

The following letter arrives by Winged Messenger **soon after the previous summit.**

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*Ashborn Pakt, Virtuous Ambassador of the Catazarri Empire, Foremost in Nobility of their people.*

*I regret to inform you that your response to my prior messenger appears to have gone astray - I sought it each day this last season - as they grew ever longer.*

*Such was my Vigilance that I sought word from those who have travelled to your distant lands and asked these merchants and adventurers: "How fares Pakt of the Ashborn? Do they still burn brightly with Pride? Are their Wise words still heard amongst the forae of the Catazarri Empire?" - but for all my searching I cannot speak with certainty. It is a test of my Courage to not wonder whether you have fallen in one of the many wars your people wage in the establishment of Virtue. May it be that I ever hear of your demise, that I will see to it that your likeness be added to the stelae within the Temple of the Noble Virtues - with a hand extended in greeting.*

*But enough of my introspection - I await the news of the re-establishment of Prosperous trade between myself and the liaison to the grand temple I have restored - and lead. Together, let us enjoy the just rewards of our efforts.*

*Portilium Inaposdo, First Priest of Virtue.*