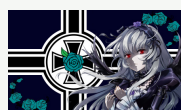


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Azur Deutschland
Diplomat

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

by **Azur Deutschland** » Tue May 04, 2021 3:20 pm

Are graphic overhauls a cliché?
Because I decided to do a minor one for this nation

Some IC Stuff

*** The Magische Rozenreich of Azur
Deutschland ***
**"Rozen der Hoffnung. Für das
Vaterland."**

Some OOC Stuff

A world of magic and wonder, created by the twin magical azure roses who saved and rebuilt the Fatherland.

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Fahrhan
Post Marshal

Posts: 17385
Founded: Nov 13, 2017
Inoffensive Centrist
Democracy

by **Fahrhan** » Tue May 04, 2021 3:20 pm

There's a couple clichés that I've really grown to love and appreciate of late.

1. Nations that incorporate Brythonic or Anglo-Saxon peoples who retain their unique languages and certain cultural facets and institutions that, historically, were erased by the arrival of invading groups. Bonus points if they give off *Y Gododdin* vibes.

2. Nations inspired by the Mitanni, Hittites, Sumerians, Elamites, or Phoenicians, often with makeshift conlangs due to gaps in linguistic knowledge. They're almost invariably a touch more interesting and unique than the more common cliché nations - such as America, USSR, or Germany knock-offs. They also don't bore me as much as Ancient Egyptian/Coptic nations for whatever reason.

I guess I like the alt-history vibes.

"They [progressives] were all corrupt." - [Kowani](#)

Good Bye



Las Palmeras
Minister

Posts: 3375
Founded: Jun 15, 2012
New York Times
Democracy

by **Las Palmeras** » Tue May 04, 2021 3:25 pm

Azur Deutschland wrote:
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The second one is PAAFEKUTO!

How do you make the semi-transparent images work? I'm bad at tech and can only do that by goofing around with PowerPoint.

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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.

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Summies be like: eWw WeEbSh*Ti aNiMu GiRl!
Enjoy the Chad fat old Diet man (◡_◡)



Azur Deutschland
Diplomat

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

by **Azur Deutschland** » Tue May 04, 2021 3:29 pm

Las Palmeras wrote:

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ahaha.wav

Everyone was telling me to use paint.net, but I ended up figuring it out using GIMP. You can change the opacity of different layers with GIMP, so I just separated the banner into layers. The black I kept at 100%, but the blue and white I set to around like 80% opacity.

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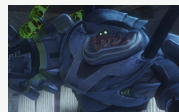
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Valentine Z
Postmaster-General

Posts: 11602
Founded: Nov 08, 2015
Democratic Socialists

by **Valentine Z** » Tue May 04, 2021 3:36 pm

I recommend GIMP and Inkscape! Though of course, this is coming from someone who got the full Adobe suite (for now, at least)... school is still giving me the subscription, or it just has not expired yet.

If that expires, I am going to go back to my personal subscription with Photoshop and Lightroom (I really need Lightroom, I can't use other alternatives). [Alternatively, Affinity is an one-time payment.](#)

I am not sponsored or shilling for them in any way. Ever since Adobe stopped their one-time payment stuff, I have been looking for other tools.

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Las Palmeras
Minister

Posts: 3375
Founded: Jun 15, 2012
New York Times
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by **Las Palmeras** » Tue May 04, 2021 3:42 pm

Uh, thanks. For now I'll try Paint.net, the only thing in reach, though I'll memorize the others.

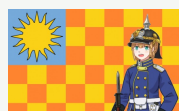
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LP is in dire need of a graphics overhaul.

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Aureumterra III
Diplomat

by **Aureumterra III** » Tue May 04, 2021 3:54 pm

Is hating on NSG a cliché now?

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Posts: 778
Founded: Sep 21, 2020
Iron Fist Consumerists

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Sophia in England
Civilian

Posts: 0
Founded: Apr 06, 2021
Ex-Nation

by **Sophia in England** » Tue May 04, 2021 4:27 pm

Azur Deutschland wrote:
Are graphic overhauls a cliché?
Because I decided to do a minor one for this nation

It might be a cliché, though in my opinion it's often a good one. (I haven't had a chance to tell you yet, but your new banners really look nice.)

"We might not always be the main character in the wonderful play known as Earth, but we can always be the protagonists of our own lives. And that, for me, is more than fulfilling."

-Lady Sophia Anna Cecilia Emma Kensington, Countess of Cheshire, Inheritor of the Great Mission, and Protector of Swans

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Silver Commonwealth
Ambassador

Posts: 1828
Founded: Aug 16, 2018
Psychotic Dictatorship

by **Silver Commonwealth** » Tue May 04, 2021 11:45 pm

Aureumterra III wrote:
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I ain't apolitical, I just can't get in mood to debate in NSG, as I don't have the skills for writing lengthy paragraphs there (Not that it wouldn't be time thrown on ground, anyways).

Debating with my IRL views would likely be boring. Debating during LARPing might be a bit more fun, but then generalites would think that I actually hold these views, lol.

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Drongonia
Ambassador

Posts: 1892
Founded: Feb 11, 2019
Inoffensive Centrist
Democracy

by **Drongonia** » Tue May 04, 2021 11:58 pm

Aureumterra III wrote:
Is hating on NSG a cliché now?

Yeah, but justifiably so. NSG is a joke and if you aren't a centre-left or "centrist" neoliberal it's barely worth making a post.

Last edited by **Drongonia** on Tue May 04, 2021 11:58 pm, edited 1 time in total.

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Cavirfi
Diplomat

Posts: 885
Founded: Feb 28, 2021
Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Cavirfi** » Wed May 05, 2021 12:01 am

Why is just saying "accepted" when someone buys something from your storefront so common?

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Free Stalliongrad
Envoy

Posts: 338
Founded: Jun 01, 2020
Democratic Socialists

by **Free Stalliongrad** » Wed May 05, 2021 1:00 am

Cavirfi wrote:

Why is just saying "accepted" when someone buys something from your storefront so common?

They are the one-liners of GE&T. Same thing goes for embassies too. Now I don't even feel satisfaction if the OP doesn't send me at least one IC letter to thank me for buying from him. I'm not saying that he should have who knows what graphics, but at least something that disguises a letter, e-mail, a greeting card, don't you want to put it there?

Last edited by **Free Stalliongrad** on Wed May 05, 2021 6:25 am, edited 1 time in total.

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Aikoland
Ambassador

Posts: 1885
Founded: Dec 22, 2011
Capitalist Paradise

by **Aikoland** » Wed May 05, 2021 10:35 am

These aren't clichés but let's memorialise NS features that were removed:

- The facepalm emoji
- The Dismiss All button

I think that's literally it unless you count stuff that was never meant to be permanent (April Fool's Day games) or stuff that was removed because it was replaced with something new (the pre-influence R&D rules and the United Nations)

I miss the Dismiss All button.

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Aureumterra III
Diplomat

Posts: 778
Founded: Sep 21, 2020
Iron Fist Consumerists

by **Aureumterra III** » Thu May 06, 2021 4:36 am

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You can still use facepalm with the image code

Smh you didn't know this?



Last edited by [Aureumterra III](#) on Thu May 06, 2021 4:37 am, edited 1 time in total.

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Gandoor
Powerbroker

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

by [Gandoor](#) » Thu May 06, 2021 4:39 am

Aureumterra III wrote:

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I mean yeah I *know* that but who the hell is gonna go through that effort? Not 99% of users.

(As an aside, anyone else notice how poorly cut out the blush emoji is?)

Edit: I know I'm not logged-in to Aikoland but I'm not switching accounts just to make one reply. I post with both accounts in this thread already anyways.

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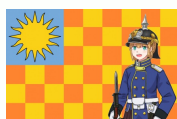
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Aureumterra III
Diplomat

Posts: 778
Founded: Sep 21, 2020
Iron Fist Consumerists

by [Aureumterra III](#) » Thu May 06, 2021 4:46 am

Gandoor wrote:

Aureumterra III wrote:

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I mean yeah I *know* that but who the hell is gonna go through that effort?
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(As an aside, anyone else notice how poorly cut out the blush emoji is?)

True

I wasn't around when it was removed so I don't know when/why exactly it was removed, but it's become a bit of a meme recently

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Gandoor

Powerbroker

Posts: 9909

Founded: Sep 23, 2008
Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Gandoor** » Thu May 06, 2021 4:53 am

Think it was removed because people overused/spammed it or something.

Do seem to remember a period where it seemed a good chunk of responses to 'dumb' posts was a string of facepalms.

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Dayganistan

Ambassador

Posts: 1453

Founded: May 02, 2016
Father Knows Best State

by **Dayganistan** » Thu May 06, 2021 6:51 am

People replying to ad spammers. That's all I have to say.

Republic of Dayganistan

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



Aikoland

Ambassador

Posts: 1885

Founded: Dec 22, 2011
Capitalist Paradise

by **Aikoland** » Thu May 06, 2021 2:10 pm

Dayganistan wrote:

People replying to ad spammers. That's all I have to say.

Adbot: 中国的垃圾邮件, 除了中国的垃圾邮件, 什么都没有。

NS Users: STOP POSTING THIS SHIT!!!!!!

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Socialist Macronesia

Negotiator

Posts: 6831

Founded: Jan 27, 2020
Ex-Nation

by **Socialist Macronesia** » Thu May 06, 2021 2:52 pm

Dayganistan wrote:

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cute sometimes. Not in excess, but still, every so often, it makes me smile. More than the pornspammers, that's for sure.

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Cavirfi
Diplomat

Posts: 885
Founded: Feb 28, 2021
Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Cavirfi** » Thu May 06, 2021 5:48 pm

Aureumterra III wrote:

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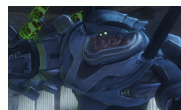
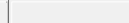
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Postmaster-General

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Plus 95% of the time you won't get scarred, or feel like your eyes trying to vomit.

Last edited by **Valentine Z** on Thu May 06, 2021 5:55 pm, edited 1 time in total.

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Gandoor
Powerbroker

Posts: 9909

by **Gandoor** » Thu May 06, 2021 6:01 pm

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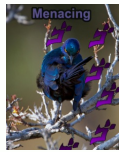
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Free Ravensburg
Minister

Posts: 3186
Founded: Jun 01, 2020
Inoffensive Centrist
Democracy

by **Free Ravensburg** » Thu May 06, 2021 6:02 pm

Gandoor wrote:

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Powerbroker

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Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Gandoor** » Thu May 06, 2021 6:08 pm

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The Internet was a *wild* place back then.

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