both seasons.

-Loyal to his traditions, king also friend Ragnar

5- Jarl Kalf

Kalf was the Jarl one of the Norway Vikings. He was married to Arwen and had a son with her, named Sauron. Kalf was born in Syria At some point after marrying Arwen and fathering a son, Sauron, he joined the Ragnars army, quickly rising through the ranks to become captain. He killed a nobleman in defense of his wife, and instead of being executed he became Jarl.

-Being a Viking of Norway for most of his life, Kalf is a skilled swordsman and archer. Adept with swords and daggers

-His experience as a Ranger has also provided Kalf with a reasonable degree of steal the ficiency, as he is also adept at moving swiftly and quietly to eliminate his enemies without being detected. 6-Rollo

Rollo is known for being a fearsome warrior with an axe and an impulsive streak who is wrought with internal struggles. Throughout the whole Vikings series, he has been shown to be a bit of a hedonist. He strongly believes in his Gods, especially Thor and that bad things happen to him because the Gods are punishing him. Rollo is a very strong, ferocious warrior and a blood thirsty conquer or who never backs-down from a fight that even in a wounded state, Rollo's power and skill as a warrior is fearsome. However, at times he can be seen as being a bit of a lonely character who just wants to be loved and admired. Rollo also has a love/hate relationship with his younger brother Ragnar due to everyone always putting Ragnar first. Everyone has always admired his brother and Rollo for once just wants to taste some of the lime light and to just get out of Ragnar's shadow. This leads Rollo to become so impatient that his jealousy blinds him so much that he ends up betraying his brother for the second time, which leads to him and his brother eventually have a violent face-off.

-Powerful like a bear



- His passion of power can be used
- He can effect people who is also keen on power
- Also a good drinker

7-Ubbe

Between all of his brothers he was the most sensitive one. From the childhood till grown up Ubbe listened Ragnars victorious stories. His loyalty to his father, brothers is unquestionable. Its important to know that he was the only one who cares about Ivar and his behaviors to the slaves all these things makes him more similar to his father. On the contrary of his father or brother Ivar Ubbe wasnt a good commander.

An intelligent and capable leader, Ubbe assisted first Bjorn, and later Ivar, in helping to lead the Great Army. He shows quick thinking and resourcefulness in battle, leading the men under him to victory. He is a skilled warrior, fearless on the battlefield-most similar one to Ragnar so people respect him like Ragnar

- A merciful person
- Was a good warrior like his father
- People respect him because of similarities to his father

8-Ivar Ragnarsson

Last son of Ragnar Lothbrok on the contrary of his brothers he was a cripple but he used his disabilities as an advantage. He is a strategic genius. The whole of his life he was the excluded son but this made him more and more ambitious. All vikings respect his plans he wasn't a warrior but he was more than that. From birth, Ivar has been subjected to intense pains due to his physical condition, resulting in him receiving very different treatment than the rest of his brothers. Ivar is a monster, he is shown to be easily angered and very arrogant, selfish, cruel as a child, traits that have only increased into adulthood thought his is partly due to Aslaug's bad parenting. Ivar also has a keen mind, and immense upper body strength, as account for having to literally crawl in most cases.

- A cripple so he must be protected

-He is a tactician so his plans occasionally fail

-Ambitious person he never accepts lose

9-Hvitserk Ragnarsson

Son of legendary warrior Ragnar Lothbrok and Asloug. Between all of his brothers he was the least one similar to his parents. He was completely different. Not a good tactician but the whole of his life he learnt how to fight in one versus one definitely dangerousman. As his fighting skills he is also pretty good at women.

-Because of being son of Ragnar people respect him like his brothers

-Dangerous in close fight

-Not a good tactician but he is a good supporter -No girl can stop herself against him.

10-Lagertha

Wife of Ragnar Lothbrok, warrior lady, iron queen and mother of Bjorn Ironside, she organizes women and teach them how to fight, numerous war was also commanded by her. Lagertha is a shield-maiden, who fights along side her male counter parts, and is adept in battle. Like her late former husband, Ragnar Lothbrok, she also has a sense of adventure, as well as fierce ambition and the desire to rule.

-Well known female warrior, all Viking people respect her

-Good commander

FRANK SIDE

1-Charles The Bald

Emperor Charles is the complex, troubled, and powerful leader of Frankia, who views battling the Vikings as a spiritual and earthly mission.

Although Charles can at times be indecisive and is often perceived as weak by many nobles of his court he is in truth a ruthless and cunning politician who recognises his own weaknesses and works to eliminate them; he is also quick to recognise and grasp opportunities.

- Isn't known as a warrior but he's really dangerous, clever and cunning person**
- Definitely a patriotic person but no one knows that**

2- Count Odo

Count Odo was the oldest son of Angalagon and brother to Smaug. As a Count, commander of French kingdom Count Odo was an alone man who is always looking forward for girls. But he was a powerful and worth to respect according to soldiers, he had an incredible effect on them. And all of his life he was busy with army and he is enormously respected between soldiers, more than king.

- Respected more than king so it makes a division between king and him**
- A good defender and tactician**
- Known as a good soldier**

3-Cearbhall Duke of Brittany

Oldest son of King Aragorn and Lady Arwen. When he was two years old he lost his father and with the invitation of his mother he went to his grandfather. Until 18 years old he learnt how to kill and all those days he just dreamed for revenge as a Duke of Brittany. He is also well known man. With his helping to the poor people but he has a problem it is really hard to see him sober.

-An avenger

-As like him his army also same with him he collected all psychopaths

-His passion to drinks is unquestionable

-People respect him

4-Frederic Duke of Burgundy

When he was a kid he lost his family in civil war and always blaming himself for this. Because he wasn't powerful to defend his family from a murderer. Every moment he thinks that every fight he thinks the murderer is standing against him but nothing can stop his hatred. Once in fight he couldn't stop himself biffing the enemy and crushing his head with a stone. As like his sprital traits he is also great warrior but uncontrollable power is not a power.

-Uncontrollable power, if you give him an aim he can do everything

-Not a good commander, just keen on killing 5-Princess

Gisla

Gisla of the West Franks is the daughter of the Emperor Charles and his most trusted adviser. And definetely has more effect than his father Princess Gisla is a very elegant, strongwilled, independent woman who is the beloved wife of Duke Rollo and loving mother of William, Marcellus and Celsa. She is very brave and protective over her family and her people always giving them hope to hold on to. Gisla is very loyal and intelligent which is why she is her fathers most trusted adviser. She's a woman of considerable courage and resolution with a fierce determination and isn't afraid to speak her own mind and stand up for what she believes in.



However, at times she can also come across as being a bit too selfpossessed or spoiled and can be extremely stubborn at times. Gisla believes strongly in her Christian faith and is very devoted to Paris. She has a bad distaste for pagans who worship other Gods in whom she likes to call savages.

-Patriotic person

-She is also well known, people respect her and see her as a symbol of France

-Completely a religious woman

6-Hannibal Duke of Languedoc

Duke of Languedoc is a different man. In his childhood he lived a really wealthy life but in famine time he lost his parents and left with her sister in this cruel world. When the winter came there was no food in their storage and he boiled his sister and ate her. After that day every moment he remembers this. He's trying to forget it while doing this he kills men women no divisions he can kill everything. Most tragic side is he is also eating them.

-Hannibal the cannibal

-People fear of him

-On the contrary of his cannibal activities he is really merciful to kids

7-Castamir Duke of Offenburg

Son of Galadrieland brother to Elrond, eldest son. Whole of his life he was man of honor. Every soldier in his area know his stories while defending a castle without any food instead they ate mouses. All country fear of him because of his hard structure. Never gives up and pretty good at defense wars. Castamir was a cold, hard, serious, stubborn, firm and rarely forgiving man but also brave and in possession of an immense sense of duty. As is expected of his family Castamir was proven on the battlefield as both a commander and warrior. He had a keen mind for strategy and warfare that led him to be respected by many high-lords and was also fearless in combat, where he could battle and defeat other soldiers, even when injured or

unarmored. While he may not be popular, he is certainly respected as a warrior and commander.

-Pretty good commander in deffense wars

-People fear of him so once he say anything there is no need second time -

Really handsome man but long time ago he lost his feelings.

8-Talion Duke of Lothringen

Talion had a keen sense of honor and justice, which he received from his father. He was fair, caring, and willing to do anything to keep his family safe. He was close with his siblings, particularly his half-brother Adolf, and shared mutually loving relationships with the mall. Whole of his life Talion never wanted a war or violence instead he is a peace of man.

-Merciful person

-His passion to honor, justice is unquestionable

-He can do everything for his siblings

9-Calembrimbor Duke of Brittany

Calembrimbor was an extremely ruthless, cruel, arrogant, sadistic, malicious, egotistical, remorseless and tyrannical ruler even by the standards of his times. He immensely enjoyed indulging in the agony of others and played barbarically vicious 'games' with them for example, giving a man a choice between losing his hands or his tongue and even joyously speculating serving his wife the head of her brother Stalin at his wedding feast. However, he was also incompetent, unintelligent, naive, impulsive, petulant, extremely cowardly, and pronetora shout bursts of violence when angered, frightened or even mildly slighted.

-Most sadistic person in whole Frank kingdom

-On the contrary of his behaves he wasn't a good commander or soldier



10-Feanor Duke of Burgundy

As a warrior, Feanor is widely feared for his terrifying and gigantic size and super human strength. He is a giant of a man, standing well over seven feet in height and weighing over 500 pounds. In combat, his immense strength and beastly size gives him a huge advantage over almost any opponent, which allows him to defeat men who have far more skill. His weapon of choice is an enormous great sword that most men would never be able to swing with even two hands, but which Feanor is strong enough to wield one-handed. He is strong enough to decapitate a horse with a single swing of his sword, as seen during his joust with Benito Mussolini. Feanor also wears armor larger and thicker than normal knights would be able to wear, providing him almost impenetrable defense against his opponents.

-Unbelievably strong person

-In war he is the most feared person

-On the contrary of his body strength he is almost brainless so he must be controlled