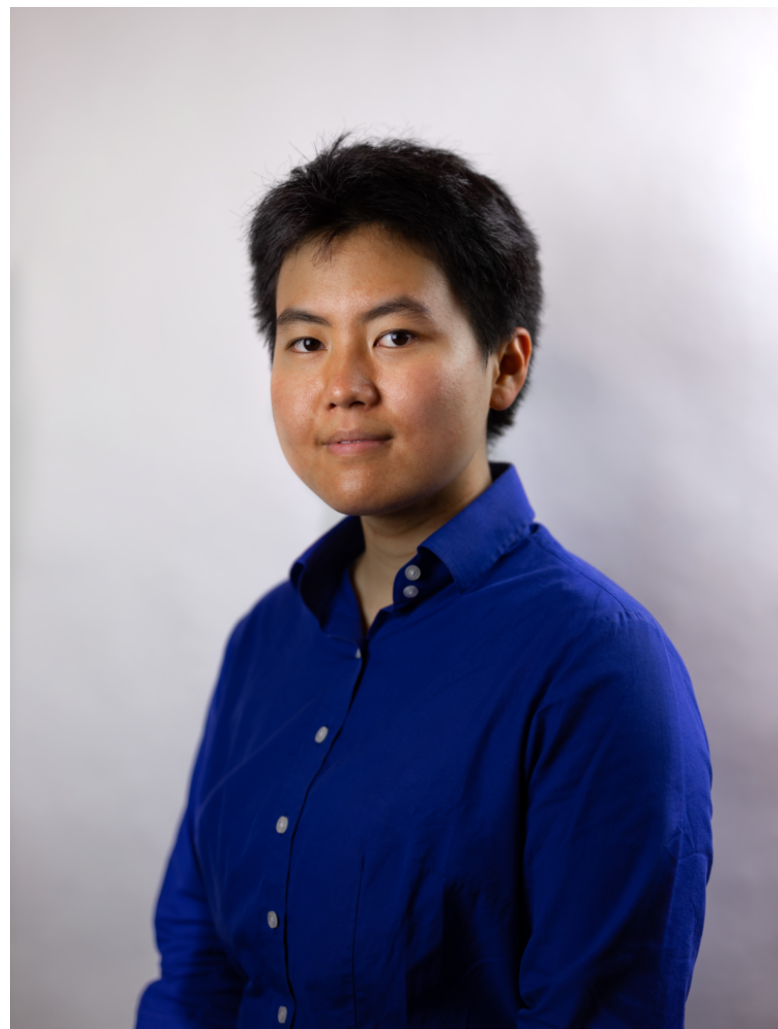




HERE COMES THE SUN (KING): KING LOUIS XIV'S COURT, 1661

This crisis committee will focus on King Louis XIV's transition into leadership after Chief Minister Cardinal Mazarin died in 1661. King Louis XIV was an absolute monarch known for his saying of "L'état, c'est moi!" which means "I am the nation". Delegates will act as members of the King's entourage, which consists of ministers, family and friends, as well as artists who will all exert their differing influences on court proceedings and use their powers as they deem fit to help or hinder Louis XIV and the general wellbeing of France. Potential topics for committee include social-political issues, economic crises (who doesn't love bankruptcy?), and foreign/military policy. As Louis himself increasingly consolidated power and ruled over France with an iron fist, it is up to you all to make sure that the reign of the Sun King stays as grand and glorious as the mirrored halls of Versailles.

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