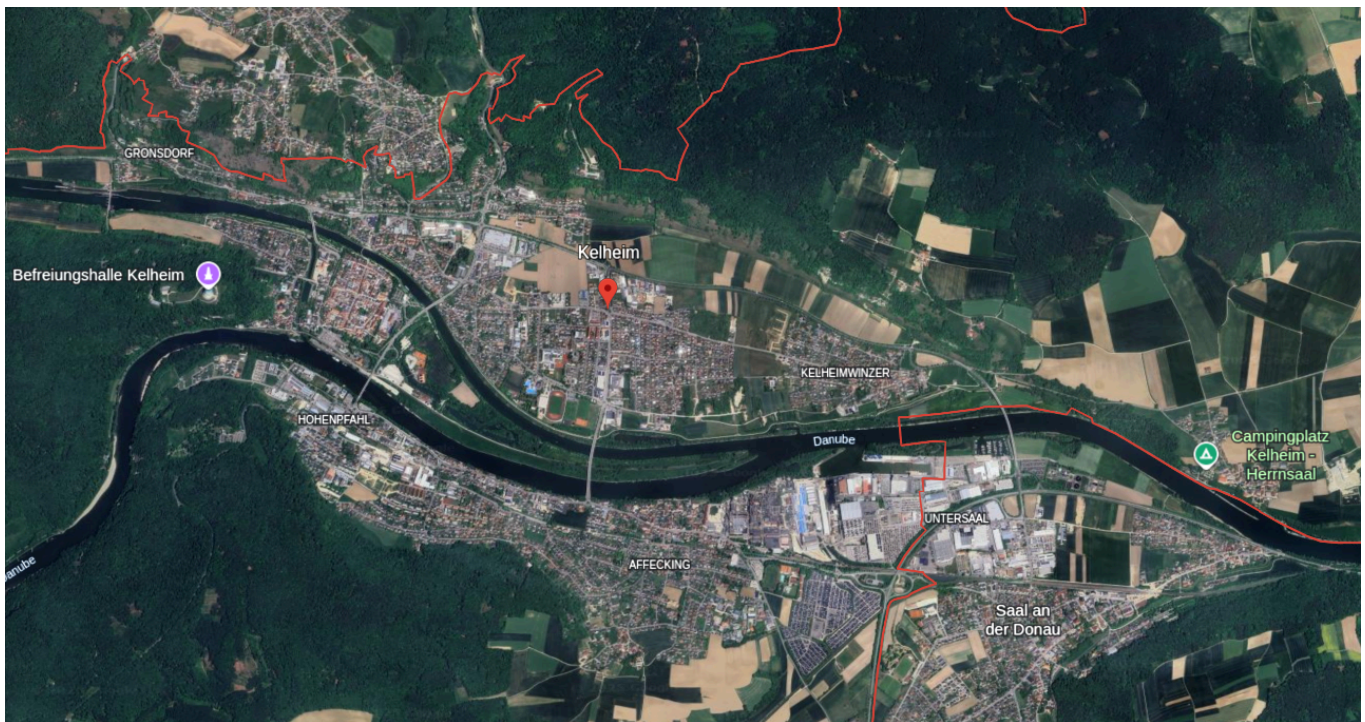


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"In the ancient kingdom of the Teutons there was a fortress with 71 noble houses. And hidden beneath one of these houses were two brothers. These two brothers, quarreling over the inheritance of their parents' wealth, each chose to go out into the world to seek their fate. But, wishing to remember the place from which each had departed, they decided to divide into three branches. Now the three branches form a bridge of passage between the inhabitants of the fortress. Where did the two brothers part ways? Flag format: CTF{town_name} (case insensitive and ascii characters only)"

After looking at the photo and noticing a river, along with the description mentioning "two brothers", I thought it might be the Danube. At first, when I saw Danube and "three branches", I assumed it referred to the Danube Delta and its three outlets. However, the description also mentioned "a fortress" and "the ancient Kingdom of the Teutons", so that couldn't be the solution. The reference to the "ancient Kingdom of the Teutons" pointed me toward modern-day Germany, so the next step was to find a fortress where the Danube splits into three. I opened Google Earth, searched for the source of the Danube, and followed it downstream until I saw the river dividing into three branches at Kelheim. After googling Kelheim, I discovered that it had a fortress and found photos that looked very similar to the one in the challenge and that's when I knew this was the right place.



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