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This guide enables an exact, repeatable rebuild of the DIPLOMAGIC Project Workspace in ChatGPT-5 using the provided bootstrap kit and backup scripts.

Scope

- Recreate the Project Workspace with department threads and seeds.
- Restore working behavior: naming, macros, quiet-period protocol.
- Pair with file-level backups and Git for data integrity.

Inputs Required

- ChatGPT-5 access.
- `workspace_bootstrap/` folder from the bundle.
- GitHub repo URL to the GDD/source (or your local folder).
- Optional: `diplomagic_backup_kit/` to snapshot after rebuild.

Folder Map (from the bundle)

- `workspace_bootstrap/INSTRUCTIONS.md` – Workspace Instructions to paste verbatim.
- `workspace_bootstrap/MEMORY.md` – Long-lived facts seed, pin in Admin thread.
- `workspace_bootstrap/MACROS.md` – Macro definitions and outputs.
- `workspace_bootstrap/NAMING.md` – Thread titles, codename map.
- `workspace_bootstrap/AUTOMATIONS.md` – Schedules and prompt texts.
- `workspace_bootstrap/REBUILD.md` – Runbook reference.
- `workspace_bootstrap/GUIDE_FOR_DAD.md` – Short version.
- `workspace_bootstrap/THREAD_SEEDS/*.md` – One seed per department.
- `diplomagic_backup_kit/` – `snapshot.sh`, `restore.sh`, `verify.sh`, README.

TL;DR (10 steps)

1. Create a new Project Workspace named ****DIPLOMAGIC GDD****.
2. Open ****Instructions**** and paste `INSTRUCTIONS.md` verbatim.
3. Create chats for departments in this order:
Mail; Steam Ops; QA/UX; Combat & Systems; Authenticity & Research; Narrative & Canon; Publishing; Adversary & NPC Systems.
4. In each new chat, paste the matching file from `THREAD_SEEDS/` as the first message. Pin it.
5. Create an ****Admin**** chat. Paste `MEMORY.md`. Pin it.
6. In Mail, post the Stand-by notice from its seed. Collect ACKs from each department. Then post Resume.
7. Restore or pull your local files from ZIP/Git. Confirm the repo remote is correct.
8. Optional: run `snapshot.sh` to create a baseline backup.
9. Recreate automations listed in `AUTOMATIONS.md`.
10. Validate using `CHECKLISTS/VALIDATION.md`.

Department Seeding Order and Codenames

- Mail :: Integration & Validation – codename Postmaster
- Steam Operations – codename Stationmaster
- QA & UX – codename Exterminator
- Combat & Systems – codename Armorer
- Authenticity & Research – codename Archivist
- Narrative & Canon – codename Storymaster
- Publishing Studio – codename The Suit
- Adversary & NPC Systems – codename Taxonomist
- Macro Managers – Tech Support – nickname McMa (optional support thread)

Quiet-Period Protocol

- Stand-by freezes non-critical work.
- Critical hotfix requires Double Confirm: reply `y` then token `HOTFIX`.
- Mail posts Stand-by and Resume templates included in the Mail seed.
- Keep ASCII-safe paths and 72-char wrap for mail templates.

Naming Policy

- New office titles follow: `GDD Rebuild <YYYY-MM-DD HHmm ET>` using America/New_York.

- Use `NAMING.md` for consistent thread names and topology.

Macro Sanity Check

- `ptstamp` returns the formatted project title string.
- `deptcode` returns:
Department: Mail
Codename: Postmaster.
- `mydept` returns the department codename line for the current chat.

Backup and Restore (optional but recommended)

- Create a snapshot:
```bash  
bash diplomagic\_backup\_kit/snapshot.sh -s ~/projects/DIPLOMAGIC\_GDD -n DIPLOMAGIC\_GDD -o  
~/backups -k 14  
```
- Verify a snapshot:
```bash  
bash diplomagic\_backup\_kit/verify.sh ~/backups/DIPLOMAGIC\_GDD/<timestamp>/archive.tar.gz  
```
- Restore later:
```bash  
bash diplomagic\_backup\_kit/restore.sh ~/backups/DIPLOMAGIC\_GDD/<timestamp>/archive.tar.gz  
~/restore/DIPLOMAGIC\_GDD  
```

Troubleshooting

- If departments do not ACK, re-post the Mail seed and ensure the Stand-by was pinned.
- If macros do not resolve, copy `MACROS.md` contents into an Admin note and test tokens.
- If naming diverges, correct titles to the policy above and proceed.
- Historical transcripts cannot be imported. Attach important exports as files in the relevant threads.

Validation Checklist

- Instructions pasted and pinned.
- Admin thread seeded with MEMORY and pinned.
- All department chats created, seeded, and pinned.
- Stand-by → ACKs → Resume cycle completed.
- Macros `ptstamp`, `deptcode`, `mydept` respond as defined.
- One baseline snapshot created with `snapshot.sh`.
- Git remote linked and pull clean.
- Naming visible on new threads.

Versioning

- Tag the repo after rebuild: `bootstrap-<YYYYMMDD>`.
- Record OS, app version, and script versions in a `VERSIONS.txt` in the repo root.

Prepared for reproducible operations by combining the bootstrap kit with the backup scripts.
Keep this guide alongside the bundle.