A Flag For Koblinsk

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INT.BOXROOM - DAY

Silken Red and Silver drapes adorn a vast room littered with important Politicians. A banner reads ‘THE PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF NORTHERN KOBLENSK’.

A bearded man of great presence, signals. The murmurs stop instantly. He is the PRESIDENT.

PRESIDENT
Brothers. Together we have been down the long hard road, some of us have accomplished great deeds, some of us not so...

The President casts a scornful look at Politician #2.

PRESIDENT
But now the time has come to bring a symbol of our country’s greatness to our willing people. Yes, we must design...a flag.

Cue lots of beard stroking and nods in agreement from the Politicians, maybe the odd ‘cough’.

PRESIDENT
We need to come up with an icon for our people, something lofty and suggestive to represent this great country of ours.

A single bony finger wearily reaches to the sky.

POLITICIAN #1
How about a Giraffe.

A solid HUSH spreads across the room.

POLITICIAN #2
A Giraffe you say, what would he be wearing exactly?

POLITICIAN #3
Who says it’s a he. No, I propose the magnificent imp of Kobleinsk!

PRESIDENT
That’s not-

POLITICIAN #4
-What? Who ever heard of an imp with stature.
PRESIDENT
I think we’re going off track here. Perhaps we should stay away from animals or mythical creatures.

POLITICIAN #3
He’s not mythical I met him last Tuesday.

PRESIDENT
That may be the case, look perhaps we should look too something else, something powerful, dynamic, we want to show our people how we’re gonna clean this country up from top to bottom.

POLITICIAN #3
What, like a Dyson?

The President leans over to his assistant.

PRESIDENT
Cancel my twelve O’clock...

TIME DISSOLVE:
SUPER - SEVEN HOURS LATER.

As a lonesome piece of paper with a crude drawing of a giraffe wafts in the breeze, SOBS can be heard.

The President is now grizzled, tie askew, with an empty gaze.

PRESIDENT
Seven hours of my life have passed...Never before has time been so...grueling, I have lost all hope. We haven’t even decided on colour scheme for Christ Fucking sake!

POLITICIAN #1
(To Politician #3)
Looks like mauve’s out of the questions.

FADE OUT

THE END.