

Unto Dame Brionna of Stanway, Guard Captain and Chief Military Advisor unto his Majesty,
Emperor Alastair of the Empire of Southern Drucien
From Clarence Strawberry, head of Military Intelligence

Honored Dame:

We continue to see scattered and irregular groups of refugees from the South and are now, to the best of our ability, integrating them into the farmland as directed.

However, for the first time, regulars encountered a group of "bandits" following a refugee band of approximately 200 people. Soldiers belonging to the Earl of Mountainmarch moved to defend the refugees who claimed sanctuary and luckily, were reinforced by a unit of cavalry that was simply patrolling the area. The "bandit" group was extremely strong for such and cost the Earl nearly 40 of his second regiment of ultra heavy foot.

I felt that this should be reported directly to you - because until this time, we have not encountered pursuers.

Respectfully yours