

Lords of the Earth

Campaign Nineteen

Turn 59

Anno Domini 1191 - 1196

TURN 60 ORDERS DUE BY: Friday, August 19th. Orders will not be accepted after Midnight MST on Saturday, August 20th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A **Price Increase:** Due to increasing workload, beginning next turn (60) I will be increasing the price per turn to \$7.00. I apologize for any inconvenience this decision may cause.

Missionaries

From this point, any player who sends missionaries to an area that is of a **hostile** monotheistic faith will get no conversion result and a bunch of dead missionaries.

Some advice that will (hopefully) speed up processing time):

- 1) When players are increasing a city, please indicate what the new size will be.
- 2) For ships to be built for conversion to MSP, you can also put what route they're going into in the Builds section. Projects may also be put in the Builds section.
- 3) When building a road link, indicate which region it starts in and which region it's going to. Don't give me city names.
- 4) For players who are not using a standard WORD or XTEL format, please put the information in the following order: Revenue; Maintenance, Investments, Builds, Transfers, Projects, Trade Routes, Intel Ops, Religious Ops, Leader Actions. When indicating an expense, please list gps first then nfp.

CONTACTING & PAYING THE REFEREE

I will no longer be taking money directly for turns. Instead, players sending funds by mail should make all checks payable to Thomas Harlan and send them either to the 2nd Street address or to Thomas' address, which is:

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Please do NOT send payments to my Paypal account, use the one listed above.

ZERO AND NEGATIVE CREDIT: CONSEQUENCES

Players at zero or negative credit **at the time of deadline** or will have a negative balance at the conclusion of processing will not have their orders processed, plain and simple. So get your orders and payment in before processing starts or life will become very unfair very quickly. Finally, players with a negative balance are liable to get their country reassigned without notice. You have been warned.

RULE CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS

The complete list of rules changes (including the happy stuff on Smallpox) can be found on the Lords 19 page on the Throneworld website. If you haven't read them, please do so. Reading them will save you (and me) a lot of grief.

JAPAN & THE PACIFIC RIM

THE TAIRA BAKUFU

Taira Tankokazu, Daimyo of Kwanto, Shogun of Japan.

DIPLOMACY None

Expedition to the Marianas lost with all hands. New port, Yoshiro, built in Akita. Royal road built between Nigata and Akita. New city levels:

City (Region)	New Size
Edo (Kwanto)	7
Tottori (Shimane)	5
Hagi (Yamaguchi)	5
Heian (Yamato)	5
Kumamoto (Saga)	4
Kyoto (Aichi)	2
Sakurajima (Kagoshima)	2

THE MOLUCCAS SEAHOLD

Rokaku III, Lord of the Spice Islands

DIPLOMACY None.

Shifted guys around.

THE KINGDOM OF JAVA

Mingfa Tengku, Beloved of Ganesha

DIPLOMACY None

Sat quietly.

THE MAREE KINGDOM OF AUSTRALIA

Gelar Taree, Prince of Maree

DIPLOMACY None

Nambour grew to size 9. Tih-ar-dha and Eha-rhna were cultivated.

THE ARIKAT OF MAORI

Ghorgon, King of the Southern Islands

DIPLOMACY None

No orders.

CHINA

THE KINGDOM OF SHAN'SI

Xoing the Merciless, King of Shan'si, Watcher of the Northern Marches

DIPLOMACY No effect.

The Temple of One Hundred Buddhas was completed outside of Golden Moon. Morning Calm grew to a size 5 and Jin'xi to a level 10. Parhae was colonized to a (1/6) and cultivated to boot. Buddhist missionaries were very successful among the pagans of Mantap.

THE KINGDOM OF HUPEI

Cao Ai Tiao, King of Hupei

DIPLOMACY Kansu (f)

Quinn, in Fujian > to a size 5. New city (with Citadel), named Dei Fai raised in Kansu. Road from Shensi to Kansu built, as well as Great Wall section between Hupei and Hubei. Crown Prince Cao Han Nu died in late 1194, followed a year later by the King himself. Han Nu's son, Ai Tiao succeeded to the throne.

THE KINGDOM OF KWANGSI

Wu Juan, Prince of Kwangsi

DIPLOMACY None

Road built between Kwangsi and Kwangtung. Fuzhou > size 7; Chou > size 4; Tang > size 2.

SOUTHEAST ASIA

THE KINGDOM OF CHAMPA

Khavirhan, King of Champa, Lord of Vijaya

DIPLOMACY None

Khavirhan mustered new troops and resolved to continue the struggle...an attempt to kidnap General Tam failed...

THE KINGDOM OF KAMBUJA

Anucha, Deveraja of the Kambuja

DIPLOMACY Johor (f), Perak (f)

Anucha ordered a levy on all able-bodied young men to defend the Kingdom, and built troops with them (that means no replacements for you next turn, buckwheat). He then used his normal NFP allotment to finish cultivating Johor, building walls around Angkor and its accompanying citadel, as well as a new citadel adjacent to Pattaya. In addition, Ranong and Pattaya > to size 4.

Now to the war: attempts to attack the Khemer government and intelligence services failed. On the military front, both sides planned offensives. Khavirhan sent general Tam into Preikuk at the head of some 32,000 cavalry and foot. On the other side of the hill, Anucha planned a two pronged attack, with Crown Prince Issawa leading 13,000 infantry against Cochin while Prince Panai marched into Nam Pung with over 7,000 infantry in a scheme to attack the Champan northern regions.

In the south, Tam stole a march on the defenders and was advancing into Preikuk via Cochin while Issawa was marching south along the same highway. The two armies plowed into each other and Issawa barely pulled out a victory although his army had been decimated in the process. The Champan lieutenant Suhbajit was killed in the fighting. Tam pulled back, spent a month regrouping his forces and roared back into Preikuk, where Issawa had been reinforced by Prince Suriya and an additional 12,000 foot and horse. This time, the battle went Tam's way and the Khemer army was annihilated, Suriya being killed in the rout. Issawa fled to Angkor and Tam secured both Preikuk and the city of Song-khla before dying of natural causes at the end of the year.

In the north, Khemer fortunes were no better. In Nam Pung, the natives routed Prince Panai's army and drove them back into Surin, Panai being killed in the process. And on that underwhelming note...

INDIA

THE KINGDOM OF MAGHADA

Chitra, Raja of Bengal

DIPLOMACY None

Royal road link between Tz'uk'ai and Om;chu completed, thus easing trade slightly. Link between Nadavaria and Pundra was also built. Bhutan was cultivated. Missionary activity in the latter region also continues to make headway.

THE KINGDOM OF CHOLA

Varun, King of Chola, Lord of Tanjore

DIPLOMACY Kalyani, in Nasik (t)

A new port, Kakinda, was built around the citadel in Madurai. Royal roads between Karnata and Gangas and Belur were also built.

THE PRATIHARA EMPIRE OF KAUNAJ

Mogli II, Emperor of India

DIPLOMACY Parapavura, in Kashmir (nt following allied leader death)

No orders.

CENTRAL ASIA

THE KINGDOM OF JUNGARIA

Alp Arslan, Lord of Karakocho.

DIPLOMACY None

Work continued on the road link between Jungaria and Karluk.

THE EMIRATE OF SAMARKHAND

Hakim ibn Osman, Emir of Samarkhand

DIPLOMACY Hazarajat (fa), Kash (a), Afghanistan (nt)

More excess troops were demobbed to pay for projects. The road link between Shadad and Baluchistan was completed and a new link between Baluchistan to Bandar was begun. Kash was put under cultivation.

THE KHAZAR KHANATE

Chortan, Kagan of Khazar and Saksiny

DIPLOMACY None

The postal road between Khazar and Patzinak was upgraded to a regular road. Additional troops were raised for the fighting in the Near East.

THE NEAR EAST

THE HAMADID SULTANATE

Salal al-Hasan, Sultan of Damascus and Protector of the Holy Places

DIPLOMACY Edessa (a)

See below for accounts of the fighting.

THE BUWAYID EMIRATES

Masoud ibn Tajir, Emir of Emirs, Protector of the Caliph.

DIPLOMACY Fars (a)

Emir Harun died in early 1192 without an heir. This led to his brother Masoud to cut short a diplomatic trip in the south

and hurry to Baghdad to be proclaimed Emir. Other than that things were pretty quiet.

THE EMIRATE OF ADEN

Mansoor al-Sheikh, Emir of Aden and S'ana.

DIPLOMACY None

Sulemain died in late 1193 and was duly replaced. Islam continues to make some headway among the Copts of Danakil. You know the drill by this time, see below for the war stuff.

EASTERN EUROPE

THE EASTERN ROMAN EMPIRE

Constantine Paulos, Emperor of the Eastern Roman Empire.

DIPLOMACY None

More troops were raised for the continuing struggle against the unbelievers. Elsewhere, Orthodox missionaries continue to do their work among the pagans making inroads among the Croats, Pechnegs, Banats, Transylvanians and other such ilk...

THE PRINCIPALITY OF MUSCOVY

Oleg I, Boyar of Muscovy

DIPLOMACY Kiev (f), Kyiv, in Kiev (f)

The Kievians were convinced to rejoin the Muscovites entirely. In other events, Chakasiya increased to a size 3 and Respublika to a size 4.

THE KINGDOM OF POLAND

Nelek "The Sly", King of Poland

DIPLOMACY No effect.

More grain was shipped off to Byzantium. Gdansk was increased to a size 9 port and a port area was built in Pomerania. Jerzy decided to get in on the fighting in the Near East...and soon regretted his decision. The moment he handed command of a sizable chunk of the royal army to generals Nelek and Jagellow, they reacted swiftly, declaring Jerzy a usurper and regicide and attacking the remaining royalist troops under Jerzy's command. (The accusations are a bit of a stretch based on events on turn 55, but since when has someone out for power bandied about such things as truth?). After a brutal four rounds of combat, Jerzy was defeated and beheaded. His children had their faces mutilated and then were packed off to various convents and monasteries. The reaction to most of this in the provinces was fairly mild with Lithuania, Masuria and Moldavia going independent (or stopping tribute).

THE DUCHY OF ESTONIA

Konstantine Viikberg, Duke of Estonia

DIPLOMACY None

In a fit of what can only be described as insanity, the Duke also decided to get involved in the fighting in the Near East.

WESTERN EUROPE

THE DUCHY OF BOHEMIA

Martin Govner, Duke of Bohemia

DIPLOMACY Slovenia (f)

Martin Govner bucked the trend and didn't get involved in the Near East war. He did dispatch his son (and heir) get to Swabia with his little sister in tow in order to marry her off to a French Prince. This was done amidst much gaiety and revelry and a good time was had by all, especially with the lighting of a two hundred foot high snake to celebrate the event. In other

events, Westphalia and Silesia were put under cultivation and Trier, Vienna and Bamberg all grew a level (to sizes 4, 5, and 6 respectively).

THE VERNONIAN EMPIRE

Valdemar Germanicus, Emperor of Italy

DIPLOMACY Switzerland (t following allied leader death)

Although the Veronans weren't directly involved in the war, their activities included the French, who were. So see below for their stuff as well. Massa-Carrara increased to size 10.

LE ROYAUME DE FRANCE

Henri II, King of the Franks

DIPLOMACY None

On the domestic Front, a new road link was built between Poitou and Gascony; while Narbonne, Bordeaux and LaCroix all grew in size (to 4, 3, and 9 respectively). Much more troubling events took place in Paris as a large nest of Navarre spies were uncovered in the French Military. The executioner was kept quite busy beheading hundreds of suspected sneaks, narcs, and other assorted scum. Crown Prince Philippe denounced the Spaniards for this latest act of treachery and perfidy and that they would pay dearly for violating the peace.

The French also became involved in the Near East War (see below).

THE EL REINO DE NAVARRE

Joao I, King of Navarre

DIPLOMACY None

A series of attacks struck the nation's Intel branch killing several individuals. In other events, Ithixa increased to size 3.

NORTHERN EUROPE

THE KINGDOM OF WESSEX

Eadric Harethson, King of the Angles and Saxons

DIPLOMACY: Lothain (f)

A new port, Edinburgh, was raised in Lothian. In addition, the latter region was also put under cultivation and the postal road from Wessex to Sussex was upgraded to a regular road. Finally, Port de Saxon increased to size 3.

THE KINGDOM OF THE SVEAR

Erik Erikson, King of the Swedes

DIPLOMACY Halland (f)

Swedish colonists settled Aland Island to a (-/1). Halland and Agder were put under cultivation. King Erik died in 1195 and was succeeded by his son Erik.

THE NORSE KINGDOM OF ICELAND

Gregor II Gregorson, King of the Norse

DIPLOMACY None

A port fortress was raised in Vinland. Contacts with the odd red-skinned people became violent as the *Jarl* Hakan encountered a large group of big war-canoes, filled with 2,000 armed warriors off the coast of the new colony. Communications failed and the natives started shooting arrows, Haken attacked with his Dragonships and sank most of the intruders, driving the rest away.

NORTH AFRIQA

THE MAGHREB EMIRATE

Ishmael ibn Misr, Emir of Morocco

DIPLOMACY None

Some shuffling of troops and the loss of yet another attempt to sail across the Atlantic from Cape Verde.

AL FATAMID CALIPHATE AL QAIRA

Muhtadi Mujahid ibn Fadi, Fatamid Caliph of Egypt

DIPLOMACY Sinai (nt)

See below for...

THE WAR

Constantinople, Verona, France, Estonia, Khazaria, and anyone else I missed versus Syria, Egypt and Aden.

No plan survives first contact with the Enemy. – Von Moltke the Elder

Nor do plans that don't contact the Enemy at all. – The Ref...

Initial Intel: An attempt to sow unrest among the Adenite troops in Aleppo failed. Assassins wounded both the Khazar Heir Constantine and the Syrian Sultan Salal.

AD 1191

March:

Khazaria: in Sarigh-Shin, Khan Balgitzi gathers up more forces (over 15,000 heavy cavalry and siege engineers). Further north, the *Orlok* Tukreg departs Bolgar and moves into Nogai. To the south, Constantine and Chortan march their 17,000 cavalry and engineers back into Isauria

Byzantium: in Smyrna, Crown Prince Diocletian (newly appointed as Demetrius's heir) gathers up over 13,000 cavalry and siege engineers.

Poland: Dukes Nelek and Jagellow move to Danzig.

Estonia: while Baron Liis waits in Kostroma, Duke Endel moves into Latvia; Duke Edgar moves into Talinin and Prince Elmo in Prussia masses over 7,000 cavalry and light infantry.

France: King Henri and General Alexandre move to LaCroix and take command of the 40 warships there.

Syria: General Al-Adin moves into Aleppo and joins the Sultan on react. The ubiquitous General Boq begins marching into Edessa.

Aden: while the *Bashbars* Wakil and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo, their counterpart, Mahfuz takes 200 cavalry and begins sneaking over the border into Cilicia.

Fatamids: while the Fatamid heir Wasim and General Ulat wait on react with their Syrian/Adenese counterparts, Princes Lahbib and Marzuq sneak into the Gulf of Cyprus on small fishing *dhows*.

April:

Khazaria: Khan Balgitzi moves into Khazar. Tukreg moves into Saksiny. Constantine and Chortan begin marching over the mountains into Lydia (they'll arrive in May).

Byzantium: the Great Imperial host, over 100,000 strong and under the command of the Emperor himself moves into Isauria. Crown Prince Diocletian moves into Lydia and drops off the troops. Closer to home, the *Strategos* Dromedus moves out of Constantinople into Thrace with over 13,000 troops, whilst Admiral Taulos moves into the Aegean commanding over 400 warships.

Verona: in Reggio the *Dux* Nero, along with princes Kirin and Romus, commanding a rand total over 550 ships move into the Ionian Sea. The *Dux* Titus moves into Calabria and gathers up the garrison (1,000 troops).

Poland: Dukes Nelek and Jagellow move to Poland, where after being given a substantial chunk of the national army, they rebel (see Polish results above). At the end of those shenanigans, the Poles are out of it.

Estonia: Duke Endel begins moving into Daugava; Duke Edgar picks up 2,000 infantry in Talinin and moves hence (via road) to Livonia where he picks up over 4,000 cavalry. Prince Elmo starts moving into Prussia with his troops (will arrive in May).

France: King Henri and General Alexandre move into the Gulf of Lyon.

Syria: Sulatan Salal and General Al-Adin begin moving into Cilicia (will arrive in May). General Boq arrives in Edessa.

Aden: Wakil and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo.

Mahfuz 200 cavalry is still taking the sneaky route into Cilicia (i.e. spending extra APs to move secretly and indicating a lack of a unified policy among the Muslims. It hardly does any good to try to sneak 200 guys into an enemy province surreptitiously, while over 120,000 troops are coming through the front door.

Fatamids: Wasim and Ulat move with their Syrian counterparts into Cilicia. At home, Admiral Akbar takes command of the 52,000 man strong home army. Princes Lahbib and Marzuq get into Aleppo where they spend the rest of the turn trying to use their CHA ratings to give the defenders there a BA op with Bonus. Since that's all they'll be doing, they drop from the narrative at this point.

May

Khazaria: Khan Balgitzi arrives in Alan. Tukreg moves into Khazar. Constantine and Chortan arrive in Lydia.

Byzantium: the Imperial army begins moving into Lydia (they'll arrive in June). Diocletian moves into Bithnia. Dromedus enters Heraclea. Admiral Taulos goes on react.

Verona: the main Italian fleet moves into the Sea of Lybia. Titus returns to Reggio.

Estonia: Duke Endel and Prince Elmo arrive in Daugava (albeit from opposite directions. Duke Edgar moves into Kalinin (via road).

France: King Henri and General Alexandre move Narbonne, where the rest of the French Fleet (236 ships along with 12,000 marines) are collected.

Syria: Sulatan Salal and General Al-Adin arrive in Cilicia, word of the invasion reaches Isauria. General Boq begins marching into the mountains of Vaspurakan (where he won't arrive until Sept).

Aden: Wakil and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo. Mahfuz takes 200 cavalry is still taking the sneaky route into Cilicia.

Fatamids: Wasim and Ulat complete their move with their Syrian counterparts into Cilicia. Admiral Akbar goes on react.

June

Khazaria: Balgitzi begins moving into Abasigia (will arrive in July). Tukreg moves into Alan. Constantine and Chortan go on react.

Byzantium: the Imperial army arrives in Lydia and picks up the troops left by Diocletian back in May. Diocletian himself moves into Troy and gathers up the 5,000 plus troops there. Dromedus waits in Heraclea. Admiral Taulos enters Heraclea.

Verona: the main Italian fleet remains in the Sea of Lybia. Titus and Login load the troops from Calabria on board their squadron.

Estonia: Duke Endel moves into Prussia and leaves our narrative. Duke Edgar moves into Kostroma, drops off the troops for Baron Liis and sits. Prince Elmo moves into Latvia.

France: Henri and Alexandre move into the Gulf of Lyon.

Syria: Sulatan Salal and General Al-Adin conduct a raid in Cilicia along with their Fatamid allies. Word of the invasion begins crossing the border between Isauria and Lydia (will arrive in July). General Boq remains in transit.

Aden: Wakil and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo.

Mahfuz finally arrives in Cilicia to find the place in an uproar.

Fatamids: Wasim and Ulat raid Cilicia with their Syrian counterparts. Admiral Akbar remains on react.

July

Khazaria: Balgitzi arrives in Abasigia. Tukreg begins moving into Abasigia (will arrive in August). Constantine and Chortan remain on react.

Byzantium: the Imperial army goes on react. Diocletian moves into Bithnia. Dromedus loads his troops onto Taulos' ships.

Verona: the main Italian fleet remains in the Sea of Lybia. Titus and Login enter the Ionian Sea.

Estonia: Baron Liis and Duke Edgar sit in Kostroma. Prince Elmo moves into Livonia.

France: Henri and Alexandre move into the Bay of Tunis.

Syria: Sulatan Salal and General Al-Adin begin moving back into Aleppo (will arrive in August). Word of the invasion reaches Lydia. General Boq remains in transit.

Aden: Wakil and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo.

Mahfuz starts terrorizing the locals in Cilicia, which, with only 200 guys, isn't much.

Fatamids: Wasim and Ulat pull back into Aleppo with their Syrian counterparts. Admiral Akbar remains on react.

August

Khazaria: Balgitzi moves into Pontus. Tukreg arrives in Abasigis. Having received word of a very large force mucking about in Cilicia, Constantine and Chortan remain begin moving back into Isauria (will arrive in Sept.).

Byzantium: the Imperial army also begins moving back into Isauria. Diocletian moves into Lydia and drops the next infusion of troops off. Dromedus and Taulos' enter the Aegean (and are done for the year).

Verona: the main Italian fleet remains in the Sea of Lybia. Titus and Login enter the Adriatic Sea. Login dies at this point.

Estonia: Baron Liis and Duke Edgar sit in Kostroma, the latter dies at this point as well. Elmo moves into Kalinen.

France: Henri and Alexandre move into the Sea of Lybia.

Syria: Sultan Salal and General Al-Adin arrive back in Aleppo. General Boq remains in transit.

Aden: Wakil and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo. Mahfuz continues to frighten small children and the local livestock in Cilicia.

Fatamids: Wasim and Ulat arrive in Aleppo with their Syrian counterparts. Admiral Akbar remains on react.

September

Khazaria: Balgitzi moves into Galatia and dies, stranding his troops there. Tukreg moves into Pontus. Constantine and Chortan arrive in Isauria.

Byzantium: the Imperial army arrives in Isauria. Diocletian enters the Aegean Sea.

Estonia: Baron Liis sits in Kostroma and picks up the troops that Edgar and now, Elmo have brought him. The Estonians are now ready.

France: Henri and Alexandre begin landing troops in Tripolitania (they will finish in April of next year). Weird AP system we got, ain't it?

Syria: General Boq finally arrives in Vaspurakan.

Aden: Wakil and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo. Mahfuz continues to frighten small children and the local livestock in Cilicia.

Fatamids: Wasim and Ulat arrive in Aleppo with their Syrian counterparts. Admiral Akbar remains on react.

October

Khazaria: Tukreg moves into Pontus and picks up the troops stranded there.

Byzantium: Diocletian enters the Western Black Sea.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo enter Muscovy, where Oleg throws them a nice party.

Syria: General Boq begins moving into Pontus (will arrive next April).

AD 1192

March

Khazaria: Constantine and Chortan march into Cilicia. Mahfuz's Mounted Avengers flee back into Aleppo.

Byzantium: Diocletian arrives in Constantinople.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo enter Chernigov.

France: Henri and Alexandre continue to offload troops in Tripolitania.

Syria: General Boq in transit.

Aden: Wakil and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo, they are joined by a thoroughly terrified Mahfuz at month's end.

Fatamids: Wasim and Ulat wait on react as well.

April:

Khazaria: Tukreg begins moving into Paphlagonia (will arrive in May). Constantine and Chortan march back to Isauria.

Byzantium: hearing that the "invasion" was a mere raid, Demetrius begins marching back into Lydia (will arrive in May). Diocletian does an HC action in Constantinople (and succeeds, racy tapes are available for \$25.95). Dromedus and Taulos go on react in the Aegean.

Verona: the great fleet remains on standby in the Gulf of Lybia, watching the French disembark. Titus moves into Taranto.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo start moving to Pereaslavl (will arrive in June).

France: Henri and Alexandre finish unloading troops, Henri returns to the fleet.

Syria: Salal and Al-Adin remain on react. General Boq arrives in Pontus, word of his arrival reaches Galatia.

Aden: Wakil, Mahfuz, and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo.

Fatamids: Wasim and Ulat remain on react in Aleppo. Admiral Akbar remains on react in Mansura.

May

Khazaria: Tukreg arrives in Paphlagonia. Constantine and Chortan begin marching back into Lydia (will arrive in June).

Byzantium: Demetrius arrives in Lydia and picks up the troops left by Diocletian. His paternal duties accomplished, Diocletian returns to work, re-entering the Western Black Sea. Dromedus and Taulos enter Smyrna.

Verona: the main Italian fleet continues to wait. Titus moves into Apulia and picks up the 1,000 man garrison.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo in transit.

France: Henri and Alexandre begin AT operation in Tripolitania.

Syria: Salal and Al-Adin remain on react. Boq begins A action in Pontus. Word of the attack reaches Galatia.

Aden: Wakil, Mahfuz, and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo.

Fatamids: Wasim and Ulat on react. Admiral Akbar remains react.

June

Khazaria: Tukreg moves to Bithnia. Constantine and Chortan arrive in Lydia.

Byzantium: the Imperial army goes on react. Diocletian enters the Aegean Sea. Dromedus and Taulos unload their troops in Smyrna, whose numbers raise the Imperial army in Asia Minor to over 134,000 troops.

Verona: the main Italian fleet remains in the Sea of Lybia. Titus returns to Taranto.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo arrive in Pereaslavl.

France: Alexandre completes his AT operation with inconclusive results. The French infantry is having trouble coming to grips with the Berber cavalry. The locals also freely adopt hit and run tactics.

Syria: Salal and Al-Adin remain on react. Boq continues A action in Pontus. Word of the attack begins crossing into Paphlagonia.

Aden: Wakil, Mahfuz, and Mohammad remain on react in Aleppo.

Fatamids: Wasim and Ulat on react. Admiral Akbar remains on react.

July

Khazaria: Tukreg moves to Lydia. His arrival bearing news of the *Khan's* death precipitates a crisis as Constantine and Chortan have a violent falling out over whether they should remain or return home. Many of the Khazars resent the arrogance of their Byzantine counterparts who condescend to those whom they consider barbarians. Sadly it comes to blows and Constantine is killed. (In game turns, Chortan made a check against his 2 loyalty and failed. He then succeeded in making his CHA check versus that of Constantine and Tukreg. The troops now follow him, declaring him *Khan*).

Byzantium: the Imperial army remains on react. Demetrius decides not to intervene in the infighting among his allies, believing it will exacerbate the situation. Diocletian moves into Lydia and joins the main army. Dromedus and Talos return to the Aegean Sea.

Verona: the main Italian fleet remains in the Sea of Lybia. Titus loads the latest infusion of troops onto his ships.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo begin moving into Levidia (will arrive in August).

France: Alexandre continues playing hide and seek with the Berbers.

Syria: No change in Aleppo, Boq finishes his A action in Pontus. Word of the attack reaches Paphlagonia.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

August

Khazaria: Chortan decides to return to Khazaria and press his claim to the throne, moving into Bithnia.

Byzantium: Demetrius remains on react. Dromodus and Taulos move back to Heraclea (and are done for the year).

Verona: the main Italian fleet remains in the Sea of Lybia. Titus enters the Adriatic Sea.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo enter Levidia.

France: Alexandre completes his second AT action, again with no appreciable result.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. General Boq begins moving into Abasigia (will arrive in September). Word of the invasion reaches Bithnia.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

September

Khazaria: Chortan enters Paphlagonia.

Byzantium: Demetrius remains on react. Word of the invasion in the east reaches him and he reacts to Bithnia.

Estonia: Baron Liis and Elmo begin entering Patzinak. (will arrive in Oct.).

France: Alexandre dies; his work unfinished. Henri loads the troops back onto the ships.

Syria: General Boq arrives in Abasigia.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

October

Estonia: Liis and Elmo enter Patzinak.

Syria: Boq begins A action in Abasigia (will finish in April).

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March

Khazaria: Chortan begins marching into Galatia (will arrive in April).

Estonia: Liis and Elmo enter Khazar.

France: Henri enters the Sea of Lybia.

Syria: General Boq continues A action in Abasigia.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

April:

Khazaria: Chortan arrives in Galatia.

Byzantium: Demetrius enters Paphlagonia. Dromedus and Taulos sit in Heraclea waiting for the Poles.

Verona: the great fleet remains on standby in the Gulf of Lybia. Titus moves into the Ionian Sea.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo start moving to Alan (will arrive in May).

France: Henri moves into the Gulf of Cyprus.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. General Boq finishes A action in Abasigia.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

May

Khazaria: Chortan begins entering Pontus (will arrive in June).

Byzantium: Demetrius begins entering Galatia (will arrive in June). Mystified at the lack of Poles to ship, Dromedus and Taulos re-enter the Aegean Sea.

Verona: the main Italian fleet continues to wait. Titus moves into the Gulf of Lybia.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo arrive in Alan.

France: Henri begins landing a raiding force in Egypt (will finish in July).

Syria: No change in Aleppo. Boq begins moving into Georgia (will arrive in June).

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change. Word of the French landing reaches Mansura.

June

Khazaria: Chortan enters Pontus.

Byzantium: the Imperial army enters Galatia. Dromedus and Taulos re-enter Smyrna.

Verona: Titus joins his cohorts in the Sea of Lybia and begins unloading troops in Tripolitania (will finish in August).

Estonia: Liis and Elmo begin entering Abasigia (will arrive in August).

France: Henri continues to unload troops.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. Boq arrives in Georgia.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change in Aleppo, Akbar moves into Egypt.

July

Khazaria: as a favor to Demetrius, Chortan conducts an AL action in Pontus. Smashing the Syrian garrison and returning the region to Byzantine control.

Byzantium: the Imperial army enters Pontus. Dromedus and Talos sit in Smyrna.

Verona: Titus continues to land his troops.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo in transit.

France: Henri completes landing his 10,000+ troops only to be attacked by five times as many Egyptians. The French force is utterly destroyed but Henri (although wounded) manages to escape to his ships.

Syria: No change in Aleppo, Boq begins an A action in Georgia (will finish in Sept.).

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change in Aleppo. Akbar bitch-slaps Henri.

August

Khazaria: Chortan begins move into Abasigia (will arrive in Sept.).

Byzantium: Demetrius begins moving into Abasigia (will arrive in Sept.). Dromedus and Taulos move into the Aegean (and are done for the year).

Verona: Titus finishes off-loading his troops.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo arrive in Abasigia.

France: wounded and without troops, Henri decides to return home, moving into the Sea of Lybia.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. Boq continues his A action in Georgia.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change in Aleppo. Akbar returns to Mansura.

September

Khazaria: Chortan arrives in Abasigia.

Byzantium: Demetrius arrives in Abasigia.

Estonia: Liis and Elmo AL Abasigia, returning it to Byzantine control.

France: Henri moves into the Ionian Sea.

Syria: Boq finishes pacifying Georgia.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change in Aleppo. Akbar resumes reacting.

October

Syria: Boq begins moving back into Abasigia and quickly backtracks when the great enemy host is discovered there.

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March

Khazaria: Chortan begins marching into Alan (will arrive in April).

Byzantium/Estonia: Liis and Elmo unite with the great Byzantine army.

France: Henri enters the Gulf of Lyon.

Syria: Desperate to escape annihilation. General Boq gathers up the garrison in Georgia and begins marching over the mountains into Azerbaijan (will arrive in May).

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

April

Khazaria: Chortan arrives in Alan.

Byzantium/Estonia: the Christian host enters Georgia (which reverts to Byzantine control). Dromedus and Taulos go on react in the Aegean.

Verona: Titus begins AT operation in Tripolitania (will check in May).

France: Henri arrives in Narbonne and leaves our chronicle of these events.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. General Boq in transit.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

May

Khazaria: Chortan enters Saksiny.

Byzantium/Estonia: Demetrius moves back into Abasigia. Dromedus and Taulos enter the Gulf of Cyprus.

Verona: Titus continues to try to force the Berbers to pay tribute.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. Boq arrives in Azerbaijan.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

June

Khazaria: Chortan begins active siege of Sarigh-Shin. He is aided by the fact that the Siege QR is low and his heavy elite cavalry are good troops. Nevertheless, the royalists resist fiercely.

Byzantium/Estonia: the Christian host re-enters Pontus.

Dromedus and Taulos begin piracy operations in the Gulf of Cyprus, ravaging Syrian and Egyptian shipping. By turn's end, none remain on any Mediterranean trade route.

Verona: Titus manages to subjugate the Berbers and force them to pay tribute. The Italian light infantry were very useful in the Veronan victory.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. Boq immediately begins marching over the mountains into Urmia (will arrive in September).

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

July

Khazaria: Chortan continues his siege.

Byzantium/Estonia: the Christians re-enters Galatia.

Verona: leaving behind a substantial garrison. The Italian armada moves back into the Ionian Sea.

Syria: No change in Aleppo, Boq in transit.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

August

Khazaria: Chortan continues his siege. The defenders are reduced somewhat but still do not surrender.

Byzantium/Estonia: Demetrius begins moving into Paphlagonia (will arrive in Sept.).

Verona: The Italian fleet docks in Reggio and leave our narrative at this point.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. Boq in transit.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

September

Khazaria: Chortan continues his siege.

Byzantium/Estonia: Demetrius arrives in Paphlagonia.

Syria: Boq arrives in Urmia.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

October

Syria: Boq begins moving into Armenia (will arrive next April).

AD 1195

March

Khazaria: Chortan continues his siege. Again the defenders are reduced and again they do not surrender.

Syria: Boq in transit.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

April:

Khazaria: Chortan continues his siege.

Byzantium/Estonia: the Christian host enters Bithnia.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. Boq arrives in Armenia.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

May

Khazaria: Chortan continues his siege.

Byzantium/Estonia: Demetrius moves into Lydia.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. Boq begins moving into Edessa (will arrive in July).

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

June

Khazaria: Chortan continues his siege. The defenders just barely continue to hold on.

Byzantium/Estonia: the Christian host begins moving into Isauria (will arrive in July).

Syria: No change in Aleppo. Boq in transit.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

July

Khazaria: Chortan continues his siege.

Byzantium/Estonia: the Christians enter Isauria.

Syria: the Syrian armies in Aleppo switch from react to defend. Boq arrives in Edessa.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: the Fatamid armies in Aleppo switch from react to defend.

August

Khazaria: Chortan continues his siege.

Byzantium/Estonia: Demetrius moves into Cilicia.

Syria: No change in Aleppo. Boq enters Aleppo and joins the Syrian armies on defend.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

September

Khazaria: Chortan continues his siege and Sarigh-Shin finally falls. The surviving members of the previous dynasty are ritually mutilated before being exiled to various convents and monasteries.

Byzantium/Estonia: Demetrius goes on defend. The Estonian general Liis dies at year's end. Taulos and Dromodus dock the fleet in Rhodes.

Syria: No change.

Aden: No change.

Fatamids: No change.

That's all folks...

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WEST AFRICA

THE KINGDOM OF GHANA

Kutukomla, Lord of Kumbi-Saleh

DIPLOMACY Gambia (f)

Kutukomla continued to urbanize his kingdom, building new port cities in Nupe (Niamey); Garou (Goudam); and Dogama (Bourem).

THE KINGDOM OF TOGO

Akintunde, King of Togo and Akan

DIPLOMACY Marampa (t), Bomi (t)

A busy turn for Akintunde. While using diplomacy in the west among the Bomi and Marampa, the king dispatched general Abayomi across the Niger at the head of over 13,000 troops with orders to "redeem" the regions of Kafin and Kwawarafa seized by the Kanem-Bornu several turns back. The invasion was a success for the most part as the K-B were thoroughly unprepared. Abayoni was killed however, in the final stages of the siege of Lakoja.

In other events, a new port, Mbundu, was built in Niete; and a postal road was built between Gagnoa and Niete.

THE KINGDOM OF KANEM-BORNU

Susiseko II, King of Kanem and Bornu

DIPLOMACY Jos (nt), Kanuri (c)

Susiseko raised some additional troops, but did not use them to defend the western regions (Reason? Well, I forgot to process a set of "orders" for the K-B before processing Togo, thinking that all would be peaceful. So in this instance, Togo got their licks in against an unprepared defense. It WON'T happen again, I assure you.). The King also initiated a set of cultivation projects in various eastern regions of the Kingdom as well as in Ikego.

SOUTH AFRICA

THE BAKONGO KINGDOM

Ugo Wambolea, King of Bakongo

DIPLOMACY Uige (f)

Uige was colonized to a (2/6). Uakuna expanded to a level 2 port and trade was opened with Vaal via that place. Whydah was colonized by nice, loyal Muslims and Nambe was converted to Islam at sword-point. Finally, Vili was returned to cultivation.

THE KINGDOM OF NYASA

Asserate IV, Chief of the Nyasa

DIPLOMACY Malawai (t)

Malawai was put under cultivation.

THE KINGDOM OF ROZWI

Ntombhela, King of Rozwi, Lord of Zimbabwe

DIPLOMACY None

Kariba was colonized to a (1/4) and a road link was built between Rozwi and Kafue.

THE KINGDOM OF VAAL

M'tesa IV, King of Vaal and Mapungubwe

DIPLOMACY None

M'tesa died in early 1192 and was succeeded (after a brief regency) by his son, M'tesa. In the south, Prince Umwesi managed to subdue the mountain tribes of Lesotho, but then had to detach most of his troops to garrison the place (M regions cost 2 x the RV to garrison [if you want to keep them that is.]). Umwesi returned to Vaal to procure more troops for future campaigns against the Karoo. Trade was opened up with the Bakongo to the north.

NORTH AMERICA

THE TLINGIT PEOPLE

Ka-Seen, Chief of the Tlingit, Lord of the Far North.

DIPLOMACY None

Comox was colonized to a (2/5).

CALIFORNIA

Obsidian Coyote IV, Ruler of California

DIPLOMACY None

Things were fairly quiet out California way. Many of the smaller northern cities grew in size: Chaw'see and Lassen and Miwok City to size 2; Lassen to size 3; and New Teotihuacan to size 4. The Miwok leader Sea oOtter sailed south to the lands of the Caranga and Mapuche before sailing north again. Fianlyy, Obsidian Coyote died in early 1193 and was succeeded by his namesake.

THE ANASAZI NATION

Motega, Chief of the Anasazi, Lord of the Chaco

DIPLOMACY None

An expedition to the Gulf of Corcovado vanished without trace; while on to the Alexander Sea succeeded. Closer to home, Motega interrupted his paranoid musings to order some cities expanded; Chaco to 7; Eagle's Bluff to 9 and Xinaian to 3.

THE MISSISSIPPIAN EMPIRE

Patamon, The Great Beaver of the Snake

DIPLOMACY None

The postal road between Missouri and Cheyenne was upgraded to a normal road. Other than that, things were pretty quiet.

THE NATCHEZ CONFEDERACY

Dancing Wolf, Great Sun of the Natchez

DIPLOMACY No effect

Osage was colonized to a (1/4) and royal roads were built between Wichita and Okmulgee as well as between Okmulgee and Chanute (the last a 1/2 road to link with the Anasazi road net). Things got bloody in the Labrador Sea (see Iceland above).

THE YAMASEE PEOPLE

Eagle's Feather, Chief of the Yamasee

DIPLOMACY None

Catawba was colonized to a (-/6) and Okaloosa grew to a size three.

MESOAMERICA

THE TOLTEC HEGEMONY OF CHICHEN ITZA

Moya, Grand Hegemon of the Maya

DIPLOMACY None

A bucket of city expansions occurred. Work also continued on the great Imperial city.

City (Region)	New Size
Xicalango (Chontal)	5
Itza Hatul (Cuyutec)	3
Tahata (Huastec)	2
Ilyani (Huave)	2
Texcoco (Huexotla)	6
Mali (Nahuatl)	2
Tula (Otomi)	7
Comalcalco (Popoluca)	6
Utxa (Tamulipeç)	3
Tapachula (Tarascan)	3
Iz Huala (Tepuztec)	2
Tatelolco (Tlapocoya)	5
Tres Zapotes (Totonac)	5
Ednza (Yucatec)	10
Mitla (Zapotec)	7

THE ARAWAK OF THE ISLANDS

Tizoc, Lord of the Islands

DIPLOMACY None

Akawaio was colonized to a (2/1) and a new port, Port Caguama was built there as well.

SOLAR EMPIRE OF CHIBCHAN

Pech Toq, King of the Chibchan

DIPLOMACY None

Rama died in 1193 after an eventful reign. Under his successor, various projects in the west continued, with Camaracoto and Cumangoto becoming cultivated and road links between Guahibo and Yekuana and between Achagua and Caraca being completed as well as a new link between Yekuana and Arcuna being completed.

SOUTH AMERICA

THE KINGDOM OF PARAIBA

Panib III, King of Paraiba

DIPLOMACY Arana (c)

Chifre and Sherente were colonized to (2/9) and (2/2) respectively. New colonists settled Acroa to a (1/3). Torootapa was put under cultivation and the cities of Aracui and Tucurui increased to size 5 each.

THE MIGHTY INCAN EMPIRE

Machicho, Emperor of the Incas

DIPLOMACY None

Yet another gout of city building occurred, here's how it panned out:

City (Region)	New Size
Hauri (Ataura)	8
Pusharo (Chinu)	8
Payकिन (Choco)	6
Huexotla (Cuilino)	7
Cuatico (Huanco)	7
Cuzco (Inca)	10
Queros (Mashco)	8
Chanchan (Moche)	10
Alta (Mura)	6
Abancay (Pucara)	8
Curva (Tacana)	8
Tiahuanacu (Uru)	8
Jauja (Wairajikira)	8

THE KINGDOM OF KARANGA

Amaru III, Lord of the South

DIPLOMACY None

Quillaca was put under cultivation.

THE KINGDOM OF SHOKLENG

Upulo, King of Shokleng

DIPLOMACY None

Another great wave of migrations to the west and south occurred. Parana was settled to a (-/6); Terena to a (-/9); Kayapo to a (-/5) and Uruguay to a (-/10). In other news, Ake died in mid-1193 and was succeeded by his son, Upulo without incident.

THE MAPUCHE EMPIRE

Bakari, Emperor of the Mapuche

DIPLOMACY None

Colonists were sent into Errandi and Atacama, settling the regions to a (2/3) and (-/2) respectively. A port fortress was also built in the northern wastes of the latter region. Coquimbo was put under cultivation and work began on a road link between that place and Atacama. The postal road between Oic and Pehuenche was upgraded to a royal road. Finally, Quiroci expanded to size 7.