

## DATAFILE

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## Update on the Klingon/Romulan Technological Exchange Treaty

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Some new intelligence has been gathered concerning the ongoing cooperation that has been witnessed by UFP operatives between the Klingon Empire and the Romulan Confederation. Evidence to be presented suggests that this cooperation is more widespread and increasingly becoming a direct threat to Federation security.

As has been discussed in earlier intelligence datafiles, the Klingon/Romulan Technological Exchange Treaty was born from the Romulan suggestion to the Klingons that a more unified front against their common enemy (the UFP) was a far more logical and practical choice than continued warfare between them. This idea was brought to the forefront after the abortive attempt by the Romulans to penetrate our defenses past the Neutral Zone by the use of their then newly-developed cloaking device (see Datafile - 1476-AB-6 and "Balance of Terror" for details). When this attempt failed, a closer cooperation with the Klingons was sought, due to the Romulan belief that both governments needed to share technological research if they were ever to compete with the more advanced and unified Federation. Defying all our best computer estimates of the situation, the Klingons agreed to the treaty, showing far more restraint and ability to cooperate with non-Klingons than we felt they were capable of.

The practical aspects of the treaty as we have seen are as follows: the Romulans have given up claim to most of the disputed area between their Star Empire and the Klingon Empire. By and large, these were areas with few usable systems and considered more as buffer zones than anything else (further intelligence must be gathered on these systems, however, as sources have shown

that more intensive surveying is being conducted in this area by the Klingon Imperial Navy than it would seem to warrant). Furthermore, both the Klingons and the Romulans have exchanged items of their technology that, theoretically, would increase each government's potential against their common enemy, the Federation. The Klingons have provided the Romulans with ship design and construction aid as well as the lend/lease (if not outright gift) of a number of older D-7 type Klingon light cruisers. Since the Romulan shipbuilding industry was no match for either the Federation or the Klingon Empire, these ships bolstered the patrolling ability of the Romulans and allowed them to incorporate a number of modifications to their existing *Bird of Prey* class cruiser. Among these modifications are the adoption of Klingon type disruptor banks as primary weapons on many vessels. The adoption of this disruptor technology has also led to widespread use of the Klingon Mark I Hand Disruptors within the Romulan forces.

The Romulans, for their part, have provided the Klingons with their cloaking device technology, but this has proved less than helpful due to the Federation efforts to learn more about combating this threat (see Datafile 1588-FD-9 and the "Enterprise Incident" for more details). Sources have lately been reporting that some research is being conducted within the Klingon Empire to improve the reliability of the cloaking device, but no evidence has been brought forward that these efforts are bearing any fruit. The Romulans also provided the Klingons with their Plasma Beam Technology, which ultimately led to their adoption of a variant of our photon torpedo weapons. It can be as-

sumed that the Romulans are now also in possession of photon torpedo technology.

We now come to the subject of this Datafile. Intelligence reports suggest that the Romulans with the help of Klingon construction engineers, have developed a new and improved class of warship. This *Warbird* class seems to be larger than the *Bird of Prey* type vessel (some reports claim that it could be as large as our *Enterprise* class of modified heavy cruisers) and has a longer range and power ratio that could suggest it is intended as an interstellar raider or scoutship of some kind. No hard data is as yet available, but it can be assumed that this class will carry an improved version of the cloaking device and advanced weaponry of Klingon/Romulan design. It is capable of atmospheric landings and could be considered quite dangerous to our border areas if used against us. This class is now undergoing testing by BOTH the Klingons and the Romulans and, as such, is the first evidence of the Klingons using warships of Romulan design. It is feared that this further evidence of intense cooperation between our main competitors shows a definite threat exists to the security of the Federation. Further intelligence-gathering missions are definitely in order.

