Planets D6 / Muunilinst



Name: Muunilinst
Region: Outer Rim Territories
Sector: Obtrexta sector
System: Muunilinst system
Suns: 1: Muunilinst
Moons: 2
Grid coordinates: K-4
Trade routes: Braxant Run, Entralla Route
Rotation period: 28 standard hours
Orbital period: 412 standard days
Class: Terrestrial
Diameter: 13,800 km
Atmosphere: Type I (Breathable)
Climate: Temperate
Gravity: Standard
Primary terrain: Plains, Forests, Hills, Mountains, Cities
Points of interest: High Port Space Center, InterGalactic Banking Clan Headquarters, San Hill's ruling citadel, Western Sea
Immigrated species: Muun, Rakata (Pre-Republic era), Iotrans, Humans, Aqualish, Bothan, Ithorian, Sullustan, Bith, Twi'lek
Primary language(s): Galactic Basic Standard, Muun, Imperial Basic
Government: United clans
Population: 5 billion; 99% Muuns, 1% other
Major cities: Harnaidan (capital), Mariunhus, Munn City, Pilaan
Major imports: Processed foods, Consumer goods
Major exports: Metals

Description: Muunilinst (pronounced "MYOON-il-ist", with a silent "n" near the end in Galactic Basic), nicknamed Moneylend, was the temperate, mineral-rich Muun colony world and the headquarters of the InterGalactic Banking Clan. It was located on the Braxant Run. It was a member of the Confederacy of Independent Systems under Chairman San Hill.

Geographic features
Muunilinst was a lush world of forests, plains, and tall, jagged mountain peaks, with its skies said to be the most beautiful in the galaxy. It had a liquid iron core, a strong magnetic field, and was volcanically active throughout its known history. Its shallow oceans contained hundreds of "smokers," which were conical volcanoes built up by powerful vents in the crust. Many, though not all, of these smokers spewed out superheated gases containing rich, pure precious metals from the planet's core. The very cones surrounding these vents were made up of layers of precious metals, mixed in with the mollusks, tube-worms, and bioluminescent ferns nurtured by the heat and water. It was these natural formations that provided the Muuns with the almost inexhaustible wealth to guarantee the credit of the entire galaxy.

Culture

The tall, gaunt Muuns were famous for their financial acumen, mathematical genius (hence the name Moneylend of their homeworld of Muunilinst), and greed. Muun children could calculate complex formulas as quickly as most adults of other species. Muuns typically looked at other species as hot-tempered and immature, feeling little guilt in exploiting them. They possessed a drive to compete with other races and even among themselves. They also had a fundamental respect for fairness, however, and regarded a contract as almost a sacred trust; they were known to always follow the letter of the law, though often not the spirit. Their society followed a strict caste hierarchy. Higher castes were financiers, lawyers, engineers, and diplomats. Common Muuns rarely left the surface. Upward mobility was limited to the most gifted of common children: they were tested rigorously, and if found worthy, were allowed to enter the higher castes.

There was also a Podrace course out by the city of Pilaan.

Locations
The greatest Muun city was Harnaidan, the headquarters of the IGBC, as well as the planet's capital. Built around a series of magnificent spires reaching four kilometers into the sky, Harnaidan had a population of more than fifty million. It was built above caverns containing vast, naturally heated lakes and enormous hot springs heated by magma vents. While the higher castes went about their daily business, lower castes swam through the rich waters, collecting mollusks and algae. Harnaidan was, unfortunately for the Muuns, mostly leveled during the battle in the Clone Wars as the Grand Army of the Republic's Self-Propelled Heavy Artillery blasted away buildings indiscriminately in order to annihilate Separatist forward positions.
A skyhook connected Harnaidan with High Port Space Center, an orbital city. The Golan space defense platforms defending Muunilinst could be seen from here, as well as a magnificent view of the planet glittering below. Mariunhus was a particularly rich city built around a smoker rich in gold, platinum, and other precious metals. Mariunhus was an example of a "vault-spire," a virtual mountain of wealth, kept safe and secure, which could be mined at a moment's notice to guarantee credit anywhere in the galaxy. Other smokers were known for industrial metals and were known as "mine-spires."

Harnaidan
Harnaidan was the capital and one of the largest cities on Muunilinst, and served as the headquarters of the InterGalactic Banking Clan. Its towers anchored a skyhook to the orbital city of High Port. Harnaidan was invaded by Republic forces during the Clone Wars in 21.7 BBY.
The city was bombarded extensively by Republic artillery, with entire city-blocks reduced to rubble. Clone lancer troopers led by Obi-Wan Kenobi engaged an army of IG lancer combat droids led by Gen'Dai mercenary Durge, in the open plain outside the city.
The outcome of the battle was the taking of Harnaidan by the invasion force and the capture of Banking Clan operatives. However, this came at great cost, as the battle devastated the Muun infrastructure and led the galaxy to the brink of financial ruin.
The Muuns rebuilt Harnaidan, and it became the capital.

Mariunhus
Mariunhus was a vault-spire on Muunilinst, one of the many small cities located out at sea, the foundations of which were built around the cones of active underwater smoker volcanoes.
These volcanoes were known for spewing out superheated gases containing precious and pure metals. Entire mountains of gold, platinum and other metals had been formed over the eons, eventually covered by mollusks, bioluminescent ferns and tubeworms.

Munn City
Munn City was a city on the planet of Muunilinst. It was the origin of a 22 BBY HoloNet News article

on profits the InterGalactic Banking Clan garnered from their simplification of the process of establishing independent currencies.

Pilaan

Pilaan was one of the largest cities on the planet Muunilinst.

In 0 ABY, Luke Skywalker, Leia Organa and Han Solo were sent there by General Jan Dodonna to retrieve a datacard from the Muun Mak Luunim.

High Port Space Center

High Port was a sprawling orbital city located in geosynchronous orbit over the city of Harnaidan on the planet Muunilinst. A resilient skyhook extended from the towers of Harnaidan to tether the station in place and allow for cheap travel up from the planet's surface.

The station served as a spaceport catering to alien races wishing to do business with the Muuns and the InterGalactic Banking Clan. The view did much to impress such visitors. Muunilinst turned slowly below, displaying its beautiful white and gray cloud patterns, while gleaming spacecraft flitted to and fro amidst the glittering stars. Richer and higher caste Muuns sometimes took up residence here, provided they could afford it. The station was made up of two major spherical space modules, one devoted to living quarters and hotel accommodation, the other to commercial enterprises, stores, and vaults. The residential sphere also contained the High Garden, an impressive and restful setting featuring local and galactic plant life. A ring of smaller spheres, called "the Hub," surrounded the larger two. Among the smaller spheres were the IGBC stardock, the mooring station and repair facilities, a separate sphere housing the power reactor, and a special sphere constructed during the Galactic Civil War at the behest of the Galactic Empire to house Imperial monitors. The Muuns resented the presence of the monitors, but continued to fund the Empire.

During the waning days of the Galactic Republic, High Port served as a meeting point for ambitious merchants and politicians scheming for a piece of the profits of the growing Separatist movement. The Muuns found it to their advantage to cater to diverse alien tastes, including Humans, Hutts, and Herglics. Order was maintained by the Iotran Guard for most of Muunilinst's history. After the fall of the Republic, Imperials disbanded the Iotran Guard and took over security and most of the High Port's operations.

As tensions rose, the Muuns invested in Golan space defense platforms and later upgraded to include Golan III Space Defense NovaGuns. Leadership made sure that two of these daunting platforms were visible to visitors at High Port.

Western Sea

The Western Sea was a body of water on the planet Muunilinst. The island of Aborah was located in the sea.

Aborah

Aborah was an island in the Western Sea on Muunilinst. The island was a dormant smoker, underneath which lay a number of interconnected lava tubes, remnants of its violent, volcanic past. For generations Aborah was the province of the Damask clan.

As Darth Plagueis, Damask conducted experiments at his private residence on the Island in the search for eternal life, and had an extensive laboratory complex hidden behind his mansion.

History

Early events

The former subjects of the Rakata during the time of the Infinite Empire, the Muuns eventually achieved their independence. On Muunilinst, the Muuns established an economy originally based

around farming and fishing, until interstellar travel became common and the worth of precious metals to the galactic economy was realized. All throughout the Galactic Republic era, Muunilinst had a knack for funding potentially profitable enterprises throughout its sector, regardless of ethics or loyalty and was an economic rival of Coruscant itself. It provided much of the funding for the nearby Human colony world of Sartinaynian, which, ironically, broke away from the Republic because of anti-alien sentiments. The banking clans of Muunilinst were uninterested in these prejudices; they were far more interested in credits. They funded colonies, trade guilds, and corporations all along the Braxant Run. At some point in their history, the Muuns also colonized the planet of Mygeeto, which much like Muunilinst itself, would become wealthy and an important financial center.

Eventually, both Muunilinst and Sartinaynian came to be member worlds in the Republic, and Muunilinst became one of the greatest financial powers in the galaxy. When the Republic established the Galactic Credit Standard, the InterGalactic Banking Clan was its guarantor and distributor. The corruption of the Banking Clan was largely unchecked as the Republic fell into decline, and with the looming threat of the breakdown of law and order, they invested in thousands of Hailfire droids to discourage customers from defaulting on their loans.

Clone Wars

Consistent with its reputation for playing both sides, Muunilinst simultaneously backed the currency of the Republic and the Confederacy of Independent Systems during the Clone Wars. Alliances with the Confederacy, however, led to Separatist forces building droid factories and munitions depots on Muunilinst, over the objections of most of the native Muuns. Desperate, they turned in secret to the Republic for aid, even while San Hill and the IGBC collaborated with the Separatists. This led to a series of ruinous battles.

During the Battle of Muunilinst in 22 BBY, Obi-Wan Kenobi, Anakin Skywalker, and Voolvif Monn retook the planet for the Republic, but at great cost. The Separatists fought savagely to hold the planet, with waves of battle droids and a special platoon of IG lancer combat droids led by Jedi hunter Durge. Confederate gun emplacements operated from within the cities, leaving Republic forces no choice but to assault the cities directly. The battle devastated the Muun infrastructure and led the galaxy to the brink of financial ruin. Sometime later, Muunilinst came back under Separatist control as at the end of the war, Separatist forces based here and at Mygeeto fled to the Ciutric sector and joined forces with pirates and Thalassian slavers.

Galactic Empire

Muunilinst later became the financial center of the Galactic Empire. However, unlike other factions the CIS, the Empire wouldn't destroy the IGBC, as it would have set the galaxy into a great recession, but rather subjugated the government. Many Imperials harbored no fondness for aliens, especially those who had associated with the Confederacy, but the mineral riches of Muunilinst were too important for the stability of Imperial credit. Muuns' lending and business operations were hampered by harsh Imperial decrees and the presence of Imperial monitors stationed throughout the world's financial institutions. Muunilinst was no more loyal to the Empire than it was to the Republic or Confederacy, but found it expedient not to undermine Imperial power, reasoning that, no matter the outcome of the Galactic Civil War, the victor would be forced

During the Galactic Civil War, the head of the IGBC, San Hill was captured by IG-88, a bounty hunter in service of the Zann Consortium.

It remained part of the Imperial Remnant during the New Republic years, protected by two Golan III battle platforms. Amazingly, but again consistent with their reputation, even while a part of the

Imperial Remnant, Muunilinst still became the guarantor of the New Republic credit. This infuriated the Moffs, but they were powerless to move against the IGBC without destabilizing the Imperial credit.

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