Commander's Annual Report 251 Common Era Camp Twilight Diamond

General Konos,

The 251st year finds the unit in some disarray, but well enough.

In our mission to disrupt the goblin fort on the barren southern isles met with unexpected resistance. Our force of 21 dwarves reached the southern coast of the continent, and then crossed the perennial glacier over the ocean, towards the isle. After roughly 80% of our journey over the glacier, we were ambushed by an unscouted goblin settlement.

Combat on the open ice was brutal and unavoidable. With no chance of retreating across the ice, we were forced to fend off the ambush on the glacier and launch an immediate counter-attack to find refuge from an oncoming blizzard.

The maneuver met with success. A full 63 goblins were slain and the ambush party's settlement was cleared, but at great cost. Of the 21 dwarves in the unit, a full twelve perished in combat, and two died of their wounds and exposure over the following days.

With a remaining coterie of seven, knowing that a patrol would return to the settlement and scout us for the main goblin force, we were forced to take what supplies we could scavenge from the settlement and move on. Thankfully, our force managed to secure the originally planned rendezvous point, and we have begun to make camp.

As best we can tell, the goblin city to the immediate south is aware of our presence, but not of our precise location. Blizzards do well to hide our fortress entrance, but it is only a matter of time before they close in.

With immediate concerns of food and water settled, we have begun immediate preparation for war. Despite our setbacks, rest assured: We will root out the goblin force and enact our mission of extermination.

Tarmid's valor guide you, Commander Asobbab