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Third Servile Revolt: Romans

It is 73 BCE, and Spartacus is slowly amassing a significantly sized army consisting of slaves and gladiators. We fear the danger this poses as the slaves have learned from the last two servile uprisings. Rome is still recuperating from the repercussions of the power struggle between Cinna and Sulla; the foundations of the Republic are not yet strengthened.

As we Romans meet to discuss the impending slave revolt, we must focus on protecting the very core of our Republic. As Spartacus' army grows stronger and larger, we cannot let our slaves join him as it could threaten our very existence; we need to put them hard at work so they cannot even have time to think about revolting. Our slaves are necessary for the economy to prosper. A perfect example is the wealth of Sicily, whose inhabitants are primarily slaves. They do all the agricultural work which allows for a greater income on all of our goods. We need to change their ideas about their masters. Our slaves need to learn their place and realize that a revolt is unnecessary and pointless. As the current governor of Sicily, I am well-placed to extinguish all possibility of Sicilian slaves joining in the insurgence as they can be reminded of the consequences of the First and Second Servile Revolts. They need to be shown that joining in this revolt will only lead to their death. I urge the committee to focus on this task of keeping the slaves under control, in order to maintain social order. As a matter of fact, the spread of infectious diseases in our great army is a matter of concern to this committee but it is also inevitable, therefore we must focus on what we can salvage. The military can be purged of the weak as we possess men in large numbers. As Spartacus' numbers are as of yet unknown, we must maintain our men at the fronts to assure control on that aspect until further information can be gathered to prepare our armies adequately. As for the growing number of pirates disrupting our trade, my position in the Mediterranean will allow me to form a possible alliance with them, given that they disrupt Spartacus in any way.

Should slaves be found conspiring to join Spartacus' army, their masters shall be fined and left to deal with the matter as they see fit. As we have an abundance of slaves from the great amount of territories that we have conquered, disposing of these conspiring slaves is encouraged. These masters could obtain new slaves at a prime as they are contributing to the preservation of the great Roman Republic.