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*I'm asking you to just take a minute out of your day to read through these. It has been an amazing journey, but it's not fully over.  
Just take a minute and read what we have to say.*

# MineCrypt's Resignation

I want to say this is not a rash decision; I've been thinking about this for quite some time. I've been here since Day #1, April 6th to be exact. When I first joined Team Strive it was amazing; a bunch of friends who just hanged out, playing some games. That's what a guild should be. It's been half a year since that moment and things have changed. WoolDye is no longer leader, I've met so many unique and amazing people, had so many experiences. But, when I think of the guild; I just don't see that anymore. I don't see people who just play games for fun, it's different. There was a time when we used to play "Calamity" and "Hoodoo" all the time; that was one of my favorite parts of the guild. But it was missing something. There's been so many people in this guild; so many people I've met; so many people that have just left. When WoolDye left, you would think I was happy? Getting to own the guild, create decisions and steer this back onto the right track. That's not the case. Instead I found myself starting to hate the guild; I had to tell my closest friends what to do. I pretty much had to be the boss of my friends. There's a famous phrase: *"Don't ever involve your work and friends together."* The truth in that sentence. Even though this wasn't a job, it felt like one. Having to come on and resolve conflicts between my closest friends; that's something I just couldn't do. This is what steered me away from the guild. These are my friends; people I've known for months and every single day I feel like I've been pushing them away. That's not something I want in a guild.

People may think I'm over exaggerating; but in reality I just want to have fun. A guild is a place where people can hang out and just enjoy themselves. That's not what I've been experiencing. For the past month or two I've been looking at other guilds; I've been going in their TeamSpeak and seeing how they interact. To my surprise it wasn't the same. Why? Because they have leaders who can get rid of conflict. If there's an issue between two people? Remove one of them. But that's something I just can't do; I can't tell a person I've known for months to just leave. Maybe I'm the reason why conflicts occur; I simply can't tell a person to do something, at least not a friend. But these conflicts fester, they build up and ruin my day. To see some of my closest friends arguing with each other. It truly breaks my heart.

Recently I've just felt pushed away from the guild; I don't feel like I belong. Whenever I go into the TeamSpeak I feel like I shouldn't be there; it's like I'm an outsider. Maybe that's why I've been going and talking to other people. Because at least there I don't feel like I'm being forced out of a place I helped created.

I just can't handle seeing my friends fight with each other. I can't handle the fighting, the drama. It's just not the same for me anymore and I don't want to ruin the memory of my first

guild. However, could I ever leave any of you? No. I'm not a person who will just make friendships I have retained for months and just leave them. It's not something I could do. I want to try out other guilds, meet some new people and just enjoy myself. I want to experience having fun without these other side conflicts. That's why I'm leaving Strive. But I want to be your friend, I want to retain the relationships I had and continue to let them grow. I know that many people are going to hate me, trash talk behind my back and just lose all respect for me. I know there's going to be people that are mad, I'll give them all the time in the world. I simply want to have friends that I can talk to; without fear of having to yell at them or give them punishments. I want friends, not conflict. I would love to be able to talk to you guys; come on TeamSpeak, be a third party friend. If you hate me, then let it be. But I just hope that you can understand where I am coming from. If you guys understand; I will actually be talking to you more than ever. If you hate me; then I'm sorry I disappointed you. If you want to continue being my friend, then I hope we can continue to talk and enjoy playing with each other.

I'm not saying Goodbye, I'm not leaving you guys, I'm leaving the guild. You guys are some of my closest friends but I just don't want to be a member. I don't want to have to make decisions about applications, I don't want to have to kick a person, I don't want to have to stop conflict between two people. I want to have friends I can talk to and enjoy myself, nothing else. If I'm not hated I will actually be more active, I will want to do more custom maps, I will want to enjoy myself and just have a good time. I'm going to go; try out other guilds, see how they are, just enjoy meeting new people. One day, maybe sooner; maybe later, I might come back to Team Strive. I just want to experience something different. I know some people are going to hate me, but if you understand where I am coming from, if you know the pain this is bringing me. I hope you don't partake with those people who will trash me because if you understand why I am doing this; I truly respect you.

Quick Note:

- I am transferring the guild to Tesla.
- I will continue to host the Team Strive TeamSpeak.
- I hope you understand where I am coming from.

- Crypt



## Monkey's Resignation

I know the majority of you saw this coming and resent me for doing so, but "Yes" I am leaving Strive. As many of you may or may not know, I am or was the 2nd documented member of Team Strive preceding MineCrypt. Back when I joined, the guild stood for something different; it was a small tightly knit group of friends dedicated to the arena brawl gametype. Since then the guild has developed into something much larger than originally expected, branching out to the various pvp gametypes. Strive was my first guild and it will continue to be remembered for just that; the guild where I forged some of the best friendships I still share today. I hope that I am able to keep in contact with the majority of you, by occasionally dropping by the Team Strive TS, in the hopes of reconnecting with friends. I realize this decision will most likely bring me more hate than that of acceptance, but I am willing to embrace it. I have come to choose this path in the hope of retaining what I have always enjoyed about minecraft; connecting with fellow players who generally enjoy the game and have fun doing so. I dont see this in Strive, everyday I found there to be some form of guild drama, something that should be nonexistent in a group of friends. Well, that about sums up my departure. I hope to talk to you all very soon under good circumstances.

## Tesla's Resignation

Firstly, to whoever is reading, I am sorry. I did not want to leave Team Strive but recent events have made it necessary. I was a very early member, perhaps the fourth of Team Strive and an officer after a couple of weeks. I enjoyed the guild greatly and it was an incredible experience for me. The month preceding summer was when it really became amazing. We accepted several excellent members and we began to grow our community. It was just right. We played games together and generally had an excellent time. We even ventured onto other servers and onto private ones. Friendships were made, members left.

All of this was made far better by the good news from my Jr. Helper Coach Didag. I was a Jr. Helper! Me and my friend Ozzy were awarded the chance to help the server, which we did with great gusto. It allowed us to enjoy the server on several different levels. Suddenly, our leader WoolDye decided to expand our guild into Mega Walls and Blitz. Here, is where I feel the guild began to decline. Over the next weeks, we grew and grew. I projected an excited air, but I was worried. Would we lose who we were in this flood of new members? Over time, WoolDye became less active. We began to have problems concerning drama, among many other problems. I attempted to project an air of positivity, but me and many of the senior members missed the old days when we were small and closely knit.

I came on the forums to a message on my profile congratulating me on Guild Leader, but it did not in any way prepare me to come on and find our guild had half the members, with almost all of the senior ones missing. It was an absolute shock. I logged on to TS, and everything was explained to me, and I was left to make this decision. When I came to this result, I realized instantly that it was the right thing to do. I am leaving because this guild no longer holds what I find important in a guild. I never wanted to do this and I feel almost forced into it, but I have realized now that it is for the best. Good things will come out of this, I hope. I really enjoyed being an officer of this guild and I miss the experience already. I want to thank all of you for being exceptional community of friends. I have some individual thanks prepared for a few certain members.

**WoolDye** ∞ If it were not for you, I would have never joined this guild. You told be about this guild, and I had to make some tough decisions and leave my old one. I will not forget your generosity and kind spirit. You are an incredible moderator and I look forward to the date you return a sa staff member. Please come on and play some games with us now and then when you have the time.

**MineCrypt** ∞ You have been a legendary friend. I have known you for an incredibly long time and it feels so short now, although I know that our friendship is far from over. You are an amazing dedicated player and an incredible addition to the elite team, and one of my best six friends on this server. (The people I follow). I really hope we can continue to be friends, and that you find your way in the world. Good luck in college!

**monkeythemidl** ∞ You have been a great friend. I have had lots of fun conversations and Mega Walls games with you. You and MasterChief are great clutch partners and I had so much fun with you in the “Murder hole” outside of left base! I hope we can do this again sometimes.

**All the officers of Team Strive** ∞ You guys have helped me to grow so much. You all have great qualities that all people should have, and I will really miss you guys. You guys were some of my best friends and I want to continue to keep in contact. I hope you all find your way

**All the members of Team Strive** ∞ I have had so much fun with you guys. I don’t have time to name the specifics of you guys, but you know who you are and how special you all are to me. I will not forget about you guys.

**A couple of important notes:**

- I will be joining BlueCrew as soon as I can get in contact with Freylise80. If I fail, I will reconsider what guild to join next.
- I will continue to be in the “Hangout TS” and my activity on the server will not diminish in any way.

Thank you for reading my letter. I will miss you all, please message me every once in a while.