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The GM speaks

In response to at least one question, I thought I would give everyone a little information about how *The Diplomat* is managed. First, I own an IBM personal computer which I use as a word processor/file manager. My printer is an Epson MX80 dot-matrix printer (which I believe is the best cheap printer on the market). I have written some programs to maintain mailing/player lists and to produce the banner I use (If you haven't guessed, my profession is computers). I also use the PC to write my letters for the games that I am playing in.

Next, I received one letter concerning the security of the moves that I receive. The letter suggested that I request a code of sorts from each player to be sent with each set of orders. The idea behind the code is to prevent a diabolical player from sending false orders for another country. I am NOT requiring a code from any player but I will gladly honor any player's request to accept only orders accompanied with a given code. There is an interesting article in the Fall 1982 issue of *Diplomacy World* covering this topic. I am leaving the decision to use codes for each player to decide. Ah, what a tangled web we diplomats weave.

I have made some more attempts to generate interest in this publication. I have sent out many more samples and I hope that I made the deadline for *Diplomacy World* as Rod Walker had offered to review *The Diplomat* in the next issue. Hopefully, my efforts and any word that you pass along will generate enough interest to get another game started.

I must commend the players of the Kissinger as they seem to have a talent for press. I also must report that we have experienced our first NMR (No Move Received). Hopefully the player will return to the game next issue, but if he doesn't, I will accept the moves submitted by the standby player. I charge the standby no game fee, and I suggest that the players write the standby, as he may assume control of the faltering power.

Finally, I have a few comments concerning my notation. An underlined order is an order that failed for some reason. Also, the final resting territory for a unit is in CAPitals.

The Kissinger, Spring 1901

Winter 1901 builds are due by mail delivery February 26.

AUSTRIA(#06) A TRI-ser, A ser-GRE, F ADR-tri
 ENGLAND(#01) A edi-NWY, F NWG S A edi-nwy, F NTH C A edi-NWY
 FRANCE(#04) NMR(1). F MID H, A BUR H, A SPA H.
 GERMANY(#05) A ruh-BEL, F HOL S A ruh-bel, A kie-DEN
 ITALY(#02) F ion-TUN, A TRL S A ven, A VEN S A TRL
 RUSSIA(#07) F bot-SWE, A stp-FIN, A UKR S F rum, F RUM H
 TURKEY(#03) F BLA S A con-bul, A BUL-ser, A CON-bul

Bob Helwig(#08) is asked to submit standby orders for France.

BUILDS:

Austria controls VIE, BUD, TRI, GRE - add 1 unit.
 England controls LON, EDI, LPL, NWY - add 1 unit.
 France controls PAR, BRE, MAR, SPA - add 1 unit.
 Germany controls BER, KIE, MUN, BEL, HOL, DEN - add 3 units!
 Italy controls ROM, NAP, VEN, TUN - add 1 unit.
 Russia controls STP, WAR, MOS, SEV, RUM, SWE - add 2 units.
 Turkey controls CON, SMY, ANK, BUL - add 1 units.

PRESS:

(Constantinople) - Hundreds of devout Moslems stormed the Russian embassy today when it was revealed that all the sanitary fixtures were placed such that users must face their posteriors toward MECCA. One infidel was found in this position and BEHEADED on the spot. The Russian ambassador, naval attache, and five staff members were arrested. While waiting for trial, these godless creatures escaped and are believed to be heading NORTH. All available military and naval units are searching the area and thousands of true believers are demanding a HOLY WAR...The Turkish Star(upi)

(Moscow) - Caviar and vodka are a better fare than the sheep eyes and hashish that the Turkish eunichs eat.

(Berlin) - Due to the possibility of invasion from other powers, the countries of Denmark, Holland and Belgium have asked the Kaiser to establish a protectorate over them until such a time as they themselves deem it safe to again operate as individual political entities. The Kaiser has accepted the responsibility and is hereby announcing his willingness to go to war with any and all aggressors with designs on these countries.

NOTICE: Beware the Moslem menace! While Austria and Italy fight, the Sultan is quietly sneaking upon them. Watch your backs!

(David Von Baker, Chancellor of Germany)

(Clyde) - Master Senn sits in his armchair, talking on the tele. "Yes, I've thought of Finland too," he said. After a pause, "Well to tell you the truth, I hope they DO get three builds." Another

pause, "Well, that's true, but I think we'd better go in with support. Yes, that's right." Drinking some tea, he listened intently while rummaging for a crumpet. "Very well, it is your decision. Oh, I think you should consider building another fleet soon also. Yes, I don't like the way things are shaping up on the continent. All right then, goodbye."

(Vienna) - The Austria-Hungarian people have found no one to trust at this point, and who we help or who helps us gain control of Europe is anyone's guess.
(Emperor of the Dual Monarchy)

(Rome) - A message from the Pope: E habik issa Spithead!

The Machiavelli, new game

I have received 4 requests for another game. This game will start as soon as I have 7 players.

The Players

#01 Phil Senn	6115D Robin Run Indianapolis IN 46254
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