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Diplomat

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Democratic Socialists

by **Red Lake Circle** » Thu May 19, 2022 10:33 pm

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by **Meadowfields** » Fri May 20, 2022 4:54 pm

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Same! The only thing I really know about military is basic medieval fighting skills, military divisions, and some tactics, I can't even start with all the descriptions about the weapons and stuff.

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by **Gonswanza** » Fri May 20, 2022 5:39 pm

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Eh, I try to keep things with some semblance of order, but it's also reliant on handwaving so I can screw around in II without too much care for my own hardware.

Honestly I'm not that much of a hardass for realism.

HOWEVER!

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Or this idea that somehow modern tech allows for superweapons a la Ace Combat, like the Arsenal Bird.

A reminder that in the Ace Combat universe, there was a massive jump in tech for a variety of reasons, hence, what is "modern" in that world would be "post modern" to NS, given such feats of engineering are not even remotely possible in an MT world.

Also this really, really dumb idea of "let's make everything bigger coz bigger is better". No, that's not how it works. Stop it. And stop making me cringe every time I have to scroll through a military factbook of an "MT" nation who has more Rattes than there are people in New York City, but the only thing making them "modern" is the fact that they are using composite armor on a comically grand scale.

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by **Great United States** » Fri May 20, 2022 7:54 pm

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Perikuresu
Diplomat

Posts: 837
Founded: Jan 02, 2021
Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Perikuresu** » Fri May 20, 2022 7:55 pm

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people need to put more effort into F7 in general, not constitution long essays just be succinct and justify why you think that way

A Pacific nation that's primarily a melting point of Polynesian, East Asian and French cultures, to rephrase: a MT liberalwank nation whose main premise is composed on a melting pot of cultures and ethnicities

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Tea Chuggers
Attaché

Posts: 92
Founded: Aug 20, 2020
Liberal Democratic
Socialists

by **Tea Chuggers** » Fri May 20, 2022 7:57 pm

Yeah, I know I definitely could be a lot better at putting even some effort into F7 replies again. But then, be the change and all that.

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Frisemark
Bureaucrat

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Democratic Socialists

by **Frisemark** » Fri May 20, 2022 8:04 pm

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Countries with the GDP of Canada having a fleet of nuclear supercarriers will forever pop mini-blood vessels in my brains when they try and actually use those in II or RMB threads.

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Wikipedia (unironically), Shipbucket and Gunbucket (the latter two for visuals) are your best friends if you need to find important stats about equipment, or similar things as guidelines of what to go off of. Pimp My Gun is also an option for visual ideas, but I don't like the look of that, so I don't use it.

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Itiella
Secretary

Posts: 31
Founded: Mar 17, 2022
Authoritarian Democracy

by **Itiella** » Fri May 20, 2022 8:37 pm

Honestly, countries based around a certain ideology, with the whole society organised according to it, it being the most if not the only existing way of thinking within the borders. Day-to-day politics is about proper execution of this ideology, and not bread-and-butter issues of (mis)appropriation of resources.

Also leaders under the age 40 or even 35 being common and absolutely normal.

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Каждому - по работе!

Personal views do not necessarily align with IC policies

NS Stats are not used | Developing Country with Mixed Economy | TGs with good movies recommendations are welcome

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by **Tea Chuggers** » Fri May 20, 2022 9:07 pm

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But of course! You can make your nation anything in this game (unlike in real life, where you have to contend with politicians wanting to keep the status quo and people fighting over what's the best path moving forward), so why not make it a hive-mind where everyone thinks the exact same, completely coincidentally my personal ideology, especially in a libertarian paradise of rights and freedoms? My beliefs are obvious and correct, and for my nation to still struggle to come to the same conclusions I have might give others the impression that I don't have them!

And I know this is the mindset, because I often lapse into this mindset myself; it's both easier than trying to think up opposition and a nice bit of escapism from the chaotic real world

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Dayganistan
Ambassador

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Founded: May 02, 2016
Father Knows Best State

by **Dayganistan** » Fri May 20, 2022 9:30 pm

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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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Inoffensive Centrist
Democracy

by **Gonswanza** » Fri May 20, 2022 9:32 pm

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#owned

#pwned

lol totes nuked bro

No but seriously why do people do this and only this.

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God, I still remember how during one of the (many) slave market threads, someone said that slavery was unacceptable and that they wanted to raid the area to which some space tech nation (I forget which one) said something like, "I align all of my anti-matter bombs on your location. Are you sure about that, buddie?" or something like that

It was just one of those moments where I went, "Oh... some people are just here to play god I guess..."

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by Red Lake Circle » Fri May 20, 2022 9:45 pm

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Not to mention the disastrous environmental and geopolitical consequences of deploying nuclear weapons in a tactical capacity. Every nation in the modern age would immediately cut ties to you and whatever UN-equivalent your timeline has would absolutely go in on you, under the assumption your country is a threat to world peace and completely willing to use its nuclear armaments.

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Diaboland
Envoy

Posts: 271
Founded: Dec 07, 2021
Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Diaboland** » Fri May 20, 2022 10:11 pm

This is why I don't do war RPs. My nation is immensely powerful, but I don't want to be annoying about it. I prefer a pacifist nation to better align with my IRL views and to ensure a good, healthy status quo.



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Tbh I just go with the waving of "first strike policy only when it is most beneficial as an option of last resort, otherwise, let the other guy shoot first" as a general rule of thumb, but the way it's written infers otherwise.

That aside though I'd rather refer to chemical warfare only under dire circumstances where it's generally agreed upon that yes, WMDs should be used, if not are outright justified due to hostile parties using them first.

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by **Ahkara** » Fri May 20, 2022 10:27 pm



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An African island kingdom with Asian influence, finding itself as a new arrival in the developed world

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Laka is an interesting case, because for her, the massive amount of death associated with her nation kind of seems to be a Warhammer 40k-style tone setter? I can't be too sure, though, since I've only really interacted with her on F7 threads.

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Karazicu
Spokesperson

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Iron Fist Consumerists

by **Karazicu** » Fri May 20, 2022 11:03 pm

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Last edited by **Karazicu** on Fri May 20, 2022 11:05 pm, edited 1 time in total.

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by **Red Lake Circle** » Fri May 20, 2022 11:08 pm



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It's why I've been trying to handle the Harjis Witoth very carefully. Like... I vehemently disagree with the ideology I created them with, and I'm having them do some bad shit, but I'm trying to make sure they're handled realistically,

Unlike a group from one of my old nations, which... man, a lot changes in a few years, doesn't it?

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