

Szanowny Alcuin of the Auric Horizon,

Apologies for the long period it has taken for me to contact you. I have had much to consider these past seasons following my vision at the Alvetti Estate.

Your letter found me well, and despite my reluctance and disdain for working with a backwater nation such as yours. I appreciate that help that you provided, as well as your discretion.

The matter of preparation wasn't seen to myself, but I'm told nothing in particular was done. We simply followed a traditional rite from my family as you saw that evening.

In the interest of showing my hand and once again growing my interest in the Way I am willing to share my experience. You must understand the contents of this vision ruin me within my nation, and thus lose you a very powerful contact if it were to be discovered by my family.

I was working, with my calloused hands, like some landfolk or worse a slave. I had no magic, that spark of personal mana wasn't there...

There were piles of various different metal discs which I was putting into a mould, creating coins. The coins kept coming out wrong, so I fiddled with the mould. It broke. The person who was guiding the manufacture storms out claiming to ruin me, take away my job. I raced outside chasing after, but instead bumped into someone. They were waiting for me. An autumn ritualist claiming they could help me fix it, as long as I made them a duplicate. What could I do but agree?

Even now I feel the fear of losing that job and the guilt of becoming some petty criminal. I feel there may be more to this religion than what I have read, that I need to experience. In time I may consider your offer of pilgrimage assuming you keep up your end of the bargain.

No one can know that I am a fraud.

*Z poważaniem,
Vanja of Votika*

Ariadne of Auric Horizon,

Thank you for the time you took to speak with us last summit.

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Prince Vanja will be accompanied by a Jarmish "guide priest", who will also lead a rite before the vision. Prince Zamashka understands the Imperial presence will assist in the rite, supervise the vision and provide support to the visionary as they emerge from the vision. There will be a Sarcophan presence presenting neutrality and ensuring goodwill between parties and hospitality.

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