



The Bavarian Illuminati: New World Order

There are no secrets better kept than the secrets that everybody guesses.

George Bernard Shaw

The power of being a mystery, an known unknown, is incalculable. For centuries, they have spoken in whispers of the Invisible Hand. The New World Order. The Ancient and Illuminated Seers of Bavaria. For centuries, they have *feared*.

The mere mention of the word “Illuminati” can cause law enforcement to descend upon a hapless game publishing company. Conspiracy theorists never tire of pointing to the eye on the pyramid, on the Great Seal of the United States. Calling the villains in a movie by your name requires no further exposition. By such things does your legend continue, and in such a fashion is your control maintained. When your name is spoken into the ear of a politician, with hints of an incriminating secret, they bend. When an underling is asked to reveal a secret or face your wrath, they concede. And so it goes.

However, in recent years, your reputation has begun to drift: the word “historical” has begun to appear in descriptions of the Illuminati. Some have ceased to fear you as a current threat, and begun to defy you — to *deny* you. Those aberrations have been dealt with swiftly, but the trend cannot be allowed to continue. Thus, your organization has begun to take steps to become a more *visible* invisible hand. Actions are progressing all over the globe to show the evidence of your power, but some of the most crucial are those taking place now, in Rome.

First, it has come to your attention that there is a strain of oil-consuming bacteria which has begun to thrive in the sewers of Rome. The first to isolate a weapons-grade bacteria of this type can hold the oil fields of the world hostage. The Illuminati must be the first to do this, and then use a strike team to destroy one of the major global oil fields¹. Which one is immaterial: that you have the power to do this is what needs must be demonstrated. (See the “*Oleophagic Bacteria*” greensheet for details).

Second, there is the issue the Swiss Guard, one of the few strictly “lawful” organizations with as long a history as yours. They are respected while you are feared, but even so, they play up their grand traditions in a way that detracts from your *own* historical mystique. There are said to be incriminating documents in the Secret Vatican Archives which would shed a damaging light upon the origins of the Swiss Guard — so you will find those documents, and see that their unflattering secrets come into the open (see the “Library Notes” research notes for details).

Next, you must update your symbology. The eye on the pyramid, and those symbols similar to it, have served you well over the centuries, but they are no longer seen as evidence that the Illuminati *exists*, only that they once did. You have designed a new symbology for the new millenium, and even now, your operatives are introducing its symbols into currency and art all over the globe. Your task here is to infiltrate these words into the Credo of the Greater Christian Faith, and the symbols themselves into the works chosen as significant art, from which the new Seal of the Vatican will be drawn. (See the “*The Hidden Seal of the Illuminati*” greensheet for details).

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- Ghawar Oil Field, Saudia Arabia: 25°35'N, 49°25'E
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- East Texas Oil Field, United States: 30°21'N, 97°33'W
- Ferghana Oil Fields, Russia: 36°43'N, 41°19'E

The time has come for the Invisible Hand to stretch out and grasp the world again. You will not fail to do your part.

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