Karl Von Clausewitz

1780-1831
“War is Merely A Continuation of Politics”
Karl Von Clausewitz was a Prussian Military officer and strategist who came from a middle class social background.

At the age of 13 he entered combat as a cadet and eventually rose to the rank of major general by 38.

Spent a lot of time on garrison duty, which allowed him to spend time educating himself.

He studied philosophy, literature and developed basic strategy concepts.

Clausewitz married into high society
Clausewitz wrote a book entitled “On War”. This book is considered to be one of the most influential books of all time. On War is often misunderstood; it was written after his death and was a compilation of his rough notes and ideas edited by his wife. “On War” has been translated into every major language.
What is his Political Ideology?

“IT is necessary to consider political interests of a nation over military goals.”

Clausewitz believed that war should be used as a continuation of politics.

If it benefits you country it is acceptable to do whatever it takes to achieve your goal.
Political Ideology Cont’d

“The conqueror is always a lover of peace; he would prefer to take over our country unopposed.”

Clausewitz believed that even military force had to be subordinate to political aims and objectives of the state.

His writing accepted the existence of political violence as acceptable.
How do K.V.C’s Theories Apply to Icena?

- Although our approaches are somewhat different, we are both interested in the greater good of our nation.
- After reviewing his theories we have discovered that sometimes in order to achieve what's good for your nation you must go to war.
- Both of us take time to examine issues from every aspect before coming to a conclusion.
- Both of us combine realist and idealist philosophies.
Just be thankful you’re Not this guy!!!!!!!