



FROM THE OFFICE OF THE G7 LONDON AGENCY COMMANDER, SIR JAMES VILLIERS-CAVANAUGH:

PRIORITY MEMO TO ALL NEW AGENTS

My dear Agents,

Following recent events it has come to my attention that Agency Basic Training at the Academy of Cydonia on Mars has not been adequately preparing you for operations in London. It is therefore my duty as G7 London Agency Commander to correct this oversight and ensure that all Agents operate in London with the professionalism and discretion expected of them.

London is an important city with an honourable and ancient lineage, not some backwater colony as some of you appear to think. London sits at the centre of a web of power and intrigue that stretches throughout the entire Steel Alliance and beyond. What happens here can decide the destiny of entire worlds. London is the proverbial butterfly that causes the tornado.

Remember: The Accord is here to maintain the peace. We, the Agency are part of the Accord.

To that end I have been forced to prepare a short memo on proper procedure for new Agents. Ensure you both read this memo and adhere to the advice given.

OUR DIVINE AUTHORITY

We are the instrument of the Divine Will of the Overlord. Our powers stem from Divine Mandate and flow from the Overlord to the Office of the Aegis, to me the London Commander, and down through the ranks to you: the field agents and analysts of the Agency. Justice is divine and answers to no mortal.

We have sworn an oath to protect the Steel Alliance from all threats, foreign and domestic, and our remit as defined by the Aegis is to protect the balance of the Steel Alliance.

ON ARREST PROCEDURE

In general you may arrest as required, though you do require an **arrest warrant** for any of the following suspects:

- » Any cultist or priest of the Disciples.
- » Any member of the Accord Military Corps or Agency.
- » Any member of the Accord or London Government.
- » Any Patrician or Noble Class individual.
- » Any foreign or corporate citizen with full or partial Diplomatic Immunity.

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You **do not** require an Arrest Warrant to detain a member of the London Metropole or other law enforcement agency, however it is considered a common courtesy to do so. When arresting Corporate Personnel it is advisable to contact the Cult of Cai-Shen for additional guidance. Contact your direct superior if you need to arrange an Arrest Warrant. For all suspects you should use this official arresting statement:

"I am arresting you under the powers invested me by the Steel Alliance Accord and Divine Mandate. If you have the right to a Legal Advocate, you have the right to remain silent. If you attempt to escape you will be stopped by any means necessary. Do you understand?" [Subject Confirms]

ON SEARCH PROCEDURE

You do not require a Search Warrant for any search if you have probable cause to believe a crime has either taken place, is currently taking place or will take place in the near future. Exceptions that **do require a warrant** include any suspect or property belonging to said suspect of Government, Cult, Agency or AMC property, Upper Class or higher, foreign or corporate citizen with full or partial Diplomatic Immunity.

ON USE OF DEADLY FORCE

The Agency Procedures Manual states that you may use deadly force in the following situations:

- » In response to the threat of deadly force, either towards the Agent or any official of the Steel Alliance.
- » On any suspect who attempts to escape.
- » To control criminal or dangerous gatherings.
- » Any time the Agent encounters a suspect with a Terrorism Prevention Act or Termination Order pertaining to the suspect.
- » Any suspect who is grade 4 or 5 on the Threat List.
- » Any time the officer encounters a suspect on the Agency Threat List, escaped felon, known heretic or traitor.
- » If the Agent has reason to believe a suspect is an Unregistered Echo.

However, in London we add the additional caveats:

- » A **live** suspect is better than a **dead** one.
- » Do not use deadly force against any Cultist or Cult Priest, Accord Military Corps personnel, Patrician or Noble Class, foreign or corporate citizen with full or partial Diplomatic Immunity, unless it can be shown that the individual was placing the city or any of the senior administration (Governor, Prime Minister, Commissioner, Agency Commander etc.) in danger.

Agents wishing to have a full and fruitful career would do well to heed the above caveats. Flagrant abuse of the rules of deadly force will earn the offending Agent a personal visit from SO-10 Shield Division.

Show some bloody restraint! Sometimes termination is not only necessary but desired. That is understood, but try and be subtle about it.



ON ECHOES & ZEROES

Echoes, such as myself, and Zeroes are a precious resource. When they are suspects I expect you to use all possible restraint and ensure that they are brought in **alive**.

Echoes are vital to the very existence of the Steel Alliance and as such are more valuable than normals and are accorded more discretion.

EVIDENCE AND EVIDENTIAL COLLECTION PROCEDURE

The Judiciary and the Cult of the Tattooed Man demand evidence to be collected correctly and promptly so that judgement can be administered as smoothly as possible. It is our responsibility to ensure that they are happy.

RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

Although as an Agent you are authorised to – and from time to time required to – use deadly force, that is not *carte blanche* to terminate everyone involved in your cases. Discretion and subtly should be your watchwords. The suspect you terminate today could have been the valuable informant of tomorrow. The witnesses you harass will seek to block your investigations in the future.

Threat of force can be far more effective than the actual application of force. The Agency in London strives to be the Bloody Blade of Samael dangled above the head of the guilty.

You will have to bend, or even break, the rules from time to time. Just make sure it does not come to my attention.

Remember: We are the steel fist encased in the velvet glove.

Any Agent who fails to heed my advice will be on the first ship to the worst hell-hole I can find. If you live that long.

May The Overlord's Hand Guide You,

Sir James Villiers-Cavanaugh,

Agency G7 Commander, London, FHBO