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LETTER FROM THE CRISIS DIRECTOR

Greetings Delegates!

Welcome to TECHMUN 2025 and to the world of Pokémon. The unanswered questions about the governments of the various regions give a great opportunity to expand upon the already deep lore of the Pokémon franchise. What system of government is used? What political issues are most pressing? Questions like these lie unanswered in the otherwise fleshed out world of Pokémon. With this committee I wanted to explore how the government of the Pokémon world would respond to a crisis without simply handing it over to a ten year old like they have done historically. Pokémon can be very lore heavy, yet simple at the same time.

As you read this background guide, remember that each character has a colorful storyline that ties in with various trainers and organizations from across the Pokémon world. I encourage you to unleash your imaginations as you create plans to save Alola and become powerful Pokemon trainers. We hope to see engaging battles, mind-boggling updates, and cheeky shenanigans come to fruition as committee develops.

All in all, expect this crisis to be a wild ride full of fun and seriousness. I hope you have a great time working towards solving this crisis and becoming Pokémon masters!

Sincerely, Nathaniel Wicker

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Terms to Know

Champion - Generally considered to be the strongest trainer in a region. They are the final trainer faced in the Pokémon league. While not responsible for leading the people of their region, many champions do.

Evil Team - A criminal organization looking to disrupt the peace of a region in order to achieve its own goals.

Faller - A human that has spent a significant amount of time in an Ultra Wormhole. Ultra Beasts may be especially aggressive to these individuals.

Gym Leader - A local leader and one of the strongest trainers within a city. Trainers challenging the Pokémon League will face 8 of them before going on to the elite four and champion.

Kahuna - An Alolan trainer tasked with overseeing the island trial for their island. They are local leaders chosen by their island's guardian entity.

Legendary/Mythical Pokémon - Especially rare and powerful Pokémon. They are often desired by evil teams due to their influence over nature or the universe. Unlike other Pokémon, they live forever and may travel with a trainer until that trainer passes awary.

Mega Evolution - A special process allowing some Pokémon to reach a more powerful state thanks to the bond it shares with its trainer.

Terms to Know

Pokémon - Creatures found all across the world who possess powers over nature and the supernatural.

Pokémon League - The closest thing an individual region has to a government. This organization manages the gym challenge as well as the Elite Four and Champion. The International PokémonLeague manages affairs between regions and extreme crises.

Region - The equivalent of a country in the Pokémon world.

Trial Captain - A local leader in Alola who fulfills a similar role to a gym leader. Many of the current captains attended the trainers' school in Alola with Ash.

Ultra Beast - A powerful Pokémon coming from Ultra Space. In the recent past, they attacked the Alola region. They cannot be caught with regula pokeballs.

Ultra Space - The Space between alternate universes where Ultra Beasts are from.

Ultra Wormhole - A pathway from Ultra Space into our universe.

Z-energy / Infinity Energy / Dynamax Energy -Though called different names, these are all the same type of energy that allows for special Pokémon related phenomena to occur, like Mega Evolution, Z Moves,



Lore Clarification

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Due to the many forms of media that inspired this committee having stories that are similar, but involve different characters, the lore delegates need to be aware of might be unclear. The main stories used as inspiration are the Pokémon anime, video games, and manga. The video games and manga are the most similar, with the manga better fleshing out the characters and stories present in the games. The anime however is very different, focusing on a completely unique character, Ash, and showing his adventures largely unrelated to the evil teams that are the focuses of the stories of most Pokémon games. For this committee, the lore will follow the events of every other mainline Pokémon game up to but not including Gen 7, i.e. Pokémon Sun, Moon, Ultra Sun, and Ultra Moon. The events before this go exactly as they appear in the video games/manga.

The protagonist characters, like Red or Gold/Ethan, are responsible for saving each region, not Ash. The Pokémon timeline is very confusing, so when in doubt refer to the timeline of events in the manga. This timeline generally matches the releases of the games in real life, with some exceptions. It is also the closest thing we have to an official source providing a connected timeline. For simplicity, we will say that around 10 years have passed between the events of Pokémon Red and Blue and the start of committee.

The events of the Pokémon anime have occurred at the same time as those previously discussed, except for those dealing with the evil teams other than Team Rocket. Ash has traveled across many regions, challenging each Pokémon league and failing to claim the title of champion. That is until he reaches Alola. Leading up to the start of committee are the events of the Pokémon Sun and Moon anime, in which Ash attends the trainer school in Alola, helps save the region from Necrozma, and becomes the first Champion of Alola. Ash and Red are from separate families in Pallet town, but Gary and Blue are brothers and both grandsons of Professor Oak. This also means that the Team Rainbow Rocket invasion in this committee will be different from the one found in the post-game of Pokémon Ultra Sun and Ultra Moon. For example, Team Rainbow Rocket in the games first attacks the Aether Paradise while Team Rainbow Rocket in committee first attacks Poni Island.

As for the regions of Galar and Paldea, the events of those parts of the anime, manga,



Ultra Beasts from Pokémon Sun and Moon

and video games have not yet occurred. However, the characters of these regions certainly still exist and could be written to in back rooms or possibly appear in crisis updates. Also, even though Pokémon is a generally light hearted franchise, there is still the occasional character death. So don't feel afraid to write anything of this nature in back rooms in fear that it won't fit the setting.

Finally, in the Pokémon lore there are two main universes that the games take place in: the mega evolution universe and the non mega evolution universe. This committee will take place in the mega evolution universe. This shouldn't be too important of a distinction, but if your plans deal at all with other universes then it could be useful to know this difference.

Starting Scenario

Only a week after the first champion of Alola has been crowned, a new disturbance has arrived from Ultra Space. Unlike the waves of Ultra Beasts that had invaded in recent months, the new arrival appears to be a force of humans bent on taking over the region. Sources say this group is calling itself "Team Rainbow Rocket" and is led by the various terrorist leaders who have caused crisis after crisis throughout the Pokémon world. While in this universe, all of their plans have been stopped, these evil team leaders appear to come from universes in which all of them were successful. These trainers are the stronger versions of their unsuccessful counterparts, and they're very much still committed to their goals. They have come to Alola to steal research on Wormhole technology and build up their forces through conquest.

Map/Significant Locations

Poni Island (SW Island)

- Seafolk Village A small community of seafaring merchants. Many escaped Poni Island after Team Rainbow Rocket attacked, but some boats were destroyed or are missing.
- Poni Altar An ancient altar with a connection to the Ultra Beasts. Ultra Wormholes had been opened here, allowing individuals from our universe to traverse Ultra Space. It is located within the Vast Poni Canyon and appears to be the center of Team Rainbow Rocket's base.
- Battle Tree A location for powerful trainers from across the world to hone their skills in battle. The attraction was managed by Red and Blue.

Melemele Island (NW Island)

- Pokémon School A school for future Pokémon trainers and the base of operations for the Ultra Guardians during the recent crisis
- Hau'oli City The largest city in Alola



Akala Island (NE Island)

- Heahea City - A major city that houses the dimensional research lab

Ula'ula Island (SE Island)

- Hokulani Observatory - An observatory where Space research is conducted

Aether Paradise (Middle Island)

• Aether Foundation - An artificial island that is the base of operations for the Aether Foundation. This group rehabilitates wild Pokémon here as well as conducts research into Ultra Beasts. This is where delegates are meeting to solve the crisis at hand

Recent Alolan History

When Ash first arrived in Alola, he joined the Trainer's School. Along with his fellow students, he helped save Lusamine from Ultra Space and captured Ultra Beasts in order to return them to their homes. When the legendary Pokémon Necrozma stole the energy from the Alola islands, the Ultra Guardians chased it through an Ultra Wormhole, restoring their own energy as well as helping to save the Pokémon of another world.

Until a few weeks ago, the Alola region was one of the few places in the world without an official Pokémon League. Following Ash's time in the Alola Trainer School, a new league was formed by Professor Kukui, which Ash became the first champion of. Only a few days after the final match that decided Alola's new champion, Team Rainbow Rocket has invaded and brought another crisis to the region.



The Villains of our World

Giovanni - Leader of Team Rocket. Developed the man-made Pokémon Mewtwo and terrorized the Kanto region in order to develop the resources to capture it. Abandoned Team Rocket, but has taken back the helm in recent years. Giovanni is currenly at large.

Archie - Leader of Team Aqua. Stole research and submarine technology to travel to the seafloor cavern and awaken Kyogre in order to expand the seas. Archie is confirmed dead.

Maxie - Leader of Team Magma. Stole research and submarine technology to travel to the seafloor cavern and awaken Groudon in order to expand the land. Maxie is confirmed dead.

Cyrus - Leader of Team Galactic. Harvested the energy of legendary Pokémonin order to caputre the gods of time and space. Cyrus is currently lost in the distortion world.

Ghetsis - Leader of Team Plasma. Attempted to violently take over the Unova region through the use of legendary Pokémon. Ghetsis is currently imprisoned.

N - King of Team Plasma, used by Ghetsis to awaken legendary dragon Pokémon. N is currently at large.

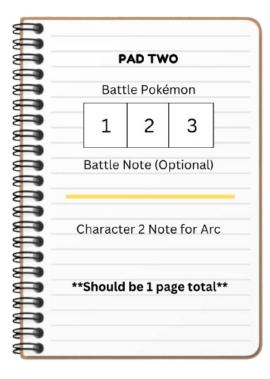
Lysandre - Leader of Team Flare. Attempted to use the Ultimate Weapon to destroy the Kalos region and reshape society. Lysandre is currently imprisoned.

Organization, Battles, and Mechanics

This committee is a group of powerful trainers from across the Pokémon world brought together by the International Pokémon League to deal with the threat of Team Rainbow Rocket. Delegates will be acting as the heads of a military force tasked with taking back Poni Island and preventing any further expansion or criminal activity. While mainly concerned with Alola, policy decisions made in committee have the potential to affect the other regions in the Pokémon world.

A character can certainly collect and use Pokémon throughout the committee. Because the committee was called at such short notice, each character will start with their one main Pokémon, and have the ability to write a few sentences in their backroom note on their pad to try and gain more Pokémon. These sentences related to the capture/use of Pokémon are in addition to the regular notes you would do on your pad 2, out of pad 1 and pad 2 using the two pad system. You can only ask for one kind of Pokémon per note, and you must have a valid strategy. The Pokémon available to catch will be revealed after every crisis update.

There is no limit to how many Pokémon one can have. You may also utilize a note to heal injured Pokémon. The response will show you how many Pokémon you currently possess and if needed, their health after a battle. As such, you might want to have some Pokémon in mind to help you in battles, with your directives, or in your backroom arc. At the top of each pad 2 note, write the three Pokémon you would use to defend yourself or attack in a battle:



You may change these three ONE time each note cycle for pad 2. You may use up to 3 of your Pokémon in a battle, and can fill those slots in any way. For example, if you have a Raichu, 4 Littens, and 3 Dugtrios, you may choose to battle with a Raichu, a Litten, and a Dugtrio, or three Dugtrios, or a Raichu and 2 Littens and so on. After a battle, backrooms will update your pad. If someone attacks you, your fighting party will be in an automatic battle and backroom will update their health status and tell you about the battle, and who attacked you. Both trainers in the battle get their Pokémon fighting party more experience, but the winner of the battle gets their Pokémon double the strength/experience. Both trainers' Pokémon's health will decrease with every battle. The loser of the battle may also face disruptions to their plans based on how weakened their Pokémon become. At the start of committee session one, delegates will not have all slots filled, as the begin with their one Pokémon as specified.



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A battle can only take place after a crisis update. A delegate cannot announce a battle anywhere except in their backroom notes with a battle note. For example, if a backroom note tells you that Team Rainbow Rocket has sent a Ditto to pretend to be one of your Pokémon, you have the option to fight or tame it with a battle note. Also, if it is revealed another character's Pokémon attacked you or your Pokémon, then your fighting party will be used in battle automatically. When you challenge another delegate to a battle, they will be informed of who is attacking them. Weakening an opponent through secretive means will need to happen in your regular backroom notes.

If you have a special Pokémon or a large number of Pokémon that can help with a certain task, then you could use these in directives or your main backroom arcs. You can also work together with another delegate to use your Pokémon together in a JPD, even to battle other delegates.

CURRENT SITUTATION

It has been a week since Team Rainbow Rocket arrived in our universe from an Ultra Wormhole above Poni Altar on Poni Island in Alola. The seaside village and Battle Tree have been evacuated, leaving TRR (Team Rainbow Rocket) full control of the island. Sources report that TRR is after any UltraSpace research or technology that they can get their hands on. They appear to be unable to close the Ultra Wormhole they came through and have lost many people and resources in the travel through Ultra Space. Their true power and motives remains unclear. They have yet to make any actions suggesting an expanse beyond the one island they control. From across the Pokémon world, former evil team members have begun to sail to Alola in hopes of aiding TRR.

Distress and negative energy has spread through the island at an alarming rate, disturbing the guardian deity of Poni Island, Tapu Fini. Already untrustful of humans and very unstable, Tapu Fini has now vanished! Hapu, the island kahuna has not been able to reach Tapu Fini, and the island has descended into chaos. As guardian deities can influence many higher powers, the energy of the island has caused the wild Pokémon of the island to become more aggressive, creating a harsh environment for anyone who dares enter Poni Island. Furthermore, Poni Island is shrouded under a fog left by Tapu Fini, distorting vision and reality. It is no longer the sunny canyon-filled paradise, but now a foggy nightmare. Team Rainbow Rocket is using this fog to their advantage, and has set up base right in the Vast Poni Canyon, where visibility is lowest.

This catastrophe has led the International Pokémon League to create the Alolan Guard (you guys!), a committee of the strongest trainers and most experienced individuals they know. Since it was created in an urgent manner and trainers were called in immediately, each trainer only starts off with their one main Pokémon (as that is all they had the time to pack). The Alolan Guard has been stumped on how to address this situation, and loses precious time each day they spend not taking action. It is feared that the bad energy radiating from Poni Island may spread to the nearby Alola Islands and even the Aether Paradise, which is at high risk as it contains the latest Ultra Space research and technology. Lusamine is deeply worried by this close proximity and threat of infiltration. The recently opened attraction on Poni Island, the Battle Tree, is now completely controlled by Team Rainbow Rocket. Though many strong trainers escaped, some are believed to be still trapped on the island, most notably Lillie and former Kanto champion Red.

It is the International Pokémon League's hope that all trainers can use their powers together to help rebuild the fallen Alola and defeat Team Rainbow Rocket. Thus, they chose a balanced group, half of the strongest native Alolans, and half of the strongest in the world. The native Alolans will have it easier in terms of being able to get stuff done on their respective islands, which is super important for all trainers to be able to do their jobs. The trainers brought from across the world have access to connections and powers that will be crucial to help the natives and save Alola.

Questions to Consider

1. What will be the best strategy to handle Team Rainbow Rocket?

2. What might Team rainbow Rocket do next, and why are they after UltraSpace technology and research?

3. How can we stop their expansion beyond Poni Island?

4. Can we use the evil team leaders of our world to our advantage?

5. How can we prevent the kahunas from losing their powers?

6. How can the Alolan Guard enter the now dangerous Poni Island?

CHARACTERS

Ash and Pikachu

 Ash Ketchum of Pallet Town is the ten year old, recently crowned champion of the newly formed Alola Pokémon league. He has traveled across many of the known regions of the Pokémon world, challenging gym leaders and helping to save the world on numerous occasions. While a separate person than the characters who helped to take down the evil teams now invading our world, he has dealt with these foes before, especially team Rocket. He played a major role in the recent defense of Alola from Ultra Beasts, and has friends at his school on Melemele Island, including Lusamine's children, Lilli and Gladion, as well as many of the trial captains of Alola. He remains passionate about his goal to become a Pokémon Master, but also hopes to save the home of his new found friends in Alola.

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 Blue Oak of Pallet Town is the twenty year old gym leader of Viridian City in the Kanto region. He is the grandson of the famous Professor Oak, a former champion of Kanto, and until recently a co-manager of the Battle Tree on Poni Island with Red. He replaced Giovanni as the Viridian City Gym Leader after the Team Rocket of our universe disbanded, but learned many secrets about training Pokémon from the notebook Giovanni left behind. His childhood friend and rival, Red, is still missing somewhere on Poni Island. His goals are to find Red and expand the battle facilities beyond the battle tree.

Colress and Klinklang

 Colress is a researcher specializing in bringing out a Pokémon's true power and fusing Pokémon together. Though he was the former boss of Team Plasma, who attempted to take over the Unova region, he only did so to further his research. Now, he has asked for a pardon for his crimes in exchange for helping capture Team Rainbow Rocket. In the past he helped create the Pokémon Genesect, as well as the powerful Plasma Frigate. He hopes to continue his research and rise back to the level of influence he had as Team Plasma boss, through legal means or not.

Hala and Crabominable

 Hala is the kahuna of Melemele Island and one of the strongest trainers in Alola. He creates the Z-rings that allow trainers to use powerful Z-moves. He is also known for his knowledge, experience, and adherence to Alola traditions. He is great at spotting and nurturing talent in young trainers. His Z-rings are revered by many for their ability to help a trainer unlock Z moves, however, not anyone can complete the island challenges. His main goal is to ensure that young trainers can continue to train in Alola.

Hapu and Mudsdale

 Hapu is the kahuna of Poni Island. She is a young girl who was recently chosen to be Kahuna after her grandfather passed. The disappearance of Tapu Fini has taken a toll on her, and she's lost almost everything. She can be stoic and reserved, but also cares much for Pokémon, having a special affinity and ability with ground-type Pokémon. She led the evacuation of Poni Island and is eager to take back her home.

Looker and Croagunk

 Looker is an Interpol agent who has worked across the Pokémon world to apprehend terrorists. He played a major part in arresting Charon of Team Galactic, as well as the Seven Sages of Team Plasma. Most recently, he has worked in investigating the Aether Foundation and Ultra Space. He has recently moved up in the ranks at Interpol and is now in charge of their agents helping with the Team Rainbow Rocket crisis. He has access to a variety of the latest technology used in tracking down criminals. He hopes to get promoted even further within Interpol and capture many of the remaining criminals currently at large.

Lusamine and Clefable

 Lusamine is the president of the Aether Paradise. She is obsessed with Ultra Beasts and even neglected her children, Lilli and Gladion in pursuit of her obsession. After recent events, she has learned the errors of her ways and is working on becoming a better mother. She is searching for her husband Mohn, who went missing in an Ultra Wormhole. Her organization possesses the most recent research and technology related to Ultra Space, and it is currently at high risk of infiltration. She aims to keep her work safe and out of others hands.

Nanu and Alolan Persian

Nanu is the kahuna of Ula'ula Island and a police officer. He used to be Looker's superior within Interpol, but now works as a regular officer in Alola. He can be somewhat lazy and shirks his responsibilities as a kahuna. He was also given the chance to join the Alola Elite Four, but declined because he was too lazy, and gave the role to his niece. However, he is very passionate about protecting the people of Alola. He lives for the thrill of battle, and challenges new trainers, believing that learning the hard way is the best way.

Professor Oak and Kangaskhan

 Samuel Oak is one of the leading Pokémon researchers of our time, as well as the grandfather of Blue, Daisy, and Gary Oak. He focuses on studying Pokémon evolution and the appearance of mythical Pokémon across the world, and thus, has connections to a wide range of like minded researchers and much knowledge about each Pokémon. He is even a former champion of the Kanto region, and helped Ash as a mentor figure in his early adventures. He hopes to discover any mythical Pokémon hiding in Alola.

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Olivia and Lyancroc (Midnight Form)

 Olivia is the kahuna of Akala Island. She also owns a jewelry store in Konikoni City. She is known for being clumsy, but also possesses an ability to communicate well with Pokémon. She specializes in rock-type Pokémon, and also is deeply saddened by the fact that she is not married and has no prospects. As a new member of the Elite Four and Akala Island kahuna, she still believes that she's just an ordinary girl.

Steven and Metagross

 Steven Stone is the champion of the Hoenn region and the son of the CEO of the Devon Corporation. He played a major role in saving Hoenn from destruction, even sacrificing his life before being revived. He is a renowned geologist who has collected a myriad of rare stones from across the world. His fathers company works with infinity energy and interdimensional technology. He hopes to continue the Devon Corporations' advancements and beat out the Aether Foundation as the company spearheading the science of Ultra Space.

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