



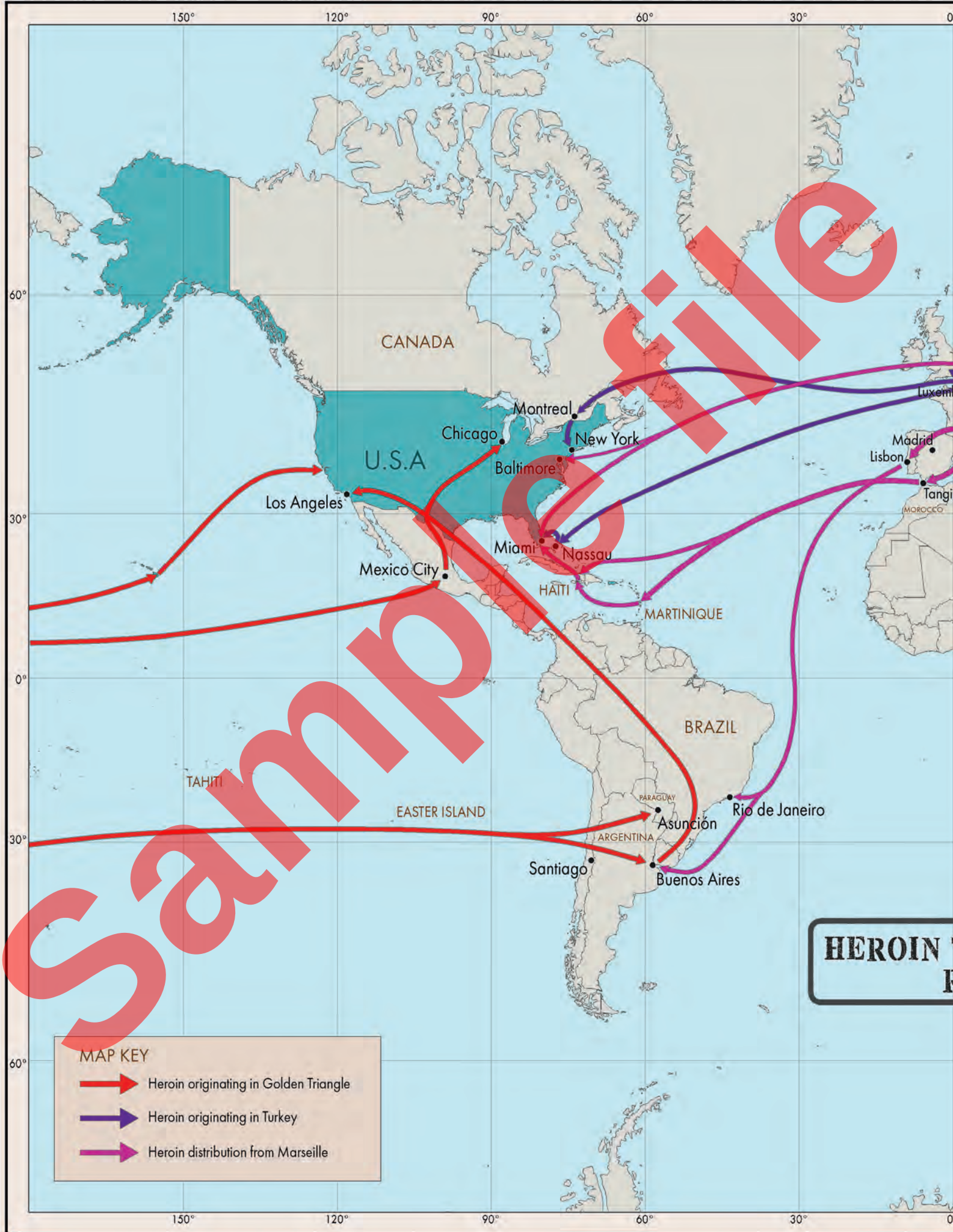
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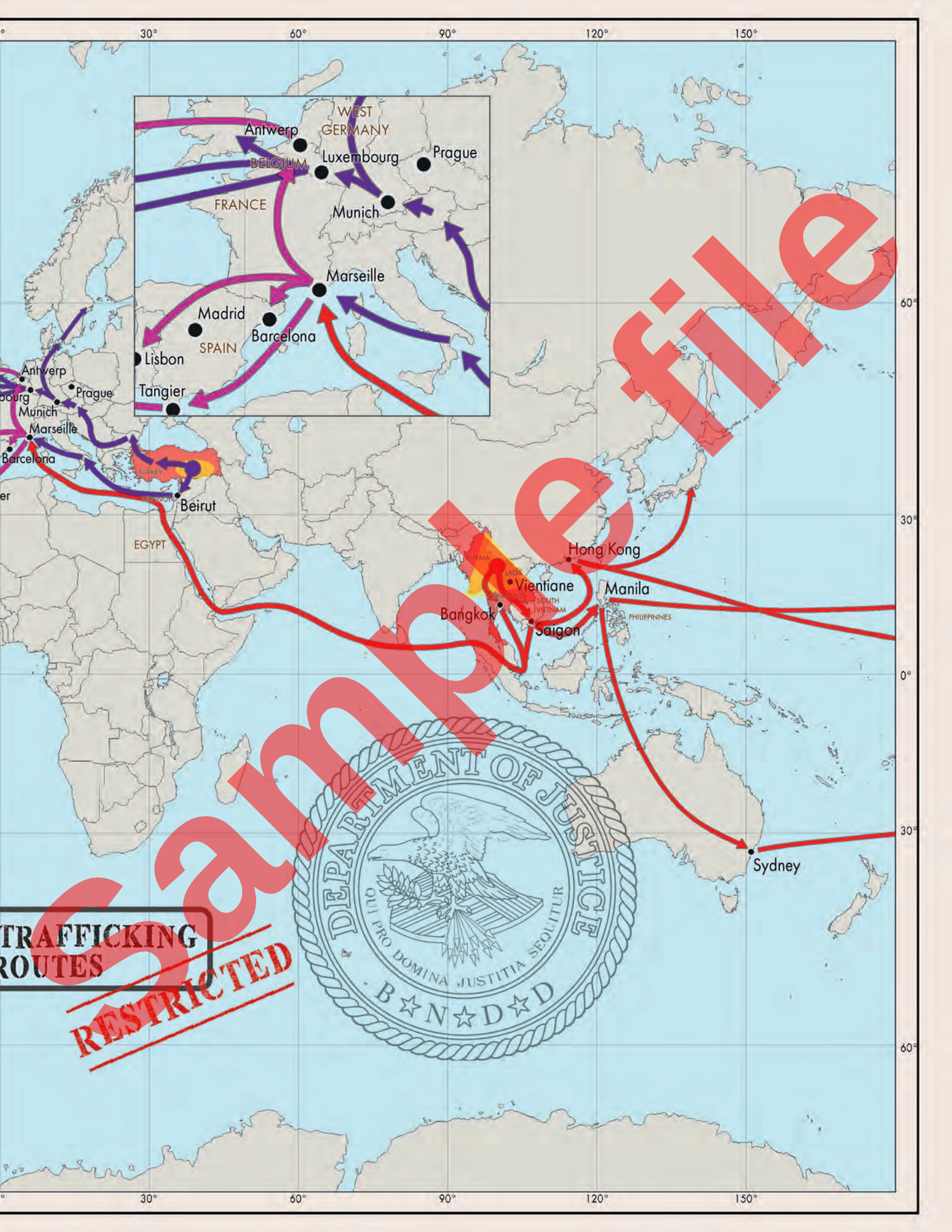
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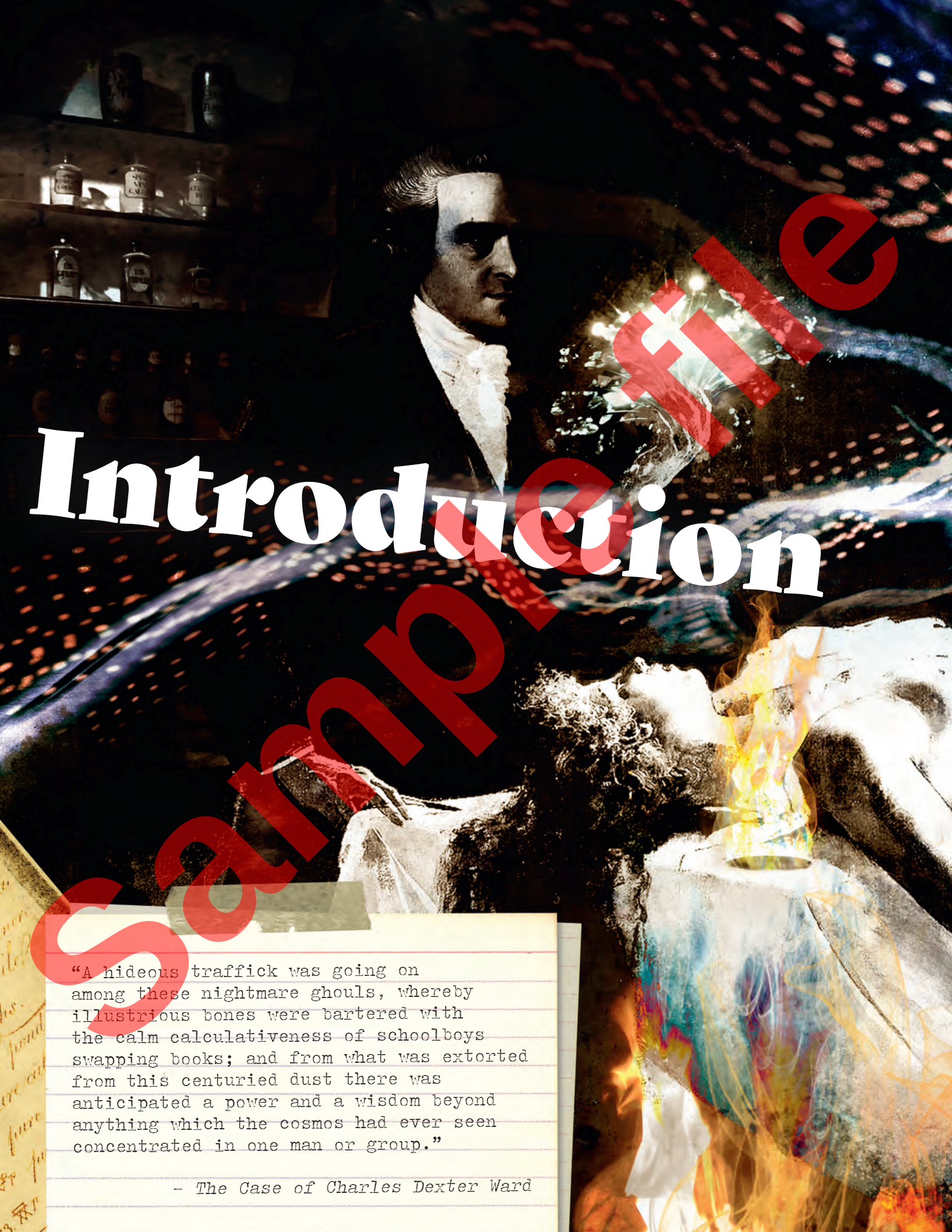
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Introduction

"A hideous traffick was going on among these nightmare ghouls, whereby illustrious bones were bartered with the calm calculativeness of schoolboys swapping books; and from what was extorted from this centuried dust there was anticipated a power and a wisdom beyond anything which the cosmos had ever seen concentrated in one man or group."

- The Case of Charles Dexter Ward



In 1771, brave patriots in Providence, Rhode Island, formed a secret conspiracy to destroy an unnatural necromancer named Joseph Curwen. They disguised their actions as those of the legitimate colonial authority and covered their tracks with total secrecy.

But Curwen was not the only hypergeometer who trafficked with the Outer Gods for power over life and death. His partner Simon Orne escaped Salem ahead of the vigilantes and fled to Europe. In 1928, the resurrected Mercian sorcerer Ógafracoth destroyed Orne's home and library in Prague, but Orne escaped again.

Now, Orne has rebuilt his necromantic laboratory and planted his resumed traffic in human remains inside the Corsican heroin network. The Corsican chemists have ample equipment to spare, and smuggling packages of grayish-blue essential saltes alongside bricks of heroin is simplicity itself. With their aid and cover, Orne will once more accumulate enough unnatural knowledge and power to achieve his unthinkable goals.

Unless brave patriots, in a secret conspiracy disguised as a legitimate authority, stop him again.

Campaign Structure

This collection of linked operations for **FoDG** can serve as a connected campaign, with links between them manifesting primarily through Orne's connection with the heroin trail.

The in-game reason for this structure is that the Agents' current case officer, Agent CARSTAIRS, works in the Department of Justice, which has just taken over jurisdiction of narcotics enforcement from the Treasury and Health Departments with the formation of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs (BNDD) in February of 1968. During the inevitable bureaucratic snowstorm, Carstairs can not only provide cover papers seconding the Agents to the

BNDD "while we're staffing up" but also create plausible cover assignments to task the Agents on—always a desideratum for program operational security.

Alternately, the Handler can drop an individual operation or two into the course of another ongoing investigation as a seeming break or distraction until the full scope of Orne's heroin connection becomes apparent.

Because everything has to be set some time, we have set **The Borellus Connection** in 1967-1968. However, it could be set any time between 1966 and 1970 without too much violence to the underlying history.

The Agents' credentials would come from the Federal Bureau of Narcotics if the operations occur before the creation of the BNDD (the BNDD starts up in February of '68, but CARSTAIRS was busy carving out his little empire out of the wreckage of the FBN well before that, so it's a relatively minor shift). Only Operation **MISTRAL** (p. 302) is tied closely to a particular significant event in May 1968. Still, the Handler could cast the shadowy manifestations of Hastur there as echoes either before or after the May 1968 crescendo of Yellow Sign activity in Paris. It's not like the '60s are short of reasons for students and socialists to take to the streets.

Mission Summaries

The campaign's divided into two groups of missions, and a final confrontation. The first three are all in Asia; the second set takes place in Europe and around the Mediterranean, with a final chase to the United States.

Operation JADE PHOENIX (North-Eastern Burma):

The CIA wants the Kuomintang (anti-communist Chinese)-backed Shan warlord Lung Li Bao assassinated. The Agents are tasked to escort a Marine sniper, Sergeant Adolph Lepus, to Lung's headquarters in the Wa state in northeast Burma. Their orders are to eliminate Lung and return with proof of his involvement in the opium trade. DELTA GREEN has identified one of Lung's advisers, Ming Yuan, as a Kuen-Yuin sorcerer (**FoDG**, pp. 294-296; not to be confused with Kuan-Yin, an entirely unrelated goddess of mercy); Lung's compound is a target-rich environment. The team must travel into Burma, avoiding detection en route, and penetrate the defenses around Lung's compound to ensure Lepus has a clear shot on both targets.

Operation ALONSO (Saigon, Vietnam):

The BNDD assigns the Agents to surveil a drug summit at the Hotel Continental between Unione Corse bosses and emissaries from Marseille. While there, DELTA GREEN wants them to ascertain the status of the Cthulhu cult in the Rung Sat region southeast of the city. The monstrous sorcerer Jean Charrière's laboratory is in the Rung Sat; investigations there, or a lucky break at the Continental lets the Agents spot his deal with Antonio Gomes (see **HORUS HOURS**).