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Voxija
Ambassador

Posts: 1446
Founded: Jan 17, 2019
Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Voxija** » Sun Jan 24, 2021 6:59 am

There seems to be a lot of puppet regions springing up lately.

The Republic of Voxija (pronounced: Voshiya)

my politics are confused and muddled

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

I'd rather be fishing. | [Author of Issues 1324 and 1346.](#)

Generic MT liberal democracy Meh. | 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.

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Western Fardelshufflestein
Senator

Posts: 4744
Founded: Apr 21, 2020
Civil Rights Lovefest

by **Western Fardelshufflestein** » Sun Jan 24, 2021 11:10 pm

When people get into arguments on NSG, they use creative (sometimes) ways to call out someone on using a strawman (whether that's true will be debated) like it's the only logical fallacy. There's lots of ad hominem over there, I'm tellin' ya....

The Constitutional Monarchy of Western Fardelshufflestein

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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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Hathian Prime
Spokesperson

Posts: 107
Founded: Nov 26, 2017
Psychotic Dictatorship

by **Hathian Prime** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 2:15 am

Imo, one of the most overdone cliches on NS are straight up Germany clones, generally centered around 1939-1945 Germany or the German Empire. And yes, I'm aware I am one of those said clones. But I created this nation before realizing it was a cliché, and I don't plan on leaving anytime soon.

Another cliché I see (and this one bothers me) is a lack of Past Tech nations. You either have Cold War/WW2 era, mid-1800s, or Medieval PT nations. There's so few of them and yet they're all spread out across hundreds of years in terms of technology. And on the opposite end, it seems that the number of powerwanking OP InterGalactic Empire FT/PMT nations with black hole cannons has increased in recent times.

Hathian Prime does not use NS Stats.

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Aikoland
Ambassador

Posts: 1885
Founded: Dec 22, 2011
Capitalist Paradise

by **Aikoland** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 6:52 am

Eh, I think the lack of PT nations is a bit of a catch-22. You set your nation in a certain time period and you're then limited to RPing with other nations in that time period, but if there's like no one else set in that time period, there's no point to having your nation being set in that time period, but then that means that someone else who might want to make a nation set in that same time period will then face the same dilemma of the lack of people to play with, and so on.

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Kiu Ghesik
Powerbroker

Posts: 9373
Founded: Aug 25, 2020
Democratic Socialists

by **Kiu Ghesik** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 6:54 am

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^This.

I personally enjoy writing in the period on my own, but if I didn't, then a lack of contemporary users to mess about with would quickly cause me to burn out with the nation and move on to other projects.

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Russian-American Continental Alliance
Political Columnist

Posts: 3
Founded: Oct 18, 2020
Authoritarian Democracy

by **Russian-American Continental Alliance** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:00 am

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Powerbroker

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Federal Remnants
Secretary

Posts: 31
Founded: Jul 28, 2020
Ex-Nation

by **Federal Remnants** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:29 am

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Russian-American Continental Alliance wrote:

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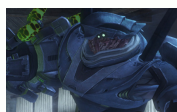
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Valentine Z
Postmaster-General

Posts: 11602
Founded: Nov 08, 2015
Democratic Socialists

by **Valentine Z** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:32 am

I tend to have this puppet period way back. It was way before the cards are a thing (to which I created maybe 50-60 odd more). Anyway, for that puppet period, I have maybe 10-12 overall nations based on different lores and stuff that I wanted to make. Some were larger and a bit more successful (see [Garden at 6th Mile Road](#)), some were a little smaller while seeing some popularity ([Samantha-Higgs](#)), but ultimately, I have not been writing much for the most of them. A few of them were merged into Val Z - see [Alanis Star](#), [Voorzichtigheid](#), [Victoriaans Nederlands](#), [Vostrov](#), [Mathematik](#), [Natuurkunde](#).

At the end of the day, I guess I just love my main nation more and want to make it more complete with each passing day. ♥

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Posadist-Communalists
Spokesperson

Posts: 130
Founded: Jan 07, 2021
Ex-Nation

by **Posadist-Communalists** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:33 am

Russian-American Continental Alliance wrote:

Kiu Ghesik wrote:
They were all the same dude.

...Huh, never knew that.

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Yes, it was me.

Though, there was one Posadist one during that that wasn't me.



Kiu Ghesik
Powerbroker

Posts: 9373
Founded: Aug 25, 2020
Democratic Socialists

by **Kiu Ghesik** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:35 am

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If I'm being entirely honest I actually think you're one of the few good dystopian nations here. There are some other newer ones with promise but you just manage to be so insane with FR that it works. It's really difficult to strike that balance and it's something I think that most of the other esoteric fashy nations and burgsys nations miss. I know I've said it before, but it's still true, and works really well as a microcosm for originality in dystopian writing as a whole. You've got to execute it well and you've got to execute it in a way that the reader still takes you seriously after reading it, you know?

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Russian-American Continental Alliance
Political Columnist

Posts: 3
Founded: Oct 18, 2020
Authoritarian Democracy

by **Russian-American Continental Alliance** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:36 am

Posadist-Communalists wrote:

Russian-American Continental Alliance wrote:
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Yes, it was me.

Though, there was one Posadist one during that that wasn't me.

Ah, I apologize for my aggressive reply on the "scariest thing about AN thread", it was just a leftover from my distaste.

Speaking of, who was that one guy?

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Aikoland
Ambassador

Posts: 1885
Founded: Dec 22, 2011
Capitalist Paradise

by **Aikoland** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:37 am

I genuinely don't know how people manage multiple accounts, especially when it comes to actively using them on the forums and shit. Like I've got like twenty-five accounts and I only ever manage to use two of them (this one and Gandoor, obviously) on a regular basis on the forums. Everyone else I might just pop in very rarely and make a few posts and other times I just never use them on the forums ever.

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Posadist-Communalists
Spokesperson

Posts: 130
Founded: Jan 07, 2021
Ex-Nation

by **Posadist-Communalists** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:40 am

Russian-American Continental Alliance wrote:

Posadist-Communalists wrote:

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Speaking of, who was that one guy?

That's ok. I found it quite amusing tbh.

Idk who it was, I can't remember the name.



Servilis
Diplomat

Posts: 532
Founded: May 07, 2017
Ex-Nation

by **Servilis** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:43 am

everyone's always "no you can't write silly responses into random threads" this and "please stop trolling in the moderation forum" that, bro i just wanna grill



Federal Remnants
Secretary

Posts: 31
Founded: Jul 28, 2020
Ex-Nation

by **Federal Remnants** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:44 am

Kiu Ghesik wrote:

-snip-

hm, you do have a point. that's why i tell other people that plan on writing insane ultranat/burgsys nations to make the ideology really their own flavor and rework it to fit the interests of the regime and to tweak it to the culture and history of the nation, otherwise you end up with someone recreating sergei taborsky by accident and not realizing it (or they knew it, but weren't able to sort of interchange parts of it to fit with their own nation.) you don't have to be completely insane, but if you do opt to be completely insane, make it *distinctively* insane, lest you just accidentally CTRL + C and CTRL + V the

insane ramblings of Serrano from Wikipedia.

my puppet (or i guess main, since it's in the WA, but not really main since FR has more development) nouvelle-floride is based off ultravisionary socialism, but already it should be distinct from that just from the premise alone, the other [two puppets](#) i have are so poorly developed that i don't even let them near factbook response threads with a 20 foot pole

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Posadist-Communalists
Spokesperson

Posts: 130
Founded: Jan 07, 2021
Ex-Nation

by [Posadist-Communalists](#) » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:46 am

Anyone remember the [United Fardelshufflesteins](#)?



Kiu Ghesik
Powerbroker

Posts: 9373
Founded: Aug 25, 2020
Democratic Socialists

by [Kiu Ghesik](#) » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:54 am

Posadist-Communalists wrote:
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it's technically still going.

Federal Remnants wrote:
-dousnipo-

Yeah, but... naming your ideology, though, now that's difficult. Actually, names in general are difficult.

Changing the topic somewhat to ideologies, is it just me or is there this absolute dearth of created ideologies on this site? I mean, it feels like there'd be more, but it seems to me that there's a pressure to slot your nation into existing ideologies and we're more likely to see variations on socialism or fascism rather than whole-cloth new, but similar, derivations.

Not that those variations are bad; in fact I'd say that they're only naturalistic for a nation that takes place on Earth or something like that. But remind me, why do the aliens subscribe to Marxism again? It's perfectly acceptable, let me reiterate, for you to make communist ideologies for your aliens or whatever. It just feels rather lazy to me to not think about how those ideologies developed and how they're different from our own three-trillion variations of Marx's writings, for instance.

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Valentine Z
Postmaster-General

Posts: 11602
Founded: Nov 08, 2015
Democratic Socialists

by [Valentine Z](#) » Mon Jan 25, 2021 8:26 am

Of the additional note, and I didn't mean this to be a jab at anyone, is that you don't need to push hard a political ideology into your nation. And I am speaking about this ironically while I am on a political simulator. ~~That and I do use NS Stats, but that's besides the point.~~

Anyway, to add on to what Kiu said, it is sensible and reasonable for an alien hivemind, or an intergalactic species, even cavemen - anything in-between - to have a ideology or politics of some kind. That to me is logical enough. However, my personal suggestion, which is by no means should be the only valid one, is that you show what your civilization does instead of using the

existing ideologies. They can even have a combination of many instead of just sticking to one. In its most basic form, socialism/nationalization and capitalism can co-exist (like mine, though I do admit I had a socialist-only stance), sometimes even before they were a thing. Going back to the cavemen era thing, it's possible for them to have some resemblance of capitalism whereby they practice trading even for the most basic of things while they may share their dwellings, but you need to show this in a writing instead of "Oh yeah, these stone age folks are definitely capitalists, but they have communism with homes," which to me is a little jarring. I always like things described in detail, so that is me. Show it in a writing, don't just state it matter-of-factly. ♥

If it does not work, it's okay to be apolitical or to not write too much about your nation's politics. I know I don't, though it's because politics as a whole does not interest me; I do my own thing. Anyway, for example, going back to the alien hiveminds, or transdimensional beings. Political systems would become a little less relevant to them because that is not really a thing that is the most relevant to them; some of their current affairs would be less of "We are going into anarchy" and more of "Oh no, we have to make sure this wormhole does not collapse on us. Here's how."

Anyway, do pardon my rambling, but I thought I would write a little bit for the folks here. I want to be honest that while I do think that some ideologies and nations have been rather frequent (post-Nazi Germany, for one), you can definitely add your own flair to it and be unique with yourself. Hey, that is the reason why I am still here! Factbooks and Dispatches are blank slates, and you can write any story and anything you want on it instead of being restricted like other political sims or worldbuilding stuff.

Happy building. 🇺🇸

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The Gamer Utopia
Civilian

Posts: 1
Founded: Jan 04, 2021
Iron Fist Consumerists

by [The Gamer Utopia](#) » Mon Jan 25, 2021 1:32 pm

One thing I've kinda noticed is that when users decide to make an evil nation, they off course have to make it the most evil nation they possible can, and create one that either resembles Oceania from 1984, or Ordenstaat Burgundy. I off course am also kinda guilty of this, but I made my nation for the funnies, so it doesn't count.

A parody nation, that's based on the worst aspects of gamer culture. Don't take it too seriously please.

ALL HAIL POGCHAMP

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The Last Stars
Envoy

Posts: 324
Founded: Apr 21, 2016
Iron Fist Consumerists

by [The Last Stars](#) » Mon Jan 25, 2021 2:05 pm

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I feel like I'm SO guilty of this!! It feels so easy to fall into this bit of "wanting to be the evilest grrr!" and maybe it's just me and how I handle the pressure? i don't know. I've been trying to focus into "evil but casual" to at least offset some of that?

Also, I just want to say that your nation idea is [chef's kiss]. It's hilarious and I absolutely LOVE what you did with the factbooks that look like Steam. It's honestly such a unique concept!!

I don't think I'm going to use NS stats...



Occentia
Attaché

Posts: 87
Founded: Jan 19, 2021
Ex-Nation

by **Occentia** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 6:48 pm

> it seems that the number of powerwanking OP InterGalactic Empire FT/PMT nations with black hole cannons has increased in recent times.

This. Not that I wasn't once guilty of this, but another peeve of mine are nations whos entire "Military Factpage" is ludicrous numbers of troops. It seems as if the modern war is won by how many zero's are tacked onto your stats.

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Zaviana
Attaché

Posts: 67
Founded: Oct 08, 2020
Ex-Nation

by **Zaviana** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 6:55 pm

Dam right you are.

Consider this my friends. Is Muffin = Cupcake - Icing?



Zitravgrad
Ambassador

Posts: 1218
Founded: Sep 27, 2017
Inoffensive Centrist Democracy

by **Zitravgrad** » Mon Jan 25, 2021 7:00 pm

Sometimes I find it weird that people put elaborate scenarios to "funny" threads like "YL catches the AL doing something embarrassing" or "YL's Reaction To Meeting Kid AL". Okay, I understand sometimes we want a specific scenario for the other players to react to, but half of the time they are even longer than the responses the players give to their ANs and another half of those time just include the players trying to portray their leaders' backstory or specific quirks that aren't normally "embarrassing". I might have been a hypocrite though, but I try to keep this down to minimum.

"Look my leader can play 25 notes per second on piano how embarrassing" kind of scenario...

* * United Federation of Zitravgrad * *

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