Tarquinius Ankarien,

Your suggestion is intriguing however it is a point of national pride for ourselves that those resources that are taken from the land of our cities, of our homes should belong to us. It would be similar to a cadre of architects of Urizen pooling enough funding to reclaim the Canterspire Circle, only to be offered a Steel Fist.

I am not an unreasonable man though, and I will discuss your offer with the other merchant-princes. We will look to send a representative to speak with this sorcerer, or one who can speak on their behalf, in the new year.

Regards, Alexi di Temeschwar Ardeniel of the Woodwych Harts,

It was lovely to receive your missive, please do pass on my thanks to our egregore; I do so miss seeing them.

Casinea is often in danger, it is the beating heart of our Empire and carries the will of the high and mighty to all areas of our great land. But yes there does feel to be an increase; my own coven has seen a high increase in banditry in the land around our homes.

I trust in your judgement on this being the time to begin to mend relations between the chapters of the Greatwood and the Woodwych and I look forward to seeing our relationship bloom.

My understanding of those particular bandits is that they are a unilaterally cunning band of ruffians and rogues who desperately want to show the great and the good of the Empire that the raw, seething terror of chaos is just a short step away from us all.

I will do what I can to arrange a meeting with you at the Spring Equinox and will send you a letter to confirm in the new year.

In virtue, Eli of the Watchers