Position Paper-England

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Introduction and Context:

After growing up in this age, I have personally seen the effects of what our magnificent King Edward I can do. It is extremely upsetting to me that our little neighbors up north in Scotland cannot see how impactful our Majesty actually is. Not only will our King maintain peace between our two lands, but he will also ensure a better future politically and economically for the Scots. It is quite unfortunate, however, that the Scots refuse to acknowledge his usefulness. Under his command, I am most willing and capable to do anything he may ask. As the Naval Commander, the influence I have over military interactions between our two countries is grand in scale.

Goals:

My main objective is to maintain and spread English power. While the cooperation of the Scots would make things easier, if it comes down to it, I am at the mercy of my people's will, and will be doing anything that is necessary to ensure our strengthening as a country. I am aiming to begin this committee by establishing relationships with those closest to the king. Primarily, I believe John of Brittany, Earl of Richmond and nephew of the King, will be a particularly useful compatriot in my endeavors. Furthermore, Brian Fitz Alan, Baron of Bedale, is a very well respected man of the King. He has been serving for many years, and would help provide me with extremely insightful information.

My second agenda in my connections is to establish a committee ready for a Naval attack and war. As the naval commander, I will be seeking to work with all members of the crisis looking to strategize for war. My primary ally in this committee will be Stephen de Pencester,

Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports. Pencester has an extensive knowledge of the English Channel, and his experience will certainly maintain a positive influence on any decisions. Additionally, two other cabinet members will be assisting me on a diplomatic and analytical level. William of March, Lord High Chancellor, and Walter Langton, Treasurer, are two folks with a very strong background in economics. I will be utilizing their strengths to determine the possibility of a military blockade and its economic effects. Did someone say Embargo?

To-Do List:

- 1. Establish significant connections.
- 2. Maintain a focus on expanding the reign of the Crown.
- 3. Compile predicted economic results of military actions on Scotland, and put those in place if necessary.
- 4. Maintain a high position, and seek to stay highly respected.