# **Use Case: Sending a Friend Request**

**Iteration**: 1, Initial version.

**Primary Actor**: User (Player)

**Goal in Context**: To allow users to send friend requests to other players in order to connect, play together, and interact on the OMG platform.

#### **Preconditions:**

- The user is logged into the OMG platform.
- The user has a valid account and is active on the platform.
- The user is able to search for or browse other players' profiles.

### Trigger:

• The user wants to add another player to their friends list to connect and play together.

#### Scenario:

- 1. The user navigates to the profile or search section to find the player they wish to send a friend request to.
- 2. The system displays a list of available players or a search function for the user to enter a username or email.
- 3. The user selects the player they want to send a friend request to.
- 4. The system displays the selected player's profile, showing their current status (online/offline), games played, and other relevant information.
- 5. The user clicks on the "Send Friend Request" button on the profile.
- 6. The system sends the friend request to the selected player and notifies the user that the request has been sent successfully.
- 7. The system notifies the selected player of the incoming friend request, which they can accept or decline.
- 8. If the request is accepted, the system adds the users to each other's friends list, and they are able to see each other's online status and send game invites.

# **Exceptions**:

- **Friend Request Already Sent**: If the user has already sent a friend request to the player, the system will display a message stating that the request has already been sent.
- **Player Already in Friends List**: If the user and the selected player are already friends, the system will display a message indicating that they are already connected.
- **User Blocked**: If the selected player has blocked the user, the system will inform the user that they cannot send a friend request.
- **Request Declined**: If the player declines the friend request, the system will notify the user of the declined status.

**Priority**: Medium priority, as it enhances social interaction but is not essential for the core gameplay.

When Available: First increment.

**Frequency of Use**: Moderate, as players typically send friend requests to people they want to play with or communicate with more regularly.

**Channel to Actor**: Via web browser or application.

#### **Secondary Actors:**

- **System Administrator**: For monitoring and resolving any issues related to user accounts and the friend request system.
- **Customer Support**: For assisting users with issues related to sending or receiving friend requests (e.g., blocked users, incorrect functionality).

## **Channels to Secondary Actors:**

- **System Administrator**: Admin dashboard for managing system errors and resolving issues with the friend request feature.
- **Customer Support**: Customer support ticket system for troubleshooting and resolving any user complaints or issues related to friend requests.

## **Open Issues**:

- Should there be a limit on how many friend requests a user can send in a day to prevent spam?
- Should friend requests expire if not accepted within a certain period?
- Should the system provide an option to customize friend request messages, or should it be a simple request notification?