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□ by **Kiu Ghesik** » Tue Feb 23, 2021 8:07 am

a sort of reverse-trope that i dislike: making your fantasy world with generic fantasy races aloy, but then just taking those generic races and instead of rolling with it and making something cool, having to throw in a single massive twist out of left field like MY ELVES ARE SILICON-BASED LIFEFORMS that was intended to make them "distinct" from other fantasy settings but just doesn't add anything to worldbuilding beyond complexity that impacts the story in no functional way.

i'm kind of guilty of this in a setting i actually decided would be fun to write as of... thirty seconds ago, but that's more because i had a dream about "the age of empires but the european-analogue nations are all run by kobolds" i should really not read king leopold's ghost right before bed because if i do i have a dream about king leokobold's ghost and kobolds colonizing the dark continent and then i have to make that into prewriting despite my better judgement

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South Reinkalistan

Posts: 1785 Founded: Mar 12, 2019 Corrupt Dictatorship

by South Reinkalistan » Tue Feb 23, 2021 8:07 am

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United Communal Burrow Republics

Lobbyist

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Socialists

by United Communal Burrow Republics » Tue Feb 23,

I suppose it's a trope in alternate history and geopolitics games in general, but the trope of Rome or the Byzantines inexplicably never falling and becoming massive modern globe spanning nationstates despite no clear change to tactics or politics. Instead it's usually either that some group of soldiers in some battle just fight harder, or they just somehow miraculously raise 40 new

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Caribbean Confederation

Spokesperson

Posts: 155

Founded: Feb 09, 2021

Ex-Nation

by Caribbean Confederation » Tue Feb 23, 2021 8:22

Here's one, but I suffer from it too. There's always a punching bag in worldbuilding. A country that is both cartoonishly evil enough that nobody likes it, that is so outrageously, comically "bad" enough that it can't garner support, and that is so utterly stupid in its actions that nothing it does goes right. They're always starving, there's no infrastructure to speak of, they're failing in their missions (losing 3 trillion soldiers to 2 garrison guardians with a spear after 17 months of battle), their armaments fail to blow, or blow where they're not supposed to, and there's somehow a united front against them by countries that would be ideologically opposed enough one might side with said evil country irl.

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Zeloria Envov

Posts: 213

Founded: Apr 21, 2020

Left-wing Utopia

☐ by **Zeloria** » Tue Feb 23, 2021 8:52 am

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What you just described almost sounds like North Korea, except the united front part.





The Alkdorian Empire

Secretary

Posts: 31

Founded: Oct 02, 2020

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□ by The Alkdorian Empire » Tue Feb 23, 2021 8:56 am

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Riu Ghesik

Posts: 9373 Founded: Aug 25, 2020 Democratic Socialists □ by **Kiu Ghesik** » Tue Feb 23, 2021 8:58 am

The Alkdorian Empire wrote:

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North Korea is a nuclear state that actually has a pretty large base of supporters all around the West that go as far as to suggest that everything bad about it is just propaganda. Imagine North Korea, but not only is it shitty, the only reason it exists is also because South Korea is a gudboi that doesn't want to break international law by unifying the country, that China has closed its borders to them and shoots poor North Koreans escaping from the northern borders, that been limited to only 5 kilometers far from its coasts with an ever-vigilant, ever-present global coalition blockade shooting every ship they send away, etc. etc.

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Dayganistan Ambassador

Posts: 1453 Founded: May 02, 2016 Father Knows Best State by **Dayganistan** » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:05 am

Synne Industries wrote:

plane rant

The F-22 is a pretty big offender here, but so are American bombers. The amount of times I see B-52s, B-2s and B-1s being used is almost comical. If you want a bomber, the US and Russia aren't going to be exporting their strategic bombers to you. Best you'll get is something like the F-111 or Tu-22 if you want a bomber, or more likely you'll go the fighter-bomber route with something like the Strike Eagle or Tornado.

Republic of Dayganistan

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Aureumterra III Diplomat

Posts: 778 Founded: Sep 21, 2020 Iron Fist Consumerists Dby Aureumterra III » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:11 am

South Reinkalistan wrote:

Valentine Z wrote:

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* The Empire of Aureumterra

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- Add 4 years to my nation TL;DR Nordic Oppressive Absolute Empire

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Gandoor Powerbroke

Posts: 9909 Founded: Sep 23, 2008 Civil Rights Lovefest \square by **Gandoor** » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:15 am

Players who get like one warning and then basically go 'fuck it' and commit suicide by mod.

Even funnier when the warning is over something *super minor* like gravedigging or something.

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South Reinkalistan Ambassador

Posts: 1785

Founded: Mar 12, 2019 Corrupt Dictatorship by South Reinkalistan » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:15 am

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South Reinkalistan wrote:

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Beyond being situated in the Atlantic?

Ehh.

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yeah, saw that it's pretty good comedy at least

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Caribbean Confederation Spokesperson

Posts: 155

Founded: Feb 09, 2021

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by Caribbean Confederation » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:17

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Hamatu Civil Servant

Founded: Oct 02, 2019 Father Knows Best State □by Hamatu » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:22 am

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Also, there are those nations that're basically just snippets from the US Wikipedia page, with little or no change.

Don't Forget the Mermaids! (Though you don't have to constantly bring them up

either!)

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Valentine Z Postmaster-General

Posts: 11602 Founded: Nov 08, 2015 Democratic Socialists □ by Valentine Z » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:22 am

Kiu Ghesik wrote:

The Alkdorian Empire wrote:

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It's a mix for me. Most of the time I wrote the lore first then the picture. If I do the vice-versa, I found that I tend to fit the lore of that Valentian too much to the original source of that game.

So if I have the appearance first (e.g. Elizabeth from Bioshock Infinite), I found it slightly more difficult to wrap my lore around that. I think I should just go with the lore and make the picture the secondary.

Val's Stuff. ≡ ^_^ ≡ For You

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Kiu Ghesik

Posts: 9373 Founded: Aug 25, 2020 Democratic Socialists □by **Kiu Ghesik** » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:24 am

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Gandoor Powerbroker

Posts: 9909 Founded: Sep 23, 2008 Civil Rights Lovefest □ by Gandoor » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:27 am

Aphantasia gang rise up!!!!

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Las Palmeras Minister

Posts: 3375 Founded: Jun 15, 2012 New York Times Democracy Dby Las Palmeras » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:27 am

Hamatu wrote:

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Inverted Atlantis has even sorta been done, but no major straight-and-out *Atlantis* nations!

I HAVE BEEN SUMMONED

I love the theme and even wrote a report about it, read several books about it, Nadia: The Secret of Blue Water (which revolves around Atlantis and ancient aliens) is probably my favorite anime, I planned to make my thesis about the historiography of Atlantis in out-dated theories (before I switched to something less demanding) and I had a WW2 page dedicated to ancient artifact recollection as LP was the Atlantis beyond the Pillars of Hercules that collapsed before the Egyptian Old Kingdom…but I ret-conned it and stuck to teasing about the theme.

That year I got really busy organizing a conference over potsherds in archaeology...so ironically...the history archaeology took me away from the (fictional) history of archaeology and I forgot about it. A shame too. Looking back at old sketches, I envisioned a circular pyramid being on a round hill in an islet on the Home Island's Shirya Lagoon (based on the round pyramid in Cuicuilco) and even designed a monolith and characters. Funnily enough, though I thought up a story that more or less rehashes plot elements of Indiana Jones and the Fate of Atlantis involving a "magical cursed dragon egg" (a plutonium core) that cursed it's bearers to illness after it was uncovered by a Conquistador.

But I thought the whole "Occult Hyperborean Nazis" in Akakor thing was overused and too predictable, despite being neat. And though I really wanted to place the story in the American Southwest to take advantage of the RL Narvaéz, Cabeza de Vaca and late-Cortes and Oñate expeditions looking for golden cities, it was inconsistent and difficult to pull off in the plot...so I put the action in Madagascar to prop up lore over Mu and made the Japanese the villains

I've still got a few sketches still, if you wanna see...

Last edited by Las Palmeras on Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:28 am, edited 1 time in total.

Hey hey, LP here: Too burnt out with this nation to make new lore or fix macrohistorical *longue durée* alt-his inconsistencies, too clingy to let it die.

Important Links and IC content in the limbo

Summies be like: eWw WeEbSh*T! aNiMu GiR Enjoy the Chad fat old Diet man (\sim _^)



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Thy South Reinkalistan » Tue Feb 23, 2021 9:29 am

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I've been on this site for ~5 years (not that much, I know) and I've literally never seen someone write (c) really shitty versions of someone's own ideology and I really think that's very cringe of us as a people.

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Truly the pinnacle of comedy.

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Based and Lincolnpilled.

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Now you have.



also nouvelle-floride, to an extent and pan-asiatic states and possibly synne depending on how you view synne's views

all the based bros, really

Las Palmeras wrote:

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Do you need to ask? That's actually seriously intriguing lore, of course I want to see it.



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