

HANDOUT #1

Only the most recent emails are available. Older emails have been purged from the system, including the backup tapes.

From: James Angleton (CPU)
To: secure@quaere
Subject: re: dealing with head office

As I explained in my last email, my friend, the Board has its eye on you. It is necessary that you demonstrate consistent excellence in your current assignment, so that you might secure a suitably influential posting following your next employee review. While I am a few years out of touch with the review board, if Simonson is still handling your district, you should slip a reference to Doncaster into your conversation with him, and suggest that you know what he did there to a girl called Elizabeth.

From: James Angleton (CPU)
To: secure@quaere
Subject: re: Countermagic

Regrettably, I cannot intercede directly with the invigilators, but I can certainly help with passing the exam board. I shall attach copies of certain classified papers and grimoires. Study this correspondence course in magic, and contact me if you have any difficulties. Obviously, you should be circumspect when casting spells, but the risks of sorcery are considerably exaggerated by overzealous Health & Safety officers.

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From: James Angleton (CPU)
To: secure@quaere
Subject: re: Audit!

Consider this a milestone in your career. You are being noticed, and that draws fire. The Auditors are not infallible, and can be distracted. From your previous emails, I inferred that he is not entirely reliable. Find a way to deflect blame onto him. I have taken the liberty of drafting a letter for you...

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From: James Angleton (CPU)
To: secure@quaere
Subject: What must be done

This business of ours is a bloody, Darwinian one. Ruthlessness is a trait to be cherished and praised. We need the best men at the top, and the only way to prove that you have what it takes is to remove obstacles in your way. Do not let the common morality of the herd restrain you – there shall be no room for weak stomachs in the years to come. Prove you have the iron will necessary to lead by doing what must be done.

Put an end to this matter quickly. There is work to be done here.