



INCOMING FEED.....

Council, the Ute Nation, the Algonkian-Manitou Council, the Athabaskan Council, the Trans-Polar Aleut Nation, and the Tsimshian Nation.

The Treaty of Denver also divided up that city between its original signatory members: Aztlan (more on them later), neighbor members of the new NAN (Sioux, Pueblo, and Ute) and the United States. Since no militaries were allowed for fear of annulling the treaty and bringing about a repeat of the Great Ghost Dance, Denver became a smuggler's dream.

Remember that part about the dissolution of the Mexican government? 2015 saw the birth of Aztlan, after Mexico's new president (and the lackey of ORO, the company that grew out of the South American drug cartels and that later reinvented itself as Aztechnology) renamed his country. He also exhorted all Hispanic peoples to "join in reclaiming our glorious cultural heritage." I think if anyone had told them that this reclamation would include a forceful return to the bloodiest days of Aztec history, many people would've laughed ... but they wouldn't be laughing now.

METAMORPHOSES

Yet more changes came down the pike between 2018 and 2029: ASIST, Goblinization, cyberlimbs, Lone Star, and the first cyberterminals, to name a few. We had an explosion of tech, more metahumanity to contend with, and a policlub that couldn't (contend, that is). It sure was a bumpy ride, but for me it literally opened up new worlds.

TECHSPLOSION

While others were hashing out the Treaty of Denver, Dr. Hosato Hikita was working for ESP Systems, Inc. in Chicago. And what was the good doctor doing? Why, creating the first generation of Artificial Sensory Induction System Technology (ASIST)—otherwise known as *simsense*—of course. This is the stuff that later got everyone's minds hooked in to the consensual reality of the Matrix and addicted to Neil the Ork Barbarian *simflicks*. (Worse stuff like BTLs are out there, I know. But those *simflicks* are some of the most cheeseball things to ever hit the Sixth World, especially now that they've incorporated Or'zet curses. Don't get me started.) *Simsense* units, which could play rudimentary sense impressions, would first hit the market in the '20s.

Then in 2019, British braintrust corporation Transys Neuronet successfully attached the first completely cybernetic replacement limb to a human being. This human being happened to be the virtuosa violinist Leonora Bartoli, who'd lost her left hand in a freak accident while disembarking from a bullet train. Coincidentally, Transys was experimenting with a prosthetic that could link directly into the user's nervous system, allowing for far greater sensitivity and control. This was a win-win situation for both parties, and a cybernetic revolution for us.

GOBLINIZATION

For a while, we thought we'd have a breather from all the turmoil we'd witnessed. Turns out it was the calm before yet an-