



RUSSIA

ALLIES

China, Saudi Arabia

POSITION

- the Arctic region rightfully belongs to Russia
- from a geological perspective, Russia's continental shelf extends into the Arctic region

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

Make sure the US and its allies do not gain control of the region.



UNITED STATES

ALLIES

Canada, United Kingdom, France

POSITION

- the Arctic region may, or may not, belong to the United States. Exploration is currently underway to determine how far the continental shelf from Alaska extends
- do not let Russia claim sovereignty over the Arctic - this will give them a lot of access to valuable oil reserves

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

If you cannot convincingly stake your claim for the Arctic, lobby for Canada's claim to ownership.



CANADA

ALLIES

United States

POSITION

- the Arctic region rightfully belongs to Canada
- Canada has more Arctic land mass than any other country
- Canada's claim to the Arctic is historical in nature: in the past, the Canadian government relocated Inuit families to the Arctic regions to establish a northern presence
- as the US is highly dependent on your oil supply, you do not want the US to gain control of the Arctic for fear of losing trade.

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

Focus on the fact that in absolute terms, Canada has the largest share of the Arctic in terms of land mass than any other country, and there are historical ties to the Arctic as well.

NORWAY

POSITION

- the Arctic region rightfully belongs to Norway
- from a geological perspective, Norway's continental shelf extends into the Arctic region

DENMARK

ALLIES

France, United Kingdom

POSITION

- the Arctic region rightfully belongs to Denmark
- Greenland, a province of Denmark, has the nearest coastline to the North Pole



ALLIES
Russia

POSITION

Although you have no territorial stake, you want Russia, a close ally, to gain control of the Arctic region as a stable source of oil for your growing economy

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

Make it known that you have unconditional support for Russia should any military confrontations arise



UNITED KINGDOM

ALLIES

United States, Canada

POSITION

Despite having no geographical claim to the Arctic, you would prefer that either Denmark, Finland, the US or Canada gain control of the Arctic as opposed to the Russians, who have a track record of using their monopoly on the European energy market to achieve political ends.

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

Ideally, you would want a EU member state to gain control of the resources so that the EU would not be so dependent upon Russian energy.



FRANCE

ALLIES

United States, Canada, Denmark, Finland

POSITION

Despite having no geographical claim to the Arctic, you would prefer that either Denmark or Finland (EU member states) to gain control of the Arctic as opposed to the Russians, who have a track record of using their monopoly on the European energy market to achieve political ends. If that seems impossible, you would still prefer the US and Canada to Russia.

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

Ideally, you would want a EU member state to gain control of the resources so that the EU would not be so dependent upon Russian energy.



SAUDI ARABIA

ALLIES Russia

POSITION

As a member of OPEC, the dispute regarding the Arctic is causing huge increases in oil prices, which is good news because you are one of the largest oil-exporting countries in the world

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

Try and prevent the US from gaining ownership of the Arctic, as they are highly dependent on your supply of oil



VENEZUELA

ALLIES

Russia

POSITION

As a member of OPEC, this dispute is good for your economy as oil prices are going up, and you are an oil-exporting country.

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

The ongoing dispute is good for your economy, so find a way to keep it going for as long as possible




ALLIES
Russia

POSITION

As a member of OPEC, this dispute is good for your economy as oil prices are going up, and you are an oil-exporting country.

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

Support Russia, and try to prevent any western country (any country allied with the US) from seizing the Arctic.



FINNLAND

ALLIES

United Kingdom, France

POSITION

Geographically speaking, you are in close proximity to the Arctic, which puts you in contention for ownership of the region.