Subject: Re: Does loki cheat in clanwars/funwars? Posted by RadioactiveHell on Fri, 20 Nov 2009 22:18:16 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Dover wrote on Fri, 20 November 2009 14:55SoQRadio wrote on Fri, 20 November 2009 12:44...Russia didnt capture any territory because they were stopped by Austria and Britain before they reached Istanbul.

You're either misreading my post or intentionally ignoring it. If this were the only reason to go to war, why not keep the terratory they won (Everything up until Istanbul)?

Because Russia did not want to be seen as aggressive in the eyes of Britain and Austria. Essentially, in a world where alliances meant everything, they wanted to avoid isolation.

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SoQRadio wrote on Fri, 20 November 2009 12:44Because of this, Russia didn't give in during the next crisis, over the assassination of Francis Ferdinand. As I mentioned before, after the assassination, it seemed that it was just going to be a small scale war between the Austrians and the Serbs, but Russia intervened, as Nicolas II felt he had given in too many times. Russia began mobilizing for war, without declaring war, and as a result Germany, in defense of its own national security and its ally Austria, began mobilizing for war as well.

Mobilizing for war is not the same thing as starting a war. Don't confuse the two.

Uh, if I were Germany, I would be worried if the country next door, who I am not on great terms with, starts massing troops at my boarder.

Dover wrote on Fri, 20 November 2009 14:55One might make a case that Serbia started the war since it was a Serb that assassinated Ferdinand. One might argue it was Austria for antagonizing Serbia in the first place. Most likely, one would say it was Germany since they were the first of the major participants to actually declare war on another and attack. However, one cannot blame Russia for starting the war on the basis that they prepared to have one (And rightly so, since they had war declared upon them soon afterward).

As I've said before, before the intervention of Russia, it seemed that it would be a small-scale war between Serbia and Austria. And yes, you can blame Russia for mobilizing for war before declaring it. Thats pretty stupid on their part, as they basically preempted Germany into declaring war.

Dover wrote on Fri, 20 November 2009 14:55SoQRadio wrote on Fri, 20 November 2009 12:44...So you are saying its a blatent fact that Russia would go to war w/ the Ottoman's to help out BULGARIA for nothing in return?

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Tell me this then, Mr. LOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO, what did they get in return?

We've been over this before. The Russian's wanted access to the Straits, and thats why they

helped the Bulgarian's defeat the Turks. The only reason they wernt able to seize the Straits is because of the intervention of Britain and Austria.

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