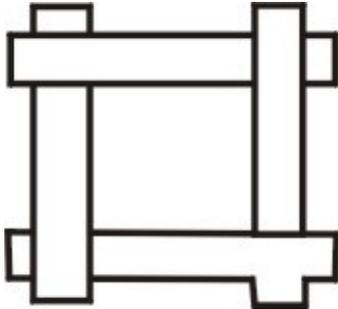




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TEAM BRIEFING - MIYOSHI CLAN



Miyoshi Chokei is the leader of the Miyoshi Clan, son of Miyoshi Nagamoto. Chokei's father was put to death in the temple of Hongan-Ji on the orders of his former lord Hosokawa Harumoto.

Chokei has been leading troops in battle since he was 17, and learnt that life is hard at an early age.

The clan controls the following provinces (either directly or indirectly).

YAMASHIRO	2 points rice tax
SANUKI	4 points rice tax
TOSA	5 points rice tax
AWA (west)	6 points rice tax
AWAJI	1 points rice tax
	1 point cash fishing tax

total	19 points

The clan has considerable influence over Arima Yoshisada of Settsu Province (value 2 rice tax) who can be relied upon to support the clan in time of crisis.

Recent Events

Three years ago, Chokei having had a dispute with his uncle Masanaga asked his lord Hosokawa for authorisation to levy troops in Settsu, Izumi and Kawachi. Instead of giving his permission, Hosokawa sided with uncle Masanaga.

Irritated, Chokei at once attacked and defeated his uncle.

Next, having established a puppet as head of the Hosokawa Clan, he besieged Hosokawa Harumoto in his fort. However, Chokei did not dare to ask his former lord to commit ritual suicide -so raised the siege and attacked and defeated Masanaga again.

Harumoto took the opportunity to flee to Omi Province and asked the Shogun Yoshiteru for help.

In the meantime Chokei entered the Imperial Capital of Kyoto and handed the city over to the control of Matsunaga Hisahide.

The clan failed to get control of the then 13 year old Shogun Ashikaga Yoshiteru who had already left with his father (the retired Shogun Yoshiharu) to refuge in Omi Province.

Masanaga was forced to become a monk - and was unfortunately murdered by bandits in two years ago.



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Ashikaga Yoshiharu (the previous Shogun in retirement) died last year at the age of 40.

TEAM MEMBERS

Direct Clan Members

MIYOSHI CHOKEI (27) - clan leader

MIYOSHI JIKKYU (26) - leader's brother and a general

MIYOSHI FUYUYASU (24) - leader's brother and clan chamberlain

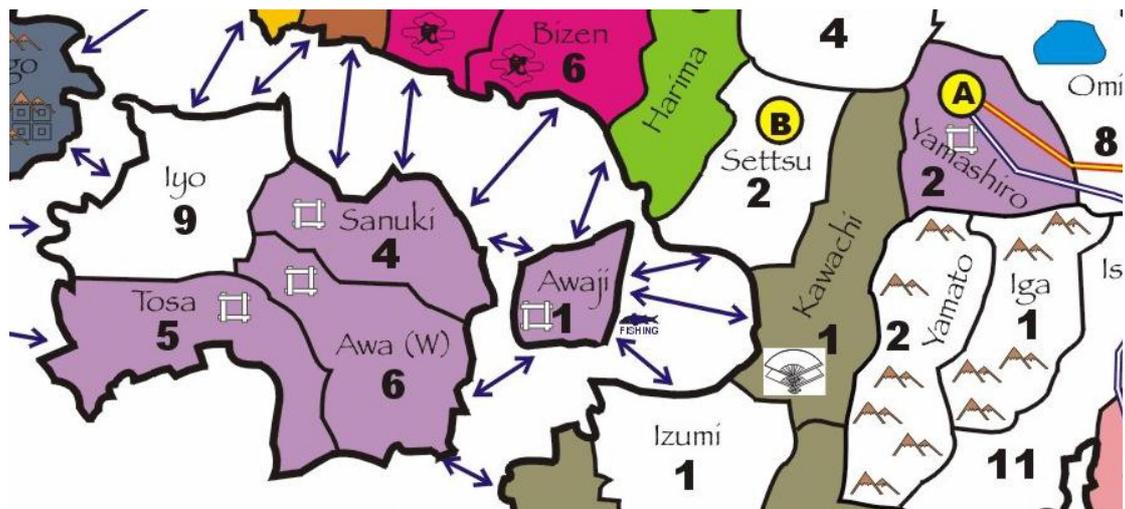
Those that owe allegiance to the Miyoshi Clan

MATSUNAGA HISAHIDE (43) - Governor of KYOTO and vassal of MIYOSHI

ARIMA YOSHISADA (29) - close ally of the clan, and lord of Settsu province

ARIMA MASAMURA (47) - vassal of Arima Yoshisada of Settsu.

LANDS CONTROLLED BY THE MIYOSHI

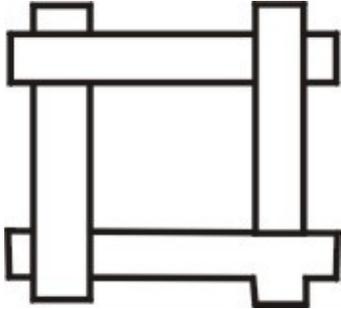




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Personal Briefing : DIAMYO MIYOSHI CHOKEI



The Miyoshi clan are poised to make themselves the strongest in Japan, if only the Shogun can be brought under control.

Given that there will be opposition, this will be a difficult task, but one within your grasp.

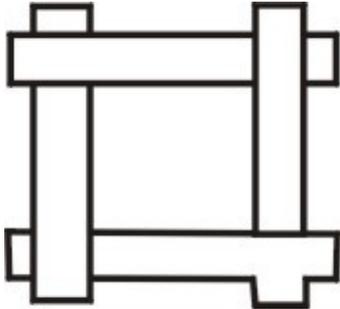
You can therefore decide you own personal objectives.



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Personal Briefing : GENERAL MIYOSHI JIKKYU



You believe that now is the time of greatness for the clan. the Shogun is a snivelling weakling, and the various other Daimyo are disorganised and fight for only local advantage. You could see your Lord as Shogun, if only he will pursue the cause and defeat his enemies.

Your personal objectives are therefore:

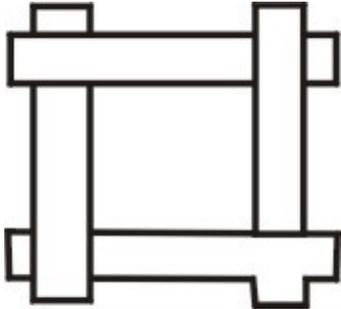
- a. encourage and support your Lord in a bid to become Shogun.
- b. To increase the standing of your clan substantially.
- c. To ensure that your clan is the strongest and most respected in Japan.
- d. To never, never, stand for insults from your inferiors (which is just about anyone from another clan).



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Personal Briefing : CHAMBERLAIN MIYOSHI FUYUYASU



Times are hard for the samurai class, and this clan in particular. Merchants and peasants seem to grow fat while the honest warrior risks his life defending them and their homes in the many wars. The common folk do not understand the privations of the warrior - they think that because you have a mansion and servants and horses and followers that you are a rich man - but what are riches? Only fleeting things that pass only too quickly (especially when you have a mansion, servants, horses etc. to maintain).

You feel that the commoners are getting rich on these wars, and that you should join in on this general atmosphere of wealth creation. Your personal objectives are therefore:

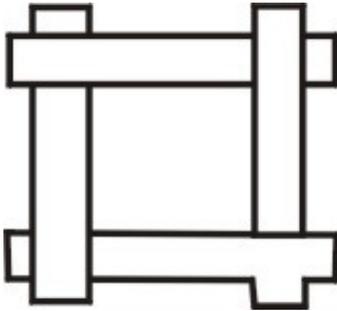
- a. To ensure that you clan becomes and remains very wealthy.
- b. To ensure that you personally become very wealthy.
- c. That samurai from other clans become poorer (preferably in meeting objective b. above).



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Personal Briefing : GOVERNOR OF KYOTO: MATSUNAGA HISAHIDE



You know that now is a time of great danger to the clan. The lack of strong central control from the Shogun has meant that powerful and aggressive Daimyo are constantly fighting amongst themselves, often to extinction.

You do not want this to happen to your clan - the destruction of your clan by one or more of these rapacious warlords would not only be a bitter thing, but would disgrace the names of your ancestors. You do not wish this.

Your personal objectives are therefore:

- a. To ensure that the clan survives at all costs.
- b. To encourage your Lord to avoid all adventures that might put the clan and its current holdings at risk.
- c. To ensure that the clan does nothing that would disgrace the names of its ancestors.
- d. You would like to increase your standing in the clan also - but obviously this should not be at the expense of the greater good of the clan itself.



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Personal Briefing : Lord of Settsu Province ARIMA YOSHISADA

You are a Daimyo in your own right, but only a very minor one, so have so far decided that your interests lie with close alliance with the Miyoshi clan.

You believe that now is the time of greatness for the Miyoshi (and therefore their loyal allies).

The Shogun is a snivelling weakling, and the various other Daimyo are disorganised and fight for only local advantage. You could see Miyoshi as Shogun (and therefore your position greatly improved in both status and wealth) , if only he will pursue the cause and defeat his enemies.

Your personal objectives are therefore:

- a. encourage and support the Miyoshi in a bid to become Shogun.
- b. To increase the standing of your own clan substantially.
- c. To ensure that your clan and/or the Miyoshi clan are the strongest and most respected in Japan.
- d. To never, never, stand for insults from your inferiors.



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Personal Briefing : SAMURAI OF SETTSU : ARIMA MASAMURA

Your leader is a Daimyo in his own right, but only a very minor one, so he has so far decided that his interests lie with close alliance with the Miyoshi clan.

You are a great traditionalist. You believe in the absolute power of your Lord, have total loyalty to him, and through him to the Emperor (may he live for 1000 years).

Honour is not just the most important thing, it is the *only* thing. You avoid the dishonourable, do the honourable, and be ready to die at all times.

Your personal objectives are:

- a. Obey your Lord in all things - no matter what.
- b. Gain honour for your Lord by your actions.
- c. Gain honour for the Arima clan by your actions
- d. If necessary, die an honourable death rather than be dishonoured, or fail in your objectives.