

SUPERHEROES VS WORLD LEADERS BACKGROUND GUIDE



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INTRODUCTION



The United Nations was created to preserve peace and protect all peoples of the world regardless of ethnicity, race, religion or gender. As seen in the Universal declaration of Human Rights, Article 2.

Everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration, without distinction of any kind, such as race, color, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status. Furthermore, no distinction shall be made on the basis of the political, jurisdictional or international status of the country or territory to which a person belongs, whether it be independent, trust, non-self-governing or under any other limitation of sovereignty. Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1948

In the Marvel Summit the delegates will be the actual super heroes and world leaders. They will have their names, backstories and identities. They will come in with rivalries and friendships that their characters established in the Marvel Cinematic Universe. Using a slightly looser version of the Model UN rules of procedure, the Marvel Summit will have the heroes debate two very important topics.

They will debate if superhumans should have any unique rights and whether they should be bargaining as a united front or it is each hero and vigilante for themselves. Alliances will be built along moral lines, malignant and magical. Some will agree with each other based on past action. Others based on future prospects. Some are outlaws and some from outer space.

What unifies them is the task to bring a document to the United Nations stating their demands as they move towards a new arrangement with the less powered humans they share the world with.

It is the general opinion that the world leaders demand to bring the superheroes under the regulations of their countries of origin and with extension under UN regulation. It is clear that not everyone will agree. It is also clear that some of the enhanced humans will want other groups to not be part of the declaration of intent that will be given to the United Nations. In the end, the final document will be sent with representatives to one of the United Nations bodies to see if a new arrangement can be reached.

The debate will take place in a depowered zone in a secret location. This is the first time that representatives of all power groups will meet in one place. It might also be the last. The time has come for the powered to decide the fate of the powerless. Will the fittest survive? Will humanity be safer at the end of it all? That will remain to be seen.

COMMITTEE OVERVIEW



Imagine you're a pedestrian walking down the street and a fight breaks out around you between the Avengers and Loki, Or imagine in a fight between the mutants and Juggernaut and your house is wrecked in the midst of this. Even if the fight was to protect the larger number of people, people and the governments face financial losses .

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In a world where science and technology advances every day. It does not seem too far-fetched that some day soon someone could have powers. What would we do in such a case? What would the governments of the world do? However, to every political treaty and agreement there is always another side. What about superhumans?

The ones who needed to register their identity with government agencies. What would we do if we were in their shoes and singled out for having powers that strike both awe and fear into the hearts of men and women? These superhumans have risked their lives in the battles of New Avengers Facility or the Battle against Steppenwolf. Should they be recognised for their efforts and be legalised.

Introduction to the Superheroes Committee



Set in the Marvel Cinematic and Comic Universe along with characters from DCEU all history, storylines and understandings within these are an accepted and recommended background for this committee. Since the establishment of the United Nations in 1945, there has been no war between great powers.

However, even at its founding, new threats began to emerge; threats that had the power to create just as much instability, destruction, and death as a war between the superpowers. From the attacks of the mutant terrorist Magneto in the 1970s to the Chitauri invasion of New York in 2012, it was clear that the UN's goal of keeping peace in the world extended beyond keeping peace between nations

1. Following the attack on Sokovia City in 2015, the United Nations created a committee aimed at tackling the question of legislation and enhanced humans

2. Spearheaded by U.S. Secretary of State Thaddeus Ross, the Commission on Sokovia offered all known powered humans the choice between working for the UN within a legal framework, or the cessation of all abnormal activities.

The result was a civil war between the powerful individuals of the world. Split between those for and against registration, heroes and wanted criminals joined either of the sides in a battle that claimed property and more than a few lives. The outcome resulted in many of the most accomplished and valiant heroes in the world being placed under arrest or going into hiding.

The United Nations Commission on Superhuman Activity (UNCSA) was created with the purpose of protecting the unpowered peoples of the world. In comparison to the enhanced humans, both heroes and terrorists, most of the citizens of the world can be considered in the category of the defenceless. Last year, Secretary General António Guterres invited both humans and superhumans to resolve the pressing issue of superhuman regulation, where a Resolution, Resolution 26/02, was ratified for the first and only time. They have been invited back to grapple with one of the following issues:

Deliberating upon the regulations of Superhumans, Mutants and Meta Humans and discussing their legalisation.

Problems that need to be addressed :

- Legalisation of Superheroes
- Involvement of Superhumans in the relocation efforts after the blip.

- Problems arising after the Blip -
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Food Security



If agriculture and food production is done on a yearly basis, this is effectuated according to demand for food. The latter has halved over the last five years. Now, all those who have returned from the Blip find themselves causing a potential famine. This has resulted in extreme rationing across the globe.

Society can no longer function, and this has severe statistical ramifications given that victims of the Blip were not affected in equal proportion across the globe, making its effects uneven. Countries that did not previously have enough food enjoyed an increase in their food supply as a result of the Blip, but now that everyone has returned this is to be discontinued. This is causing mass uprisings and resentment across the globe

● Suggesting reforms to the Superhuman registration act 2015

Given the huge number of casualties in the Battle of New York and the Battle of Sokovia, the Sokovia Accords came into law in 2015 and were renamed the Superhuman Registration Act. The act promised protection to any powered individual who agreed to submit to registration.

In return, their anonymity was guaranteed, and they were given the choice between using their powers in an official legal capacity or not at all. Thousands registered on the first day. Many criminals registered to receive the pardon offered to low-level offenders.

However, the mass registration was not without flaws; the registration act was found to lack clear guidelines regarding many of the classes of powered individuals.

Conclusion



This committee must decide how best to grapple with the aftermath of the Blip and restore the world to before its devastating consequences. This committee should bear in mind that only a united front can repair the situation. World leaders must enlist the help of enhanced humans to do this. But in this process the superheroes mustn't be taken advantage of by the world leaders and be given the recognition and rights they deserve.

Relevant Movies and Series:

MCU movies up until Avengers Endgame
Wandavision
Falcon and the Winter Soldier

CLASSES OF ENHANCED HUMANS

Powered individuals can be divided into the following six classes: skill, tech, science, cosmic, mutant and mystic. Each class has been evaluated on its own. Some enhanced humans fall into more than one category (e.g. Deadpool: Science, Mutant and Skill)

SKILL

Skilled heroes have no supernatural powers but have reached such proficiency in a specific type of skill to deem themselves lethal weapons. Examples include the Avenger Hawkeye for his skill with a bow and arrow, the Winter Soldier and Black Widow for their hand to hand combat ability, and the Punisher who has single-handedly killed over 600 criminals and wounded over 2000 more.

TECH

Tech heroes are either machines themselves or humans in suits of armour that make them extremely powerful. Examples of machine entities are the Avengers Vision and the killer robot Ultron. Examples of humans using such weapons are Tony Stark (Iron Man) and James Rhodes (War Machine).

Humans with grafted technological implants such as Yuriko Oyama or the Reavers are also considered tech. Peter Quill (Starlord), whose combative advantage derives from his weapons, also falls into this category. Unlike Hawkeye, who's skill with the bow and arrow is enhanced by a better bow, Peter Quill derives his skill from the weapons he uses.

SCIENCE

This category pertains to anyone whose powers derive from earth-based science. This includes individuals who were enhanced by lab tests, radioactive rays, or other chemical alterations.

Examples of science heroes are Captain America and Spider-Man, while villains of this category are Electro and the Green Goblin. The Hulk also falls into this category.

COSMIC

The cosmic class of enhanced humans generally come from space or other realms; some are earth-born and experimented on by species from outer space, and thus also pertain to this category. Examples include Gamora and Drax of the Guardians of the Galaxy. Carol Danvers, who owes her powers to the explosion of a Kree device, is also classified as cosmic. Cosmic characters similarly include Black Bolt and Medusa of the Inhumans, because they represent an entire nation of thousands, as opposed to individual space born creatures like Rocket Raccoon.

MUTANT

These individuals have powers given to them by evolution. Many mutants on earth many even be unaware that they are mutants. There are notably powerful Omega class mutants such as Magneto and Storm. There are also less powerful mutants who have powers that provide an advantage in hand-to-hand combat such as Beast, Wolverine, and the anti-hero Deadpool.

MYSTIC

While we don't know its source or origin, certain individuals have powers that can only be called magic. These can range from wizards and sorcerers, such as Dr. Strange to gods from other realms such as Thor and Loki.