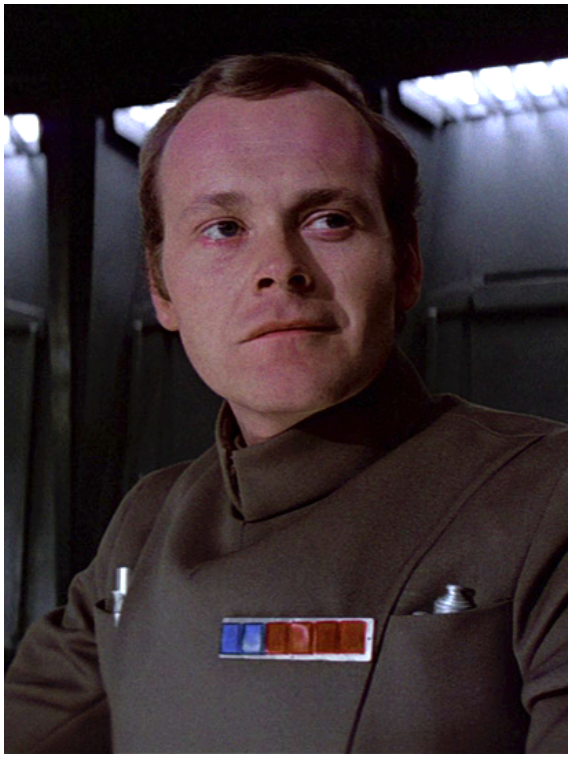
Characters D6 / Conan Antonio Motti



CHARACTER NAME - Conan Antonio Motti
SPECIES - Human
GENDER - Male
HEIGHT - 1.7m
MOVE - 10
Homeworld: Seswenna
Hair color: Brown
Skin color: Fair

DEXTERITY: 2D+2
- Blaster: 5D+1
- Dodge: 5D+2
- Vehicle Blasters: 5D+1

PERCEPTION: 3D+1
- Command: 6D+2
- Con: 5D+2
- Search: 5D
- Persuasion: 6D

KNOWLEDGE: 3D+2
- Bureaucracy: 7D+2
- Business: 5D
- Tactics: 6D
- Willpower: 5D+2

STRENGTH: 2D+2
- Brawling: 4D+2

MECHANICAL: 3D
- Communications: 5D
- Capital Ship Piloting: 4D+2
- Capital Ship Shields: 5D+2
- Capital Ship Weapons: 6D+2
- Sensors: 5D

TECHNICAL: 2D
- Capital Ship Repair: 3D+1
- Computer Programming/Repair: 5D+2
- Security: 5D+1

EQUIPMENT
- Imperial Officers Uniform, E-11 Blaster Pistol: 4D, Datapad, Commlink, Code Cylinders

FORCE SENSITIVE - N
FORCE POINTS 2
DARK SIDE POINTS 5
CHARACTER POINTS 4

Description: Conan Antonio Motti was an Imperial officer who served aboard the Death Star as the head of Naval operations during the Galactic Civil War. Born into a powerful and wealthy family on Seswenna, he entered Imperial service, rising rapidly through the ranks of the Imperial Navy. It was not long before he advanced past Captain Jaim Helaw, who he had served under early in his career. By 0 BBY, he had been promoted to the rank of admiral, and was working aboard the Empire's massive battlestation, the Death Star. Only Grand Moff Wilhuff Tarkin outranked Motti on the battlestation, although General Cassio Tagge—his counterpart in the Imperial Army—was his equal.

Motti was extremely confident in his viewpoint that the Death Star was invulnerable, believing that the Rebel Alliance posed no threat to the station. He was even bold and arrogant enough to openly question Dark Lord of the Sith Darth Vader for his failure to discover the location of the Rebellion's secret base during one meeting in the Death Star conference room. For this, Vader Force-choked him, which greatly frightened Motti, who realized that Vader could have easily killed him had Tarkin not ordered the Dark Lord to relent. Nonetheless, Motti remained overly confident in himself and the Death Star. Despite Motti's unshakable credence in the Death Star, the Rebel Alliance—which had obtained a copy of the Death Star blueprints—managed to find a weak spot in the station's defenses, and succeeded in destroying it during the Battle of Yavin, killing Motti.

Personality and traits

As a teenager during the Clone Wars, Motti was thrilled by the exploits of the Republic Outland Regions Security Force, with reserved contempt for both the Republic bureaucrats and Jedi Knights, whom he felt hamstrung the Outland Regions Security Force and incompetently prosecuted the Clone Wars from the distant Core Worlds. Motti cheered when he heard of the Jedi's elimination as traitors of the Republic, and was moved by Palpatine's declaration that the new order would get rid of the corruption and vacillation of previous eras. As Motti saw the Empire took the galactic stage at a time of unprecedented promise, he believed in the New Order's goals being spread across the galaxy and planets could not adapt should be eliminated, with other worlds considering the consequences. Within the Navy, he held the greatest contempt for veterans of the Republic's Judicial Department or Planetary Security Forces, as he believed their loyalty was to their own service and not the Empire, and he disagreed with what he considered their outdated ideas of military power.

Motti was a deeply ambitious man, a fact acknowledged by Tarkin. The Grand Moff held the opinion that once the Rebels were destroyed, Motti would receive a promotion to Moff. Indeed, the admiral was very ambitious, and though he seemed loyal to Emperor Palpatine, in truth Motti harbored dreams of becoming Emperor himself. He attempted to convert Tarkin to his cause, trying to convince the Grand Moff that whoever controlled the Death Star could control the galaxy. Motti hoped that Tarkin would soon listen to him, and use the Death Star to seize power from Palpatine. If Tarkin did overthrow Palpatine, the admiral would then cause Tarkin's death in a subtle way, allowing him to ultimately become Emperor. He also believed Darth Vader had similar ideas, with Vader's first act under Emperor Tarkin would be to eliminate his rivals, and was additionally prepared to arrange for Vader's death if it proved necessary. However, he never received this chance, as the Death Star was destroyed by the Rebel Alliance shortly after its completion.

Motti believed in the infallibility of the Death Star, feeling that any attack made by the rebellion against the station would be a useless gesture doomed to fail. So strong was his belief in the Death Star that he was its greatest champion, and told any who would listen that it was the missing piece of his long-held military philosophy, in which, while the Navy normally commanded space and protected the Army during ground assaults, the Death Star's threat would free the Army to act, leaving the Navy's endless parade of battleships superfluous. During the Battle of Yavin, his faith in the battle station and his quest for power saw him dissuade a worried Tarkin from preparing an escape shuttle. Motti believed that in order to seize power, Tarkin could never abandon the Death Star; he further dismissed the rebel attack as nothing to be concerned about. Tarkin heeded his advice, which ultimately led to both of their deaths. Admiral Motti was a firm believer in the Tarkin Doctrine, which stated that the threat of force was sufficient enough to prevent rebellions, and that fear was necessary to keep dissidents in line. Ultimately, this belief was flawed, as the Destruction of Alderaan did not cause other planets to cower in fear, but instead to rise up in anger and challenge the Empire—which led to the Death Star's destruction and Motti's death. He, like Tarkin, also despised the Imperial Navy's generationals for their belief in stability and order, as they believed that they were "ancient values."

Motti pretended to be loyal to Tarkin, though in truth it was in an act, designed to fool the Grand Moff and ensure that he trusted Motti, so that if the admiral ever decided to betray him, Tarkin would be caught unaware. To further this facade, Motti pretended to be sympathetic towards Tarkin when his mistress, Admiral Natasi Daala, was injured in the Attack on the first Death Star. He was even prepared to feign sadness in the event that Daala died, hoping to curry favor with the Grand Moff. Motti was also aware that if he did not act appropriately disheartened, Tarkin would be greatly insulted, and the admiral knew that it was not wise to offend Tarkin. Motti considered Tarkin's affection for Daala a weakness, and was prepared to one day exploit that.

Motti felt that women were inferior to men, believing that Daala did not deserve her rank of admiral, and that she would not have achieved it if Tarkin had not taken favor to her. He thought that Leia Organa had a strong spirit due to her refusing to give up the location of the Rebel base, and because she criticized and insulted Tarkin even when he threatened to execute her. Motti was impressed with her determination to not surrender, believing that this fortitude was especially stunning in a woman.

The Admiral was also a very arrogant man, overly-confident in himself and the Death Star. He was aware of how quickly he had risen through the Imperial ranks, and that he had jumped ahead of a number of more experienced officers to his position as head of Navy Operations aboard the Death Star. This was reflected in his attitude, as he frequently wore a smug look and took extra pride in ensuring that his uniform was even neater than required by Imperial standards.He also prided himself on being physically fit, and regularly exercised, hoping to never become a fat, lazy officer like so many others. Motti felt that being physically stronger than others was a symbol of power, and would earn him additional respect. He constantly belittled the Rebel Alliance, believing them to be only a nagging pain rather than a serious threat. He was proven wrong when the fledgling Alliance managed to infiltrate the defenses and destroy the Death Star.

Though he very highly valued his political and tactical skills, Motti was considered somewhat of an overrated leader by many, who felt that his only real skill lay in loyalty to Palpatine's Empire, and that he had padded his record. In fact, Motti had little actual command experience, and embellished his reports, making himself appear more capable than he was in reality. It was thanks mainly to his many connections that he rose through the ranks as rapidly as he did, although he believed strongly in his own abilities.

Admiral Motti questioned the Force, and disliked Vader, feeling that he used archaic methods, and, though never opposing the Dark Lord, would take every opportunity to belittle him in front of Tarkin, such as when he heavily criticized Vader for his failure to wrest the location of the Rebel base from Princess Leia Organa. For this criticism, Vader Force-choked him. Following this, Motti was mollified, and began to develop a fear of Vader and his mysterious powers. The admiral knew that had Tarkin not interfered, Vader would have killed him, a deeply sobering thought to him. Though he did not consider himself cowardly, Motti was frightened by Vader, aware that controlling a planet-destroying superweapon meant nothing if he could be simply killed by a gesture. Following this, Motti planned to eliminate Vader somehow, although he was aware that such an act would have to be done very carefully. Aside from his staunch disbelief in the Force, Motti also was a staunch disbeliever in any aspects of the supernatural to the extent that he was fully prepared to mock anyone who suggested the possibility of supernatural influences in the galaxy. This was best demonstrated during a debriefing on Coruscant in 1 BBY, where he frequently criticized and mocked Dr. Bowen to such an extent that one of his fellow Imperial Generals, Arhul Kurumenga, frequently had to reign in on him for interrupting the debriefing.

Tarkin was cognizant of Motti's fear and hatred of Vader and his Force, and believed that if Motti did not do a better job of keeping his opinions to himself, he would not live much longer in Palpatine's Empire. The admiral doubted the Force, even mocking Vader's confidence in it until Vader Force-choked him as a warning. He preferred to place his confidence in technology, and he remained extremely certain of the Death Star's invulnerability throughout his life.

Motti had fair skin and brown hair. He stood at a height of 1.7 meters.

Equipment

Admiral Motti wore the standard-issue Imperial officer's uniform. His equipment included an E-11 blaster pistol, along with a datapad and a comlink.

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