

AREN BET

Gorn

Male

Gorn Hegemony

Biography

The Federation has had a long and contentious relationship with the Gorn Hegemony, with roots back before the UFP was even founded. Gorn society has a strong emphasis on personal strength and domination so it's little wonder that they make for poor neighbors. Still, not every Gorn sees those values translating into war.

Arenbet is the leader of a political faction within the Hegemony that looks back at the history of the Beta Quadrant and concludes that the Gorn have been on the wrong side of politics. It is not surrender, he maintains, to side with the strongest force out there. Only by participating in the power struggles can one hope to climb to the top. He is determined to forge a strong alliance with the Federation and together force the more belligerent species in this part of the galaxy (the Romulans and Klingons, for example) into obedience.

To this end, Arenbet has maneuvered to get himself appointed as diplomatic representative from the Hegemony to the Federation. This position is normally seen as a disgraceful one and it was easy to obtain, but now that Arenbet has entrenched himself and started plans in motion traditionalists in the Hegemony are having trouble removing him. His political capital and allies inside and outside the Gorn Hegemony have made Arenbet a true political force.

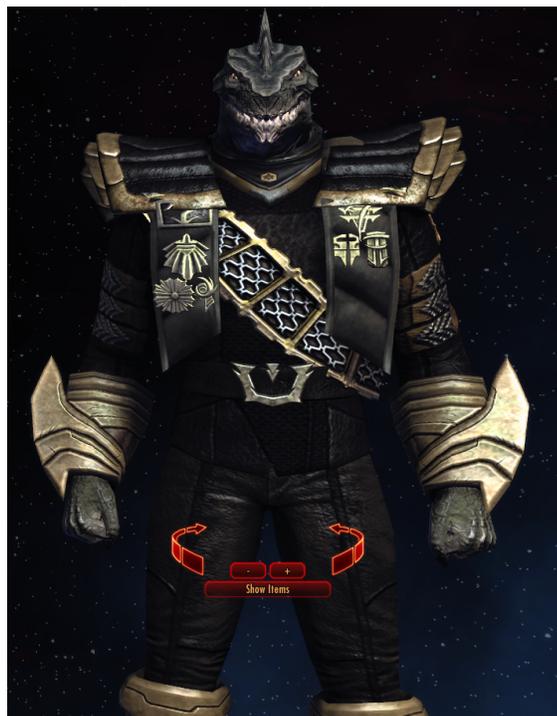


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Rerash as Rival Negotiator

Arenbet's personal views could shift in a way that makes him a definite antagonist instead of a problematic ally. In his search for a powerful partner for the Gorn, the diplomat could instead have fixed upon the Romulan Star Empire or the Klingon Empire as the powerful rising stars to cooperate with. In this case, the Federation might grow concerned that a rival alliance of species might threaten stability in the Alpha and Beta Quadrants. This happened in some of the *Star Trek* novels with a force called the Typhon Pact that actually included the Gorn.

Alternatively, it might be the Dominion that the Gorn ally with. Whether this is instead of the Breen Confederacy or in addition to, it would certainly change the course of the Dominion War, not least because the Federation would have enemies on both sides instead of just the Cardassian Border.

Statistics

Use the following statistics for a Notable or Major version of this character. The statistics note what changes are necessary for a Major NPC.

TRAIT: Gorn, Ambassador

Stress: II **Resistance:** 0

VALUES:

- **There Are Better Ways Than Killing**
- **Two Allies Are Three Times As Strong** (Major NPC)

ATTACKS:

- **Unarmed Strike** (Melee, 3♣ Knockdown, 1H, Non-lethal)
- **Disruptor Pistol** (Ranged, 5♣ Vicious 1, 1H)
- **Escalation Disruptor Rifle** (Ranged 6♣ Vicious 1, 2H, Accurate)

ATTRIBUTES

Control	12	Daring	9
Fitness	9	Insight	10
Presence	12	Reason	10

SPECIAL ABILITIES

- **Cautious Commander:** Whenever Arenbet attempts a Task with the Command Discipline and he buys one or more d20s by spending Threat, he may re-roll a single d20.
- **Sacrifice of Command:** Once per scene, when Arenbet succeeds at a Task using the Command or Security Disciplines, he may choose to suffer one automatic Complication (as if he got a Success at Cost). If he does, an ally he chooses counts as having assistance from Arenbet (**Presence + Command**) on their next Task.
- **Supreme Authority:** Whenever a Gorn currently under Arenbet's command attempts a Task to resist persuasion or intimidation, Arenbet may spend 1 Threat to allow that Gorn to re-roll, even if Arenbet is not present in the scene himself.
- **Thick Hide:** Arenbet's Resistance against non-lethal attacks is increased by +1. Additionally, when he succeeds at the Recover Task, he may regain 3 Stress per Threat spent rather than 2.

DISCIPLINES

Command	05	Conn	01
Security	02	Engineering	01
Science	01	Medicine	02

For Major NPC add +1 to Conn, Engineering, Science, and Medicine.

FOCUSES:

- **Negotiations**
- **Computer Systems**
- **Galactic Politics** (Major NPC)
- **Fleet Command** (Major NPC)