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Foreign Minister SHIGEMITSU Mamoru is a strong believer in the preservation of the status quo and is deeply antagonistic to new ideas which might create problems for him. SHIGEMITSU's political career shows his stubbornness and thick skin, which allow him to weather the most vitriolic criticism. He is incapable of aggressive, vigorous leadership, or of the imagination necessary for a position of power, although he has tremendous ambition.

ND - Nothing additional to personality info on Shigemitsu that is already available

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