

*General orders issued by the combined headquarters of the Coalition armies. 23rd October 1813 to General Herzog Manfred von Baden*

*The strategic initiative is now lost by the French. Our sagacious manoeuvring and tenacity on the field of battle spells the beginning of the end for the Monster. His Corps are divided and his Allies desert him on a daily basis.*

*Your night march has placed your forces in a position to defeat an inferior enemy force in detail and at the same time cut off a main avenue of retreat for the scattered enemy Corps.*

*If the Tiefflüss Bridge can be taken and held then Bonaparte will have no option but to meet our combined forces in the field once more. Outnumbered, he will surely be defeated.*

*You must attack the French positions covering the approaches to the Tiefflüss Bridge. Sweep them aside and secure all approaches to guarantee that any further possibility of the enemy being interested in this route of escape is extinguished.*

*Patrols have established that the villages of Flüssgarten, Adlerhafen and Kupferstadt may well be garrisoned. There is an abandoned redoubt from the great campaigns of Friederich de Grosse on the Kopf des Mönchs and a lesser ruin on the Lange Kante. These may be used by the enemy as observation points or even headquarters. The Grössegrunewald is impassable to troops in battle order but may offer a quick route for lightly armed troops to harass the bridge.*

*We are shadowing other elements of the enemy's army and three corps are at this point unaccounted for. Around the bridge we anticipate the defence to be undertaken by Sebastiani's 2<sup>nd</sup> Corps.*

*The fight will be hard but the enemy are beaten already.*

*God speed and deliver us a victory!*

## Allied Commanders

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