

# THE SECURITY LEAK

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## WHY IMPERIAL DATES ?

Ever wonder why I am using the Imperial dating system so much? It is convenient to let the uneducated Imperials know on what days things occur, because they appear to be too lazy to figure out Zhodani dates! I am kidding- greetings from Chronor! [§]

## MORE ABOUT THE SECTORS

Recently, many people have been asking about the status of several Traveller® sectors. The following is a list of what I could find out from the guys at GDW...

- Far Frontiers: Mapped, official. Owned by Dale L. Kemper of the FASA Corporation.
- Theta Borealis: Mapped, official, GDW.
- Vanguard Reaches, Mapped, considered to be unofficial, owned by GDW.
- The Beyond: Mapped, considered to be unofficial, owned by GDW.
- Marantha-Alkahest: Mapped, considered to be unofficial, owned by GDW.
- Crucis Margin: Mapped, considered to be unofficial, owned by GDW. [§]

## HYPERSPACE THINK TANK

If you have your own ideas about the jump drive engine and powerplants, send it in to us at the Labs. These ideas will be discussed with Herb Petro (editor of the CONTINUUM newsletter), Ed Edwards (former editor of WORKING PASSAGE fanzine), Magnus Abel (editor of BETWEEN WORLDS), and also Gregg Giles (editor of SECURITY LEAK). If you'd like, include facts, figures, art, articles, or whatever. Will we ever find the perfect hyperdrive? [§]

## FROM THE FASA CORPORATION

The Freedomian Aeronautics and Space Administration, better known as FASA, has been interested in selling its complete Traveller® line, including those which were bought from Paranoia Press. Booklets such as MERCHANTS AND MERCHANDISE and the equally well known SCOUTS AND ASSASSINS are for sale. These are only the rights for the booklets themselves; no extra issue are available for sale.

FASA is open to any bids for the rights of individual products or the complete line of products. FASA once published the HIGH PASSAGE fanzine, but no word has been said about its status. FASA does not presently hold the rights for Paranoia Press' SORAG HANDBOOK OF ORGANIZATION AND EQUIPMENT.

For more information, send a SASE (self-addressed stamped envelope) to: Karen Vander Mey, Purchasing Director, c/o FASA, 1026 W. Van Buren, Chicago, IL 60607. [§]

## NOT THE PARANOIA WE USED TO KNOW

Remember Paranoia Press? They printed several well-known booklets for Traveller® several years ago, but went out of business not too long ago.

Don Rapp revived Paranoia as the Paranoia Unlimited, Inc. However, Paranoia Unlimited does not publish any Traveller® materials because of bad experiences with publishing, etc. This is definitely not the Paranoia we used to know. For more information, send a SASE to: Don Rapp, c/o Paranoia Unlimited, Inc., 1207 Scott Avenue, Fort Wayne, IN 48607. [§]

## ADVERTISING SPACE AVAILABLE (REALLY!)

Interested in having your ad sent to people across North America? If so, you can have either your free personal ad or paid business ad put into SLN. You can also put ads into the SECURITY LEAK Fanzine, now on issue #2. Send your personals to us now, and we will place them where room allows. Room is reserved for business ads, so they are sure to be published. Inquire for rate sheet if you desire a business ad, and be sure to include a SASE for a response. [§]

## YES ELMER, WE HAVE GRACE....

Questions have arisen about the legality of this newsletter and the SL Fanzine in the eyes of the Game Designers' Workshop. The SORAG Laboratories does have the full written permission of Marc W. Miller and GDW to publish, distribute, and sell both SLN and SLF. Zhodani like to go underground, but don't get ridiculous! (Silly wabbit, tricks are for kids! Hahahahahahaha!) [§]

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## FANZINES ACROSS NORTH AMERICA

Here's a list of the known operating Traveller® fanzines and magazines. We'd like to bring your attention to the change in editorship of the IMPERIUM STAPLE, and we'd like to welcome CONTINUUM. Hi! If you know of other Traveller® fanzines or other Traveller® publications, please send us a letter. Here they are...

### ••BETWEEN WORLDS

Magnus Abel, Editor, 3914 Angeles, Tampa, FL 33629.

### ••CONTINUUM

Herb Petro, Editor, PO Box 1515, Belmont, NC 28012.

### ••THE IMPERIUM STAPLE

W. Elmer Hinton, Editor, 20 Almont St., Nashua, NH 03060.

### ••JOURNAL OF THE TRAVELLERS' AID SOCIETY

Loren K. Wiseman, Editor, PO Box 1646, Bloomington, IL 61702-1646. (CHALLENGE).

### ••THE SECURITY LEAK FANZINE

Gregg Giles, Editor, 1408 Shady Lane 28, Bedford, TX 76021-5521.

### ••THIRD IMPERIUM

Mike Jackson, Editor, No. 512, 4676 Yew St., Vancouver, BC V6L 2J6, CANADA.

### ••TRAVELLERS' DIGEST

Gary L. Thomas, Editor, 8979 Madan Ct., Boise, ID 83709.

### ••WORKING PASSAGE (1985 Fanzine)

Ed Edwards, 1410 E. Boyd, Norman, OK 73071-2650. All 12 issues for \$12. [§]

## WANTED BY THE SORAG LABORATORIES!

We are still in search of talented artists and writers. There is no payment for services rendered or materials, but you will have your woks introduced to Traveller® fanatics around the globe! Send a SASE to us at the Labs for more. [§]

## THE TRAVELLER PROGRAM EXCHANGE (TPX)

Here is more good news for you computer users! There is a computer data-base (BBS) for Traveller® which you can donate your information to or draw upon its growing list of programs. The project, called the Traveller® Program Exchange, or TPX, is run by John C. Meyers, a gentleman who keeps having to navigate his way through all of his data. As of now, TPX is for Apple users, but John is trying to find someone to open up a Commodore side for TPX.

Some Apple programs available from TPX include data conversion, personnel recruiting, sector dot map generator, demographics

generator from secto files, complete Gvurrdon sector data, and incomplete Far Frontiers sector data. If you desire copies on disk, send a pre-formatted blank disk with a list of programs you desire. Mention which system you use. You must provide the complete return postage! Send letters or disks to: John Meyers, c/o TPX, 526 A Forney Loop, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060. [§]

## THE TRAVELLER DATA BASE PROJECT (TDBP)

Another gentleman, Lief O. Pihl, is the coordinator of the Traveller® Data-Base Project (TDBP). Lief presently uses a Commodore Amiga, and hopes to compile and distribute Traveller® information which is no longer in print by computer disks. Lief hopes to put the entire text of most of the in and out of print Traveller® articles and booklets onto disk. "Imagine if you will", said Lief in a letter, "the tap of a few keys and you can find all published references to Zhodani, and the tap of a few more, read the text...!" Between TDBP and TPX, we could get a series of archives going! For more information, send a SASE to: Lief Pihl, 3338-37th Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55406-2139. Phone: (612) 729-3948.

## MORE EXISTING BULLETIN BOARDS (BBSs)

There is a computer bulletin board based from Houston, Texas called "ZHODANI CONSULATE". (Sounds like my kind of people!) Since I have no modem for my Commodore 128, I have not been able to reach them. This BBS may be reached by calling (713) 488-6595.

Houston, TX is also the home to another BBS with a possible Traveller® connection, the "IMPERIUM BBS". The phone number is (713) 468-0474, and it uses a baud rate of 1200.

I'm not done yet! Another BBS which has to be Traveller® oriented (just by reading the name) is "REAVERS DEEP" in Tyler, TX. The phone number is (214) 561-3155.

Since I have no modem, I could not get in touch with any of these BBSs. The data is accurate as of January, 1987. Please keep us abreast of any changes or other developments; I will keep you supplied with any information as I discover it! The Zhodani rule!

## GDW SECTORS ON DISK

The Game Designers' Workshop has sectors on disk for the Apple computer and also for the Franklin computer. The sectors are free

GDW SECTORS (continued)

for the asking; just send one formatted blank disk for each one sector you desire. Be sure to include correct return postage! These are all working copies, so all the information about the sectors is subject to being changed by GDW. Send disks or inquiries (accompanied with a SASE) to: Game Designers' Workshop, PO Box 1646, Bloomington, IL 61702-1646.

I am not sure which sectors are now available on disk. Be sure to protect your disk from aggressive postal workers!

STILL WORKING...

We are still chopping away at a new Commodore 64 sector generator, but aren't sure when it will be completed. For more information, send a SASE to: Jason Mogensen, c/o SORAG Labs, 17910 Highway 126, Walton, OR 97490.

The Commodore 128 "Spinward Marches Guide" is presently in limbo. If you wish for a complete copy, send a blank and formatted disk (C-64 or C-128) with full return postage to: Gregg Giles, 1408 Shady Lane 28, Bedford, TX 76021-5521. This "Marches" disk is a series of basic programs which will let you know everything about the Marches. So far, all the major and important programs have been constructed. The only remaining holes are data and lesser programs. Include a SASE if inquiring. [§]

SEARCHING FOR CHARLES KALLENBACH II

If you have the address for Charles Kallenbach II, please let us at the Labs know ASAP. Chuck wrote FASA's "SORAG HANDBOOK OF ORGANIZATION AND EQUIPMENT."

NEED TO LOCATE SOMEONE?

As of today, the Labs has 161+ names of Traveller® fanatics world-wide. If you are in need of finding someone, let us know. Send a SASE to the Labs with the person's full name and last known address. If you wish to find a nearby player, send your address and mention if you are a suburb of a larger city or what suburbs are nearby your city.

SUBSCRIPTION FEES FOR SECURITY LEAK

Finally! One year of this newsletter is \$4 in the US, \$7 overseas. (APO, FPO, and Canada use US rate in all cases.) Single

copies are \$1.25 in US, \$2 overseas.

SECURITY LEAK fanzine rates are \$12 in the US, Canada, APO, and FPO. Overseas rates are \$15 per year. Single issues are \$3.50 in the US, \$4.25 overseas.

Both publications are quarterly. SLF is 12-16 pages (8½" x 11"), illustrated. SLN is 4 pages (8½" x 11"). All back issues are considered to be single copies, unless you are buying a complete year's worth of back issues- then pay only a one year's normal rate. SLF now on issue #2, SLN on #2. [§]

CORPORATE PROFILE:

INALONA FOODS AND AGRICULTURE

Strictly an agriculture grower and food producer. Inalona has no subsidiaries, but is rather broken into branches. Created around 320 by a Terran firm, Inalona has found reasonable success in most of its undertakings. Many agricultural worlds in the Old Expanses host newly constructed Inalona facilities and crop-fields, and plans are being drawn up to expand into the sectors coreward of the Solomani Rim. The administrative offices for Inalona are on Mars in the Terra system/Solomani Rim. Because Terra is already heavily industrialized, non-agricultural businesses are encouraged to move to Mars in order to preserve Terran natural wildlife. Inalona has no agricultural or processing dealings or other properties in the Terran system. Inalona provides nearly one-fifth of all of Terra's annual food consumption, and almost 5% of the Sol subsector's needs. On the sector scale, Inalona provides about 7% of the total food and agricultural demand. Inalona does not provide or produce fertilizers. The firm is known for its delicious and always fresh produce and fruits. Some of the grape-fields which Inalona cares for yield many of the best wines in the entire sector. [§]

THE REMAINING SPACE IS ALWAYS SMALL SPACE

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CONTINUUM

A new Traveller® newsletter available only  
from Herb Petro,  
P.O. Box 1515, Belmont, NC 28012.  
Inquire for subscription rates.

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fully illustrated to your wishes!)