

For the attention of Vukomir Maryankovich Zverokaz, Varushkan Camp, Anvil

My name is Augustina,

I understand you know me as Grandmother to my Granddaughter, Laurel. I am surprised at the summons your Assembly has put out. In my day, the Varushkans understood the wisdom of elders rather than demanding things of them without full understanding of the situation.

I will not be coming to meet with your Assembly. I have not set foot in Varushka in more than 20 years, so find it difficult to believe that you could have cause to complain of my actions.

I have spoken with my Granddaughter, and understand that she has been in Varushka twice recently, but after discovering she did not know enough the first time, and suffering quite extreme consequences, the second she and her friends went there accompanied by Varushkans. Surely you should be rebuking those members of your own nation rather than the Venatores Illustres if anything was improperly done in your lands under their watch.

And yet this Order has never been made up of complete fools, and has often chosen to learn whatever we can of monsters and beasts, wherever we can. I have advised Laurel and Adiran, and their new friends that they would do well to find out what the Varushkans would tell them, and I expect they will make contact with you over the Equinox when they can spare the time.

I would correct you in one last thing. I am not a leader of the Venatores Illustres. I am not even a current member. I am an elder to Laurel, and she has respect for my wisdom and acts on my wishes as becomes that of one not yet wise in the world. But that does not give me the title or role you have assumed.

Augustina of Solemn Fields