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Kiu Ghesik
Powerbroker

Posts: 9373
Founded: Aug 25, 2020
Democratic Socialists

by **Kiu Ghesik** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:16 pm

Zitravgrad wrote:

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Western Fardelshufflestein
Senator

Posts: 4744
Founded: Apr 21, 2020
Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Western Fardelshufflestein** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:20 pm

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Zitavrgrad
Ambassador

Posts: 1218
Founded: Sep 27, 2017
Inoffensive Centrist
Democracy

by **Zitavrgrad** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:30 pm

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* * United Federation of Zitavrgrad * *

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Providenska's Herald: "Publish or Perish" culture contributes to s

by **Kiu Ghesik** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:35 pm

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**Western
Fardelshuffelestein**
Senator

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Founded: Apr 21, 2020
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by **Western Fardelshufflestein** » Mon Jan 25, 2021
7:55 pm

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Agreed. Hopefully, my posts aren't *too* low-effort...but, yes, my responses aren't always top-notch....

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The Last Stars

Envoy

Posts: 324

Founded: Apr 21, 2016

Iron Fist Consumerists

by **The Last Stars** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 8:17 pm

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I don't think I'm going to use NS stats...

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Senator

Posts: 4744

Founded: Apr 21, 2020

Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Western Fardelshufflestein** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 8:44 pm

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Lots of people were tired of seeing it, and I need to move on from something that's irritating others. But I can still use it on that one thread.

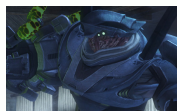
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Valentine Z

Postmaster-General

Posts: 11602

Founded: Nov 08, 2015

Democratic Socialists

by **Valentine Z** » Tue Jan 26, 2021 6:54 am

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Nah, I get what they mean, don't worry. 😊

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Free Stalliongrad
Envoy

Posts: 338
Founded: Jun 01, 2020
Democratic Socialists

by **Free Stalliongrad** » Tue Jan 26, 2021 1:40 pm

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Ruritane
Spokesperson

Posts: 130
Founded: Mar 06, 2019
Ex-Nation

by **Ruritane** » Tue Jan 26, 2021 2:37 pm

Free Stalliongrad wrote:

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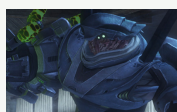
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All of my factbook lore is from F&NI. I copy and paste.

Puppet of [Voxija](#).

Joke puppet

I don't know if this nation represents my political views.



Valentine Z
Postmaster-General

Posts: 11602
Founded: Nov 08, 2015
Democratic Socialists

by **Valentine Z** » Tue Jan 26, 2021 2:58 pm

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I am a bit of a particular person when it comes to how things look. For the most parts, I do use Factbooks and Dispatches thanks to their much more advanced BBcodes and formatting options, no problem with that!

However, I do have The Sixty, as well as stories, on the forums because of the relatively minimal formatting needed, and also because I like how the text looks on there.

Of another note is yeah, I do document and keep almost everything I write on F7. It helps save them before they are purged, and I used them again now and then for adding more stuff. ^^

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Reaper Squadron

Civilian

Posts: 1

Founded: Dec 14, 2020
Iron Fist Consumerists

by [Reaper Squadron](#) » Wed Jan 27, 2021 12:17 am

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People who press 'enter' a couple of times/more than once instead of using a [hr] tag.

"Standing here, I realize you are just like me, trying to make history."

"But who's to judge the right from wrong? When our guard is down, I think we'll both agree..."

"That violence breeds violence, but in the end, it has to be this way."

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Baizou

Spokesperson

Posts: 124

Founded: Jan 02, 2018
Liberal Democratic
Socialists

by [Baizou](#) » Wed Jan 27, 2021 1:42 am

Reaper Squadron wrote:

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Ah, I notice that too! Like you said, I know it isn't *that* big a deal... but it seems so inefficient! ^^;

Last edited by [Baizou](#) on Wed Jan 27, 2021 1:42 am, edited 1 time in total.

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Flag features **Ambassador Mizushima**.



Zeloria

Envoy

Posts: 213

Founded: Apr 21, 2020
Left-wing Utopia

by [Zeloria](#) » Wed Jan 27, 2021 5:50 am

Reaper Squadron wrote:

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Oh, so thats what [hr] does, well now I know.



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Aikoland
Ambassador

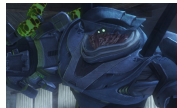
Posts: 1885
Founded: Dec 22, 2011
Capitalist Paradise

by **Aikoland** » Wed Jan 27, 2021 6:28 am

Related to the [hr] tag stuff: People who don't know that you're not supposed to use linebreaks when making tables so they end up having posts with massive amounts of empty space because of how the forum software interprets linebreaks in table BBCode.

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Postmaster-General

Posts: 11602
Founded: Nov 08, 2015
Democratic Socialists

by **Valentine Z** » Wed Jan 27, 2021 8:16 am

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Related to the [hr] tag stuff: People who don't know that you're not supposed to use linebreaks when making tables so they end up having posts with massive amounts of empty space because of how the forum software interprets linebreaks in table BBCode.

Or just a lot of linebreaks in general, not just limited to the forums, but because they kept hitting Enter after every line.

So it looks so spaced apart.

Like so.

And then you quickly hit the 8 line limit.

[Val's Stuff](#). ≡ ^_^ ≡ [For You](#)

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Dayganistan
Ambassador

Posts: 1453
Founded: May 02, 2016
Father Knows Best State

by **Dayganistan** » Wed Jan 27, 2021 11:22 am

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Republic of Dayganistan

A secular, Tajik dominated state in Central Asia which has experienced 40 years of democratic backsliding. NS stats are NOT used.



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*laughs in quality-over-quantity doctrine



Occentia
Attaché

Posts: 87
Founded: Jan 19, 2021
Ex-Nation

by **Occentia** » Wed Jan 27, 2021 12:56 pm

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Emperor: David III | Chancellor: Bradley Reynolds (LDP-IL) | Speaker: Andrew Rao (Con-CA)

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Azur Deutschland
Diplomat

Posts: 710
Founded: Jun 23, 2020
Iron Fist Consumerists

by **Azur Deutschland** » Wed Jan 27, 2021 1:00 pm

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Why not talk about RP with natural disasters?
Same thing.

"I'm sending 10,000 doctors, 500 ambulances and 20,000 humanitarian aid!"

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Sanghyeok

by **Sanghyeok** » Wed Jan 27, 2021 4:02 pm

Azur Deutschland wrote:

Dayganistan wrote:

Negotiator

Posts: 5035

Founded: Dec 29, 2016
Ex-Nation

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I agree completely. I hope someday there's a war RP with a more human focus where I can expand on individual emotions and motives rather than "Let's both use large armies without explaining the implications."

どんな時も、赤旗の眩しさを覚えていた

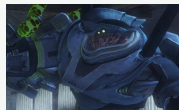
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Postmaster-General

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Azur Deutschland wrote:

I'm going to quote myself with something I said in a different thread:

I agree completely. I hope someday there's a war RP with a more human focus where I can expand on individual emotions and motives rather than "Let's both use large armies without explaining the implications."

If you're an OP, you can definitely set these rules in a RP. Though it's a little tedious, and I can't pretend to know because I have not really done war RPs before.

But I do know even in a dinner RP you need to make sure no one is packing heat.

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