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1. Description

<u>Hogosha</u> translates literally as "<u>guardian</u>" or "protector," reflecting the organization's rather romantic view held not only by its own members, but by a large portion of the Kusari population.-- though by no means the majority. Far from protectors, the <u>Hogosha</u> are actually descendants of the organized crime syndicates that grow within the shadow of any sizable human society -- though the <u>Hogosha</u> have an oddly symbiotic relationship with both the government and <u>Samura</u>.

Their political connections would make any serious attempt to dismantle them an embarrassment to Kusari as any number of secrets and deals that had been kept out of the public eye came to light. However, neither do the Hogoshahave a free license to operate. Arrests of low-level Hogosha operators who flaunt their activities are frequent and help keep up appearances -- very important in Kusari. "Hard" crime, such as drug smuggling, is not tolerated.

Individual opinions vary, but most police consider the <u>Hogosha</u> a necessary evil required for the smooth functioning of Kusari society. The government simply treats the <u>Hogosha</u> like any other large keiretsu. The Kusari population as a whole has a similar attitude: it is pointless to like or dislike the <u>Hogosha</u>; they are simply a fact of life.

The <u>Hogosha</u> handle Artifact and gun smuggling and the fencing of stolen goods. They also do occasional dirty work for <u>Samura</u>. They view the <u>Blood Dragons</u> as a major threat to their existence and have engaged in turf wars with them, mostly in the asteroid fields of Tokyo. The <u>Golden Chrysanthemums</u> are a new problem, as they have few qualms about dealing in the drug trade or its consequences. Since they have no corruptible leaders or long associations with <u>Samura</u> or the Kusari government and police, The <u>GC</u> -- like the <u>Blood Dragons</u> -- are dangerous to the <u>Hogosha</u> way of life. They view the <u>Junkers</u> as their only real competitors within the <u>Sirius Sector</u>, and their only obstacle to expansion into the other Houses. They have approached the <u>Corsairs</u> to assist them in their plan, although no concrete steps have been taken.

The Hogosha made a recent arrangement to purchase Artifacts directly from the Corsairs on the cruise ship

Hawaii, a move that infuriated the <u>GMG</u>, who formerly served as the middleman between the two crime syndicates. It also raised the ire of the <u>LSF</u>, who applied pressure on Orbital Spa to deny landing privileges to the two factions.

2. Stats

CLASS: MusashiGRAVITY: CompleteDOCKING: YesAMENITIES: Yes

POPULATION: UnknownOWNER: Hogosha (Hogosha)

• SYSTEM: New Tokyo

3. Ships

• no ships available

4. Equipment to buy

4.1. Guns & Missiles & Turrets

- Starkiller Torpedo Launcher
- Stalker Missile
- Wasp Cruise Disruptor
- Slingshot Missile
- Windstalker Missile
- Sweeper Missile
- Catapult Missile
- Drake Turret Type A
- Drake Type A
- Drake Type B
- Drake Turret Type B
- Drake Type C

4.2. Thrusters

Heavy Thruster

4.3. Mines

- Wardog Mine
- Seeker Mine
- Tadpole Mine
- Razor Mine

4.4. Shields & Special

- · Adv. Rampart Fr. Shield
- Adv. Rampart L. F. Shield
- Adv. Rampart H. F. Shield
- Sconce Fr. Shield
- Sconce L. F. Shield
- · Sconce H. F. Shield
- Adv. Sconce H. F. Shield
- Adv. Sconce Fr. Shield
- Adv. Sconce L. F. Shield

- Palisade H. F. Shield
- Palisade Fr. Shield
- Palisade L. F. Shield

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