

# Voldemort's Cabinet

#### Letter From the Director

Dear Delegates,

Welcome to FCMUN 2014, and welcome to Voldemort's Cabinet! My name is Aayushi and I'll be your Crisis Director during the course of this conference. Interestingly enough, I will be playing the character of Lord Voldemort, the future leader of the Wizard World. Every delegate in this committee will play the role of one member of Voldemort's team of Death Eaters and other important malicious characters.

There will be action, betrayals, drama, and most importantly, a lot of Butterbeer in this committee, along with surprises, twists, and magic. Magic, as you all know, will be the key to winning the battles. Misuse of magic, however, will be the way to win the Wizarding War. That's correct, my friends, there will be a second War very, very soon.

I'm majoring in Biochemistry and Environmental Studies with a minor in Law and Public Policy. I'm an active member at Mount Holyoke College's Model United Nations club. I have attended four conferences this year and I'm planning on using my experience to make sure this committee runs as smoothly as possible.

Voldemort's Cabinet is a chance for you to see the other side of the story: what were Voldemort's limitations, and where did he fall short where he could have succeeded? Who will be the one to betray us all? And really, what is with Severus Snape? Dumbledore may trust him, but should Voldemort? How can you, as a part of the Dark Lord's cabinet, ensure His victory? And most importantly, (for you, at least), how will you become the Dark Lord's favorite so that your life isn't put at risk at any point in time? Consider these questions as you read on and find out more about the committee.

I wish you all the best and hope to see you all in March! Until then, continue thinking of ways to free fellow Death Eaters from the grasps of the Dementors and plan ways to isolate dearest Harry Potter for the Dark Lord. And most importantly, remember to wear long-sleeved shirts to make sure no one sees your Dark Mark. Stay cautious.

See you soon!

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#### Introduction



Picture a table with thirteen seats, for thirteen people. Thirteen people who have committed heinous crimes such as thievery, mental and physical torture, and murder. These thirteen are capable of having the most daring ideas that may put the wizarding world at risk and change the future of magic forever.

In *Voldemort's Cabinet*, you will be bombarded with unjustified, unfathomable, and unreasonable conflicts which will collide with your plans to refine and filter the wizarding blood. One of your goals is to eliminate Muggle-borns and all Blood-Traitors, the living filth that has caused your race to become impure. Your secondary goals (but hold equal priority with the rest of the goals) have to do with making sure that Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, Durmstrang Institute, and the Beauxbatons Academy of Magic are all run by members of the Death Eater clan (One of them is already under the control of our very own Igor Karkaroff), and that the Order of the Phoenix is forever destroyed, especially before The Boy and his friends find out about its existence. However, your biggest goal, one that affects your leader the most, is to aid the Dark Lord in eliminating **Harry Potter**. You know and understand that this is the most difficult task to accomplish but you know for a fact that you have the resources and the people to get the job done as soon as possible. You know a lot, lot more than he does, and you need to act before he begins to understand and make connections.

This committee, set place in the Great Britain in the year Cedric Diggory's death took place and the Dark Lord rose once again, will be a hectic, fast-paced place with violent yet feasible ideas being thrown back and forth. *Voldemort's Cabinet* will be set right after the end of *The Goblet of Fire*, with the rebirth of the Dark Lord. The committee will have approximately fifteen hours, so each hour will represent a month. This committee will cover over a year.

## **Characters**

- 1. Voldemort (Crisis Director): Referred to as "The Dark Lord" or "He Who Must Not Be Named", has one end goal in mind: To be the one in control of Great Britain after eliminating his greatest nemeses, Harry Potter and ideally, Albus Dumbledore. Voldemort has tortured, lied, stolen, and murdered more times than any wizard in the wizarding history, and his soul has been so tarnished that it isn't really a soul anymore. This year, after finally regaining his body back thanks to the blood of Harry Potter, the bone of his dead Muggle father, and the flesh of his loyal but stupid servant Wormtail, Voldemort has a lot of power and support. His slithery Death Eaters either fled or returned reluctantly once the Dark Mark was pressed, and the cabinet is now ready to go. Seeing how many enemies revolve around him, many or most being a part of his own group of followers, Voldemort needs to be careful- one wrong step and he will not get another chance to get back up again.
- 2. Dolores Umbridge: A member of the Ministry of Magic, Dolores Umbridge is actually also a member of the Death Eaters' group. She has been trained to claim that she was under the Imperius Curse if she were ever to get caught doing something "wrong", and Voldemort believes that she is ready to set two dementors onto Harry while he is at his uncle and aunt's home over the summer. Umbridge's contacts at the Ministry of Magic and her new job at Hogwarts puts her in a very powerful position. However, what she chooses to do with this power is entirely up to her.
- 3. Karkaroff: A slippery man whose loyalty is currently questionable. Karkaroff has immense wealth and connections outside of the Dark Lord's circle. Karkaroff is a crucial member of the Death Eaters as he knows too much, and yet doesn't reveal too much to anyone. As the current head of Durmstrang Institute, it is crucial to keep Karkaroff under Voldemort's control to make sure there are no surprises.
- 4. Rita Skeeter: A reporter who is currently placed under the Imperius Curse by Lord Voldemort himself. Although she no longer works for the Daily Prophet, she can use her many connections to get another job as a reporter in either the same newspaper or a different one and publish false stories about Voldemort's whereabouts. Using her Animagus abilities, Rita can also go back to Hogwarts and keep a second eye on Harry Potter, now that he along with Hermione and Ron do not expect it.

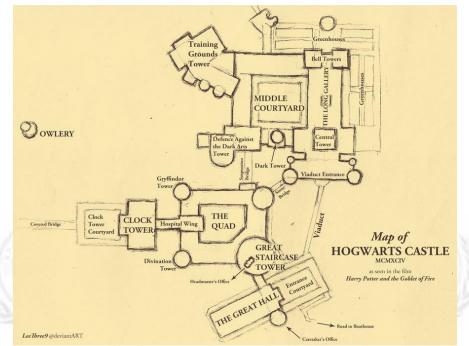
- 5. Bellatrix: Currently in Azkaban, Bellatrix is the bridge between Voldemort and the Dementors. The Death Eaters need the Dementors on their side to make sure that Azkaban is free of all those who support Voldemort (The Lestranges, etc.). Bellatrix is capable of mostly anything- she participated in the torture and permanent incapacitation of Alice and Frank Longbottom with the Cruciatus Curse during the First Wizarding War. Although she was unable to avoid Azkaban following Lord Voldemort's downfall, she will surely be back to Him in no time as she is arguably Voldemort's most loyal supporter.
- 6. Snape: Professor Severus Snape is Potions Master at Hogwarts and Head of Slytherin House. He is also a former Death Eater and current member of the Order of the Phoenix. He gave information to Lord Voldemort about the prophecy leading to the death of James and Lily Potter during the First Wizarding War. Harry and Professor Snape have hated each other since the first moment they clapped eyes on one another, however because of Dumbledore's blind trust on Snape, Harry is mostly obedient when it comes to Snape's orders. Voldemort keeps a close eye on Snape because he is unsure why Dumbledore trusts him so much. In order to maintain/boost Voldemort's trust, Snape must do something so bold and daring that it will put him on the top of Voldemort's most loyal disciples.
- 7. Lucius: This Death Eater is an interesting character; he is extremely rich and resourceful, he has Hogwarts' school governors on his side, and his son is always near Harry Potter. It is important to note that if Voldemort and the rest of the Death Eaters continue to shun and mock him, there may be consequences and he may even betray the Dark Lord himself. Still, Lucius is applauded for his work in sliding Tom Riddle's Diary into Ginny Wealey's belongings and for his active participation during the Quidditch World Cup.
- 8. Wormtail: Wormtail is a slimy traitor who is best known for his betrayal to James and Lily and for being a crucial part of Voldemort's return. Although he is often meek and obedient, he should not be underestimated; he has killed twelve people, been a Weasley pet for thirteen years now, and he has assisted in Bertha Jorkin's death. Wormtail's importance in this committee should not be overlooked: he may be disliked and even hated by all, but he may have some tricks up his sleeve that he learned from his former best friends. Wormtail should also be consulted if there are any doubts about the map of Hogwarts, since he knows many shortcuts and hideouts.

- 9. Alecto Carrow: A firm believer in the killing of Muggles, Alecto Carrow is a nasty witch who is known for her braveness and battle strategy. She was a warrior in both the first and the second Wizarding Wars. She is intelligent, but often not very wise. Her decisions are rash at times, however she only does what she does for the betterment of the Death Eaters and the Dark Lord. Her alliance with her brother Amycus should not be taken lightly, as they are both courageous, strategic, and cruel especially when working together.
- 10. Amycus Carrow: The brother of Alecto Carrow is very similar to her in more ways than one. Amycus has also fought in both wars and the Battle of the Astronomy Tower. Amycus is shrewd, calculating, and very dangerous. Both siblings have somehow never been arrested, which is a clear reflection of their talents. Amycus is willing to do anything in his power to make sure the Dark Lord succeeds in his mission, and will definitely work closely with his sister to achieve this goal.
- 11. Walden Macnair: This Death Eater is a busy and ambitious one. He has lied, cheated, stolen, and fought to become one of the Dark Lord's most trusted Death Eaters. He successfully lied to the Ministry of Magic about being placed under the Imperious Curse so that he could continue plotting ways to make Voldemort win. Macnair is sly and very clever, and his thinking process and his talent of lying should not be underestimated.
- 12. Antonin Dolohov: A fairly less successful, albeit loyal supporter of Voldemort. Dolohov is often clumsy and makes mistakes, but his main goal of supporting his Master never wavers. Voldemort himself looks favorably upon Dolohov's loyalty and support, and if Dolohov is to continue putting his life at risk to save the Dark Lord, he may even be rewarded for it. Although Dolohov's resume includes a lot less wins as compared to other Death Eaters, it does not make him any less capable of getting Voldemort exactly what he needs.
- 13. Crabbe Sr.: A useful bridge between Harry Potter and the Dark Lord. Crabbe's son is a student at Hogwarts and he is always conveying information to his father about Potter's plans. The Dark Lord often asks Crabbe Sr. about Harry's information rather than asking his slippery supporter, Lucius. There have been many instances where the stories of Potter's whereabouts didn't match; meaning one of the two Death Eaters is trying to protect The Boy.

## **Current Situation and Topics**

At the moment, Cedric Diggory has been killed. The Minister of Magic refuses to believe that Voldemort is back, and Hogwarts is mourning. Voldemort is stronger than ever, with his supporters back with him to provide him with all the resources he needs. This is the ideal time to strike, when the rest of the world is grieving and distracted. The Dark Lord is now extremely cautious and not very trusting, all for good reason. Harry Potter has just witnessed a death of a friend, and his current state is weak and confused. The Dark Lord and the Death Eaters should take advantage of this.

It is important to appreciate the flexibility of the committee. You will come in the committee room knowing your character and the time the committee will be taking place in. Because of this, the topics that may be brought up can be of any sort. Some topics may include obtaining money to fund for your devious projects, using spells to manipulate people into doing what you would like, playing with potions, recruiting more people for Voldemort's Army (Dumbledore's Army has not been formed yet!). Other possible topics that may help delegates can be working with unexpected allies, assassinations of important people, freeing Death Eaters from Azkaban, kidnapping people, sabotaging Hogsmeade trips (Times can be hard for a Death Eater), and finding ways to enter Hogwarts. You can do anything you like in this committee, as long as it is meant for the advancement of your two major goals: One, to overthrow the Ministry, and two, to take down Harry Potter. So far, he has always had help of some sort: Dumbledore, with whom we will be dealing with, his annoying sidekicks, the memory of his parents, his Godfather, his teachers, and so on. If we were to cut off his help, would he really still be able to defeat the Dark Lord?



## **Parliamentary Procedure**

The Goal of this committee is to **not** follow the events in the book. The time of the committee has been specified, but delegates need to approach the crises presented in the most creative ways possible, as long as they stay in their character and within their portfolio powers. Delegates will also be well aware about how not all those who formed alliances with the Death Eaters will do so in this committee (For example the Dementors, Giants, Snatchers, etc.). The Chair, Crisis Director, and analysts will make sure that the committee will move in an unexpected direction so that the delegates stay intrigued and the committee stays engaging throughout. Strict Parliamentary Procedure will be followed, and unmoderated caucuses will be looked favorably upon every 30-40 minutes or when necessary. All directives need to have a minimum of four signatories, and can be changed any time as per the Chair's discretion. All notes must go through the Chair/VC so that they are aware of what the delegates are doing. If a delegate wishes to pass a note to Lord Voldemort, he/she can do so and should expect a reply as soon as possible. Lord Voldemort will be a part of all moderated caucuses and unmoderated caucuses unless specified otherwise. The <u>ultimate</u> goal of the committee is to find a way in which Voldemort wins in the most creative ways possible.

#### **List of Resources**

- The books: This resource should be used just for ideas and to place facts together. Remember, delegates who propose their own ideas for the committee's advancement will be looked more favorably upon. Most of us have read all the books, so adding a twist or introducing a new idea altogether will be both exciting and more fun to tackle as a committee.
- The movies: It is a good idea to watch a couple of the movies as a way to prepare, especially if you feel like you do not have the time to read the books. Thankfully, the movies have not completely changed the storyline of the books, so it is a reliable source to get information from.
- Harry Potter Wikia (<a href="http://harrypotter.wikia.com">http://harrypotter.wikia.com</a>) Whenever I have a question about anything related to Harry Potter, I always go on the Harry Potter Wikia. It is a great and fairly reliable source that contains valuable information which will definitely help you in your research. Also, it is a lot faster to find an answer on this website compared to going through the entire book.
- Harry Potter Reddit (http://www.reddit.com/r/harrypotter) This is a website where you can find discussions, arguments, news, and new ideas that could help you develop your own plan. However, this should not be used for primary research, but instead as a "How to get excited for FCMUN" resource.
- Me! If you have any questions about anything, email me and I will get back to you.