

THE LAST ENEMY
THAT SHALL BE
DESTROYED IS
DEATH



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Delegates should not use Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Tiktok, or any other kind of social media during committee sessions. Outside of committee sessions, delegates should practice appropriate behavior on these sites and apps. Inappropriate posts or bullying via social media related to CINCYMUNC III will not be tolerated.

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CINCYMUNC III requests that delegates wear standard Western Business Attire while the committee is in session. Western Business Attire includes appropriate dress shirts and pants worn with jackets and ties, appropriate dress blouses worn with skirts or slacks, and business formal dresses.

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Disqualification of the delegate or delegation from individual and/or delegation awards

Other actions deemed fit by the Executives, including notification of and/or security, law enforcement or other relevant authorities.

LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Hello CINCYMUNC delegates!

My name is Erik Pongratz, and I am delighted to serve as your chair for this crisis committee: "The Last Enemy that Shall be Destroyed is Death" - The Original Order of the Phoenix. For a quick little intro about me, I'm a fourth year here at UC with a major in Operations Management and a minor in International Business, and I come to UC all the way from a small town just outside of Madison, Wisconsin. I joined UCMUN in the first week of my freshman year and have not looked back since. I have been honored to serve as the Recruitment chair, Treasurer, and as the current President of UCMUN. I hope that you come away from this experience believing in the power that lies within living as a Model UN delegate, conflicting and collaborating alike with peers over the course of a single weekend, just as I have throughout my Model UN career.

The Order of the Phoenix was made up of witches and wizards who stepped forward because their world was falling apart around them. Your choices carry weight and consequences that can shape families, communities, and the entire future of magical Britain. This committee asks you to think through the difficult questions. When is it right to break a law if the law is no longer protecting people? How should you judge collateral damage when standing against a movement built on fear and intimidation? What responsibility do you hold for the lives you cannot save? And how do you treat individuals who appear to serve Voldemort when some may be coerced, cursed, or terrified for their families? These are the questions that will shape your decisions as you navigate a world where the lines between right and wrong blur under pressure. Please feel free to send me an email if you have any questions, and I look forward to seeing what you all come up with in committee!

Best regards,
Erik Pongratz
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COMMITTEE OVERVIEW

By 1979, Wizarding Britain felt like a country holding its breath. Families try to continue their routines, but the atmosphere has shifted into something colder and more uncertain. People walk faster, whisper more, and check their doors twice before bed. Voldemort's influence appears in empty homes, shuttered shops, and sudden attacks that shake entire neighborhoods. The Ministry keeps insisting everything is under control, but very few believe it. Cracks show in every department, and the people who once trusted the Ministry now question whether it can protect them. Meanwhile, the Order of the Phoenix rushes to fill the gaps, responding to threats the Ministry ignores. Magical disturbances spill into the Muggle world more often, putting the Statute of Secrecy under real strain. The country is still standing, but everyone can feel the ground shifting beneath it.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

FORMATION OF THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX

The Order of the Phoenix did not begin with a grand announcement. It began quietly, with a handful of people acknowledging that something terrible was growing. These early members sat in cramped kitchens, shared stories that didn't make sense, and admitted the truth the Ministry refused to face. Families whispered about masked figures lurking outside their windows. Dark magic incidents were brushed aside as accidents. People began disappearing without explanation. The Order's founders recognized these as signs of something much larger.

They created their own protection network because no one else would. Safehouses appeared behind shifting spells. Messages were passed through hidden channels. People were rescued in the middle of the night and moved to safer towns. Members trained one another in defensive magic the Ministry insisted wasn't necessary. The Order grew one person at a time, through trust, instinct, and urgency.

There were no uniforms or official titles. What they had instead was commitment. They acted because waiting for permission would only give Voldemort more power. By the time the rest of Britain realized the danger, the Order had already built itself into the one group truly prepared to fight it.

VOLDEMORT'S RISE TO POWER

Voldemort's rise began long before the attacks became public. Throughout the 1950s and 1960s, he gathered followers by appealing to long-held fears and frustrations. Some pure blood families worried they were losing influence. Others believed Muggles were advancing too quickly and threatening the balance of the magical world. Some simply craved power. Voldemort promised simple answers and easier futures, and many listened.

The Ministry at the time was slow and comfortable. It believed old systems would hold forever and treated early signs of trouble as meaningless. Early disappearances were ignored. Dark gatherings were brushed aside. Expressions of hatred were dismissed as unpleasant but harmless. By the time the Ministry realized the scale of the threat, Voldemort had followers positioned exactly where he needed them.

During the early 1970s, dark magic incidents multiplied. The Auror Office struggled to manage the rising danger, and morale sank. People became divided. Some demanded immediate action. Others said confronting Voldemort would only encourage violence. These divisions gave Voldemort the space he needed to strengthen his movement. By 1979, he had influence in more corners of society than anyone wanted to believe.

VOLDEMORT'S FOLLOWERS

Voldemort's followers are driven by many different reasons, which makes the movement unpredictable and dangerous. Some are committed believers who want a society ruled by pure blood families. They see Voldemort as someone who will restore the power they feel they have lost. Their loyalty is strong because it is emotional as well as ideological.

Others follow him because they believe it is safer than resisting. They want protection or influence, and Voldemort offers both. Many of these people work inside the Ministry, where they can slow investigations, hide documents, or quietly spread misinformation. There are also individuals under the Imperius Curse who have no control over their actions. Their presence makes it difficult to know who can be trusted. This uncertainty spreads fear throughout the Ministry and the general public.

Some followers join out of frustration. They feel ignored, unsupported, or sidelined by the Ministry's old traditions. Voldemort gives them attention and a feeling of belonging. And finally, some join simply because the Dark Arts fascinate them. They crave knowledge the Ministry forbids and see Voldemort as the one person who can give it to them. These different motivations weave together into a movement built on fear, ambition, anger, and manipulation. Voldemort's strength comes not from a unified vision but from the many different needs he exploits.

CURRENT SITUATION

STATE OF THE WIZARDING WORLD

Wizarding Britain is tense in ways that even outsiders can feel. People who once chatted warmly with neighbors now keep their curtains drawn and their greetings short. Entire families have relocated overnight. Small businesses barely stay open, not only because of economic strain but also because owners fear becoming targets. Diagon Alley, once bustling and bright, now feels dim and defensive, with shopkeepers reinforcing their doors and checking every unfamiliar face that enters.

Rumors spread faster than official announcements. Some say Voldemort has spies in every major town. Others whisper that certain regions are already lost, even though the Ministry denies it. At night, the lights go out earlier than before. Parents teach their children basic protective spells long before Hogwarts. Even casual magic feels different, as though the air itself is heavier and harder to trust. For the first time in decades, the wizarding world feels like a place where anything can happen, and nothing is guaranteed safe.

MINISTRY OF MAGIC

Inside the Ministry, the atmosphere is even more strained. Workers arrive early and leave late, glancing over their shoulders in corridors where hostile whispers now echo. Departments that once blended together smoothly now guard their information tightly. Meetings fill with mixed messages, half-truths, and forced smiles. Some officials avoid eye contact in hallways, as if they fear someone will ask them a question they cannot safely answer.

Files disappear. Entire case histories vanish from archives. Messages arrive with missing pages. A growing number of decisions are made behind closed doors, without explanation. The DMLE, already overwhelmed, receives reports faster than it can respond to them. Aurors complain of outdated equipment, inconsistent orders, and missions that feel suspiciously compromised. Some quietly wonder whether their higher-ups are being pressured, bribed, or controlled.

There is also a rising wave of internal fear. Employees who speak too boldly sometimes find themselves reassigned, silenced, or suddenly absent. Junior staff whisper that they no longer know who their real supervisors are. Senior staff no longer trust their own advisors. The Ministry still presents a confident face to the public, but inside its walls, morale is sinking toward panic.

THE ORDER'S POSITION

The Order of the Phoenix operates under constant uncertainty. They never know which mission will be their last or which safehouse will fail without warning. Still, they continue working because they believe no one else will. Their nights are long and unpredictable. Some evenings, they escort families to safety, relying on complex illusion charms to cover their tracks. Other nights, they shadow suspected Death Eaters through back alleys, trying to understand new patterns in attacks.

They share intelligence freely, which gives them an advantage, but they also understand they may have been infiltrated. Every plan is now checked and rechecked. Members watch each other with quiet concern, not out of distrust but fear of the Imperius Curse or emotional strain. They barely sleep. Their injuries accumulate. Their spells grow sloppy from fatigue. Yet they keep moving because people depend on them.

The Order's greatest strength is its commitment, but that strength is stretched thin. Their network of informants shrinks as danger rises. Their resources drain faster than they can replace them. Even so, they remain one of the last functioning defense groups left in Britain.

PUBLIC ATTITUDES

The general population is fractured into several groups, each reacting in its own way to the growing danger. The largest group avoids involvement entirely. These individuals keep their heads down, follow Ministry announcements without questioning them, and hope silence will keep their families safe. They avoid discussing politics in public, never know who is listening, and often pretend not to notice strange events happening around them.

A smaller group has quietly become sympathetic to Voldemort's promises. Some admire the idea of returning to old traditions. Others believe strong control might restore stability. A few simply think resistance is foolish and that joining the rising power is the safest path.

There are also pragmatic collaborators who believe the Ministry is finished and that choosing Voldemort's side is the only realistic way to protect themselves. These people offer information, access, or favors to Death Eaters in exchange for safety.

Finally, there are the hidden helpers. These witches and wizards secretly assist the Order with supplies, information, or shelter. They avoid recognition and often act alone, but their small contributions make a real difference. Unfortunately, they also face the highest risk of retaliation if discovered.

MUGGLE WORLD INDICATORS

The Muggle world is witnessing events that defy explanation. Fire brigades respond to blazes with no ignition point. Police search abandoned buildings only to find scorch marks and unnatural residue they cannot identify. Neighbors report figures in cloaks moving through fog, but later insist they must have imagined it. Local newspapers in small towns run odd stories about lights flickering in entire neighborhoods or livestock disappearing overnight.

Authorities quietly exchange notes, trying to make sense of these patterns. Some think they're dealing with cult activity. Others suspect mental illness or mass hysteria. A few officials have begun confidential conversations about whether something larger and more coordinated is happening. Their confusion grows because memory modification teams cannot keep up, and inconsistencies slip through. The risk of a major breach of secrecy rises each week, and the

Ministry knows that a single large incident could expose the entire magical world.

TIMELINE OF RECENT EVENTS

The McKinnon Massacre of 1978 shook the country deeply. The McKinnons were not public figures, but their quiet support of vulnerable families made them known through word of mouth. When news spread that their home had been attacked with precision and fury, the magical world understood that Voldemort's forces were growing bold. The attack showed skill, coordination, and inside knowledge that few wanted to admit was possible.

The Diagon Alley Attacks in the winter of 1978 to 1979 left one of the safest, most familiar magical spaces feeling dangerous. Explosions tore through busy streets at midday. Children were caught in the chaos. Shopfronts burned. International visitors fled the country, taking trade and credibility with them. The attacks left behind scars that have not faded. Even now, some windows remain boarded, and many shops struggle to stay open.

Violence in Muggle towns grows more frequent. Entire clusters of incidents form patterns: unexplained fires near woods, strange disappearances from rural homes, and symbols burned into surfaces that locals cannot decipher. Some Muggle detectives try to connect the clues, unaware of the danger they are approaching.

The disappearance of a respected DMLE investigator sent shockwaves through the Ministry. He had collected evidence of internal corruption, and colleagues believe he intended to confront his department head. He vanished the night before the meeting. His case was closed too quickly, leaving those who cared about him frightened and distrustful.

The Order's internal breach confirmed the worst fears of its members. A mission that should have been routine collapsed instantly. Death Eaters were waiting in perfect formation, suggesting they had access to plans that should have been heavily protected. Since then, the Order moves more cautiously, aware that someone—willingly or unwillingly—may be leaking information.

COMMITTEE IMPLICATIONS

Wizarding Britain is approaching a critical moment. The Ministry struggles to function. Public fear grows. Voldemort's supporters gain momentum. Systems that once protected the country weaken under pressure. To prevent collapse, leaders must find ways to rebuild communication, restore trust, and strengthen magical defenses.

Protecting vulnerable communities is a growing challenge. Muggle-borns face targeted attacks. Muggles face unexplained dangers. Families across the country feel abandoned. At the same time, paranoia rises, and accusations spread faster than facts.

The issue of secrecy becomes urgent. If Muggle authorities uncover too much, it could force a crisis far larger than the wizarding world is prepared to handle. But hiding the truth grows harder each week.

Looking beyond the war, the magical world must confront difficult questions about what comes next. Whether the Ministry should be reformed or rebuilt entirely is unclear. The Order may need to help rebuild the country once the conflict ends, but even that carries its own risks. Everything depends on the decisions made now, while Britain is still standing.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

1. What steps can rebuild trust in magical leadership during a crisis this severe?
2. How can a magical society identify dangerous individuals without turning suspicion into paranoia?
3. What protections are necessary for Muggle-borns and Muggles as instability increases?
4. Should the magical world begin cooperation with Muggle authorities if secrecy continues to weaken?
5. How can future movements like Voldemort's be prevented once the war ends?

DOSSIER

MINERVA MCGONAGALL, HOGWARTS PROFESSOR AND SENIOR ORDER STRATEGIST

McGonagall has guided generations of students and carries a strong sense of responsibility for the future of the magical world. She notices patterns early, recognizes danger quickly, and speaks with steady authority. Her long experience at Hogwarts gives her a clear view of the next generation and the world they are inheriting. She works tirelessly to protect that future, and her sharp instincts often shape the Order's decisions in moments when hesitation could be costly.

SIRIUS BLACK, INDEPENDENT FIELD OPERATIVE AND ORDER MEMBER

Sirius broke away from his pure-blood family because he refused to accept their beliefs. This decision fuels his determination to stop anyone who tries to control others through fear. His deep knowledge of old pure-blood networks gives him insight into Voldemort's supporters. He moves fast, takes risks boldly, and often goes where others will not. His loyalty burns fiercely, making him both a powerful ally and someone who will throw himself into danger without hesitation.

REMUS LUPIN, RESEARCHER, ANALYST, AND ORDER INTELLIGENCE COLLECTOR

Remus observes more than he speaks. His life has taught him caution, empathy, and the importance of understanding people deeply. He often settles arguments with quiet reasoning and guides the Order through careful analysis of behavior, magical patterns, and shifting loyalties. His unique perspective helps him predict where fear and desperation might cause new dangers. He carries his own struggles, but he uses them to stay grounded and thoughtful in moments when panic rises.

MARLENE MCKINNON, RECONNAISSANCE SPECIALIST AND ORDER SCOUT

Marlene moves quietly, thinks sharply, and reacts fast. Losing people early in the war strengthened her resolve rather than crushing it. She sees dangers others miss and often uncovers threats before the Ministry realizes they exist. Her reports give the Order crucial early warnings, and she navigates risky areas with precision and focus. Her motivation is rooted in protecting others from the grief she carries.

DORCAS MEADOWES, FRONTLINE DUELIST AND HIGH-RISK OPERATIVE

Dorcus steps into danger with steady confidence. She reacts quickly in chaotic moments and focuses on stopping harm before it spreads. She does not chase recognition, but she refuses to let fear decide the future. In high-stress situations, others rely on her readiness and clarity. Her courage keeps missions moving even when everything is falling apart.

EDGAR BONES, SENIOR DMLE OFFICIAL AND ORDER ALLY

Edgar works in the DMLE and understands the Ministry's inner workings better than most. He

sees where systems are failing and recognizes signs of corruption early. His fairness and calm leadership make him one of the most respected figures on both sides of the conflict. Because he works deep inside the Ministry, he has access to sensitive information that could help reinforce or rebuild key institutions once the crisis ends.

LYDIA FENWICK, CURSE BREAKER AND ORDER COMMUNICATIONS LEAD

Lydia spent years dismantling ancient magical traps, and that experience taught her to examine every detail with care. She builds secure communication systems for the Order and constantly adjusts them to stay ahead of infiltrators. Her steady presence helps others stay grounded when tension rises. She understands how information spreads and knows that one wrong message can put entire families at risk.

BARTEMIUS CROUCH SENIOR, HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL MAGICAL COOPERATION

Crouch believes stability comes from discipline and strong laws. He fears what happens when governments lose control and pushes for strict policies to keep order. His views can create conflict, but his influence remains strong in moments when certainty is needed. He is a firm believer in punishment and procedure, which can either provide structure or spark tension depending on the situation.

RUFUS SCRIMGEOUR, SENIOR AUROR AND FIELD COMMANDER

Scrimgeour carries years of battle experience. He is direct, determined, and often impatient with bureaucracy. His instincts in the field and his tough leadership earn respect from Aurors struggling under enormous pressure. He worries that political hesitation is costing lives and believes more aggressive action may be necessary.

CLARISSA MULDOON, MINISTRY UNDERSECRETARY

Clarissa works in a stressful, uncertain environment and often finds herself caught between conflicting instructions. She wants stability for herself and her coworkers but senses danger growing around her. Her position places her near information that could be helpful or harmful depending on who reaches it first. She tries to stay neutral, but neutrality grows harder every day.

ROWAN ALDERIDGE, AUROR AND ATTACK SURVIVOR

Rowan is young but already shaped by war. Surviving several attacks has made him determined to protect others. His quick thinking and persistence make him a promising Auror, though he often pushes himself too hard. He has a growing sense that the Auror Office is becoming dangerously stretched, and he tries to fill the gaps with sheer determination.

DRYSTAN VALE, UNSPEAKABLE AND MAGICAL PHENOMENA RESEARCHER

Drystan studies the strange shifts in magic that have grown more frequent. He senses that something deeper than politics is changing and believes the instability might be connected to Voldemort's rise. His work may hold clues about why certain spells feel unpredictable or why magical environments seem unsettled. He quietly pieces together patterns most people overlook.

LIORA PENHAVEN, OBLIVIATOR AND MEMORY SPECIALIST

Liora repairs damaged memories and has discovered troubling signs of tampering across multiple departments. Some memories have been altered so subtly that the victims never noticed. She fears that important truths are being erased piece by piece and worries that key witnesses may not even remember what they once knew. Her observations could reveal hidden networks of influence if anyone listens.

BARNABAS CUFFE, EDITOR OF THE DAILY PROPHET

Barnabas decides what the magical public reads each morning. He struggles between protecting people from panic and telling them the truth. The pressure he faces shapes every headline, and his choices influence how the country understands the war. He receives hints, warnings, and quiet demands from powerful circles, and each one shapes how he presents the news.

JUNIPER COLE, MUGGLE LIAISON OFFICE STAFF MEMBER

Juniper works closely with Muggle authorities and sees how confused they are by recent events. She knows the Statute of Secrecy is under real pressure and tries to prevent misunderstandings before they escalate. Her insight into both worlds gives her a rare understanding of the danger ahead, and she worries that one more major incident may force her office into choices it is unprepared to make.