

Headmaster,

Let me start with unpleasantries. We know where and when this struck. We do not know the why you were creating this suffering, but it was created. We trust you are solving it. The information we obtained was confirmed, though we obtained it through our own methods.

That aside, please let me greet you properly.

As friends. Trade partners. Seekers of peace.

FRIEND is...

I will give you the information direct as I was presented it, if I have not already.

“RESPECT FRIEND. FEAR FRIEND. DO NOT TRUST FRIEND. DO NOT INSULT FRIEND. FRIEND IS FRIEND IS FRIEND IS FRIEND IS FRIEND FRIEND IS FRIEND IS FRIEND.”

These are sacred words. Normally they would not be, but my people's highest speaker, the direct Speaker of Rahastas delivered them to us regarding FRIEND. The words themselves are simple. But they must be honored. That I am sharing them with you is a sign of respect.

These words come from Rahastas herself, given to the Speaker by His most honored and beloved of our greatest. They would not give the Speaker such words... Generally. That it was given so plainly is a sign of how important they are.

There is tension between ourselves and yourselves. As well as around all of Bellor. I wish to resolve this with a meeting upon The Meeting Stone. It is a sacred place for my families. A place where instead of blood spilled, words are shared. I wish to call the many leaders, or if they are trapped in a place their direct representatives to a Grand Gathering, such that we may air grievances, forge friendships, and truly see one another.

Additionally if I did not already send word (I swear I am scattered over a thousand thousand seas these days) the Assembly and Speaker have agreed that a gateway or two may be build upon Assembly lands. The only locations that are acceptable for such a thing, as was decreed by the Speaker is Weylin's Grasp or upon Ashlings smile. There was preference as to where that happens, but in general closer to the Kings Gate if you opt for the Smile. You may build on both though. We are pleased to be able to accept and we apologize for the delay.

We expect this will improve relations amongst our peoples greatly. Importantly I wished to discuss with you some matters of your magics. How do you understand what my families do? I have an incredibly rudimentary understanding of your magics and would know more. Perhaps if you arrive at Meeting Stone earlier than others we could arrange a demonstration between our people, and gain greater understanding. Where you study, we listen. Where you collect information and notes, we collect stories and tales. Where you carry forth a given tradition so too do we.

Perhaps we have more in common than one would let on.

I appreciate your candor in your letters. I hope to hear from you and yours more often. Especially given the ideas and staples of learning about one another's 'magics' and as we foster growth via the pathways.

If you decline all things, keep only the words regarding FRIEND in mind. Etch them into your heart and carry them with you always. Spread them to the winds. Teach all that you may the truth of the matter.

In friendship,

May your winds be warm and your waters refreshing,

Vulkerath SootScale