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Subject File: Rune priest Anrake "The Black Sigil" Vedun

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COMPLAINT #2147-PFC842

Filed by: Vice-Admiral [REDACTED], 4th Fleet Command

Subject: Refusal to obey direct fleet evacuation order, Treyhan System engagement

Rune priest Vedun, attached to the *Lawbringer of Flames* for the duration of the engagement, refused three consecutive direct evacuation orders following the unexpected arrival of Stellar Republic capital reinforcements.

The Rune priest remained planet-side for the duration of the action.

When pressed for explanation upon return, he stated:

"I find that I rather dislike leaving Marines behind, when I'm already around the area."

Command Review Annotation: Complaint acknowledged.

No disciplinary action recommended. Engagement resulted in successful retrieval of all surviving ground personnel. Vice-Admiral [REDACTED] authority is noted but does not extend to Rune priest-grade assets under the relevant operational accords.

Complaint filed. No further action.

COMPLAINT #2531-PFC851

Filed by: Senator [REDACTED], UHF Civilian Oversight Committee

Subject: Conduct during diplomatic reception, Irranzen Station

Rune priest Vedun was attached to the diplomatic delegation as a Strategic Asset Representative. During the formal reception, the Rune priest reportedly:

- Arrived approximately forty minutes late
- Wore battlefield armour in lieu of formal attire ("*the chiming sets the **mood**, Senator*")
- Loudly compared the seating arrangement to "*a poorly-conducted funeral, where nobody has yet figured out who is dead*"
- Engaged in personal conversation with a serving staff member for the better part of an hour, ignoring three separate attempts by delegation members to draw him into formal proceedings

When the Senator personally requested his attention, the Rune priest is documented as having responded:

*"Senator. With the deepest possible respect that I can muster in this particular moment: I do not, and have never, given a single solitary fraction of my time to political theatre. I will be there if you need someone destroyed. If you require me to smile at somebody, then kindly eat my entire ass and I might **consider** obliging, if you're particularly proficient."*

Command Review Annotation: Complaint acknowledged.

Senator ██████ informed that Rune Priest assets are not, and have never been, subject to political deployment without formal Strategic Command authorization. The Rune Priest has been informed of proper protocol in regards to diplomatic missions. Senator's request for disciplinary action declined.

Complaint filed. No further action.

COMPLAINT #2998-PFC853

Filed by: Commander ██████ ██████, IGS Ashen Crown

Subject: Unauthorized departure from assigned post during active deployment

Rune Priest Vedun departed his assigned position aboard the *Ashen Crown* without authorization during a multi-week patrol of the Hyresh Corridor. He returned approximately *nine days* later, with no explanation of his whereabouts and no apparent injuries.

When ordered to provide a debrief, he stated:

*"I went for a walk. The corridor was boring. There is a small moon two systems away with the most extraordinary mushrooms I have **ever** encountered. I would highly recommend it for your next leave. I do hope the patrol went well, though."*

Command Review Annotation: Complaint acknowledged.

Patrol completed without incident. Commander ██████'s request for reprimand denied; Strategic Command notes that Rune Priest assets retain operational autonomy under Accord 7-VII.

Complaint filed. No further action.

COMPLAINT #4112-PFC857

Filed by: Marshal ██████ ██████, Office of Strategic Coordination

Subject: Refusal to vacate Battlefield following direct withdrawal order — Sektora Engagement

This complaint is noted as **deviating in tone and substance** from the broader pattern of complaints filed against Rune Priest Vedun. Submitted here for completeness of record.

During the Sektora engagement, an enemy Anti-Psyker designate—identified post-engagement as Republic agent *Sundown*—was confirmed operating in the theatre.

Standard UHF protocol mandates the immediate withdrawal of all Psyker assets from Anti-Psyker engagement zones unless explicitly cleared by Strategic Command. Rune priest Vedun was issued *seven consecutive* withdrawal orders across a forty-five minute window.

He refused all of them.

Upon being contacted directly by Marshal [REDACTED], Rune priest Vedun's response—recorded verbatim and transmitted via secure channel—departed entirely from his typical conversational tenor. The transcript is preserved below in full:

*"Marshal. There are four hundred and twelve UHF Psykers still operating inside the Sektora Primaris Sector-cluster. There is **one** Stellar Republic Anti-Psyker capable of hunting them all down. I am not leaving this Battlefield, when she's **finally** made the worst mistake of her life."*

*"Sundown **will** be neutralized in this engagement, or I will not be returning to the Ashen Crown. There is no third option. I am not interested in discussing it. Do **not** contact me again until either of those two outcomes has occurred."*

"I am sorry, [REDACTED]. I know you have a job to do. But so do I."

The engagement lasted an additional fourteen hours.

Sundown was neutralized at the seventeen-hour mark by Rune priest Vedun in the ensuing fighting within the basin. UHF and Stellar Republic casualties in the basin were total.

Rune priest Vedun was the only person to survive and returned to the *Ashen Crown* without further comment.

Command Review Annotation: Complaint acknowledged.

Strategic Command notes that while the order refusal was technically a violation of standard protocol, the operational outcome and the specific tactical context render disciplinary action both inappropriate and politically untenable. Marshal [REDACTED] has been privately briefed.

Complaint filed under standing exception clauses. No further action.

COMPLAINT #5274-PFC861

*Filed by: Auxiliary-Commander [REDACTED]-[REDACTED] [REDACTED], UHF Legacy Affairs Bureau
Subject: Hostile and undignified conduct during Legacy Recognition Ceremony*

Rune priest Vedun was requested to attend the Legacy Recognition Ceremony in a ceremonial capacity. He arrived punctually—an event of sufficient rarity that it was noted by multiple attendees—and proceeded to disrupt the proceedings in the following manner:

- Audibly yawned during the Recognition speech for House Verannis

- Referred to the assembled Legacy heads collectively as "the loudest collection of mediocre genetics I have had the displeasure of being seated near in approximately a century"
- When questioned by Auxiliary-Commander [REDACTED] as to whether he understood the gravity of the institutional moment, replied:

*"I understand the gravity perfectly, as a matter of fact. I simply choose not to participate in pretending it weighs **more** than it does. Please do continue, though—the children's choir was a **lovely** touch."*

Command Review Annotation: Complaint acknowledged.

Auxiliary-Commander [REDACTED] requested both formal censure and a public apology.

Both requests declined.

Complaint filed. No further action.

COMPLAINT #4587-PFC865

Filed by: Commander [REDACTED], 9th Forward Operations Group

Subject: Refusal to retreat from contested position and subsequent submission of falsified authorization documentation — Brelan Sector Engagement

Runepriest Vedun, attached to the 9th FOG for the duration of the Brelan Sector engagement, was issued a direct retreat order at the eighteen-hour mark following intelligence indicating an incoming Stellar Republic reinforcement wave of overwhelming numerical superiority. Commander [REDACTED] issued the retreat order through proper channels, attached the supporting intelligence packet, and requested confirmation of receipt.

Confirmation was received within twenty-two seconds.

The reply consisted of a single attached document, formatted to all proper specifications, bearing what appeared at first inspection to be an authentic O-13 Council seal and the corresponding cryptographic signature chain.

The document read, in its entirety:

"He can do what he wants."

It was signed, sealed and was, by every visible verification metric, authentic.

Commander [REDACTED] requested verification of the signature chain through the appropriate command channels due to the strange nature of the order.

Verification was not immediately forthcoming.

The signature chain was found to be **Black-classification locked**, requiring explicit consent from the originating department before its provenance could be traced.

The process took approximately seven minutes of active back-and-forth between the 9th FOG command structure, Strategic Command, the relevant verification division, and—eventually—the Black-classification clearance authority itself.

The signature, upon successful verification, was confirmed as authentic.

It had been authored, sealed, and signed by Rune priest Anrake "The Black Sigil" Vedun himself.

Rune priest Vedun holds, per Accord 7-VII and its subsequent amendments, a personal Black-classification authorship credential equivalent in cryptographic weight to the O-13 Council's collective seal.

The signature was therefore not falsified. It was, technically, valid.

When contacted directly by Commander [REDACTED] upon discovery of this fact, the Rune priest reportedly replied:

*"Commander. I would **never** falsify an O-13 order. That would be **quite** illegal and deeply disrespectful to a body of governance I hold in the highest possible regard. The order you received was, instead, authored by me, personally, under credentials that I am entirely entitled to use. I do hope this clears up any confusion. The reinforcements arrived approximately two minutes ago, by the way. They are, in-fact, no longer a concern. You may proceed with the original operational plan at your earliest convenience."*

Upon further inquiry as to why the Rune priest had not simply replied with a standard refusal, he stated:

*"Because, my dear Commander, a standard refusal would have invited a second order, and then a third, and then a fourth, and I simply did not have interest in the bureaucracy. The signed document, by contrast, was self-terminating. It ended the conversation. I find such efficiencies **essential** when one is in the middle of such entertainment."*

The entertainment in question likely referred to the approaching enemy reinforcements.

Command Review Annotation: Complaint acknowledged.

Strategic Command notes that, while the use of personal Black-classification credentials to terminate a chain-of-command exchange is technically permitted under Accord 7-VII, the practice is **strongly** discouraged and has been quietly added to the standing list of behaviours upon which the Rune priest has been informally requested to refrain.

The Rune priest has, per longstanding pattern, acknowledged the request and has since ignored it at every opportunity.

Commander [REDACTED] has been privately briefed on the limits of his recourse.

Complaint filed. No further action.

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