

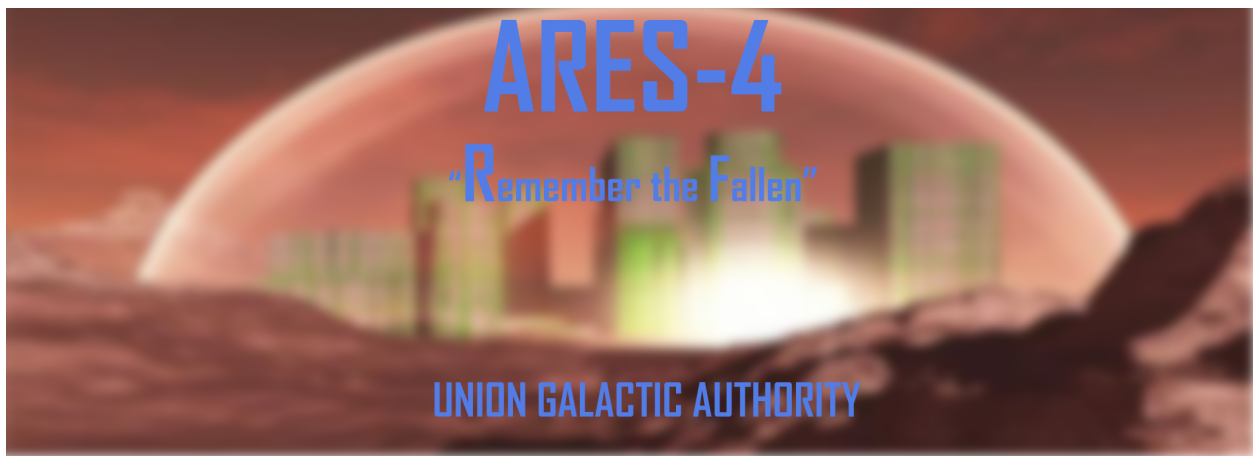
Starboard

In the year 2011, the Universal Union took notice of the portal storms created by the Nihilanth's defeat by Doctor Gordon Freeman, a theoretical physicist employed by the Black Mesa Research Facility.

During the time that creatures from the Xenian Borderworld were pouring through these storms, the race formerly titled the 'Combine Empire' took advantage of these slipspace tears and launched an attack on Earth's government. This prompted the United Nations to perform a counter attack.

Military forces held the fight back on Earth in the city of Kiev, Eastern Europe, this conflict went on for exactly seven hours and forty-five minutes. The war was simply dubbed the Seven Hour War by the few remaining survivors.

Former business administrator Wallace E. Breen used his position in the United Nations to secure peace between the two warring races. A treaty was signed, creating a bond between the Union and the human race.



In 2013, using these portal storms, they used their own technologically advanced cruisers to colonize each planet in the Sol System through force. They used the treaty signed from the Seven Hour War to create a subsection called 'The Exchange.'

It's basis was to terraform planets into a living, breathing atmosphere purely for labor. By creating long circular sections of habitation placed into the crust of these planets, dubbed Citadels, technology did the work for them by completely terraforming the crust of these planets

into a suitable atmosphere for the human race. By doing this, they forfeited their previous name, now boding the title, 'Union Galactic Authority.'

[X] = Insurgent Activity

ERMIS-1 [Mercury]

AFRODITI-2 [Venus]

GAIA-3 **[X] [Earth]**

ARES-4 **[X] [Mars]**

ZEUS-5 [Jupiter]

KRONOS-6 [Saturn]

OURANOS-7 [Uranus]

POSEIDON-8 [Neptune]