

Chapter 12

Restoring Pride in 109

Finding a way to establish continuity with the original 109 was paramount in the new mission of 109 in its new home. K109 took clear steps to ensure that 109ers always remember their heritage.

New Murals

Before the Relocation, when one thought of what set 109 apart from other nations, the art of 109 always came to mind. It helped create a sense of home, belonging, and pride. So in order to create that sense of home in 209, creating new art was a high priority.

In 2012, the first project was the eastern wall. Since the mural on the wall opposite Mr. Huang's desk in 109 was a mountain range, the mural on the eastern wall would likewise show a mountain range, but it turned out to be much more than that. The scene would also include the sea, lush lowlands, a river, an intricate sky, and a forest of mango trees. To create the scene, 109 hired Alex Fan, Rachel Ho, Elizabeth Radcliffe, and Immalla Chen as Master Artists. Understanding the complexity of the project, the team proceeded cautiously. This deliberate approach meant that they had to finish the project during the summer of 2012.

Meanwhile, on the southern wall, 109 hired Sara Chen and Sherry Wang to paint an ocean scene with particulars important to the history of 109. Wang was chosen to paint a rendition of the two turtles who brought Mr. Huang to 109 and the King and Queen of Octopus Land. Chen painstakingly created a large koi which Mr. Huang later called "the masterpiece of 209".

The Annual 109 March

Also in June 2012, Mr. Huang instituted the 109 March, an end-of-year stroll that each period took around Longfellow. The purpose of the stroll was to instill pride in every citizen by stopping at four important points of 109 interest:

1. The Field where 109 defeated Tieland
2. The site of the Villas where 109 was relocated for a time
3. Farewell Corner where Mr. Huang bids citizens farewell each June
4. The offices of the PTB where Mr. Huang reminds the PTB that K109 will return to 109 one day

An extreme faction of 109ers known as the Ben-Armen, began to call for an invasion of the offices of the PTB to take back the native lands of 109 by force. Wishing to try diplomatic solutions before resorting to violence, Mr. Huang convinced the Ben-Armen group that the time for military force had not yet come.

The National Poem

On March 22, 2013, Mr. Huang approved a national poem authored by Shreya Ramesh and James Gao.

"The Potato"

A potato sits on my jelly belly.

Each time I laugh, my belly wiggles.

The potato jiggles too.

Ramesh and Gao wanted to capture the appreciation of the simplicity of life by showing how 109, personified in the potato, and the individual work together to spread joy. Gao was given the privilege of reciting the poem in public for the first time during Lancer Time.

The Royal Family

On May 18, 2013, Mr. Huang laid the foundation for the 109 Royal Family by proposing to Princess Stephanie of Putnam County. They married on November 3, 2013. On December 7, 2013, Princess Stephanie was crowned Queen Stephanie of 109 in the Lecture Hall. The Minister of This and That Tajin Rogers led the ceremony.

On March 5, 2015, Prince Kieran was born. In June of 2015, in a ceremony led by the Minister of This and That James Chen, he was crowned Prince Kieran Maximos of 109.

On February 16, 2018, Princess Valentina was born. On May 24, in a ceremony led by the Minister of This and That Rachel Trainer, she was crowned Princess Valentina Nicole of 109.

The Failed 109 Exchange

At the outset, K109 had no economy to speak of. There was an attempt to establish agriculture, but the project was short-lived. The first economic system was a barter system, and that lasted through the Relocation. All that time, there was no currency in 109.

"I believe in things that are real," said Mr. Huang when he first established the barter system in 2005. "Currency isn't real. It represents something real, but in reality, it's worthless."

After the move to 209, K109 tried something new in the form of a partly currency-based economy.

The new system was a flexible mixed currency/barter exchange called the 109 Exchange. In this new system, 109 merchandise could be purchased with currency from almost any nation including Canada, Mexico, China, European nations using the Euro, and the United States. However, 109 preserved the ability to acquire merchandise through bartering. The "prices" of 109 items, set by Mr. Huang based on need, were posted weekly in terms of barter items, US dollars, Canadian dollars, Euro, Yen, and others. For example, the price for a 109 sticker would be listed in US dollars (25 cents each) as well as tissue boxes (5 stickers for a box).

However, the system ran into glitches. When the supply of tissue boxes ran out, the tissue box price of 109 stickers fell so dramatically that Ethan Wu, never one to miss out on a good deal, was able to purchase 40 stickers for only three tissue boxes. Wu was extremely happy, but the economy took a big hit as the supply of 109 stickers, the best-selling item in the Exchange, never recovered. With so few stickers to sell, Mr. Huang had to inflate the price of them. In so

doing, nobody was buying anything anymore. The ease with which Ethan Wu legally used the 109 Exchange to his advantage and sucked the exchange dry of stickers spelled doom for the exchange. It ceased within a year.

“It as a nice idea,” said Mr. Huang. “But it was a flawed system.”

Chapter 13

Hawks and Doves

Ever since the Relocation, 109 has had to maintain peace between its own citizens, the hawks who favor shows of military might to achieve goals and doves who follow a mostly pacifist approach to threats, both foreign and domestic.

The Movement to Retake 109

Specific to the Relocation is the movement to “retake 109 by force”. This idea was first proposed by Armen Beck (year???). However, Beck was a zealot who not only favored retaking 109 by force but also proposed that K109 build fences and walls in the hallways to 109 to seize lands without reason. Thus, Beck was never taken seriously.

Hawkish views have even come from the monarchy itself. When Mr. Huang instituted the year-ending 109 March that stopped at four locations of historical significance

R.A.S.P. and the Military Buildup of 109

During the 2014-15 year, 109 was under constant threat of attack by a group called RASP. The threats began when written messages were left for Mr. Huang was a group claiming to be from Room 210, Mr. Williams’ country. RASP threatened to attack 109 if 109 did not meet their demands, but they were not clear what those demands were. Even if 109 did meet the demands, RASP admitted that they still wished to “eradicate you from the surface of the land you live in.”

A second hostile group calling themselves The Sarcastic Republic of 210 also sent letters, but they were sarcastic so Mr. Huang did not take them seriously. A third group of peaceful 210ers, including many 109ers overseas, tried to rein in both hostile groups, but the letters kept coming. Eventually, Mr. Huang decided it was time to be prepared in case of attack.

Three 109 citizens obtained permits to begin building weapons of war. Mr. Huang would only allow cardboard, tape, and paper as materials. M’Hammer Industries led by Miller Hollinger was first to begin production. He was followed closely by Ashley Zhang an Eric Chen who opened their own factories.

Hollinger first produced daggers and swords but soon branched out into magical weapons like fireballs and ice disks. Later, he was able to make projectile weapons like bow and arrow, crossbows and bazookas. He opened a store in the Southeast Corner of 109 that was open during Lancer Time. Zhang and Chen stuck to traditional weapons like swords, maces, and daggers. While Hollinger turned out weapons almost daily, Zhang produced high-quality

daggers and swords that took several days to make. Chen's weapons looked so clumsy that they looked like they were made by people with three fingers on each hand.

In addition to the development of hand-to-hand weapons, K109 also developed an air force. James Chen and Shihao Cao, visionaries in the field of aeronautics, wrote a letter to Mr. Huang proposing the Kingdom of 109 Air Force (KOAF). The letter proposed an air force consisting of aircraft including but not limited to Mikoyan and Gurevich MiG-15 and Lockheed Martin F-22 Raptor models as well as at least three pilots. Shortly after witnessing bombing demonstrations, Mr. Huang named James Chen General of the Air Force and Shihao Cao his lieutenant.

As the year wore on, the letters kept coming. The stockpile of 109 weapons grew along with the size of the military. Then, the letters suddenly stopped. There was no explanation from RASP. After the threat of invasion disappeared, the weapons and aircraft were put into storage.

Chapter 14

The Fourth Darkness

In early 2020, outposts on the edge of the outer rim spotted a dark cloud. Such phenomena were commonplace, but this particular cloud grew darker and larger very quickly right before the guards' eyes. Within an hour, it had enveloped the sky and brought with it a horrible stench. Worse yet, within minutes of spotting the cloud, all the guards at the outposts were dead.

The Shutdown

All residents were instructed to stay at home while governments decided what to do. With the darkness blocking out the sun, K109 immediately sent troops in protective gear to dig up mango trees and potatoes (even small ones) to replant indoors. With no idea how long the dark cloud would remain, food and water were rationed and delivered to homes by medical personnel in protective gear.

Without full knowledge of what they were dealing with, Mr. Huang sought counsel from the Phoss who did have a partial explanation for the Dark Cloud.

The Revelation of the Phoss

The Phoss were willing to transport Mr. Huang to their caves in the mountains of the original 109. By this time, the dark cloud's growth had slowed down, but it was still getting darker and thicker day by day. The wisest of the Phoss revealed to Mr. Huang what they knew of the Dark Cloud which by now enveloped all of Longfellow.

"Where did it come from? Is it from here?" asked Mr. Huang.

"It is from here as much as you and I are from here."

"I don't understand."

“Your majesty, how can you doubt if something, even something as dark as this cloud, is from here? You know that all of your citizens, those who are not your citizens, and even yourself, were all born in this world but are not of this world, for you have in you the essence of what was before when there was only the One Who is OneOne. This you must know first.” Mr. Huang nodded as if remembering something. “Even we Phoss were born here. Everything that emanates from us, both the tangible and concrete and the ethereal and mystical, is actually from two worlds because we are citizens of two worlds.”

“Are you saying this cloud came from you?”

“We are saying it came from everyone.”

“But you have always told me that darkness begets darkness and light begets light.”

“This is correct. But it is also true that a source of darkness can also beget light and a source of light can also beget darkness.”

“Are you saying that people---that we created this cloud?” Mr. Huang asked incredulously. “Without knowing it? How could that be? We have taken care of the earth. Even all the other nations...”

“When we say people created this cloud, we do not mean by machines or by fire and water. When we say it came from all of us, we mean it came from here....and here,” the elder Phoss pointed first at his own heart and then Mr. Huang’s heart. At this, Mr. Huang was taken aback and finally began to understand. He had seen many things foreseen by the Phoss come to pass, but he had never heard the Phoss pass such a judgement on people.

“But do not despair,” they continued, “This Fourth Darkness, in the tradition of Morris and Calamito, Dr. Donut, The Son of Alex, while causing suffering, is also an opportunity for the emergence of a righteousness, partially absent before the darkness’ arrival, that will flourish and wipe away this darkness if you are willing to fight.”

Mr. Huang spent the rest of his time with the Phoss discussing ways to combat the Fourth Darkness. On his way home, he continued to think of how to relay this new counsel to the citizens of 109.

The Message

The following letter to 109 citizens was printed in the June 2021 issue of the 109 Times:

Dear 109 Citizens,

In the 18-year history of the Kingdom of 109, we have faced many challenges, both within and outside the walls of 109. We have protected the realm of Longfellow from Mr. Calamito and Office Morris, secured the One Donut from falling into evil hands, fended off the Son of Alex, who, like Dr. Donut, tried to gather immense power, and preserved 109 as best we could from fractures and divisions within the citizenry.

But now, we are faced with the Dark Cloud, a Fourth Darkness, a supposedly alien force that literally hovers over us, putting us in a perpetual state of uneasiness and fear. I have learned recently from the Phoss, that this Darkness is unlike any other we have faced because of its source. It is actually not a foreign invader. It is not a traitor within our midst. There is no object to protect from evil hands this time. No, I have learned that the source of this cloud that literally hangs over us is ... ourselves. Yes, we ourselves, each and every one of you and myself, have created this Fourth Darkness.

I myself do not understand how, but the Dark Cloud is a manifestation of all that is dark within us, and to my surprise, there is much of it. Apparently, the frame of nature that binds our world, keeping it from bursting into a million pieces, could no longer contain the ugly picture that our most selfish, fearful, wicked desires were painting. At least the world didn't explode. Instead, nature redirected that energy into this Dark Cloud. But all is not lost.

According to the Phoss, there is exactly one way to combat this cloud. Since our hearts created this darkness, it is our hearts that will solve it. Cleansing our own hearts by dedicating ourselves to selflessness, courage, and goodness will cleanse the skies. This is the winning formula. Join me in the greatest rescue that 109 has ever taken part in. If we remain steadfast in this endeavor, the cloud can be eliminated, and the sun will shine again.

Mr. Huang

King of 109

A Lost Generation

Due to the length of the shutdown, a whole generation of new 109 citizens grew up without experiencing the fullness of their heritage. Most of the 2020-21 "Lost Generation", as they would be called, barely heard the 109 National Anthem, saw the 109 flag in person, and never even touched a copy of the 109 Times, as it was too dangerous to travel and congregate. They never took a Skill Drills and never gazed at the eastern mountains or the fish of the southern seas.

However, as 2020-21 ended, there was new hope in the upcoming 2021-22 year as the PTB announced that all citizens of all nations would fully return to Longfellow in the fall.

Epilogue

If, as Aristotle said, knowing the beginning and development of an entity reveals its essence to the viewer, is it true that an entity's entire essence can be *fully* known? The answer is yes if the entity has fully developed. However, as it is with any person, the Kingdom of 109 is an organic entity, continuously brimming with new ideas and new life. As time goes on, circumstances push and pull, contract and stretch the personality of 109, and though the mission of 109 remains the same, can we also say its identity remains unchanged after traversing the challenges that force it to adapt? Perhaps not. And if 109 does evolve continually, can we ever know it fully? Again, perhaps not. Thus, as time rolls on, if we let our knowledge remain as it is, it will become stale, for we will become ignorant of who we have become. To truly know

ourselves, our friends, our family, and our kingdom, we must forever expand our knowledge and search out the reason and meaning of our new personal experiences, both within and outside 109. Our full understanding will and should evolve, but one thing will forever remain the same---we are not small potatoes.

Long live 109.

Glossary

The 109 Times – started in 2005??, the only publication of K109

The 109 Commando Unit – the team of soldiers who tracked Mr. Calamito and ultimately captured him at Burke Lake

The 109 Army – the volunteer army of 109, fought the zombie army of Tieland enslaved by the thrall of Mr. Calamito and Officer Morris

109 Awards – end-of-year awards given out in each period

The 109 Exchange – opening in the fall of 2012, a short-lived semi-bartering, semi-currency-based economic system that lasted

The 109 March – the end-of-year march around Longfellow that stops at places of special 109 historical significance

The Ancient Pi – the relic that the King and Queen of Octopus Land gave to Mr. Huang upon his arrival in 109

Bubble-Filling Boot Camp – a training center that teaches how to properly bubble a scantron sheet; some citizens have been sent there after having trouble filling in the AMC answer sheet

Center for the Rational Study of the Rationality of Rationals (CRSRR) – a laboratory led by C. J. Glazer that studies why so many 109 citizens are addicted to mixed numbers

CSWP – Center for the Study of Weird People; the CSWP studies weird behavior in people who experience head trauma as well as weird behavior in normal brains as in the case of Sneha Kripanandan who decorated her desk with a skirt to prevent imaginary insects from crawling up her leg

The Dark Cloud - the literal darkness that covered the skies during 2020-21, smelled awful, and caused serious coughing fits

The First Darkness – the period of time when Mr. Calamito and Officer Morris imprisoned Mr. Cheney and held Tieland under their thrall

The Second Darkness – The period of time when Dr. Donut held the One Donut

The Impending Third Darkness – aka The Third Shadow, the period of time when the Son of Alex attempted to but did find all of the Seven Jewels for himself

The Fourth Darkness - aka The Dark Cloud, the only literal darkness, a blanket of shadow that enveloped the air of Longfellow (and perhaps beyond the outer rim) that forced all Longfellowites indoors for almost one year

The Date Box – where the Datemaster writes the date

Datemaster – the 1st Period citizen, elected quarterly, who writes the date on the board

The Divine Instrument – nickname for Greyson Lewis who was absent on voting day for the 109 motto

The Exile – the time K109 has spent away from 109, this term has come to refer to both the time in Villa 52 and 209 or just Villa 52

Evil-Be-Gone – the dance therapy program that Mrs. Kihm hired to cure Mr. Calamito and Officer Morris

Farewell Corner – the spot on Westmoreland Street where Mr. Huang holds the 109 flag on the last day

Flagbearer – the citizen from each period who carries to 109 flag for fire drills and other special occasions

The Gatehouse – a coven of witches and warlocks learn to how to control people's minds through flattery

The Guess and Check Society (GCS) – a private organization that proposes that all problems be solved by guess and check; GCS took out an ad in the Feb. 2013 issue of the 109 Times which received criticism for promoting a method that K109 has historically warned against

Head Orc Jim Wynne – the orc put in charge of Longfellow's Renovation

The Heptumvirate – The seven-person committee that Mr. Huang appointed as stewards of 109 during Mr. Huang's self-imposed exile

"It's Good to Have Friends" – the speech given by Mr. Huang at the signing of the treaty with Tieland in 2008

KOAF – The Kingdom of 109 Air Force, established to defend against possible invasion from RASP, led by General James Chen

LDOQ – Last Day of the Quarter, usually referring to 109 traditions that take place on that day

The Liberators – The 2007-08 version of the 109 Army that fought Mr. Calamito and Officer Morris and liberated the citizens of Tieland

The Lost Generation - during the Fourth Darkness, the 2020-21 generation of 109ers, some of whom never step foot inside 209

The Magic Crystal Ball – the object of power that Calamito and Morris used to create the zombie army of Tieland; Mr. Gorgia later used it to double-cross Calamito

Mangos and Large Potatoes – produced by Mango Productions, the documentary of the first seven years of K109

Mr. Bradford – the science teacher who during the 2nd Darkness discovered that the donuts Officer Morris were eating were laced with mind control sprinkles

Mr. Calamito – aka Dr. Donut, the evil mastermind behind the invasion of Tieland

Mr. Cheney – the President of Tieland

Mrs. Duggan – leader of Starship Inquiry, the one who filmed the Liberation of Tieland, was a member of the welcoming party when Mr. Huang returned after capturing Dr. Donut

Mr. Gorgia – former evil sidekick, helped Dr. Donut find the One Donut, later betrayed Dr. Donut, supposedly rehabilitated by K109

Mrs. Kihm – Leader of the PTB since ???

Mr. Lynch – the principal of Longfellow who gave 109 to Mr. Huang

Mrs. Sheldon/Ms. Godwin – Goddess of the Matharchy of 200

Ms. Shemonsky – enslaved by the thrall of the Dr. Donut, helped him locate the One Donut

Mr. Williams – aka The Sage, friend of 109

Master Artist – a citizen chosen to paint a mural

Mathematica ad nauseam – the 109 motto meaning “math to the point of nausea”

M’Hammer Industries – the weapons manufacturing company headed by Miller Hollinger that led 109 in weapons manufacturing during the military buildup of 2015-16

Moving Day – 2/11/11, the last day 109ers spent in 109, the beginning of The Exile, aka Relocation Day

National Museum of K109 – opened in fall of 2012, it housed ruins of 109, old posters from 109, and tissues for wiping away tears

The Nether Realms – the place where the Sandi went after their time in this world was over

The One Donut – The magical donut of unspeakable power sought after by Mr. Calamito (aka Dr. Donut)

The Outer Rim - the lands outside of Longfellow that may or may not be inhabited

The Powers-That-Be (PTB) - a term that refers to the administration of Longfellow led by the principal

People for the Ethical Treatment of Scholars (PETS) - a non-profit organization that defends citizens or groups of citizens from discrimination by the government

The Phoss – aka The Foss, the original inhabitants of 109 who seek eternal truths through deep thought

The Professional Organization of English Majors (POEM) -

The Prophecy – the Phoss priestess foretelling of the end of Mr. Huang's reign in which the two turtles will return and take him away from 109

The Queendom of 163 – the land ruled by Queen Mrs. Collins, the maestro of orchestra

Remove All Small Potatoes (RASP) – hostile group from 210 that threatened to attack 109 during 2015-16

ROK – The Republic of Krawczykstan (2006-07), a nomadic semi-independent nation within 109 established by Eric Krawczyk

Relocation Day – another name for Moving Day

The Renovation – the refurbishing and reorganization of part of Longfellow that resulted in the relocation of several nations including K109

The Schnozzer Scale – invented by R.H. Schnozzer, it is a device that measures the magnitude of a sneeze taking into account the decibel level and bystander surprise factor; in K109, the largest ever reading on the Schnozzer Scale was 7.8 when Helena Hatanpaa sneezed on May 2, 2013

The Self-Imposed Exile – the time period during which Mr. Huang was not present in Longfellow while he was searching for Dr. Donut

The Skill Drills Cup – the trophy given to the 109 citizen who earns the most number of perfect Skill Drill weeks

Starship Inquiry – the nation led by Mrs. Duggan that creates the Longfellow Lead, Longfellow's only newspaper

The Sandi – the creators of the Seven Jewels

The Seven Jewels – created by the Sandi, the seven jewels that encapsulate logic, geometry, arithmetic, rhetoric, music, grammar, and science; given to the PTB for protection

The Seven Pillars of Civilization

The Society of Awesome – the nation led by dastardly and diabolical Son of Alex who attempted to find the Seven Jewels and recreate Longfellow in his image

The Son of Alex – the teacher who tried to acquire all of the Seven Jewels to rule Longfellow with an iron fist

The Third Shadow – the Son of Alex

The Two Turtles – the two turtles that Mr. Huang and his entourage rode to 109, the Prophecy states that they will return to take Mr. Huang away

The Constitution of the Kingdom of 109

Preamble

To educate the citizens of the Kingdom of 109, to protect Longfellow from tyranny and evil, and to spread knowledge, interpretation, and application of traditional mathematics as put forth by the sages of the old and the respected predecessors of the Kingdom of 109, we establish this constitution for the Kingdom of 109.

Article 1

Section 1

All final say on legislative, political, and public matters shall be from herein granted to the official monarch of the Kingdom of 109.

The monarch may create new laws, abolish current laws, and is able to reject proposals made by others in Kingdom of 109 law.

Section 2

The monarch of 109, commonly known as the king, is not a citizen of 109, and therefore has no citizenship to lose. The first monarch of 109 has the status of founder, a status which can not be taken away from said monarch.

The monarch of 109 shall be appointed, with the majority of the current citizens of 109 who are also currently students of Longfellow being aware of such a decree, by the incumbent monarch or someone of equal status; someone who has been a monarch previously can serve again.

When there is no monarch to choose the successor, the successor will be chosen by a predecessor monarch or someone of equal status.

Section 3

The monarch is responsible for maintaining prosperity in the Kingdom of 109; the monarch must have protecting the citizens along with fulfilling the goals of the Kingdom as stated in the Preamble be the utmost priority.

Section 4

Should the monarch marry, his spouse becomes king or queen if approved by the citizens of 109; this king or queen will become consort if the ritual of the crowning of a consort is

performed after the wedding; the consort does not have any governing authority and only becomes the ruling monarch if the current monarch steps down or dies without choosing his successor.

Section 5

Anytime that the monarch is unable to perform his duties, the attorney general and ambassador of the Kingdom of 109 should be responsible for the legislative, executive, and judicial aspects of the kingdom. The ambassador deals with foreign affairs while the attorney general deals with domestic affairs. Judicial matters are decided jointly.

Article 2

Section 1

What constitutes as 109 territory is seen by 109 classroom boundaries; the Kingdom of 109 is a fluid kingdom and territories are decided by the 109 monarch.

Section 2

Anyone who has not committed a heinous crime can become a citizen of 109 by being in 109 territory for 3 days.

No one can become a 109 citizen without at least 3 witnesses to confirm the presence of that person on 109 territory, and without consent of those with higher power than ordinary citizens; citizens are citizens for life unless citizenship is taken away or withheld.

Citizens may ask to have citizenship taken away, but the divesting of citizenship can only be done by the current monarch.

The monarch can grant honorary citizenship to those who do not reside on 109 territory and are thus unable to receive it themselves.

If a citizen of the Kingdom of 109 calls another citizen or oneself a small potato on or near 109 territory, that citizen shall lose citizenship temporarily for the time decided by the monarch, and be deemed in purgatory - a student in purgatory can still be charged with such crime; however, for someone to be found guilty of this crime, the offender must confess, or have someone accuse them of committing such a crime; the accuser must have at least 2 witness who saw the accused commit such a crime.

The prosecutor can be one of said aforementioned witnesses.

Section 3

If a citizen loses citizenship more than twice in a single year, the monarch has the right to disqualify that citizen from earning some or any awards bestowed by 109.

Article 3

Section 1

In a timely manner, an ambassador and attorney general should be chosen out of 109 citizens who are currently students in Longfellow by the monarch at some time during the school year; both roles are considered as higher than an ordinary citizen in power but below the monarch.

Section 2

The Kingdom of 109 ambassador is involved in creating treaties and establishing relations with other governments, while practicing diplomacy and representing the Kingdom of 109 in a positive light to other countries for alliances; the Kingdom of 109 attorney general reviews all legal documents and is involved in some decision making on how to word such documents, and should help decipher accurate interpretation of such wording in those documents to see if someone has broken a law or for another case of similar caliber.

Article 4

Section 1

Countries can be subject for an alliance if they have a moral standing on political issues, as decided by the monarch, ambassador, and attorney general, as well as the willingness to cooperate economically and militarily.

The Kingdom of 109 must abide by its treaties, but treaties made with other kingdoms or government that no longer exist shall be rendered void, even if there is chance of such government being reintroduced.

Article 5

Section 1

At the relative beginning of each school year, and at the ending of each quarter of the school year, each period in 109 should democratically elect a flagbearer.

A flagbearer carries the 109 flag during fire drills in one own's period; the flagbearer should represent their period.

The flagbearer is deemed slightly more honorable than an ordinary citizen for the duration of the time they hold their position, but they do not hold more rights or privileges than ordinary citizens, excluding the duties previously stated; a citizen can not be flagbearer for more than one term, but they may run more than once.

Section 2

The monarch should only carry the 109 flag on the last day of the school year.

The monarch should sing at most 3 songs for each of his periods on the last day of each quarter; the monarch may suspend this tradition as he sees fit.

Section 3

At the relative beginning of each school year, and at the ending of each quarter school year, there should be a datemaster elected by the citizens of the Kingdom of 109.

Section 4

In the event that the flagbearer or datemaster is absent, the tallest, 2nd tallest and 3rd tallest of the remaining citizens in that period will act as first, second and third alternates respectively. The alternates should also be chosen at the ending of each quarter.

Article 6

Section 1

The Kingdom of 109 does not sanction news publications other than the 109 Times; private publication is not considered a crime but should not be distributed with the intent to spread falsities or obstruct the Kingdom of 109's goals as stated in the Preamble.

Section 2

Someone not a citizen of the Kingdom of 109 who is found spying on Kingdom proceedings that are not meant to be observed shall be declared an enemy of the Kingdom of 109 along with any accomplices aware of such event happening.

A citizen of 109 spying on Kingdom proceedings that are not meant to be observed with the intent to inform at least 1 person who is not a citizen of the Kingdom of 109 of what they observed while spying shall be declared a traitor.

Article 7

Section 1

The Kingdom of 109 is divided by class periods and possibly into territories if certain populations request to be annexed; if territories are part of 109, they will have lesser status than the parts of 109 divided by periods, and any people who are citizens of only the 109 territories are citizens of 109 with lesser status than ordinary citizens.

Section 2

The territories of 109 are allowed to democratically elect a flagbearer.

Amendment 1

No law may be put in place if it prevents 109 citizens from pursuing or expressing mathematics.

Appendix B – Treaties

October 3, 2007

Tie-Land- Kingdom of 109 Decree of Alliance

By the power vested in the leaders of both Tie-Land and the Kingdom of 109, this 3rd day of October, 2007 anno domini has been set apart for this most glorious occasion.

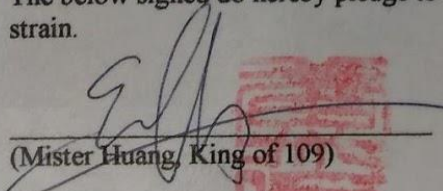
Two nations, one well established in the annals of time, and the other looking for longevity today enter into agreement and alliance with each other.

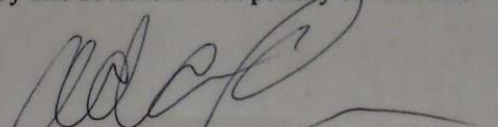
This document of alliance is deemed binding by those nations and their representatives until a commonly agreed upon treaty supersedes said treaty.

Specific terms:

- A. Tie-Land and all of its members recognize the mathematical superiority of the Kingdom of 109 in all matters pertaining therein
- B. The Kingdom of 109 and all of its members recognize the governmental superiority of the Nation of Tie-Land in all matter pertaining therein.
- C. In the case of dual citizens (both in Tie-Land and the Kingdom of 109), they shall have a special place of both mathematical and governmental superiority manifesting itself in appropriate practice to be determined by each leader.
- D. One ambassador from each nation will be appointed to that highest of student positions.
- E. In case of friction between the two nations/ and or leaders, the ambassadors will act as a peacemaker and diplomat.
- F. Both Tie-Land and the Kingdom of 109 recognize the allies of each separate nation, and treat said allies with the utmost of respect and dignity.

The below signed do hereby pledge to abide by this document with penalty of relational strain.


(Mister Huang, King of 109)


(Mr. Cheney, Gracious Leader of Tie-Land)

The Hughey School of Wordcraft and Imagery and The Kingdom of 109 Treaty of Alliance

The heads of state of The Hughey School of Wordcraft and Imagery and The Kingdom of 109, on this 28th day of September, 2011, hereby establish formal diplomatic relations for the purposes of mutual cooperation, protection and preservation of said school and kingdom.

This document is entirely binding until said treaty is superseded by another commonly agreed upon treaty between said school and kingdom.

Here are the specific terms:

- 1. Both HSWI and K109 shall select an ambassador from their own population for purposes of efficient and friendly communication*
- 2. K109 shall recognize HSWI's superiority in all things grammatical, metaphorical and syntactical*
- 3. HSWI shall recognize K109's superiority in all things logical and mathematical*
- 4. Both HSWI and K109 shall protect the seven jewels from the forces of darkness*
- 5. HSWI and K109, including the members of said entities, pledge to treat one another with the utmost respect and dignity*

Below, the heads of state of The Hughey School of Wordcraft and Imagery and The Kingdom of 109, under penalty of loss of honor and relational strain, do hereby pledge to abide by this treaty to their utmost ability.

Mr. Huang, King of 109

Ms. Hughey, Headmistress of HSWI

Treaty of Alliance

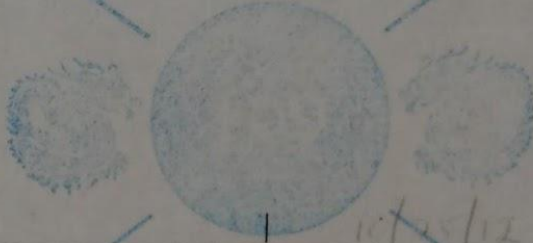
The Kingdom of 109 and the Starship Inquiry

Whereas the sovereign independent temporarily located in the land of 209 Kingdom of 109 respects and admires the dedication to the search for truth about self and humanity by the Starship Inquiry,

Whereas the Starship Inquiry respects and admires the dedication of the sovereign independent temporarily located in the land of 209 Kingdom of 109 to the preservation of mathematical logic and general knowledge in the face of evil,

The Kingdom of 109 and the Starship Inquiry hereby pledge cooperation and friendship in an alliance for purposes of furthering the mission of said two entities and mutual protection against the forces of evil.

Mr. Huang, King of 109



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Date

10/25/12

Andrea L. Duggan

Mrs. Duggan, Captain of the Starship Inquiry

10/25/2012

Date

A handwritten signature, likely of Mrs. Duggan, located below the printed name.

Treaty of Alliance between the Kingdom of 109 and the Queendom of 163

On this day of Feb 19, 2016, the heads of state of The Kingdom of 109 and the Queendom of 163 hereby declare formal diplomatic relations for the purposes of mutual protection, cooperation and celebration. This alliance is entirely binding on every citizen, present and future, and every head of state, present and future, of said two nations until this document is superseded by another of the same type signed by the heads of state of said two nations (or until the world ends by zombies or some other apocalyptic event).

1. The Kingdom of 109 and The Queendom of 163 hereby pledge to come to the defense of the other nation when invaded by a foreign power.
2. The Kingdom of 109 and The Queendom of 163 hereby pledge to establish free trade for the betterment of said two nations.
3. The Kingdom of 109 and The Queendom of 163 hereby pledge to come together for celebration from time to time.
4. The Kingdom of 109 shall recognize The Queendom of 163's superiority in all things musical, orchestral and Korean.
5. The Queendom of 163 shall recognize the Kingdom of 109's superiority in all things mathematical, rational, and Taiwanese.

The signatures below represent the full participation of each head of state in the word and the spirit of the word in this document.

Signed

[Signature]

Date

2/19/16

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Treaty of Alliance

The Kingdom of 109 and the Matharchy of 200

In Room 200, on this day of June 22, 2017, the heads of state of The Kingdom of 109 and The Matharchy of 200 hereby declare formal diplomatic relations for the purposes of mutual protection, cooperation and celebration. This alliance is binding on every citizen, present and future, and every head of state, present and future, of said two nations until this document is superseded by another of the same type signed by the heads of state of said two nations (or until the world ends by some apocalyptic event).

1. The Kingdom of 109 and The Matharchy of 200 hereby pledge to come to the defense of the other nation when invaded by a foreign power.
2. The Kingdom of 109 and The Matharchy of 200 hereby pledge to establish free trade for the betterment of said two nations.
3. The Kingdom of 109 and The Matharchy of 200 hereby pledge to come together for celebration from time to time.
4. The Kingdom of 109 and The Matharchy of 200 hereby pledge to preserve and protect the mission of the teaching of traditional mathematics.

The signatures below represent the full participation of each head of state in the word and the spirit of the word in this document.

Mr. Huang, King of 109

Signed _____

Date _____

Ms. Godwin, Goddess of 200

Signed _____

Date _____

Appendix C – All-Time Highest Perfect Skill Drills (>10) Through 2019

24: Tanmay Neema (2019)

23: Michelle Kang (2018)

21: Adam Ardeishar (2014)

19: Deniz Atak (2012)

18: Han Kim (05), Seungin Sohn (06), Care Shoaibi (09), Max Wang (18)

17: Jennifer Ho (16), Jeanie Qi (17), Hyunjae Chung (18), Raka Adakroy (19)

16: Andrew Kim (2006)

15: Maggie Engler (08), Christina Woo (08), Carrie Murton (09), Mira Sridharan (11), Peter Kim (11), Harry Jung (13), Yujung Lee (14), Lizzie Sun (16), Alyssa Gorbaneva (17), Ziyao Wei (18)

14: Renjie You (05), Nisha Swarup (09), Randall Kim (11), Sophie Zhao (11), Antonio Chan (12), Royce Kang (13), Siona Prasad (14), Joshua Gong (15), Jonathan Tseng (15), Wonsup Song (15), Owen Rollins (16)

13: Madelyn Paquette (08), Crystal Zhao (12), Minyoung Hwang (13), Chloe Andresol (13), Daniel Park (16)

12: Julianna Stratton (11), Gyeongjae Kim (13), Naman Rai (14), Justin Feng (15), Sahana Ramesh (16), Ramya Reddy (18), Angeline Zhao (19), Tristan DeVictor (19), Catherine Jeon (19)

11: Arthur Han (04), Hyeon Su Lee (11), Williams Kodama (12), Habib Karaky (12), Shawn Choi (12), Mayuko Takamura (12), Eric Sun (14), Summer Wang (16), Alison Wan (17), Halasya Malladi (17), Eric Deeken (17)