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Director's Letter

Dear Delegates,

Thank you for taking the time to come to the third annual RiceMUN conference! This wouldn't be possible without our amazing delegates, and I'm honored to welcome you to the Wizarding World of Harry Potter.

My name is Rohan Palavali, and I am a freshman from Dallas, Texas. I'm studying Biochemistry with a minor in Global Health Technologies as part of the pre-med track. During my sophomore year of high school, a friend of mine dragged me into a meeting of my school's Model UN club after class. I was instantly hooked. I went to conferences throughout my high school career and have been grateful to be able to further my interest in MUN by joining Rice University's competitive team. MUN gives me a chance to learn about issues around the world while also having fun and meeting new people. I encourage all of you to try and make at least one friend during this conference.

Outside of MUN, I love to draw. I could spend hours transferring my imagination onto paper using art. I love the outdoors, and my dream is to visit every national park in the US (Fun fact: I'm also an Eagle Scout). When I have some free time, you can find me either napping or hanging out with my friends.

Before we dive into the Wizarding World, there are a few notes I want to give you. The first of these is that this is a crisis committee - it will be very fast-paced and different from a general assembly committee. You have more power to act secretly using the powers of your characters and quickly due to the structure of the committee. You will be expected to react quickly to rapidly changing situations. If you have any questions about crisis or have never done crisis before, that's okay! Don't hesitate to contact me and I can send you some resources and/or advice to help you.

This committee is also based off of the Harry Potter series. More specifically, it takes place right after the events of the seventh book (but before the epilogue). Thus, it is highly recommended that you have read the books before participating in this committee! However, this is not required. Reading the books will provide you with important background knowledge and allow you to introduce nuance into your characters and their actions, but you will still be able to succeed using only the background information that I have provided y'all.

The last note that I have is to just have fun! None of the events that we are going to deal with are canon to the Harry Potter books - you have the freedom to do whatever you want, especially so that this is a crisis committee. Don't be afraid to write that silly private directive or propose an even sillier public one. This committee is yours - I'm just chairing it.

Also, I'm just a person as well. If I've made a mistake on some of the events that take place in the Harry Potter books, don't be afraid to call me out on it! I appreciate every chance I have to make this committee better.

If you need anything at all before or during the conference, do not hesitate to reach out.

All the best,

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Overview of Topic

“BREAKING NEWS: DARK WIZARD VOLDEMORT DEFEATED IN BATTLE WITH HARRY POTTER!” Writers of the Daily Prophet furiously worked to release newspapers after Voldemort was finally killed in what was to become known as the Battle of Hogwarts. The Wizarding World rejoiced at the news, signifying an end to the Dark Lord's reign of terror.

The Second Wizarding War was like none other seen in the Wizarding World. Never before was the British Ministry of Magic so thoroughly infiltrated; never was society so permeated by the hateful principles that kept the war going. Every magical tool was used effectively to exact the maximum amount of destruction. Dark magic, the likes of which had never been seen before, was wielded so fatally by the powerful Lord Voldemort. No one was sure that light would prevail amidst the incredible darkness - but prevail it did. Through the efforts of Harry Potter, the Order of the Phoenix, Dumbledore's Army, and many other brave witches and wizards, Voldemort was finally defeated.

After the Wizarding World was done celebrating, the mood turned somber. Many towns lay in ruins after the war, ravaged by exploding spells and magical creatures. The Ministry of Magic is completely destroyed. Worst of all, the death of Voldemort does not erase Dark Magic from the world - far from it. These ideologies are still brewing across the country and the globe - those who believe that Muggles and those related to them should be exterminated are merely relegated to the shadows, awaiting the opportunity to return.

In order to rebuild, the remaining members of the Order of the Phoenix established this committee. Made up of representatives from many aspects of magical life, this committee seeks solutions to restore

magical society to what it once was and, in some cases, improve things so that nothing of the sort happens again. It is now your job to come up with solutions to save the world after the recent war. Can you do it, or will the Wizarding World remain susceptible to another dark force even more powerful than before?

Timeline

December 31, 1926 - Lord Voldemort, then known as Tom Riddle, is born. This is the man responsible for both the First and Second Wizarding Wars. His anti-Muggle born ideology caused untold damage to the Wizarding and Muggle worlds.

October 8, 1942 - Voldemort creates his first Horcrux. Using the act of murder, he was able to split his soul in half, imparting one part into his school diary. He would go on to split his soul six more times in order to remain alive regardless of the state of his physical body.

August 8, 1970 - The First Wizarding War begins with Voldemort revealing himself openly as the Dark Lord. He and his followers started murdering Muggle-borns and committing brazen acts of terrorism across Wizarding Britain.

October 3, 1970 - The Order of the Phoenix is founded by Albus Dumbledore in order to organize witches and wizards to fight Voldemort. Many members of the Order were lost in the struggle.

March 2, 1980 - Bartemius Crouch Sr. is elected the Head of the Department of Magical Law Enforcement. He immediately issues an edict that allows Aurors to use Unforgivable Curses on Death Eaters and imprisons hundreds of suspected Death Eaters and their sympathizers.

October 31, 1981 - The First Wizarding War ends with the death of the physical body of Lord Voldemort. He is killed by a charm of love placed on Harry Potter as Voldemort tries to kill the infant. His followers are forced into hiding.

November 3, 1992 - The Chamber of Secrets is opened a second time via Voldemort's manipulation of Ginny Weasley. Harry Potter defeats the basilisk inside and destroys Tom Riddle's diary, one of Voldemort's horcruxes.

June 24, 1995 - Voldemort returns by luring Harry Potter to himself during the Triwizard Tournament. He takes the final ingredient he needs to return to a full corporeal being - a drop of Harry's blood. He then sets about on his previous mission.

June 18, 1996 - The Second Wizarding War begins with the Battle of the Department of Mysteries. The Ministry of Magic is forced to admit that Voldemort has returned and prepares for battle.

June 22, 1997 - Professor Dumbledore is killed by Snape in the Astronomy Tower of Hogwarts in order to transfer ownership of the Elder Wand to him and protect Draco Malfoy from Voldemort.

August 1, 1997 - Rufus Scrimgeour, the Minister for Magic that started the fight against Voldemort, is killed and replaced with Pius Thicknesse under an Imperius Curse by Voldemort. This signaled the total control of the Ministry of Magic by the Death Eaters.

1997-1998 - Various Horcruxes of Voldemort are found and destroyed by Harry Potter, Ron Weasley, and Hermione Granger

May 2, 1998 - The Battle of Hogwarts happens. Voldemort is finally defeated at the hands of Harry Potter.

July 6, 1998 - The Ministry of Magic is re-formed. Kingsley Shacklebolt is appointed as Minister for Magic, but many still distrust the Ministry after the War.

December 14, 1998 - The Griffin Society, a small group of wizards, destroy several buildings in Hogsmeade. They assert that they will keep doing this until the Ministry listens to their pleas to help rebuild their homes after the destruction of the Second Wizarding War.

Historical Analysis

It all started with a small boy named Tom Marvolo Riddle. He wasn't born of a prominent Wizarding family, one with their own vault in Gringotts and a staff of house elves. In fact, he was born in a Muggle orphanage. Her mother, Merope Gaunt, was a descendant of Salazar Slytherin. However, generations of inbreeding within her family left them mentally unstable and stricken with poverty. She became smitten with a wealthy muggle man, Tom Riddle Sr. She bewitched him with a love potion, by which they conceived their son. When the potion wore off of Riddle, he fled Gaunt, never to see her again. She staggered to the door of Wool's Orphanage, giving birth there and dying shortly after.

As a boy, Voldemort, then known as Tom Riddle, showed early signs of being a wizard. He had the ability to do things that no one should be able to do naturally. At the behest of Professor Dumbledore, who visited him at the orphanage and told him of his magical ancestry, Riddle came to the Hogwarts

School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. At Hogwarts, he was considered a brilliant wizard, excelling in his academics and becoming the Head Boy. Here is where his journey on the path of darkness really began. Riddle was obsessed with finding his ancestry, convinced that he was descended from greatness.

He ended up being right - he was descended from Salazar Slytherin, one of the founders of Hogwarts and a staunch believer in the notion that Muggles should not be able to practice magic. He was infuriated to find that he was half-Muggle, and that he was descended from this great family on his mother's side, who he viewed as weak. At Hogwarts, he excelled in all of his subjects and was considered a model student, becoming the Head Boy of Slytherin. Despite this, he opened the Chamber of Secrets and set loose a basilisk that killed a Muggle-born student. He blamed the act on Rubeus Hagrid, another student. At Hogwarts, he learned about the existence of Horcruxes from Professor Slughorn.

After Hogwarts, Riddle worked in the magical artifact shop of Borgin & Burkes, much to the disappointment of everyone who knew him. How could such a bright young man work as a cashier in such a dingy shop? Little did they know that he was planning something far greater for himself. After learning more about magical artifacts and Horcruxes (and two mysterious murders later), Riddle all but disappeared for the next ten years. He spent these years gathering supporters for his mission that he started at Hogwarts: to eradicate all Muggle-borns from the Wizarding World.

In 1970, Riddle, now known exclusively as Lord Voldemort, began the conflict which was to be known as the First Wizarding War. He openly declared himself as Lord Voldemort and began targeting Muggle-borns and their supporters. His followers were known as Death Eaters. They began brutally attacking all those who opposed them, heralding an era of fear in the Wizarding World. Moreover, Voldemort took advantage of the marginalization of several magical creatures. Giants that had been driven off into the mountains were now being used as weapons to level buildings and strike terror into the hearts of families. Werewolves, who were cast out by Wizarding society, returned with a vengeance. The only person that Voldemort truly feared was Professor Dumbledore. This allowed Hogwarts to remain a safe haven. And so began Voldemort's first reign of terror.

The Death Eaters' main opposition was an organization of witches and wizards called the Order of the Phoenix. Founded by Professor Dumbledore, it was a small vigilante group separate from the Ministry. As the credibility and reliability of the latter in the fight against the Death Eaters waned, the Order became the primary force of opposition to Voldemort. Despite their best efforts, Voldemort's power was only growing.

Then, Bartemius Crouch Sr. was appointed as the head of the Department of Magical Law Enforcement. In a move that shocked human rights experts across the Wizarding World, he authorized the use of Unforgivable Curses against Death Eaters. The magical courts were ruthless against those suspected to be Death Eaters. Over the next few years, thousands were sent to Azkaban, many of them innocent. However, these measures worked to stop the incessant rise of Voldemort and his supporters. It was the first sign of success against the Death Eaters.

The First Wizarding War ended with another small boy - this one was named Harry Potter. In late 1980, Professor Dumbledore met with a woman named Sybill Trelawney to fill the open position of Divination Professor at Hogwarts. While the interview was happening, she suddenly entered a trance and recited the following prophecy:

"The one with the power to vanquish the Dark Lord approaches... born to those who have thrice defied him, born as the seventh month dies... and the Dark Lord will mark him as his equal, but he will have power the Dark Lord knows not... and either must die at the hand of the other for neither can live while the other survives..."

Severus Snape, who at this point was posing as a loyal disciple of Lord Voldemort, overheard this prophecy and immediately told his master. Extremely fearful of death, Voldemort began looking for someone who matched this description. He decided that it could only be a small boy by the name of Harry Potter. He vowed to kill the boy in any way possible. However, Snape was in love with the boy's mother, Lily Potter. He begged Voldemort to spare her life.

On October 31, 1981, Voldemort traveled to Godric's Hollow, where the three lived. He immediately killed the boy's father, James Potter, as he walked into the home. Lily stood by Harry's side, refusing to leave him to be killed by Voldemort. The Dark Lord told her to step aside, wishing to honor Snape's wish not to kill her. When she refused, Voldemort struck her down with the Killing Curse. When Voldemort turned the wand on Harry, he faced an unintended consequence: when Lily Potter sacrificed herself for Harry, she activated an ancient protective charm on him. As Voldemort used the Killing Curse on Harry, it rebounded back on him. It completely destroyed Voldemort's physical body and placed part of his soul inside Harry, making him his seventh and final Horcrux.

Harry Potter was unavoidably intertwined with the soul of Voldemort - he bore this reality in the form of a lightning bolt-shaped scar on his forehead, left from the Dark Lord's attempt to murder him. He grew up in a Muggle household, unaware of his Wizarding ancestry. As he finally went to Hogwarts starting at age 11, his connection with Voldemort became more known. His scar caused him agony

whenever Voldemort was plotting something. He was able to speak Parseltongue just as Voldemort could. Harry was destined to face Voldemort again.

Although Voldemort was dead, his followers still remained. Many of them were from prominent Wizarding families, such as the Malfoys. Thus, they managed to skirt the justice system and act discreet until they were forgiven. Unfortunately, ideas about the unworthiness of Muggle-borns were not new. Those sympathetic towards these ideologies stuck together and were able to lay low and escape the full wrath of the Ministry. Although Voldemort's physical body was destroyed, many were still wary of him, even refusing to say his name. Instead, they referred to him as He-who-must-not-be-named or You-know-who.

Voldemort tried many times to return to life. During Harry Potter's first year at Hogwarts, Voldemort's soul latched onto the back of Professor Quirrell, the Defense Against the Dark Arts Professor, head. Through this, he tried to steal the Philosopher's Stone, a stone which could be used to bring the dead back to life. However, Potter prevented him from doing so and delayed his return to power. The following year, he once again did what he had done in his time at Hogwarts: opened the Chamber of Secrets. This released a basilisk from its depths that petrified several students. However, Harry Potter killed the basilisk and destroyed Voldemort's diary, which was one of his Horcruxes.

Despite the efforts of Harry Potter, Albus Dumbledore, and others who still believed in the resurgence of Voldemort, the Dark Lord regained his full power on one fateful night in June of 1994. While this was the night on which he came alive, the plan for this to happen started long before. Bartemius Crouch Jr., despite being the son of famously anti-Death Eater law enforcement head Bartemius Crouch Sr., was a loyal follower of Voldemort. Before the start of the school year at Hogwarts, Crouch defeated Alastor Moody, a reputed Auror, in battle. He trapped him in a magical chest, stealing hair from him periodically to use in a Polyjuice Potion. He used this potion to impersonate the Auror, taking the position as the Defense Against the Dark Arts Professor at Hogwarts. Using this influence, he forced Harry Potter's entry into the Triwizard Tournament and gave him various clues that he could use to win. When Harry reached the end of the final stage of the tournament, with the Triwizard Cup in reach, he grabbed it along with his co-champion-to-be, Cedric Diggory. The cup turned out to be a portkey, which transported the two to a graveyard. Voldemort's followers quickly trapped Harry and killed Cedric. Using a drop of Harry's blood, Voldemort returned to life. Although Harry managed to escape, the damage was done. Voldemort had returned and claimed his first life.

With Voldemort's return, the Wizarding World was in danger. He wasted no time in gathering his followers together to accomplish his goal of eradicating all those who he felt did not deserve to practice

magic. He even mobilized werewolves, giants, and other creatures that had been cast out by magical society. However, many did not believe that he had returned - perhaps they did not want to believe that such a great evil could return. The Ministry of Magic, along with the Daily Prophet, ran a massive disinformation campaign to convince Wizarding Britain that Voldemort had not returned. Deaths were justified as natural. Cornelius Fudge, the Minister for Magic at the time, actively refused to mobilize any resources against the Death Eaters. This was used to the great advantage of Voldemort's followers. They conducted their operations in silence, killing with impunity. They appointed Death Eaters and their sympathizers to important positions in the Ministry and at Hogwarts. For months, they had the Wizarding World in their hands.

In June 1998, Voldemort decided to break into the Department of Mysteries in the Ministry of Magic to learn more about the prophecy that connected himself to Harry Potter and how he would be defeated. Because Harry Potter was a Horcrux of Voldemort, he could use that connection to see what was happening in the Dark Lord's mind. He learned of this plot and gathered some of his friends to try and stop Voldemort. When they got to the Ministry, they realized that it was a trap. They were surrounded by Death Eaters. A fierce confrontation ensued, ending in several deaths. Many members of the Order of the Phoenix appeared to join the battle. Eventually, the Death Eaters retreated. Finally, at the end of the battle, Cornelius Fudge saw Voldemort. Then, even he could not deny his return. This is widely considered the first battle of the Second Wizarding War.

After witnessing Fudge's incompetence in the face of the return of Voldemort, he was immediately fired by the rest of the Ministry. In his place, they appointed Rufus Scrimgeour, a grizzled former Auror. He mobilized Ministry resources to help fight the Death Eaters, but by this point it was almost too late. Death Eaters had infiltrated the ministry at almost every level, and society was terrified. They had begun their reign of terror in Wizarding Britain, soon to spread to other places as well. Scrimgeour focused on the appearance of the Ministry, arresting people who clearly were not Death Eaters to have a semblance of competence. The final nail in the coffin of the Ministry was when Scrimgeour was captured in August of 1997 by Voldemort. He was brutally tortured, murdered, and replaced by Pius Thicknesse. Thicknesse was under the Imperius Curse - essentially being controlled by Voldemort and the Death Eaters.

Although the ministry was under Voldemort's thumb, a silent resistance was alive and well throughout the war. The Order of the Phoenix, founded by Albus Dumbledore during the First Wizarding War, was a vigilante organization that fought against Voldemort and his supporters. They conducted small operations to derail the plans of Death Eaters and protect Muggle-borns and those who were important in the fight against Voldemort. They had a very high casualty rate, but they kept fighting

regardless of the deaths of their compatriots. Harry Potter also founded an organization at Hogwarts called Dumbledore's Army, composed of students who wanted to fight against the indoctrination being fed to them by Voldemort's appointees at Hogwarts. Harry Potter, Ron Weasley, and Hermione Granger all left Hogwarts after their sixth year to find and destroy Voldemort's horcruxes, at which they were very successful.

One concept that acted as an undercurrent to the Second Wizarding War was the existence of the Deathly Hallows. They consisted of the Resurrection Stone, the Cloak of Invisibility, and the Elder Wand, supposedly given to the Peverell brothers by Death himself. Of the most importance was the Elder Wand - it was said to be able to slay anyone that the owner desired it to. The only way to be able to use the wand was to defeat the previous owner in battle. Albus Dumbledore was the owner of this wand. He was afraid that Voldemort would be able to obtain the wand somehow, so he arranged for a loyal professor, Severus Snape, who was posing as a Death Eater, to kill him and thus obtain ownership of the wand. However, what all of them failed to realize was that the ownership of the wand does not transfer with the death of the previous owner - it transfers with their defeat. It was not Snape who had defeated Dumbledore, it was Draco Malfoy. Voldemort killed Snape in order to become the owner of the wand, but it never pledged its allegiance to him because of this.

The final point in the Second Wizarding War was the Battle of Hogwarts. Harry Potter and his friends arrived at Hogwarts to find the last remaining Horcruxes and destroy them. Voldemort and his followers soon followed, and a pitched battle ensued. Curses were flying at astounding speeds across the halls of the school. Several people were killed and injured. Eventually, all of the Horcruxes were found and destroyed except for one - Harry Potter himself. Voldemort and Potter met in the courtyard, where Voldemort fired a killing curse and destroyed the piece of his soul that was inside the boy. Since he was using the Elder Wand that had not been transferred rightfully to him, the curse backfired and he killed himself. Voldemort was dead, and the war was over.

Once Voldemort died, Death Eaters quickly started going into hiding. They feared punishment for the crime of supporting Voldemort in his rampage. Pius Thicknesse was freed of his Imperius Curse and had the sense to resign from his position as the Minister for Magic. Kingsley Shacklebolt, a member of the Order of the Phoenix and a former Auror, took the position. He began appointing people for other positions in the Ministry. Shacklebolt did whatever he could to return the country back to normal - he announced a new program to find Death Eaters and apprehend them, instructed Ministry workers to try and rebuild the towns that were lost in the war.

Despite his efforts, the people of Wizarding Britain were dissatisfied with their leadership. They began calling for Shacklebolt's removal and lamented the lack of progress that was made. A group called the Griffin Society sprang from the ashes, using increasingly violent methods to call attention to the problems that plagued the country. They purposefully antagonized magical creatures, destroyed Ministry outpost buildings, and disrupted meetings in order to get the attention of the Ministry. This all came to a head in December of 1998, when the Society destroyed several buildings in Hogsmeade and killed a Ministry worker in a protest.

Character Portfolios

Tony Blair (Muggle Prime Minister of the United Kingdom): At this point, Tony Blair is an enormously popular Prime Minister. Just having been elected the year prior, he had already made progress in the areas of human rights, free speech, and peace in Northern Ireland. Having limited involvement in the Wizarding World and being a Muggle, he doesn't have much political influence in the magical realm. However, with his political power in the United Kingdom and around the world, he is a force to be reckoned with. Blair is the link between the magical world and the Muggle one, a link that will prove to be vital in the rebuilding of the Wizarding World.

Kingsley Shacklebolt (Minister for Magic): As an Auror and member of the Order of the Phoenix, Kingsley Shacklebolt was a force to be reckoned with in the fight against the Death Eaters. During the Second Wizarding War, he was assigned to protect Tony Blair, posing as his secretary. Shacklebolt is aware that the Ministry for Magic is a shell of its former self and is committed to building it up to its former glory. This position was once hailed as the most powerful in the Wizarding World - Shacklebolt is determined to use this influence to reduce lingering pure-blood bias and rebuild the society that raised him.

Minerva McGonagall (Headmaster of Hogwarts): After the death of Severus Snape at the hands of Voldemort, Minerva McGonagall was reinstated as the Headmistress of Hogwarts, a position which she held in a temporary capacity after the (quite forceful) removal of Dolores Umbridge from the position. A former Transfiguration Professor, McGonagall is an incredibly talented witch in many disciplines. She was a member of the Order of the Phoenix and a staunch opponent of Voldemort. Wizened with age, McGonagall will be crucial in matters of education and future generations of witches and wizards.

Claerley Finningworth (Lead Auror): Before the Second Wizarding War, Claerley Finningworth was an Auror in the magical homicide division. She quickly earned a reputation as a fearless investigator, putting many criminals in Azkaban. After the rise of Voldemort, she worked tirelessly to remove Death

Eaters from society. Rumors circulated that she arrested eight of them at once with her wand tied to her leg! For her bravery and ferocity, Kingsley Shacklebolt appointed her as the Lead Auror after the war. As the commander for the Ministry's vast offensive and defensive resources, Finningworth wields an enormous amount of power. It is her job to maintain order in an increasingly chaotic Wizarding World - will she be able to after the devastation of the recent war?

Gwendolyn Craddock (Minister of Foreign Affairs): Craddock is one of the only major Ministry officials who has remained in their position since before Voldemort came to power. She has been the Minister of Foreign Affairs since the rise of Millicent Bagnold, the predecessor to Cornelius Fudge, to the position of Minister for Magic. She oversaw an era of renewed alliances with other countries in the magical world, notably the Magical Republic of France and the Wizarding Federation of Russia, which culminated in the renewal of the legendary Triwizard Tournament between Hogwarts, Beauxbatons, and Durmstrang. She is an ardent believer in peace and is willing to partner with other countries to rebuild a damaged British Ministry for Magic. She is the main arm for Magical Foreign Policy of the Ministry, and is responsible for peaceful relations with the rest of the Wizarding World.

Liam O'Neal (Minister for Justice): Liam O'Neal grew up in Northern Ireland, in a small magical village called Brookhaven. As a young boy, he witnessed his mother get killed by Death Eaters during Voldemort's first grab for power. The perpetrators were never found. Motivated by this injustice, O'Neal earned top marks on his OWLs and NEWTs at Hogwarts in his journey to become a Wizarding Judge. After the Second Wizarding War, O'Neal worked tirelessly to prosecute Death Eaters - these efforts were noticed by Kingsley Shacklebolt, who appointed him as the Minister for Justice. A young man with everything to prove, O'Neal is eager to bring order and justice back to the Wizarding World.

Glagnor (President of Gringotts Bank): Glagnor has always had an interest in banking and money. Even when he was a small goblin-boy, he used to take care of his family's finances. Starting as a bank clerk in the Diagon Alley branch of Gringotts, he quickly rose to power to become the president of the entire corporation. He now controls all of the branches of Gringotts and their vast stores of money. Glagnor tends to be very frugal with his money and only lets his banks approve of ventures that will benefit him (and his shareholders). Glagnor has massive financial power in his grasp - will he be willing to use it for the good of the Wizarding World?

John Sweepstone (CEO of Nimbus Racing Broom Company): In his glory days, John Sweepstone was the seeker for the English National Quidditch Team. Watching millions of fans cheer his name as he caught the elusive golden snitch gave him immense joy. However, he knew that his Quidditch talent

would not last him forever. From being a spokesperson for the Nimbus Racing Broom Company, he caught the eye of its founder, Devlin Whitehorn. He quickly moved up the ranks until he became the CEO of the whole corporation. Fiercely patriotic, he will do whatever he can to contribute to the effort to rebuild the Wizarding World. However, this sometimes gets in the way of his loyalty to his company and his shareholders - can he balance the two and maintain his position of power while helping the country he loves so much?

Pomby (Representative of the Coalition of Magical Creatures and Beasts): Pomby was once a house-elf working in the kitchens of Hogwarts. Once, she encountered a sock that a wandering wizard had left behind in the kitchen. She accidentally put it on, and in doing so became free. For a long time, she became depressed at not having a master to work for. After three years, a sudden realization came to her - she wasn't in the service of Hogwarts any more, but she could still serve someone. She decided to serve her fellow magical creatures that were often underrepresented in the Wizarding World. She founded the Coalition of Magical Creatures and Beasts to give these creatures a voice in an often human-dominated world. She represents all magical creatures with this organization, from miffers to trolls to dragons. Fighting for their rights every day, she truly does believe that they deserve a place equal to humans in magical society.

Jane Smith (President of the MACUSA (Magical Congress of the United States of America)): Jane Smith is an outspoken opponent of the integration between Muggle and Wizarding Worlds. Growing up in rural Central California to a Muggle-born family, she saw the resentment that Muggles held toward Wizards and things that they didn't understand. When she went to Ilvermorny, the premier wizarding school in the United States, she saw how harmonious a purely magical world could be. As she began her career in politics, many of her enemies decried her, calling her discriminatory and "the American version of Voldemort". In her eyes, the death and destruction caused by Voldemort was caused precisely because the two worlds were intertwined. She is opposed to the death of Muggles or Muggle-borns, but believes that those who practice magic should stay in the realm of wizards. Smith is the head of the Executive Branch of MACUSA, and she has immense power at her disposal. A staunch ally of the Ministry of Magic, she is eager to help them. After all, that's what America does - help other countries in need. Although American magic is not as old as its European counterpart, the combination of influences from Indigenous Americans and many other countries, as well as its massive size, make it a formidable force.

Antoine Dubois (President of the French Republic of Magic): "Excusez moi, c'est Antoine Dubois!" was Dubois' campaign slogan when running for the Presidency of the French Republic of Magic. Although it wasn't the most creative, Dubois made up for it in charisma on his way to the highest

political position in his country. Although the Muggle governments of France and the United Kingdom have patched up their past disagreements, the same cannot completely be said for their magical counterparts. Still harboring a grudge against their neighbors to the North, the French wizarding population is reluctant to help the United Kingdom after their struggle. Nonetheless, Dubois seeks to repair relations with the British Ministry of Magic and retain a powerful ally. He is strongly in support of any peace offerings and wants to help rebuild after the war.

Cristina Ramos (Minister for Magic of Spain): Cristina Ramos is an enigma of a lady. Born into the powerful Ramos family in northern Spain, she has always been around positions of power. A rare exchange student at Hogwarts, she excelled in all of her studies. In her run to become Minister for Magic in her home country, she rose above the allegations that her family donated money to Voldemort to spare Spain in their conquest. She rules her Wizarding community with a firm hand, tightening controls on the press and creating a larger central government than Wizarding Spain has seen before. Although many decry these measures as totalitarian, her citizens are very happy with her tenure as Minister. She viewed the Second Wizarding War from afar, and is hesitant to offer up her coffers to the British. She doesn't want to see her own country destitute, like her northern neighbors.

Igor Antonov (President of the Russian Republic of Magic): The Russian Republic of Magic is as large as it is fierce. Driven into hiding by the Muggle Soviet government, the wizarding community in Russia colonized large swaths of Siberia and used magic to make this land liveable. In these dark times, Antonov stepped up and started leading his people. Inspired and driven by his nomadic Central Asian ancestors and lifestyle, he helped his compatriots survive in the harsh environment. Eventually, when the Soviet Union collapsed and the Wizarding community could come out of hiding, Antonov was named the President of the new Russian Republic of Magic for his leadership. He is naturally wary of outside influence and tends toward isolation and self-sufficiency in his policies.

Harry Potter: "The Chosen One". "The Boy Who Lived". "Golden Boy". Harry Potter has been called many things throughout his relatively short life as the one who defeated Voldemort not once, but twice. He has since been catapulted into the limelight, attaining celebrity status - he was even the Daily Prophet's "Wizard of the Year" in 1998. However, Potter has never been one to crave attention. He wants to focus on issues of actual importance - recovering after the war. As one who has lost his parents, he is passionate about helping the many other orphaned children that were left to fend for themselves after the war. Harry has always been exalted as a god-like figure, but he believes that those around him are more suited to the job of rebuilding. Humble to a fault, Harry has more experience than he lets on.

Hermione Granger: Smart as a whip, Hermione Granger is not someone to underestimate. Despite skipping her seventh year at Hogwarts to find Voldemort's horcruxes, she's as smart as anyone. Born to Muggle parents, Granger felt the effects of Voldemort's ideologies the most and vowed to fight against him and his followers wherever she could. After graduating from Hogwarts, Granger founded the Society for the Advancement of Muggle-borns in order to help those like her thrive in the Wizarding World. Famous at Hogwarts for being extremely intelligent, she prefers to be known for her kind heart. The wife of Ronald Weasley and one of Harry Potter's best friends, Hermione was on the front lines in the fights against Voldemort during the Second Wizarding War.

Ron Weasley: Most people that know Ron will remark at how loyal he is - to his family, to his friends, and to what he believes in. Born to a very large family on the brink of poverty, Weasley had to make do with very little while growing up. Although he was not the best student at Hogwarts, he became very resourceful. Next to his best friends Harry Potter and Hermione Granger, people tend to underestimate him - and are gravely mistaken. Weasley is incredibly smart and cunning. He fought alongside his two aforementioned friends during the Second Wizarding War. After graduating Hogwarts, he became an Auror in the Ministry of Magic and greatly reformed his station.

Millinus Wildsmith (Minister of Magical Transportation): In the thirteenth century, Agatha Wildsmith invented a revolutionary form of transportation: Floo Powder. It would allow the user to travel anywhere in the world that had a fireplace and was part of the Ministry-registered Floo Network. About six hundred years later, Millinus Wildsmith was born. Even as a small child, he was obsessed with transportation and his family's legacy. He spent hours drawing maps and ideas for Britain's transportation networks: Floo, apparition, trains, broom routes, and more. Despite his ancestry, before the Second Wizarding War, Wildsmith worked in the Ministry as a low-ranking clerk in the Department of Transportation. During the war, he stepped in and disconnected hundreds of Death Eater strongholds from the Floo Network, significantly hindering their ability to travel around the country. For his bravery and expertise in the network, Shackbolt offered him the job of Minister of Magical Transportation.

Aarti Patel (Minister of Magical Labor): A former worker in the Nimbus factory, Aarti Patel had humble beginnings. Growing up in the manufacturing town of Broom-Upon-Sherry, Patel had humble beginnings. Both of her parents worked at the Nimbus factory making brooms for Quidditch stars and Hogwarts students alike. She was always a book smart child and passionate about what she believed in. After a particularly heinous instance of wage theft by the CEO of Nimbus, John Sweepstone, Patel decided that she wanted to help those around her. She quit her job and applied for the position of Minister of Magical Labor. Cornelius Fudge appointed her to the position, and she

immediately went to work, passing laws that helped laborers in Wizarding Britain. She believes that a strong economy that prioritizes workers is the key to rebuilding after the war.

Major Issues

Destroyed Transportation Networks

Floo Powder Networks, once regulated by the Ministry of Magic, are now almost completely destroyed. Regulatory frameworks for Apparition have been dismantled and brooms were burned en masse to provide fire for cold nights. Transportation is a desperately needed resource for any country, especially one that seeks to rebuild its economy.

Lingering Ideas from Voldemort

The notion that Muggles are unworthy of practicing magic is as old as magic itself - Voldemort simply gave a mouthpiece to those thoughts. Even though the Dark Lord himself has been killed, the ideas that he promoted are still in the minds of the Wizarding World. Muggles and Muggle-borns are still in danger.

Consequences for Death Eaters

Dozens of Voldemort's followers have been captured and many more are being captured every day. They have committed unspeakable atrocities to wizards and Muggles alike. How can you ensure that they will get the consequences that they deserve?

Destroyed Infrastructure

In addition to transportation networks, several hundreds of homes and businesses have been destroyed in the war. Hardly anyone is skilled enough or strong enough in magic to fix these buildings on their own. They lay in rubble, leaving thousands of people displaced from their homes and without a way to earn money.

The Ministry of Magic

The credibility of the Ministry of Magic has been destroyed - it was used as a puppet for Voldemort's followers to wreak havoc on the Wizarding World. In addition to this, several hundred members of the Ministry were Death Eaters, having been arrested. How can you reform the Ministry of Magic so that it can return to its full strength and regain the trust of the people?

A Third Wizarding War?

The Wizarding World is reeling after two massive wars in quick succession. How can you prevent a third one from breaking out and pushing it beyond the breaking point?

Additional Sources

The First and Second Wizarding Wars were heavily based on the Second World War and Nazism. Here are some sources that you could base your thinking off of:

- Nuremberg Trials - how war criminals were dealt with after the war
 - <https://www.history.com/topics/world-war-ii/nuremberg-trials>
- A general overview of the Second World War
 - <https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/masterpiece/specialfeatures/world-war-ii-major-events-timeline/#>
- An article about Hitler's rise to power
 - <https://www.facinghistory.org/resource-library/hitlers-rise-power-1918-1933>
- This is an article about Neo-Nazism even after Nazi Germany was defeated during World War II
 - <https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/frontline/announcement/frontline-investigates-the-rise-of-neo-nazi-ideology-and-far-right-extremism-in-modern-day-germany/>
- This is an article describing the Marshall Plan, used to rebuild Europe after the war
 - <https://www.archives.gov/milestone-documents/marshall-plan#:~:text=On%20April%203%2C%201948%20%20President,economic%20infrastructure%20of%20postwar%20Europe.>

The Griffin Society Rebellion is an important part of this committee. Here are a few examples of similar rebellions and how they were dealt with throughout history:

- Shays' Rebellion (Pre-Constitutional United States)
 - <https://www.history.com/topics/early-us/shays-rebellion>
- The Boxer Rebellion (China)
 - https://visualizingcultures.mit.edu/boxer_uprising/bx_essay01.html
- The Russian Revolution (Russia)
 - <https://www.bl.uk/russian-revolution/articles/timeline-of-the-russian-revolution>

Of course, the Harry Potter series (and if you must, the movies) are the best additional source to inform you on events in this committee.

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