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SEEKER NEWS by Mike Mikesh

I had a pleasant phone conversation with Stafford Greene on 12/23, during which he was able to fill me in a bit regarding the directions Seeker is heading. He could not give me a product schedule, though. Seeker does not operate in the same fashion as, say, GDW.

Perhaps the next product we'll see will be the SS Hampton for 2300AD. This is an American destroyer in production just before the Kafer invasions. Convoys including Virginia-class ships pressed into service also include Hampton-class destroyers. Other ship classes found in such convoys are in the plans as well. Module 3 - Spacer Hostel might also appear about the same time as the Hampton. Both are 25mm.

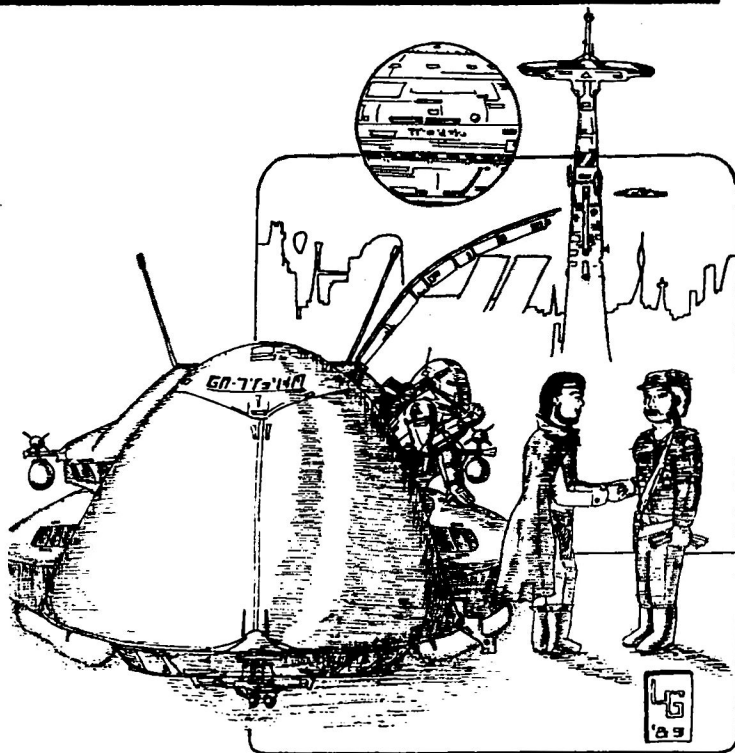
For MegaTraveller, Seeker is seriously thinking of doing adventure books. One such is set in Gateway Sector to involve the K'kree. This will be written and illustrated by William H. Keith, to include a full color cover and possible deck plan. Sequels are a serious consideration (likely to include the new Hiver-K'kree conflicts Joe mentioned earlier). Another is a re-release of "Escape", part of the Caledon Ventures series in Reavers' Deep. This will be expanded, though, probably by our own Q4E and vice-chairsophont, Mark "Geo" Gelinas.

Stafford has a keen interest in doing a whole series of short adventure books, say about 24 pages. This is a means of helping new writers break into print. More writers a sorely needed right now. (Hint, hint.)

Still something else is the re-release of the Sky Raiders series, originally from FASA, with a possible fourth book. (Never gamers might not be aware that FASA started as a Traveller licensee. FASA is an acronym for Freedomian Aeronautics and Space Administration. Freedomia/Inverness (Far Frontiers 2627 A7686C0-F) was a key manufacturer of starships in the Human Client States.)

Traveller deck plans we'll see in the future will be in 25mm. These will likely include short adventure material in the packages also. Something Stafford would very much like to do is coordinate with DGP. When a new DGP product calls for a particular ship, Seeker draws the associated deck plan and releases 25mm sheets for it at the same time.

As it happens, Stafford is now in Idaho, 40 minutes away from Joe Fugate, and they do have regular contact. The new address is SEEKER; P.O. Box 519; Mt Home, Idaho 84647; (208) 587-2986.



WHAT IN THE STARS by Mike Mikesh

Shattered Imperium column has a go from Challenge. If you want to be involved in the writing (please!), coordinate with me and I'll put you in the loop. This will be a series of articles dealing with each faction. The idea is to offer material most useful in adventure and campaign creation. The series requires no particular order.

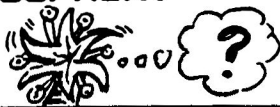
As we write these, though, it'd be especially nice to include a developed adventure involving the subject faction. There's a high demand for this. Sounds like we have one for "Margaret," which goes in end of February.

James Holden's deadline for naming worlds et al in Second Survey has been extended an uncertain amount. So, if you'd like to offer input, help is still welcome.



HIWG CHAIRSOPHONT LETTER

by Ed Edwards



Dear Fellow TRAVELLER:

12/27/89

NEW Q3E

Don (Devastator) McKinney (Genie: D.MCKINNEY3) is now the Quadrant Three Editor (Q3E) for HIWG. He will reign over the Ilelish Domain and all sectors Spinward and Rimward of the Ilelish Domain and all factions with capitals therein. He will correspond with Penn Eckert, the Verge Sector Analyst (SA), who is considering his sector in light of Ancient sites; Russ Fountain, the Ilelish SA, who has big plans for his Sector (see TS14); Greg Videll, who is administering the carnage in Zarushagar; Dennis Loop, Reavers Deep SA; Bob Range, the prolific Daibei SA; Allen "Aslan are a major race" Hopkins, the Aslan Faction Analyst; and Weimar, the Ilelish Federation Faction Analyst. Also he will deal with HIWGs that want to work other sectors in the area or the Daibei Faction.

Ex-Q3E James Holden (Genie: J.HOLDEN2) will be working for DGP so will have to cut down on his HIWG activities.

HIWGs who deal with Quadrant Three should address:

Don McKinney
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The number of HIWG Documents about Quadrant Three has been growing faster than the number of documents in any of the other sectors. Order your Sector Three HIWG Documents from Devastator.

HIWG ORGANIZATION

Appended to TS15 is a list of the organization of HIWG as of the date noted. The organization of HIWG changes weekly, so by the time you see the list it already be out of date. HIWG cannot afford to publish the organization list every time it changes - but I will try to get it to you each year or so. The HIWG Members Directory (HMD) likewise changes each week, but we will try to get each member a copy each year. A HIWG Documents List (HDL) is probably a thing of the past. It just costs too much to send it to everyone. However, we will try to keep you posted on new HIWG Documents from TS to TS.

SECTOR DEVELOPER

HIWGer Dennis Myers proposes the HIWG office of Sector Developer (SD). An SD would be assigned to each sector, mainly to develop planets within the sector. Allen Hopkins has mentioned such a relationship with the Dagudashaag Sector Analyst, Duncan Law-Green. David Cheever has accepted such a post in the Massilia Sector. If you care to be a Sector Developer, get the permission of the Sector Analyst and the Quadrant Editor for a specific sector. Any HIWG Documents developed by Sector Developers should be cleared through the Sector Analyst and sent to the appropriate Quadrant Editor.

MOST POPULAR QUESTIONS

As HIWG ChairSophont, I receive a lot of questions. Here are some answers to the ones I receive the most:

1) Are back issues of TS available? Yes. TS1-9 costs \$2 each. TS10-14 costs \$1 each. Send money to Ed. Back issues of TS are made the same way as the originals: by photocopying. The copy you get will be as good as original subscribers got.

2) Who owns HIWG Documents? HIWG has limited distribution rights. In other words the author retains the principle rights and can sell those rights to

someone else. In fact, I'll be having to quit distributing certain historical documents written by Clay Bush because I believe they will be printed in TRAVELLERS' DIGEST soon. It has always been a goal of HIWG to have some of the ideas and writings of HIWGs to become good enough to be in the official TRAVELLER press.

3) I deserve prepaid membership in HIWG - right? No. Nobody who ever asked for free HIWG membership ever got one. If you deserve a free HIWG membership, we will notice it and offer it to you. Consider though - HIWG is not set up to make money one place so it can be spent other places. HIWG therefor does not/will not be giving out more free memberships than you can count on one hand of a Disney character. Consider also - the people who have contributed the most to HIWG have contributed the most money to HIWG. If you want a free HIWG membership send a \$100 donation - you will get a free years membership in HIWG.

4) Where are the TRAVELLER Fanzines like THIRD IMPERIUM, CONTINUUM, VOYAGES, TTT? All existing TRAVELLER fanzines that I know of advertised in TIFFANY STAR. TI ceased publication after issue #11. CONTINUUM returned unfulfilled subscription money, but wasn't that a couple of years ago? VOYAGES was last advertised in TS12, but I believe they are alive and still servicing the SF RPGers. TTT is alive and still relating to DGP futuristic RPGs. TTT has a certain peculiarity that issues are monthly for three months then there is three months without any issues. But TTT is alive and well.

5) I'm a Sector Analyst. What am I supposed to do? Some of it is spelled out in HIWG Document "How to HIWG '89". I was hoping to have a "How to HIWG '90 by 1990 - another project that is running behind time. Surely I will have it complete before the end of '90? Meanwhile:

a) what does the literature say about your sector?

b) what happened in your sector before the rebellion that might influence the way the rebellion splits up the Imperium?

c) what happens in your sector during the Rebellion?

6) Does HIWG have a function in 1990? Yes. I really don't have time to fully answer this question because of the rush of HIWGian activities. Maybe that is the best proof for my response? There are plenty of HIWGian things to do in 1990 - maybe enough to keep us busy until 1993 (that is supposed to be of humor - it will take till 1993 to do what HIWG needs to do in 1990 - HA!HA!). Have a nice/HIWGian 1990!!!!!!

-Ed Edwards, HIWG ChairSophont

NEW HIWG DOCUMENTS

Order Number: HD-7401 Alpha Crucis Sector by V.G.(Jim)
6 pages Ujck (Genie: V.UJCK). This document describes some of the astrography of the Alpha Crucis Sector, the political organization of the two major powers present, basic sector statistical data, a little of the politics of the area, and a brief description of two of the republics that have formed in the sector.

Order from ED prior to 1 Feb; from GEO thereafter.

ASTRO-GEOGRAPHY by Ed Edwards

A note on "astrography". Sorry, but to talk about "geography" make no sense when you know "geo" refers to a planetary surface. "Uranagraphy" is probably more accurate, but sure isn't very popular. So, I suggest for TRAVELLER where we would use to "geo-" prefix, replace the "astro-" prefix.

HD-0007

HIWG ORGANIZATION 12/20/89

Title: HIWG Organization, 12/20/89
 Abstract: This document delineates the structure of the History of the Imperium Working Group (HIWG) as it exists on 12/20/89. HIWG is a dynamic organization so it's structure will change markedly during 1990 and the years beyond. The numbering structure for HIWG Documents is also defined.

ORGANIZATION LIST

Quadrant Editors

For HIWGian purposes charted space is divided into four quadrants. HIWG Documents should be ordered from the applicable Quadrant Editor (General subjects should be ordered from Ed Edwards). New HIWG writings in each quadrant should be sent to the Quadrant Editor (General writings should be sent to Ed Edwards). Quadrant Editors are selected by the HIWG Chairspoint.

HD#	Name	Date	Postion Title
01xx	Clay Bush	11/29/89	Quadrant One Editor
02xx	Mike Mikes	11/29/89	Quadrant Two Editor
03xx	Don McKinney	12/9/89	Quadrant Three Editor
04xx	Geo Gelinas	2/1/90	Quadrant Four Editor

General Subjects (0xxx)

HD#	Name	Date	Postion Title
00xx	Ed Edwards	12/16/88	HIWG Chairspoint
01xx	Geo Gelinas	12/16/88	HIWG Vice-Chairspoint
03xx	Mike Mikes	12/16/88	TIFFANY STAR (TS) Editor
04xx	Bryan Borich	9/1/89	Data Coordinator
05xx	Clay Bush	12/16/88	HIWG Members Directory (HMD) Editor
06xx	Andy York	12/16/88	HIWG Secretariat
07xx	Ed Edwards	12/16/88	ETC. Department
08xx	(position vacant)	12/20/89	Library Data Editor
0Axx	(under negotiation)	-	Amiga Users Group
0Cxx	Kevin Parry	5/17/89	ATARI ST Users Group
0Dxx	Michael Bay	5/22/89	Starport Editor
0U00	David Lai	12/16/88	IBM PC Users Group
			HIWG U.K.

General Subjects (1xxx)

HD#	Name	Date	Postion Title
10xx	Ed Edwards	12/16/88	General TRAVELLER Subjects
11xx	Ed Edwards	12/16/88	TRAVELLER World Material Guides
12xx	Peter Plevritis	5/23/89	DMSG
13xx	Clay Bush	5/23/89	Domain Maps Sub-Group
14xx	Tim Koors	5/23/89	Pre-1116 Histories
			DASG
15xx	Charles Li	12/16/88	Data Analysis Sub-Group
			ESIG
17xx	James Holden	12/16/88	Espionage Special Interest Group
			SFSIG
18xx	Philip Athans	12/16/88	Science & Technology SIG
	(note; T-TECH was created independantly of HIWG, but since we are headed in a similar direction - why not move together?)		T-TECH Coordinator
19xx	Ed Edwards	1/6/89	TRAVELLER Variants
	(anything goes dept.)		

The Deneb Domain (2xxx)

This is a report only. The Deneb Domain is outside the authority of HIWG. Marc Miller of GDW, the creator of TRAVELLER, maintains control of the Deneb Domain. Details of the Spinward Marches Sector have appeared in numerous official TRAVELLER sources. Over half of the subsectors of the Trojan Reach have appeared in the Fanzine: THIRD IMPERIUM.

HD#	Name	Date	Postion Title
20xx	/Marc Miller/	12/16/88	Deneb Domain Analyst
21xx	/Marc Miller/	12/16/88	Spinward Marches SA
22xx	/Marc Miller/	12/16/88	Deneb SA
23xx	/Mike Jackson/	12/16/88	Trojan Reach SA
24xx	/Hartley/	12/16/88	Reft Sector Analyst

The Vland Domain (3xxx)

The Vland Domain is part of Quadrant One. HIWG coverage of the Vland Domain is unique in that it is totally in the hands of HIWG U.K. David Lai, the leader of HIWG UK appoints SAs and FAs in the domain. The GLE, Clay Bush, should be addressed for stateide delivery of documents in this area. Positions listed as "Open" will be filled at the discretion of David Lai, generally from HIWG UK members.

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HD#	Name	Date	Position Title
30xx	David Lal	12/16/88	Vland Domain Analyst
31xx	David Riddell	12/16/88	Corridor SA
32xx	(Open)	-	Vland Sector Analyst
33xx	Duncan Law-Green	12/16/88	Dagudashaag SA
34xx	(Open)	-	Gushemege Sector Analyst
35xx	Clay Bush	4/3/0/89	MAB Proceedings Editor

The Ilelish Domain
(4xxx)

HD#	Name	Date	Position Title
41xx	Russ Fountain	12/19/89	Ilelish SA
42xx	Greg Videll	5/16/89	Zarushager SA
43xx	Dennis Loop	12/28/89	Reaver's Deep SA
44xx	Bob Range	5/16/89	DAlvel SA

The Antares Domain
(5xxx)

The Antares Domain is part of Quadrant Three. It seems to be the focus of many of the longer HIWG Documents in the last half of 1989.

HD#	Name	Date	Position Title
51xx	Barry Osser	12/19/89	Meshan SA
52xx	(Open)	1/4/89	Mendan SA
53xx	Michael Bay	5/22/89	Lishun SA
54xx	Charles Kimball	12/16/88	Antares SA

The Styela Domain
(6xxx)

The Styela Domain is part of Quadrant Two.

HD#	Name	Date	Position Title
61xx	Jim Fetters	4/14/89	Core SA
62xx	Jimmy Simpson	2/3/89	Fornast SA
63xx	Ed Edwards	12/28/88	Massilia SA
64xx	Bill Carey	8/6/89	Delphi SA
68xx	David Cheever	12/20/89	Massilia Sector Developer

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The Sol Domain
(7xxx)

The Sol Domain is part of Quadrant Four.

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72xx	Scott Strelbich	12/1/89	Old Expanses SA
73xx	Steven Schwartz	12/1/89	Solomani Rim SA
74xx	Jim Ujclik	9/8/89	Alpha Crucis SA

The Gateway Domain
(8xxx)

The Gateway Domain is part of Quadrant Two.

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81xx	James Gilly	9/7/89	Ley SA
82xx	David Redding	10/11/89	Glimmerdrift Reaches SA

The Pseudo-Domains
(9xxx)

The Pseudo-Domains contain all sectors outside the seven Imperium Domains. Those sectors closest to the Imperium are numbered beginning in the first Sphward/Coreward corner and proceeding clock-wise. Sectors beyond the first round will be number elsewhere in the HIWG Docs numbering system - for example in the HIWG personal docs (form: xxx.n). Only sectors with SAs will be listed. If you wish to be an SA in one of the missing sectors, please contact the appropriate Quadrant Editor.

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91xx	Rob Prior	11/1/89	Gvurdon SA
92xx	Hendrix	12/1/89	Tuglilk SA
93xx	Phil Athans	12/16/88	Provence SA
94xx	Barry Osser	12/16/88	Windhorn SA
96xx	Partick Hoye	7/3/89	Empty Quarter SA
97xx	/CHALLENGE/	12/16/88	Hinderworlds Sector
98xx	/WREKT/	12/16/88	Splea Sector
9Dxx	(under negotiation)	-	Magyar SA
9Exx	(under negotiation)	-	Dark Nebula SA
9Fxx	Penn Eckert	4/4/89	Verge SA
9Gxx	William Lubelski	6/20/89	Zaktriplans SA
9Hxx	Herb Petro	9/10/89	Foreven SA
9Ixx	Chuck Kallenbach II	11/20/89	Vanguard Reaches

Faction Analysts
(lxxx)

Each of the major factions of the Rebellion and all the larger alien races are represented in HIWG by a Faction Analyst (FA). FAs are selected by the Quadrant analyst in control of the capital world of the faction.

HD#	Name	Date	Faction Analyst Title
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Axxx	Charles S. Kimball	12/16/88	Antares, League of
ASxx	Allan Hopkins	8/9/89	Asian, Main Body
Bxxx	Dan Beyer	12/16/88	Brothers of Varian
Dxxx	(Open)	-	Daibel, Independent Federation of
DNxx	/Marc Miller/	12/16/88	Deneb, Empire of
Drxx	David Lai	12/16/88	Droyne
Hxxx	(under negotiation)	-	Hive
Ixxx	Lewis Weimar	5/6/89	Ilelish Federation/ Dulinor Faction
JPxx	(Open)	-	Julian Protectorate
Lxxx	Gary Affeldt	12/16/88	Lucan's Imperium
MAXx	Dannis Myers	10/28/89	Margaret
MOxx	Tim Huie	12/16/88	Moot
Rxxx	Clay Bush	12/16/88	Restored Vilani Empire,
RRxx	Peter Wake	6/23/89	Ziru Sirka
SCxx	Andrew Boulton	5/23/89	Rift Republic
SLxx	Pete Celella	9/10/89	Solomani Center (Anti-Vega)
SRxx	John Steven Kostoff	12/16/88	Solomani Left (Anti-Daibel)
SWxx	(Open to HIWG UK)	-	Solomani Right (Anti-Old Expanses)
TXxx	(Open)	-	Strephon's Worlds
VCxx	Phil Athans	12/16/88	"Trailing threat"/Assembly
VGxx	Mike Smith	12/16/88	Vargr Center (Anti-Corridor)
VLxx	Barry Osser	12/16/88	Vega
VRxx	Kevin Burden	3/1/89	Vargr Left (Anti-Lishun)
Zxxx	Mark Perneta	8/10/89	Vargr Right (Anti-Deneb)
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KEY ADDRESSES

Below are the key addresses you need for HIWG correspondence. For a complete list of HIWG addresses please purchase the HIWG Members Directory (HMD), HIWG Document number 0530.

Addresses are arranged alphabetically by last name and are in the following format:

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Lubelski	Prior	Hendrix	Athans	Osser
Foreven	Spinward Marches	Deneb	Corridor	Vland
Petro	(Miller)	(Miller)	Riddell	
Beyond	DENE Miller		VLAND Lai	
	Trojan Reach	Reft	Gushemege	Dagudashaag
	(Jackson)	(Hartley)		Law-Green

Touchstone	Riftspan Reaches	Verge	Illelish	Zarushagar
	J.Holden	Eckert	Fountain	Videll
Afawakisa	Hlakoi	Eshiyssiyy	ILELISH	
			Reaver's Deep	Daibei
			Loop	Range
	Staihaia'yo	Iwahfuah	Dark Nebula	Magyar
	Etakhasoa	Uistilrao	Ustral	Canopus

Q3 - Don McKinney

Q2 - Mike Mikesh

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	Sylea		Gateway
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Edwards	Carey	Redding	

Diaspora	Old Expanses	Hinderworlds	Leonidae
Gelinas	Streibich	(CHALLENGE)	
	SOL		
Solomani Rim	Alpha Crucis	Spica	Phlask
Schwartz	Ujcik	(WREKT)	
Aldebaran	Newworld	Langere	Drakken

Q4 - Geo Gelinas

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