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ENCAMPMENT OF PHOENIX REACH  
ANVIL

MY GENERAL -

As you are quite aware, despite our quite significant gains in Reikos this season, the Sign of Tamar still remains entirely ahead of us. But I wish to bring to your attention the actions of the Fourth Maniple, whose quick actions upon sighting a suspicious concentration of enemy activity have led to the capture of what I can only describe as a kind of laboratory.

I have forwarded the principal contents of the laboratory, maintained in field-expedient containment, to Anvil in the custody of the Coven of the Lidless Eye: I trust that between you and the Archmages of Spring and Day the contents can be Wisely and Prosperously dealt with. If it is not too forward of me, might I convey my approbation to the luminaries of the Military Council for allocating us to the recapture of Tamarbode rather than the Highborn: only a well-educated eye would have known to look for inevitable Prosperity in the tearing-down of any working of Llofir, and simply burning these things could easily have spread pestilence and ruin over half of Reikos (as, indeed, might have been the Eternal's plan!)

The Coven of the Lidless Eye should be with you around the seventh hour of the first evening of the Anvil Summit, and I commend their burden into your care and that of the delegations at Anvil. We could easily have made it safe with Words of Ending: I fear that it will take the assembled minds of the Seers of Urizen to determine how this materiel may be turned to the advantage of the Empire, yet the Fourth Maniple maintain that they saw in the Glass of Sung that such a feat is surely possible.

Aloysius of the Lidless Eye  
Cursebreaker and Seer of Winter  
forward encampment of the CITADEL GUARD,  
TAMARBODE