

# SPECIAL COMMITTEE: REVOLUTION-BRIEFING

## 1. Monroe Republic

The Monroe Republic is a nation-state in part of the former United States of America. It has succeeded the northeastern United States and parts of eastern Canada. It is named after its General in charge, Sebastian "Bass" Monroe. He has complete control over cities and other small villages, giving up their crops as a form of tax. Their main military force is the Monroe Militia.



### a. History

Sometime after the Blackout, Sebastian Monroe and Miles Matheson together constituted the Monroe Republic as a way to patrol the ruins of America after being descended into chaos. Miles assumed the post of Commanding General of the Militia, while Monroe took care of the political side of things.



Both Miles and Sebastian Monroe personally led their troops during the Trenton campaign, and Miles was wounded in a particularly fierce firefight. This was also when Monroe revealed that they were going to have to ration ammunition, as they were running out.

11 years after the Blackout, Miles left the Militia after failing to assassinate Sebastian Monroe and became a fugitive. He felt that Monroe's lust for power had sabotaged his ability to govern. Lieutenant Tom Neville was then tasked with hunting down Miles' co-conspirators. General Monroe privately began work on restoring power to the Republic in the meantime.

At some point, the Georgia Federation and the Plains Nation formed a coalition, which jeopardized the area of southern Illinois, where consisted of heavy rebel sympathies.

While life within the Republic's borders tends to be rather unforgiving, the quality of life for the average citizen gets worse rapidly west of Pittsburgh to third world conditions, as there are many rebel attacks, smugglers bringing people into the Republic illegally, and bandits.

The Monroe Militia is the force that controls the Monroe Republic, it serves as the army, police and secret police of the Republic. It operates with impunity in an area that includes the remains of Chicago, Illinois and some other cities. The name suggests that it was organized by Sebastian Monroe, although he was in Port Royal, South Carolina at the time of the incident (blackout). Also the Militia appears to imitate the hierarchy of the United States military.

## b. Geography

The Monroe Republic controls the northeastern United States, with its northern border at the Great Lakes and the Saint Lawrence River, its western border on the Mississippi River, its eastern border at the Atlantic Ocean, and its southern border at the Ohio, Tug and Roanoke Rivers.

The Monroe Republic consists of: Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Pennsylvania, New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Ohio, Connecticut, West Virginia, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Delaware, New Jersey, and Maryland, most of Virginia and part of North Carolina north of the Roanoke River. The Canadian provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Quebec south of the St. Lawrence River are also part of the Republic.

The capital is located at Independence Hall in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The walls around the city are thirty feet high, with machine gun emplacements. The only other entrance is through the old SEPTA tunnels, but they are heavily mined. Monroe's main research and development center is at Willow Grove, Pennsylvania, where he keeps a fleet of at least six UH-1 Iroquois helicopters.

## c. Uniforms

All new recruits at some point have the letter "M" branded onto either the right or left wrist. This serves as a means of identification among soldiers, but it can also cause problems, such as when Nate Walker's allegiance is revealed by Miles Matheson.

## d. Weapons

The standard weapon for Militia troops is the Enfield model 1862 cap-and-ball rifle, but some elite troops have been seen with M-16 assault rifles, and many guards are seen carrying M-4 carbines. The reason for this is that Monroe always keeps the best weapons for himself. Some troops were seen equipped with crossbows previously. Officers use pistols of various types, and all troops are issued brass-knuckled swords for close-quarters fights.

## e. Politics

Despite Sebastian Monroe having the title of 'President' he appears to be a dictator. This is supported by the lack of elections or even the mention of such. Citizens of the Republic's have to pay taxes in the form of either money or crops. Failure to do so often results in prison sentences. Individual rights are greatly curtailed, and the Militia frequently detains people for no reason at all, often without so much as an explanation.

## f. Baltimore Act

The Baltimore Act was a law passed in the Monroe Republic shortly after its creation.

"It shall be unlawful for any citizen of the Monroe Republic to buy, sell, own, or transport any firearm, except that of the loyal militia."

The law criminalizes the ownership of any firearms by citizens except for any active member of the Monroe Militia. Passed by the Monroe Republic, it was meant to take full of control of the firearms in the areas administered by the government thereby curtailing any chance of violent rebellion. Any violation of the law is punishable by death.

Due to the Monroe Republic's ban upon civilian firearms, the Monroe Militia is the only group authorized to carry rifles and sidearms. Therefore, the Militia is the most hierarchical and armed group operating in the greater Chicago area, although that has not stopped various groups from obtaining them, such as the Rebels.

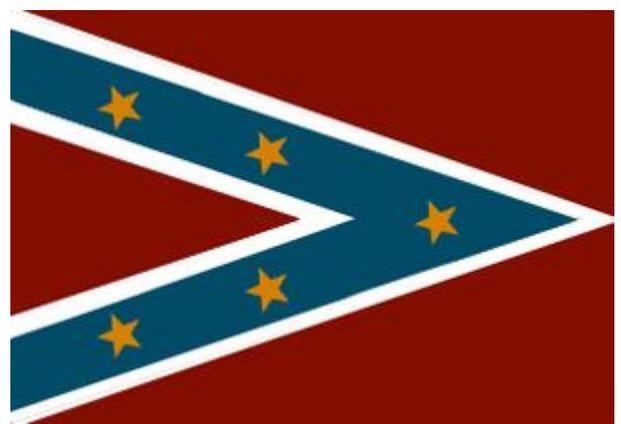
## g. Economy

The Republic uses at least two forms of currency - gold and Militia Trade Dollars but most citizens use crops to pay taxes. Considering that Militia Trade Dollars are only used within the Monroe Republic, it seems that gold and diamonds are used as a universal currency of sorts.

## h. Taxes

Many villages pay taxes sometimes in the form of crops. Failure to pay taxes will result in prison sentences.

## 2. Georgia Federation



The Georgia Federation, or simply Georgia, is a nation in North America that spans most of the former southeastern United States.

## a. History

### *Post-Blackout*

It would appear that the Georgia Federation was at war with the Monroe Republic at some point, back when Miles Matheson was still in charge of the Monroe Militia.

15 years after the Blackout the Georgia Federation has allied with the Plains Nation in a planned assault on the Monroe Republic. Colonel Faber reported that the Federation was just days away from an all-out war with the Republic. ("Soul Train") The current head of state, President Foster, is a woman.

When Alec Penner smuggled a suitcase-sized nuclear bomb into Atlanta, Miles, Charlie, and Nora followed him. While he was framed for the murder of a police officer, Miles was eventually able to convince President Foster to let him go. After Miles killed Alec, he hid the nuclear material to keep it out of Foster's hands. Later, she spoke of attacking the Monroe Republic from the south, while the Rebels opened a second front from the inside. In order to accomplish this, she gave Miles command of several hundred men and a thousand guns.

## b. Government

The Georgia Federation is run by President Kelly Foster, Atlanta(its capital). Unlike the Monroe Republic, the Georgia Federation has a civilian government which takes care of the armed forces. The country also has a great structured judicial system. Citizens of the Georgia Federation enjoy a large array of personal freedoms that include equality, free market economics, and protection. Unlike the Monroe Republic, the Georgian government administers to all of their citizens without the use of armed intimidation; enforcing the rule of law through legitimate governance. The President of the Georgia Federation serves as the Head of State, Head of Government, Chief Diplomat, and Commander in Chief. The President operates a cabinet for delegation and advisory purposes. Since Georgia is a federation, they likely have political divisions, with the central government having the authority.

### c. Economy

Georgia has a large agricultural economy due to their warmer and susceptible climate. They can grow a wider variety of foods for longer periods of time, and as such are able to sell more and have a larger economy. They have a much more advanced civilian infrastructure than the Monroe Republic, such as a public transportation system that uses steam-power. Therefore, the roads throughout the country are well maintained. The Federation is very wealthy both in terms of national product and individual income. They have developed a trade network with England, indicating that the country has a merchant marine fleet, likely powered by steam as well. Unlike the Monroe Republic, the Georgia Federation has massive cities like Atlanta and empowers their citizens through economics.

### d. Geography

The Georgia Federation reaches from the Atlantic Ocean to the Mississippi River. Its northern border reaches Kentucky and splits North Carolina along the Roanoke River all the way to the Atlantic.

It contains the following former U.S. states: Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Kentucky, South Carolina, and Tennessee as well as the parts of North Carolina south of the Roanoke River and Louisiana east of the Mississippi. The capital is Atlanta, Georgia.

### e. Uniforms and Military

The troops of the Georgia Federation wear olive green colored uniforms with the insignia of the Federation on the right shoulder. The symbol is similar to the flag of the Confederate States of America. It consists of five yellow stars within a blue chevron on a red background. The Georgia Federation has twice as many soldiers as the Monroe Republic, more allies, and some better weapons. This advantage increased later with the defection of former Militia Major Tom Neville.

Some of them carry swords similar to the brass-knuckled swords used by the Monroe Militia, although they also resemble cutlasses as well. Military police use M9 pistols while frontline soldiers use M4 carbines from the former U.S. military.

The Georgia Federation has formed a military alliance with the Plains Nation in order to guard against and possibly attack the Monroe Republic. Thanks to their trade with Europe, they have a military alliance with England. The military operates a no-man's land between the Federation and the Monroe Republic.