

5.7 - The CONGRESS of VIENNA

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1. 释义

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就这样，当拿破仑在圣赫勒拿岛上享受着“流放巅峰生活”时——瞧瞧他那副悠然自得的样子——欧洲其他列强却不得不收拾他在大陆留下的烂摊子。这个烂摊子最终通过维也纳会议得以解决。

So recall (v.)回忆；回想 from the previous video on Napoleon /that he basically **made** all of Europe **his little plaything** 玩物；玩具；被玩弄的人, and that seriously disrupted (v.)扰乱；破坏 the balance of power 权力平衡 on the continent. And I

hope **that sounds (v.) familiar** 熟悉的 because we talked about it /those many videos ago in Unit 3.

Remember that *the Peace of Westphalia* 威斯特伐利亚和约 in 1648 **brought (v.) an end to** 结束 religion **as a cause** for European states to go to war. But after that, 主 the main reason 后定 states fought (v.) 系 was to maintain (v.)维持 that delicate 纤弱的 ; 脆弱的 , 易碎的;微妙的 balance of power in Europe.

And the idea behind *the balance of power* is that /no one wanted any one state to be more powerful **than** any other state /because that would be disastrous 灾难性的. And I' d say that /age of Napoleon proved them right. 我得说, 拿破仑时代证明了他们是对的。

So by 1814, about a year before Napoleon' s final defeat(v.) at Waterloo 滑铁卢, the Quadruple (a.)由四部分 (或人、群体) 构成的 ; 四方面的 Alliance 四国同盟 — which included Russia, Prussia, Austria, and Great Britain — got together 聚集 in **what was known as** the Congress 代表大会 of Vienna. They completed their work in 1815 /after Napoleon' s defeat, and that era 时代 ; 时期 is definitely one to know. It is *a massive 巨大的 turning point* 转折点 in European history /precisely 恰恰 ; 正好 because of the work the Congress did.

那个时代绝对是一个值得了解的时代。正是由于欧洲议会所做的工作，这才成为欧洲历史上的一个重大转折点。

Example 1. 案例
quadruple

(a.) 1.consisting of four parts, people or groups 由四部分 (或人、群体) 构成的 ; 四方面的

• *a quadruple (a.) alliance* 四方联盟

2. being four times as much or as many 四倍的

• *a quadruple whisky* 一份四倍的威士忌

• This year we produced **quadruple (a.) the amount** produced in 2002. 我们今年的产量是2002年的四倍。

quadr-, 四, -ple, 倍数, 词源同triple.

So let' s talk about the first thing you need to know: that 主 the monarchies 君主制国家 represented (v.) in the Quadruple Alliance 谓 were pushing for 争取 ; 推动 conservative 保守的 measures 措施.

Now, 主 the emphasis 重点 ; 强调 of conservatism 保守主义 during that period 系 was a reliance on 依赖 tradition 传统 and inherited 世袭的 structure 结构. After all 毕竟, look (v.) what *the liberal 自由的 reforms* accomplished (v.) in France — when people are allowed to think for themselves, they' d be cutting people' s heads off.

So these conservative rulers aimed (v.) **to roll (v.) back** 撤销 ; 倒退 or at least **temper (v.)** 缓和 **the liberal reforms** that came out of the French Revolution /and **hearken (v.)** 倾听 ; 聆听 **back to** 回想起 *aristocratic 贵族的 and church and monarchical 君主制的 institutions* 机构 后定说明 that had the patina 光泽 ; (金属表面的) 绿锈 , 铜锈 , 氧化层 ; 薄层 ; of age and stability 稳定 about them.

因此, 这些保守派统治者的目的, 是抵制或至少缓和法国大革命后的自由主义改革, 并回归到贵族, 教会和君主制度中, 这些制度具有悠久的历史 and 稳定性。

Example 2. 案例

hearken

[V]*~ (to sb/sth)*: (old use) to listen to sb/sth 倾听；聆听 +
源自古英语 "heorcnian" (倾听)，本文此处引申为 "精神上回归/追溯"，强调对历史传统的主动呼应。

patina

(n.)

1.a green, black or brown layer that forms (v.) on the surface of some metals (金属表面的) 绿锈，铜锈，氧化层

2.a thin layer that forms (v.) on other materials; the shiny surface that develops (v.) on wood or leather when it is polished 薄层；(木器或皮革的) 光泽
(figurative)

•He looked relaxed and elegant /and **had the patina of success**. 他神态轻松潇洒，给人成功的印象

→ 可能来自拉丁语patina, 盘子，铜盘，词源同 pan, patella. 后用于指铜盘上的铜锈。



The second thing you need to know is that /主 **the principal** (a.主要的)首要原则,核心理念 后定说明 **driving (v.)推动的 their decisions** at the Congress of Vienna 系 **was** the re-establishment 重新建立 of **the balance of power**. You can see how important that was to them /by the fact that they **invited** France **to** the negotiating table 谈判桌. Like, **when have you ever heard of** 你什么时候听说过 a defeated 被打败的 power **being offered a seat** and an opinion /for **how things are going to go** /after they' re defeated?

But the Quadruple Alliance understood (v.) that /Europe benefited (v.) from a strong France — not too strong, but just strong enough **to hold** (v.) the other powers **in bounds** 约

束；限制。

But despite this leniency (n.)宽大；仁慈 toward France, the members of the Congress decided (v.) **to beef up 加强 defenses 防御** around France as well. Belgium and Holland united (v.) under the Dutch monarchy 君主制 /and were together a force 后定说明 **strong enough** to oppose (v.)反对 French aggression 侵略. And Prussia received (v.) territory 领土 in France' s eastern border, which would help them also keep (v.) France in check 控制；制止.

And the third thing you need to know is 表 the guy who basically orchestrated (v.)精心安排；策划;编配（或创作管弦乐曲） the Congress, namely 即；也就是 the Austrian *foreign minister* 外交部长, Clemens von Metternich 克莱门斯·冯·梅特涅. Under his conservative leadership, the Congress basically **rolled (v.) back** the borders of France about 20 years, as it was in 1792. And while this was drastically 极大地 less territory **than** they had under Napoleon' s reign 统治, **it was more than they had** at the start of the French Revolution.

So nice. However, while they **were working** all this **out** 找到 (解决办法等), that was about the time /Napoleon escaped from exile 流放, came back to France, and tried to reassert (v.)重申；再次坚持 his power.

And after he was defeated, *the supremely 极度，极其 annoyed (a.)恼怒的 Congress* **took** a little more territory **from** France. But it was still a good deal 划算的交易 for them. I mean, remember (v.), France was the defeated party 战败方 here —主 the fact that they' re getting anything 系 is pretty great.

Now, the work of this Congress, conservative as it was, would ultimately 最终 **usher (v.)**把...引往；引导；引领 in 开创；迎来 50 years of peace on the European continent, a period of time **known as** *the Age of Metternich* 梅特涅时代。 But we' ll revisit (v.)重新审视 that in the next era.

Example 3. 案例

usher

(v.)[VN+ adv./prep.] to take or show sb where they should go 把...引往；引导；引领

•The secretary **ushered (v.) me into his office.** 秘书把我领进他的办公室。

——note at take

PHRASAL VERBS 短语动词

1. **usher sth**→**'in**

(formal) to be the beginning of sth new /or to make sth new begin 开创；开始；开启

•The change of management **ushered (v.) in** fresh ideas and policies. 更换领导班子带来了新思想和新政策。

→ 来自 PIE*os,嘴，词源同 oral,osculate. 用来指迎宾。

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2. 中文释义

所以当拿破仑在圣赫勒拿岛（Saint Helena）上度过他被流放的日子时——我是说，看看他，他就是这样——欧洲的其他强国，不得不收拾他在欧洲大陆上留下的烂摊子。他们在"维也纳会议"（Congress of Vienna）上处理了这些问题，而这就是这个视频要讲的内容。所以，如果你准备好充实自己的知识，那我们开始吧。顺便说一下，如果你想要这个视频的笔记指南，那就查看描述中的链接。

还记得之前关于**拿破仑**的视频中提到的，他基本上把整个欧洲当作他的玩物，这**严重破坏了欧洲大陆的"权力平衡"**。我希望这听起来很熟悉，因为我们在之前的很多视频的第三单元中谈到过这个。**还记得1648年的《威斯特伐利亚和约》（Peace of Westphalia）结束了宗教作为欧洲各国开战的理由。但在那之后，各国开战的主要原因是为了维持欧洲微妙的"权力平衡"。**

"权力平衡"背后的理念是，没有人希望任何一个国家比其他国家更强大，因为那将是灾难性的。而且我得说，拿破仑时代证明了这一理念的正确性。

所以在1814年，也就是拿破仑在滑铁卢（Waterloo）最终战败的前一年，**四国同盟（Quadruple Alliance，包括俄罗斯、普鲁士、奥地利和英国）在"维也纳会议"上相聚。**在拿破仑战败后的1815年，他们完成了会议的工作，而那个时代绝对是一个需要了解的时代。正是因为**"维也纳会议"所做的工作，它成为了欧洲历史上一个重大的转折点。**

所以我们来谈谈你需要知道的第一件事：**四国同盟所代表的"君主制"国家，推行了保守措施。**在那个时期，保守主义的重点，是依赖传统和世袭制度。毕竟，看看法国的自由改革带来了什么后果——当人们被允许自主思考时，他们就开始砍别人的头。

所以这些保守的统治者,旨在推翻或至少缓和"法国大革命"带来的"自由改革",并回归那些具有历史底蕴和稳定性的贵族、教会,和君主制机构。

你需要知道的第二件事是,"维也纳会议"上推动他们做决策的主要因素,是**重新建立"权力平衡"**。从他们邀请法国参加谈判这件事上,你可以看出这对他们来说有多重要。我的意思是,你什么时候听说过一个战败国在战败后,还能在事务的处理上拥有一席之地并发表意见呢?

但**四国同盟明白,一个强大的法国,对欧洲是有益的——不要太强大,但要强大到足以制衡其他强国。**不过,尽管对法国很宽容,会议成员还是决定加强法国周边的防御。比利时和荷兰,在荷兰君主制下联合起来,成为了一支足以对抗法国侵略的力量。普鲁士在法国东部边境获得了领土,这也有助于他们制衡法国。

你需要知道的第三件事是,基本上是奥地利外交大臣**克莱门斯·冯·梅特涅 (Clemens von Metternich)**主导了"维也纳会议"。在他的保守领导下,会议基本上把法国的边界,恢复到了大约20年前,也就是1792年的状态。虽然这比拿破仑统治时期的领土少了很多,但比"法国大革命"开始时的领土要多。

所以还不错。然而,就在他们解决这些问题的时候,拿破仑从流放中逃脱,回到了法国,并试图重新掌权。在他再次战败后,极其恼怒的会议,又从法国那里拿走了一些领土。但这对法国来说仍然是不错的结果。我的意思是,记住,法国是战败国——他们还能保有一些东西已经很不错了。

现在,尽管"维也纳会议"是保守的,但它最终带来了欧洲大陆50年的和平(宋辽澶渊之盟,也给双方带来了120年和平),这个时期被称

为"梅特涅时代" (Age of Metternich) 。我们将在下一个时期再回顾这个时代。

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3. pure

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