

# Mr. President Official FAQ

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## Using this Document

This document is intended as a comprehensive list of all clarifications, questions, and errata players have encountered while playing *Mr. President*. For ease of reference, any errata are listed in their own section at the top of this document, while clarifications and questions are listed below and organized by component type. A table of contents is included for easy navigation. If you have found additional clarifications or errata, please let us know on BoardGameGeek or Consimworld.

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## Errata

- In the Russia and China World Peer Booklets, Step C “Improve Strategic Capabilities”, **add** one to the die rolls to attempt to improve strategic capabilities (not subtract). Sanctions make these improvements **harder** for the World Peers, not easier. The Governing Manual is correct.
- Diplomatic Master Action #6, “Summit with China or Russia” should have the following sentence added to “When”: **This action may only be used once per Activation Phase (place Russia/China Summit Used marker on the Turn Sequence when complete).**

- Once a Rogue State is at War, it may not be reduced to a Terror Group by any means other than a War Progress result. All other effects that would reduce a Rogue State to a Terror Group (e.g. Cyber Attacks) are ignored.
- When a card or other game effect causes a War, move the associated Conflict Track to the “At War” space.
- The leftmost column of WCT1 should read “less than 1:1” not “1:1 or less”

## Clarifications:

### Important FAQ/Clarifications:

- Your cabinet members only take actions (and use their +1 Action abilities) during the “1 ACTION for POTUS and EACH Cabinet Member” Segments. All other times, you (The President) are acting as specified in the current segment, and you apply cabinet member’s DRM as listed for that action.
- DARPA counters are removed to the supply after a roll is made on the Strategic Capabilities Track they are modifying.
- The Special Activation segment is not an Activation Phase and actions which are permitted once per Activation Phase cannot be performed during the Special Activation segment.
- You may perform a free Cyber Attack during each War Progress Roll (WM3, #5).

## Cards

- Card 03 - Effect #1 takes effect during the next FNI Segment.
- Card 14 - The first Intel Box is called “Gathering” and not “Gather Intel”. The free SOF Raid may use only the -1 DRM mentioned.
- Card 44 - “China Threatens Taiwan Over Independence Talk” - Set up a Combined Air/Ground War (Air/Land/Sea War does not exist). On a 1-8 result, move China’s Relations with the US marker to 1 (it is not possible to move it two boxes).
- Card 45 - For the ‘3’ Event, does the US may use forces in both Eastern Europe or Eurozone.
- Card 46 - In the ‘3’ Event, the China Influence from the ‘1-4’ result is placed in Asia/Pacific.
- Cards 63, 84, 89 - All this event requires is that you have passed the indicated bill, regardless of the quality. Even if the bill is already on the Pending Track, place the bill where the card directs.
- Card 83 - The first sentence should read “If there is a UN Peacekeeper counter on the map or on a War Track” (Peacekeepers cannot be on a Conflict Track). In this case, add the regional crisis to the region with the Peacekeeper or the War.
- Card 97 - The “OR” on this card applies to a choice between deploying an Intel/Advisor or making an Intel Gathering attempt.
- Card 109 - There should be a comma, not a period, after Iran in the first sentence.

- Card 158 - If a negative trait is drawn, replace it in the cup and draw a replacement chit until a positive trait is drawn.
- Card 180: If this card is drawn a second time, pass the "Advance 2" version of the GSI, gain +2 Legacy Points and a Friend in Congress.

## Booklets

### Scenario

- Pg 7. When discussing Administration Legislative Priorities, note that these cannot "support the Greater Society Initiatives that you want to pursue." - this is leftover from an old version of the rules.
- Pg 11. Event cards are #65-180, not #63-180.

### Flipbook

- Pg 10 "POTUS/Cabinet Focus" - In the "Tensions Counters" segment, Domestic Action #8 allows you to remove Tensions Counters not Domestic Action #6.
- Pg 10 "Decrease Media Relations, Perform Two Domestic Actions, & Perform the Legislative Segment" - the "NOTE" box incorrectly refers to this as a "Perform any 3 Actions Segment" but it should refer to the "Perform Two Domestic Actions" segment. The remainder of the note is correct.
- Pg 16 "Terror Acts Procedure" - perform the first bullet for each region with a Rogue State.
- Pg 16 "Terror Acts Table" - On a 1-3 result, both Terror Groups can be placed in the same region.
- Pg 19 "Civil War Resolution/Broker Peace Chart" - The results with \* grant a UN Goodwill counter if
  - It was a US-initiated UN Action OR
  - The US spent 1 AP to gain a -1 DRM during a War Progress Activation Segment.
- Pg 19 When using a UN Goodwill counter during a Civil War/Civil War Ceasefire roll, always subtract the counter's value from the roll.

### Governing Manual

- ToC: Page Reference for War Progress Results is 66 instead of 47.
- Pg 6: Legacy points are awarded for having Public Approval of 42% or higher. The board is correct.
- Pg 9: "Cascading Event 3" - the reference to "Recurring Event 2" should be "Cascading Event 2".
- Pg 11 "Trending Tracks" - A "worsening" counter can still be placed on a track while at its minimum and an "improving" counter can still be placed on a track while at its maximum. These counters would remain until the track is respectively improved/worsened.

- Pg 14 “Presidential Attributes” - Teflon has a -2 DRM like stated on the counter, the Governing Manual is incorrect.
- Pg 16 “Key Cabinet Members” - The illustration incorrectly placed some cabinet members on their improved side.
- Pg 21 “Congressional Friends and Opponents” - This section incorrectly states that it is possible for a Congressional Friend or Opponent to have a side on their counter without “Moderate” or “Radical” - this is a holdover from a previous version of this rule and should be ignored. Every Friend and Opponent will have either Moderate or Radical on each side of the counter. The illustration of the “Sally Myers” counter is missing it’s Moderate rating, which makes the example appear incorrect.
- Pg 21 “Congressional Friends and Opponents”- : “Party control can change during the game depending on the number of Friends or Opponents there are in Congress”. This sentence is held over from a period version of the rules and is incorrect. Party control can change during the Midterm Elections.
- Pg 22 “Legislation/Passing Bills, Step 1” - The numbers >3 or <3 should be >3 or <-3.
- Pg 22 “Legislation/Passing Bills” - This section omits a few details that are in the flipbook. The Flipbook is correct.
- Pg 23 The example says that the drawn Friend for a potential Landmark Bill can be placed on either side. This is incorrect, it is placed on the side corresponding to the selected difficulty.
- Pg 24 “Bills you pass benefit you; Opponents' bills do not.” - While you do still get the benefit of a passed bill even if it is your Opponent’s, you only gain ½ of the Legacy Points from passing Opponents’ bills.
- Pg 26 “SoE Impact” - The Domestic Impact of SoE being at 4 differs from what is shown next to the Track; the Track is correct.
- Pg 27 “Lingering Domestic Issues” - Domestic Master Action #3 is used to reduce the actual LDI track, not the Domestic Crisis Level track.
- Pg 32 “Posture” - The Note is incorrect; after a Peer Acts (2) chit is drawn, leave it on the display until directed to return crisis chits to the draw cup, at which point you check if it is returned to the cup (if that Peer’s Posture is 2) or set aside (if that Peer’s posture is not 2).
- Pg 33 “Tensions” - Tensions counters that are removed are returned to the pool and mixed together with any counters there.

### World Charts

- Pg 15 When using a UN Goodwill counter during a Civil War/Civil War Ceasefire roll, always subtract the counter’s value from the roll.

### Domestic Charts

- P 9, chart D6: On an 8+ result, ignore the reference to a scandal involving a Congressional Opponent; this is held over from an older version of the rules.

- P 14, on a '4' result: If Bipartisan Cooperation is in one of the '1' boxes, move it to Contentious (the zero box) and then apply the -1 to Relations with Congress and Media Relations.
- P 20, the final note is incorrect; you may use 1AP to reroll any die roll when performing a Master Action, not any die roll in the game.

#### Russia Acts Booklet

- References to Syria being at War in Action 5b should be ignored.

#### Briefing Booklet

- Pg 12 "Congress/Legislation" - The illustration of the "Sally Myers" counter is missing a moderate/radical rating on one side of the counter.

### Counters

#### Boards/Displays

- "POTUS/Cabinet Focus" - In the "Tensions Counters" segment, Domestic Action #8 allows you to remove Tensions Counters not Domestic Action #6.