Letter requesting WE

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I am currently studying in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, studying Political Science, History and Economics.

I am requesting a withdrawal due to extenuating circumstances from Fall 2017 as I have been (surprisingly) drafted into Barrayar military service. Due to my disabilities, I had not expected this and had started my academic career at SFU two years ago, in the fall of 2015.

The minimum service requirement is two years, and I intend to return to finish my degree as soon as that service is completed. I have attached the official document in which I learn I was drafted. My grandfather and my father both refused to try to get me out of this, saying it would be "life-changing". Note that both of them have served with distinction and I feel their biases are showing.

Regardless, please allow me to take this leave and I will return in approximately 24 months. I already have plans for my graduate studies and hope to consider this a mere blip in my expected career.

With my sincere thanks,

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SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM
ORDER TO REPORT FOR INDUCTION

THE EMPEROR OF BARRAYAR

To Miles Naismith Vorosigan

GREETING:

You are hereby ordered for induction into the Armed Forces of Barrayar, and to report

at LOBBY OF THE U.S. POST-OFFICE, MAIN & COURT STS., MIDDLETOWN, CONN.

on at 6:30 A.M.

for forwarding to an Armed Forces Induction Station.

(Read Each Paragraph Carefully)

IF YOU HAVE HAD PREVIOUS MILITARY SERVICE, OR ARE NOW A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL GUARD OR A RESERVE COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES, BRING EVIDENCE WITH YOU. IF YOU WEAR GLASSES, BRING THEM. IF MARRIED, BRING PROOF OF YOUR MARRIAGE. IF YOU HAVE ANY PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION WHICH, IN YOUR OPINION, MAY DISQUALIFY YOU FOR SERVICE IN THE ARMED FORCES, BRING A PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE DESCRIBING THAT CONDITION, IF NOT ALREADY FURNISHED TO YOUR LOCAL BOARD.

Valid documents are required to substantiate dependency claims in order to receive basic allowance for quarters. Be sure to take the following with you when reporting to the induction station. The documents will be returned to you. (a) FOR LAWFUL WIFE OR LEGITIMATE CHILD UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE—original, certified copy or photocopy of a certified copy of marriage certificate, child's birth certificate, or a public or church record of marriage issued over the signature and seal of the custodian of the church or public records; (b) FOR LEGALLY ADOPTED CHILD—certified court order of adoption; (c) FOR CHILD OF DIVORCED SERVICE MEMBER (Child in custody of person other than claimant)—(1) Certified or photostatic copies of receipts from custodian of child evidencing serviceman's contributions for support, and (2) Divorce decree, court support order or separation order; (d) FOR DEPENDENT PARENT—affidavits establishing that dependency.

Bring your Social Security Account Number Card. If you do not have one, apply at nearest Social Security Administration Office. If you have life insurance, bring a record of the insurance company's address and your policy number. Bring enough clean clothes for 3 days. Bring enough money to last 1 month for personal purchases.

This Local Board will furnish transportation, and meals and lodging when necessary, from the place of reporting to the induction station where you will be examined. If found qualified, you will be inducted into the Armed Forces. If found not qualified, return transportation and meals and lodging when necessary, will be furnished to the place of reporting.

You may be found not qualified for induction. Keep this in mind in arranging your affairs, to prevent any undue hardship if you are not inducted. If employed, inform your employer of this possibility. Your employer can then be prepared to continue your employment if you are not inducted. To protect your right to return to your job if you are not inducted, you must report for work as soon as possible after the completion of your induction examination. You may jeopardize your reemployment rights if you do not report for work at the beginning of your next regularly scheduled working period after you have returned to your place of employment.

Willful failure to report at the place and hour of the day named in this Order subjects the violator to fine and imprisonment. Bring this Order with you when you report.

If you are so far from your own local board that reporting in compliance with this Order will be a serious hardship, go immediately to any local board and make written request for transfer of your delivery for induction, taking this Order with you.

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