To: Sino'otolo, The Shark King

From: Akira Shiroyama Subject: trade mission

Ive started exploring stuff like you told me too with me + my gals. Been trying to trade monster bits or fishes or whatever, but its been weirrrddd.

Our closest neighbors are those Serebian Confederation guys. At first i thought it was 'siberian' and got really excited cuz thats a place in *my* world but naw. Theyre very formal and fancy, towns tended to either be dirt poor shitholes where no one could afford our goods or these super-bustling metropolises where knights rode out (seriously actual knights, with armor and everything) to meet us. They said it was okay to trade, and mainly bought our fish and food instead of our monster bits or our forigen pets.

Next up we went to the Rat Kingdom of Grovel (who names themselves that lol) but they wouldn't really treat with us? The towns on the surface were kinda pathetic tbh but they wouldn't let us go into the tunnels. Wasn't really enough actual money on those shitty lil mountain towns to really have anything worth buying, honestly, place sucks worse than my vacation to vietnam did lol

I went to visit the Quotidian Quorum (I swear to god who comes up with these country names) next and I think it might be haunted or something?? Each place we visited almost looked abandoned

they had only one guy there, human each time and always wearing these super edgy black cloaks and shit. spoke to us using the Keitan language too, tho like. Weird? My scribe said it was an older form and shes cute so i believe her anyway we'd offer to sell him stuff, he'd decline or be evasive or whatever sometimes he'd say yes and then he'd just go away?????

Then we'd go check our stores and one of each thing we had would be gone, replaced with these gold tokens???
Fuck is up with this place

ship wizard said that there was a surveillance enchantment on 1 out of every 19 tokens but that it was easy to spot and remove, so I *guess* we got paid??

fuck idk man this place is weird :p