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Personal Log

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Log Entry: Latverian Situation

- SHIELD has determined that many tech-based villains do not have sufficient personal finances to afford their tech.
- During interrogations after apprehending some of these villains, it was determined that they were being funded by some third party. This party was using Phineas Mason (a.k.a. the Tinkerer) as their middleman.
- SHIELD operative Natasha Romanova subsequently tracked the Tinkerer to Latveria. Upon arrival, he was met by a representative of the Latverian government.
- Further investigation has confirmed the source of funding as Latverian PM Lucia Von Bardas.
- This funding by a foreign government is, by definition, an act of terrorism.
- This is a clear and present danger to the United States. The President has elected not to take any action on this intel, other than diplomatic discussions.
- In my opinion, this is not a situation that can be handled diplomatically. It must be dealt with in a way that will totally discourage anyone from attempting this tactic again.
- A message must be sent in the only language these people understand: Total Destruction. Lucia Von Bardas must be made an example.
- This is not a mission that can be taken in any official capacity. It must be kept totally secret. As such the operatives chosen will not be informed as to the exact nature of the mission.
- When operatives discover true nature of the mission, it is likely they will be unwilling to complete it. A failsafe will be enacted to ensure mission success.
- Mission Objective: Assassination of Lucia Von Bardas and the total destruction of Castle Doom. Any other outcome will be an insufficient deterrent.