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Sierran Republic Civilian

Founded: Jun 03, 2021 Ex-Nation

Dby Sierran Republic » Sat Jun 05, 2021 12:21 am

Western Fardelshufflestein wrote: Anyone ever realize that the "View Your Posts" page is called egosearch?

I hadn't. Thank you lmao.

Factbook

Formerly Known as Napoleonic Europa

This nation does not use NS stats.



Gandoor Powerbroker

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

□by **Gandoor** » Sat Jun 05, 2021 12:36 am

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Savroyska

Lobbyist

Posts: 21 Founded: Jun 14, 2020

□by **Savroyska** » Sat Jun 05, 2021 8:12 am

I mean, NS being a political compass meme actually kind of makes sense

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Latest Art



Dby Western Fardelshufflestein » Sat Jun 05, 2021

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Senator

Posts: 4744 Founded: Apr 21, 2020 Civil Rights Lovefest Max has literally said, on video, that The Political Compass is what inspired the creation of NationStates.

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The Constitutional Monarchy of Western Fardelshufflestein

<u>Always Has Been.</u> | <u>WF's User Be Like</u> | NSG is Budget Twitter | Yo, Kenneth Branagh won an Oscar

Tiny, Shakespeare-obsessed island nation northeast of NZ settled by HRE emigrants who thought they'd landed in the West Indies. F7 Stuff Somewhat Not Canon; RP is in real time; Ignore Stats; Still Not Kenneth Branagh.

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The Dominion of Chaos

Civillali

Posts: 1

Founded: Mar 30, 2019 Psychotic Dictatorship \square by The Dominion of Chaos » Sun Jun 06, 2021 8:23 am

insert obligatory logbooks that go from 'Everything is fine' to 'Ah, everything is not fine'; or 'Serve the hivemind' or something

The Dominion of Chaos. Literally a realm of evil, OP daemons. https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=H8bZ1lZ5UgE&t=903s Will make factbooks descriptive and concise for people with ADHD.



Synne Industries

Envoy

Posts: 335 Founded: May 07, 2019

Anarchy

Dby Synne Industries » Sun Jun 06, 2021 8:48 am

The Dominion of Chaos wrote:

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☐☐☐THE CORPORATE REPUBLIC OF SYNNE INDUSTRIES☐☐☐ "Oh now what have we gotten ourselves into now"

A Midatlantic pile of rocks carpeted in bright lights and concrete, filled with some not-so-honest individuals.



now with FanT



Founded: Jul 20, 2019 Corporate Police State

Synne Industries wrote:

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- The Great War
- Another War No Please God Why

- des Kaiserlichen Vaterlandes ₩
- "Wer also denkt,
- dass er steht, soll aufpassen, dass er nicht fällt."

- die Geschichte • <u>die Politik</u>
- das Militär

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What I love about NationStates in Mobile form



Posts: 3375 Founded: Jun 15, 2012 Democracy

□ by Las Palmeras » Sun Jun 06, 2021 12:01 pm

Das Kaiserliche Vaterland wrote:

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I find that cliche very tiring, very fast. But I'm biased. I'm a former socialstudies student. The "zoo hypothesis" and aliens studying humans like anthropologists study "primitive" societies has always interested me, in contrast. Simply because the ridiculous high maintenance of secrecy makes one think of a crap-ton of justifications and scenarios as how to aliens are covered up. Or how and why aliens or any other eavesdropper would be motivated or tempted to act in secrecy.

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I wanna make Montse a generic F7 war-hero...and a sex offender. By today's standards. Maybe I just want to test people's standards after I read about Disney couples' age gaps.

Last edited by Las Palmeras on Sun Jun 06, 2021 12:10 pm, edited 3 times 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 (~_^)



Savroyska Lobbyist

Posts: 21 Founded: Jun 14, 2020 🗋 by **Savroyska** » Sun Jun 06, 2021 1:19 pm

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I'd make the Noissons something more detailed like this, but these take two hours to make



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Netherlands Australia Civilian

Posts: 0

Founded: May 25, 2021

Ex-Nation

 \square by Netherlands Australia » Sun Jun 06, 2021 2:06 pm

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Max trolling



Australia, except Apartheid South Africa.

Main: Vladilan



Netherlands Australia

Posts: 0 Founded: May 25, 2021 Ex-Nation \square by Netherlands Australia » Sun Jun 06, 2021 2:12 pm

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Main: Vladilan



Laka Strolistandiler

Posts: 4015

Founded: Jul 14, 2018 Authoritarian Democracy by Laka Strolistandiler » Sun Jun 06, 2021 2:21 pm

Netherlands Australia wrote:

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Take a look at our Empire, one on which the Moon never sets!

I am not a Russian but a Cameroonia this POS.

Quote of the day: They

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Not targeted at you. Don't even know who you are.



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Main: Vladilan



The Near Islands

Posts: 16 Founded: Jan 01, 2021 Left-Leaning College State by The Near Islands » Sun Jun 06, 2021 2:24 pm

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☐The Near Islands | Tanhana okha Kithch Muhana☐ A Struggling Democracy on the Edge of the World, renowned for its Maritime Tradition. <u>Overview</u> | <u>President</u> | <u>Government</u> | <u>Culture</u> | <u>Airport</u> | <u>News</u> | <u>Embassy</u>

Open to TGs (Q&A, IC Stuff, anything really)

IC Year: 2008 | NS Stats lost to the Sea. If the Alliance of Self-Defensive Territories is making me crazy, this nation is my therapy.

Now Featuring other nations! (mostly cursed ones)



Founded: Jul 14, 2018

Dby Laka Strolistandiler » Sun Jun 06, 2021 2:26 pm

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Well, I was previously accused of my nation being too nazi-ish (and the stallhelm-wearing wojak doesn't help it lol), and one of my most recent replies on the forums was essentially me explaining how in my IC universe nazis and Waffen SS still exist, so it was only logical to assume that he saw my post and decided to write this. Well, sometimes logic really fails me...

Last edited by Laka Strolistandiler on Sun Jun 06, 2021 2:27 pm, edited 1 time in total.

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Posts: 885

Founded: Feb 28, 2021 Civil Rights Lovefest

□by Cavirfi » Sun Jun 06, 2021 4:45 pm

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South Americanastan

Posts: 2157

Founded: Jun 26, 2019 Left-Leaning College State 🗋 by **South Americanastan** » Sun Jun 06, 2021 4:53 pm

Cavirfi wrote:

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Acraus Federation

Posts: 0

Founded: Jan 05, 2021 Democratic Socialists

Dby Acraus Federation » Sun Jun 06, 2021 4:56 pm

Cavirfi wrote:

What's a summerposter? I am hearing people use the term lately.

It refers to how during the summer and other times when school is out, we get a surge of new low effort posters which disappear almost as soon as school starts up again.

Last edited by Acraus Federation on Sun Jun 06, 2021 4:57 pm, edited 1 time in



Dby Socialist Macronesia » Sun Jun 06, 2021 5:06 pm

South Americanastan wrote:

Cavirfi wrote:

Posts: 6831

Founded: Jan 27, 2020

Ex-Nation

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sig stuff



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Founded: Feb 28, 2021 Civil Rights Lovefest □by Cavirfi » Sun Jun 06, 2021 5:08 pm

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That's the difference between you and the average summerposter. Summerposters just see International Incidents and start drooling. They jump into as many RPs as possible without having factbooks, and 99% of their posts are on-liners.

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