

- message to the City of Doughnuts: some kind of trouble is brewing between House Bootspur and House Y'Stripe.
- The people of Great Britain want the fearsome Terrier forces to intervene, but their treaty with Lord Kiwi forbids any military action.
- Meanwhile, the diplomat called Union Jack dispatches a secret envoy to the Council of Twelve Stars to see if House Blackdog is willing to deal. Unfortunately, Lord Cowboy's spies learn of the meeting and send word back to rival factions in Great Britain.
- When House Sprinkles learns of this, they immediately sanction the Central States and order House Flightless to monitor House Goldstars.
- The Eastern Colonies won't stand for this. A new alliance forms between House English, Lord Six-Colors-Including-White, and Lord Tartanscarf.
- Meanwhile, the Continental Breakfast alliance battles the Sugary Circle for control over trade with South Africa, not realizing that the Black Hats have infiltrated all seven kingdoms.

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