Path to here entry, by 4856 Macron Sadow. This entry generally covers the events of 39 ABY in Macron’s life. This will be a long-needed update of my personal wiki.

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