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The first section of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records. It states that proper record-keeping is essential for the efficient operation of any organization. This section also outlines the various methods used to collect and analyze data, emphasizing the need for consistency and reliability in the information gathered.

The second section focuses on the role of management in ensuring that the organization's goals are met. It highlights the importance of clear communication and effective decision-making. The text also discusses the challenges faced by managers in a dynamic environment and offers strategies to overcome these challenges.

The third section provides a detailed analysis of the organization's current performance. It compares actual results against targets and identifies areas where improvements are needed. This section also discusses the impact of external factors on the organization's performance and offers recommendations for future actions.

The fourth section discusses the organization's financial health and its ability to sustain its operations. It provides a breakdown of the organization's revenue and expenses, highlighting the areas where costs can be reduced. The text also discusses the organization's investment strategy and its long-term financial outlook.

The fifth and final section discusses the organization's human resources and its ability to attract and retain top talent. It highlights the importance of a strong corporate culture and effective training programs. The text also discusses the organization's compensation strategy and its efforts to stay competitive in the labor market.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF WINNING DIPLOMACY

by

John J. Beshara

Theoretically no one can win a Diplomacy game. Anyone who wins does so because his adversaries goofed. So why the grandiose title? "To err is human," and the name of the game is D-I-P-L-O-M-A-C-Y: It is your task to help your opponents hang themselves.

Some dos and don'ts:

1. Think in terms of the total game, not just this year and next year. From the onset, plan a line of attack through which you can win. Your first minimal objective is to insure a stalemate.
2. In relative terms, the weaker the other powers are, the stronger you are. As Turkey, be concerned whether or not Belgium is occupied in Fall 1901.
3. If you are an Eastern power, you want the Western powers fighting among themselves (and vice versa) -- stir up the pot to maintain a balance of power so the conflict dawdles. Conversely, you must conclude the conflict within your sphere in haste.
4. Whatever country you are, negotiate with every other country, creating whatever form of pact you can get: a simple alliance, a long-term fighting alliance, a non-aggression pact, a mutual defense pact. The more you know about the plans of others, the better able you are to decide your own tactical moves. Try not to make commitments you don't intend to keep, but make them and break them, if you must. Anticipate keeping at least one alliance. Why fight friends when you can fight enemies?
5. Rather than seeking little victories, go for the big kill. Endeavor to stab decisively, avoiding situations in which a mangled foe can bloody your path.
6. Maintain communications, even with your enemies; enemies don't have to remain so. After you have virtually destroyed another country, you can still make a deal so his remaining strength is used in your behalf. Indeed, there are situations in which you may have destroyed two countries who were allies and then have them both help you against the other!
7. In the beginning it is necessary to be bold; but it is also dangerous. What the hell, if you are going to be destroyed, it might as well be sooner as later. Make it clear to those who could destroy you that you will retaliate to the death.
8. Try not to commit your forces to an early attack until your ally or allies commence the engagement. For example, Germany would not care to initiate an attack against France or England until they are already entangled. Then choose your side and go.

"Spring 1901"

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WAR BEGINS IN EUROPE! AGAIN!
ITALY ATTACKS AUSTRIA -- AUSTRIA ATTACKS ITALY
RUSSIA ATTACKS AUSTRIA -- AUSTRIA ATTACKS RUSSIA

FRANCE (Osmanson):	F Bre-Mid A Mar-Spa A Par-Bur
ITALY (Medlin):	F Nap-Ion A Ven-Tyr <u>A Rom-Ven</u>
RUSSIA (Carroll):	F StP (sc)-Bot F Sev-Rum A Mos-Ukr <u>A War-Gal</u>
ENGLAND (O'Neil):	F Lon-Nth F Edi-Nwg A Liv-Edi
GERMANY (Ortiz):	F Kie-Den A Ber-Kie A Mun [Unordered; holds]
AUSTRIA (Ayres):	<u>F Tri-Ven</u> A Bud-Ser <u>A Vie-Gal</u>
TURKEY (Lipson):	F Ank-Bla A Con-Bul A Smy-Con

Underlined moves do not succeed. The deadline for "Fall 1901" moves is 21 July 1972.

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FIERCE BATTLES IN ITALY AND GERMANY!!!!!!

ENGLAND (Miller):

- A War-Sil
- A Pru (S) A War-Sil
- A StP-Mos
- F Liv-Bot
- F Bal (C) FRENCH A Kie-Liv
- A Edi-Den
- F Nth (C) A Edi-Den
- F Wes-Tun

FRANCE (Beshara):

- A Pic-Bel
- A Par-Bur
- A Pie-Ven
- A Tus (S) A Pie-Ven
- A Rom (S) A Pie-Ven
- F Tyr (S) A Rom
- A Ber (S) ENGLISH A War-Sil
- A Kie-Liv
- A Tyr-Boh
- A Mun (S) A Tyr-Boh
- A Mar-Pie
- F Lyo (S) A Mar-Pie
- F Tun-Ion

RUSSIA (Birsan):

- A Rum-Bud
- A Ven-Tyr
- A Vie (S) A Ven-Tyr
- A Tri (S) A Ven-Tyr
- A Boh-Mun [Dislodged]
- A Apur-Rom
- F Ion-Nap
- F Gre-Ion
- F Aeg (S) F Gre-Ion
- A Sil-Pru [Dislodged]
- A Mos-Liv
- A Cal-War
- A Ukr (S) A Gal-War

Underlined moves do not succeed. The dislodged Russian armies Sil and Boh each have only one retreat, Gal. In the interests of speeding up the game, I will arbitrarily retreat A Boh-Gal, and not retreat A Sil. If Edi Birsan wishes to retreat both units, both will be annihilated. If that is the case, then I am to be so informed within 48 hours of receipt of this issue of ATLANTIS. If the retreats are not as I have indicated, I will so inform the other players.

The deadline for "Fall 1912" moves is 28 July 1972.

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HEAVY FIGHTING IN ITALY -- ENGLAND GAINS!

ENGLAND (Lakofka):

- A StP-Liv
- F Bot (S) A StP-Liv
- F Bar holds
- F Nwy-Nrg
- A Edi holds
- A Lon-Bel
- F Eng (C) A Lon-Bel
- F Liv-Nat
- F Mid (S) F Spa (sc)-Wes
- F Spa (sc)-Wes
- F Por-Spa (sc)
- A Gas-Mar
- F Mar-Lyo
- A Kie-Ber
- F Ber-Bal
- A Bur-Mun
- A Mun-Sil

AUSTRIA (Leahey):

- F Nap-Tyr [Dislodged & annihilated]
- F Rom-Tus
- A Tri-Bud
- A Boh-Vie
- A Pie (S) F Rom-Tus
- A Tyr-Ven

TURKEY (Jordan):

- A Sil-Ber
- A Ukr-Mos
- A War (S) A Ukr-Mos
- A Bul-Ser
- A Rum (S) A Bul-Ser
- A Ven-Rom
- \*F Tus (S) A Ven-Rom [Dislodged & annihilated]
- F Ion-Nap
- F Tyr (S) F Ion-Nap
- F Tun-NAf
- F Adr-Apu

Underlined moves do not succeed. Deadline for "Fall 1911" moves is 28 July 1972.

\*Note that I do not use Miller's Rule, so even though the Turkish F Tus was dislodged and annihilated, its support order is still valid, allowing A Ven to take Rom.

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"Spring 1905"

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RUSSIAN, AUSTRIAN, TURKISH ARMIES SWEEP EUROPE!
ENGLAND, FRANCE, ITALY SILENT!!!!!!!

TURKEY (Leahey):

A Kie-Den

RUSSIA (Horvath):

F Nwy-Nrg

F StP (nc)-Nwy

F Nth-Edi

F Swe (S) TURKISH A Kie-Den

F Bal (S) AUSTRIAN A Ber-Kie

A Pru-Ber

F Aeg-Ion

F Con-Aeg

A Smy holds [No such unit]

A Arm [Unordered; holds]

ITALY (?):

A Ven [Unordered; dislodged & annihilated]

F Arm [Unordered; dislodged & annihilated]

F Lyo [Unordered; holds]

F Wes [Unordered; holds]

ENGLAND (Lakofka): [NMR]

A Edi [Unordered; holds]

F Eng [Unordered; holds]

F Den [Unordered; dislodged & annihilated]

F Hol [Unordered; holds]

FRANCE (Blandin): [NMR]

A Mar [Unordered; holds]

A Par ''

A Spa ''

F Lon ''

F Bel ''

F Bre ''

F Mid ''

Underlined moves do not succeed. Deadline for "Fall 1905" moves is 28 July 1972.

To: The King of England
The King of Italy
The President of France

The existing state of world affairs places a heavy burden upon the shoulders of the peace-loving peoples of Austria-Hungary, Russia and Turkey. We feel that as the heads of sovereign states of peace-loving peoples, it is our duty to act responsibly and in concert to enforce a renewal of peace throughout the world. As the most powerful states in the world it is our duty to decide the conditions upon which a lasting peace may be founded.

In adherence with the provisions of the Treaty of Paris and Article I of the Hague Conventions, we therefore proclaim a just declaration based on the interest of self-defense of all states concerned and peace throughout the world. This proclamation is a "...previous and explicit warning..." based upon "...reason..."

WAR RAGES ACROSS ALL OF EUROPE

ITALY (McLenoan):

A Apu-Tri
A Tyr (S) A Apu-Tri
F Ven (S) A Apu-Tri
F Adr (C) A Apu-Tri

AUSTRIA (Hoffman):

A Vie-Tyr
F Tri holds
A Bud (S) F Tri

GERMANY (Trtek):

F Den-Swe
F Ska (S) F Den-Swe
F Hol-Nth
A Bel-Ruh
A Ber (S) A Mun [Dislodged]
A Mun (S) A Ber

FRANCE (Bell):

*A Liv-Yor
F Nat-Liv
F Iri (S) F Nat-Liv
A Gas-Spa
A Bre-Gas

ENGLAND (Brooks):

F Lon-Wal
A Wal-Yor
F Swe holds [Dislodged]
F Nrg-Nth
F Edi (S) F Nrg-Nth

RUSSIA (Proujansky):

F Bla-Bul (ec)
A Pru-Ber
F Bal (S) A Pru-Ber
A Sil (S) A Pru-Ber
A Rum-Sev [Dislodged]

TURKEY (McGee):

F Ank-Bla
A Arm-Sev
F Aeg-Gre
A Bul-Rum
A Ser (S) A Bul-Rum

Underlined moves do not succeed. The retreats for the German A Ber, the English F Swe, and the Russian A Rum are to be sent to the Gamesmaster within 48 hours of the receipt of this issue of ATLANTIS. I already have conditional retreat orders for one of these units -- they may be changed if that player so desires. *See page 8.

The retreats mentioned above will be reported along with the "Winter 1903" builds and removals,

The Supply Center Chart for "Winter 1903" follows on page 10.

