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Union of Catgirls and **Magical Girls**

Secretary

Posts: 26

Founded: Aug 30, 2020

Fx-Nation

Dby Union of Catgirls and Magical Girls » Sun Dec 27, 2020 7:39 pm

Dominioan wrote:

If I had to rank the biggest cliches, they would be:

2: Soviet Union, but never any other form of Russia because they no gobbunizt >>==(((

3: Anime

Hmm..... I'm not sure what you mean? Idk?

Last edited by Union of Catgirls and Magical Girls on Sun Dec 27, 2020 7:39 pm, edited 1 time in total.

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Cody from Alternate History Hub: What if the Soviet Union does not collapse and invents Anime and Hentai instead of Japan?

Get in the robot, Khruschev!

This nation represents 100% of my RL political views - and no, not sarcastically



Surrealist Patagonia

Posts: 109

Founded: Oct 07, 2019 Democratic Socialists

by Surrealist Patagonia » Sun Dec 27, 2020 7:45 pm

anime bad

The Avant-Gardist State of Patagonia ∼∼∼ Gauchos and Mapuches, orgies and parties, avant-garde art, futurism, syndicalism, the New Man, general strikes, the glorification of violence, spiritual nationalism, esoteric occultism, CIA spooks, Spartanian homosexuality, public sodomy, and more

Triomphe du Surréalisme (1968)

- There are many things said about Patagonia but few actually know what goes on behind the Andes mountains. Tales of human deprayation and man's inner darkest self run wild. A place where avant-garde culture flourish and the artist don't fear the censor. Where all live bold and free under the gaze of the Patron. Yet all dreams will come to an end soon...
- Not expecting an essay. Just a couple of sentences that shows that you know my work well enough

Dby Rezmaeristan » Sun Dec 27, 2020 7:50 pm

Are Tocharian/generic South-Central Asian nations a cliche?

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Rezmaeristan

Envoy

Posts: 339

Founded: Nov 19, 2018

I have run into two, one in my region and one that TG'd me about it.

Rezmaeristan mostly represents my views, but in some ways represents stereotypes of fascist countries.

My IRL positions

A South-Central Asian national syndicalist elected monarchy, isolated by mountains and deserts.

■ (Put this in your Signature if you are a Fascist Nation!)

"Neither left, nor right, nor even center" - Official position of the Mouvement Populaire de la Revolution

I'm a proud member of the Dark Light Family Forum posts are non-canon if they conflict with the Factbook. Accidental policies: No Sports



Snokesperson

Posts: 124 Founded: Jan 02, 2018 Liberal Democratic Socialists

Kiu Ghesik wrote:

I make the distinction because I'd hesitate to classify nations like Khoronzon as "anime nations", and Khoronzon uses that art style for his leaders.

I appreciate that distinction, Kiu! I've only gotten it once or twice, but I find it odd when Baizou is called anime for the reason you just described—the art portraying the leaders is anime-style, but nothing about the narrative is "anime." I just don't want to use a real person's photo to portray a fake person. Feels better to use a fake person to portray a fake person.

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Gandoor Powerbroker

Posts: 9909

Founded: Sep 23, 2008 Civil Rights Lovefest

□by **Gandoor** » Sun Dec 27, 2020 7:56 pm

Is this the time where I point out that anime literally just means 'animation produced in Japan for a Japanese audience' and accusing something of being 'anime' makes zero sense because anime as a medium can range from shows literally aimed at preschoolers that wouldn't be out of place on channels like Nick Jr. to dramas aimed at adult audiences and everything in between lol.

Yes this is the weeb in me speaking right now.

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Posts: 124 Founded: Jan 02, 2018 Liberal Democratic Socialists

Dby Baizou » Sun Dec 27, 2020 7:58 pm

Gandoor wrote:

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Yes this is the weeb in me speaking right now.

No, that's very fair and worth pointing out! I guess I stumbled into the pitfall myself when I would usually try to be more careful. When the medium runs the gamut from Anpanman to Wanpanman, it's not particularly descriptive of anything besides place of origin and first audience.

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Kiu Ghesik

Posts: 9373

Founded: Aug 25, 2020 Democratic Socialists □ by **Kiu Ghesik** » Sun Dec 27, 2020 7:59 pm

Baizou wrote:

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Yeah, that's it- to what Gandoor said. It's largely the cultural differences, and, I think, more importantly the blind reproduction of tropes rooted in those cultural differences without understanding them, that makes something "anime".

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This absolutely. I'd prefer spending an hour just reloading thispersondoesnotexist.com until I get a picture that vaguely works for an MT leader than I would use a real political figure; the only exception with that was Bert, just because I had a specific image in mind for him that I knew an actual picture existed for.

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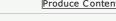
Yeah, that explains it pretty well, I think.

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Gandoor Powerbroker

Posts: 9909 Founded: Sep 23, 2008 Civil Rights Lovefest \square by **Gandoor** » Sun Dec 27, 2020 8:03 pm

TBH all the pics I've used of people in my nation's history are just gotten off like google images.

Hell I think I stole my current Prime Minister's pic off fuckin Aliexpress or something.

Which probably means the person in the photos is Chinese and not Korean but at least I've got a few pics I can use instead of just one over and over Imaoooooo

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Reminder that true left-wing politics are incompatible with imperialism, authoritarianism, and dictatorship in all forms.



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Posts: 316 Founded: Nov 27, 2019 Democratic Socialists

Dby Feyrisshire » Sun Dec 27, 2020 8:03 pm

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Kiu Ghesik

Founded: Aug 25, 2020 Democratic Socialists

☐ by **Kiu Ghesik** » Sun Dec 27, 2020 8:04 pm

Gandoor wrote:

at least I've got a few pics I can use instead of just one over and over lma0000000

Ye, that's the downside of trying to find the perfect picture. You'll only ever have one.



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Western Fardelshufflestein Senator

Posts: 4744

Founded: Apr 21, 2020 Civil Rights Lovefest

by Western Fardelshufflestein » Sun Dec 27, 2020 8:06 pm

Kiu Ghesik wrote:

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Ye, that's the downside of trying to find the perfect picture. You'll only ever have one.

The downside of using thispersondoesnotexist.com.

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by **Gandoor** » Sun Dec 27, 2020 8:13 pm

Fevrisshire wrote:



Gandoor

Posts: 9909 Founded: Sep 23, 2008 Civil Rights Lovefest

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This is getting off-topic (or well as much off-topic as this thread can get) but I just call anime 'cartoons' tbh, unless I specifically need to distinguish between it and non-Japanese stuff, because it is all cartoons.

Although I guess 'cartoons' is even more vague but whatever.

OOC - Call me Viola

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The Lordship of Trokondas

Posts: 0

Founded: Dec 10, 2020 Psychotic Dictatorship $\hfill \Box$ by The Lordship of Trokondas » Sun Dec 27, 2020 8:19 pm

Kiu Ghesik wrote:

Gandoor wrote:

at least I've got a few pics I can use instead of just one over and over $\mbox{\it lma}$ oooooo

Ye, that's the downside of trying to find the perfect picture. You'll only ever have one.

One of the good things about PT nations, I think, is how you can pretend that the different pictures are just different depictions of the same person based on how the people of the time imagine them to have looked (quick sorta example, Julius C.), and it sort of work without having to rely on the pictures actually looking like the same person or having the same style.

Take 2 on being active, let's see how it goes! Alt. of $\underline{\text{Hamatu}}$

Late Medieval (Set 1239 CE). A Byzantine Successor State. Maybe Magical,
Maybe Not. Has Some Indigenous <u>Anatolian</u> Influences
Technically Religiously Syncretic (Byzantine Orthodox Saints - <u>Ancient Anatolian Deities</u>). Not Crusaders (Again, Not Crusaders). But Definitely CharacterOriented (<u>Lord Trokondas/Princess Euphrosyne/</u>Lady Bassaine)



Zeloria Envov

Posts: 213

Founded: Apr 21, 2020 Left-wing Utopia ☐ by **Zeloria** » Mon Dec 28, 2020 5:02 am

A few cliche's I know about: futuristic space nations meme leaders self-decrepitating jokes in threads like these





Hlansteurna Lobbyist

Posts: 17 Founded: Dec 16, 2020 Ex-Nation

🗋 by **Hlansteurna** » Mon Dec 28, 2020 5:29 am cursed bullshit and anime are a diche

□by Gandoor » Mon Dec 28, 2020 6:16 am

OK I think at this point we can say that 'mentioning anime in the NS Cliches thread is a cliche'.



Gandoor

Posts: 9909

Founded: Sep 23, 2008 Civil Rights Lovefest

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Valentine Z Postmaster-General

Posts: 11602 Founded: Nov 08, 2015 Democratic Socialists

□ by **Valentine Z** » Mon Dec 28, 2020 7:03 am

Hlansteurna wrote:

cursed bullshit and anime are a cliche

He says, as he has a waifu on his flag.

Val's Stuff. ≡ ^_^ ≡ For You

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Kiu Ghesik Powerbroker

Posts: 9373

Founded: Aug 25, 2020

Democratic Socialists

☐ by **Kiu Ghesik** » Mon Dec 28, 2020 8:54 am

Gandoor wrote:

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Clichéception?



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Remulia

Posts: 594

Founded: Jun 22, 2014 Inoffensive Centrist

Democracy

□ by **Remulia** » Mon Dec 28, 2020 9:06 am

Kiu Ghesik wrote:

Gandoor wrote:

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Clichéception?

Clichception...

FACTBOOKS and DISPATCHES

NSstats aren't used by this nation.

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Dayganistan

Posts: 1453

Founded: May 02, 2016 Father Knows Best State Dby Dayganistan » Mon Dec 28, 2020 12:20 pm

I'll admit to being guilty of a cliche. Using pictures of an attractive person as your leader. I'm slightly subverting it though because I use pictures of the first lady of Azerbaijan for my leader rather than some model or something.

One cliche I really don't like is giant world spanning empires. I've been having difficulty finding RPs I can do with my nation because I'm not interested in getting curbed stomped by some Soviet Union, German Empire that controls all of Europe, or USA that controls all of North and South America. Besides, if you want a reasonably strong nation I think there's more creativity to be had in middle powers as long as you don't fall into the trap of "European social democracy that's maybe a constitutional monarchy."

Republic of Dayganistan

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



Baizou Spokasparson

osts: 124

Founded: Jan 02, 2018 Liberal Democratic

Socialists

□by **Baizou** » Mon Dec 28, 2020 12:28 pm

Dayganistan wrote:

"European social democracy that's maybe a constitutional monarchy."

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>_>;;

Emphasis on European, right? ^~^;

The above is in good fun, of course! I'm just poking fun at myself because I know Baizou does hit a few standard NationStates tropes with its social democracy and constitutional sovereign.

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Western Fardelshufflestein Senator

Posts: 4744 Founded: Apr 21, 2020 Civil Rights Lovefest $\hfill \square$ by Western Fardelshufflestein » Mon Dec 28, 2020 12:54 pm

Zeloria wrote:

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2/3 ain't bad! (Referring to myself.)

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Agreed with the attractive leader cliche. Alastair looks like a regular middleaged guy, even though he's a monarch--and I wouldn't have it any other way.

I don't have an interest in military stuff, and I'm not knowledgeable about

modern warfare, anyway, so I do diplomatic/cursed RPs.

Last edited by Western Fardelshufflestein on Mon Dec 28, 2020 12:55 pm, edited 1 time in total.

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Remulia Diplomat

Posts: 594
Founded: Jun 22, 2014
Inoffensive Centrist

□by **Remulia** » Mon Dec 28, 2020 1:09 pm

Oh, great. This nations has TWO cliches...what a shame!!!

FACTBOOKS and DISPATCHES

NSstats aren't used by this nation.

A Class 0,5 Civilization according to this index.



Voxija Ambassador

Founded: Jan 17, 2019 Civil Rights Lovefest \square by \mathbf{Voxija} » Mon Dec 28, 2020 1:11 pm

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I sometimes use models for pictures of Voxijans, but never for the leaders. The leader I started this nation with, Bixenta Agirre, used the picture of a leader of Mauritius. When I had an election, I searched and searched for the perfect picture to represent Etor Gurraniz, but I wound up with another Mauritian politician. Something about that small African island...

For the rest of my people, I use pictures of people of various ethnicities. I've gone through Mexican, Nicaraguan, Spanish, Portuguese, Filipino, Venezuelan, Indonesian, Indian, Arab, Puerto Rican, and Brazilian, plus some others that I don't remember. I used to have a factbook called "Faces of Voxija", but I got rid of it after some creep implied that the sole purpose of my nation is for hot brown girls.

I always use real people, although I used a cartoon to demonstrate my national animal. No anime for me! Also no "This person does not exist". My choice of images might be creepy, but at least I'm not a cliche.

The Republic of **Voxija** (pronounced: Voshiya)

my politics are confused and muddled

ooc IC

Most of my grammar errors are on purpose. Sppeling errors, tho...

I'd rather be fishing. | Author of Issues 1324 and 1346.

Generic MT liberal democracy Meh. \mid I think that by now I've created more lore for my nation than most real-world nations have.

Disclaimer: the views of my characters do not necessarily represent the views of the author.



Fardelshufflestein

Founded: Apr 21, 2020 Civil Rights Lovefest

Voxija wrote:

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I found "this person does not exist" from that NS list of links, and that is how I got WFs modern leaders. Alastair's picture is seriously on point.

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