I received, and read, your letter with interest. I feel I should clarify the most important matter to me. What me and mine have done, what we will continue to do, is about Sharsind.

First, It is not about the nation of the Imperial Crcs. Back when the Imperial Crcs were recognised as a nation, and the Winter Sun and the Summer Storm given their names, if it had been suggested that a Steinr should be elected as one of your generals, you would have been horrified. Indeed, anyone would. It is not about the Crcs not deserving a home, it is about our home having been taken from us by the Senate.

Second, I understand something of your ancestors, of those who have come before you. Think of what your ancestors would say if, generations and generations down the line, Sharsind was ripped from you and granted to the Varushhams, or the Thule? I know what the story of Sharsind is, I have seen so much Winterfolk blood shed on this land that I can not allow it to be taken from us.

Third, you wrote of the families that willingly gave up their homes. So you could stop living as refugees. You weren't refugees, you were a recognised, Imperial nation, a majority of whom lived with the armies.

Fourth, when Thrace decided to take up arms, to organise his people to rebel, he did so out of an understanding that it had to be done. That it was necessary in order to bring the change needed. I note that Thrace is recognised as an Exemplar, I will continue drawing on his actions as inspiration in the future.

Fifth, you write of Thanmeir, the former senator of Sharsind. This individual tried to give away my home, and in doing so cast a shadow on the shein of the Winterfolk.

Finally, you wrote of me coming to Casinea, this will not happen. The Magistrates would arrest me within minutes of me walking onto the field of Anvil.

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