Subject: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by reborn on Thu, 23 Apr 2009 16:51:41 GMT

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It'll hopefully be released fairly soon, but I think I'll need a server owner that can provide feed-back to test it out before a general release. It's quite a bit of code compared to the other plug-ins and very configurable for the server owner, so I want to make sure it's right before a release, it's been confusing at times writing it.

If there are any volunteers that would be nice. Preferably you'll be experienced with running your own server and would be able to get a group of friends in the server to try and break it as much as possible.

I'm quite excited about this one, AFAIK there's nothing even remotely similar been released before and it'll hopefully be fun and encourage team work, without enforcing it.

Here's a sneaky peak at it...

http://game-maps.net/staff/reborn/commander.wmv

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by Xpert on Thu, 23 Apr 2009 16:54:19 GMT

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Hit me up on MSN, I got free time with a bunch of Atomix peeps to test it with.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by mrãçÄ·z on Thu, 23 Apr 2009 17:56:28 GMT

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Nice i liked the Commander System, that got all noobs to some Teamplay, cant wait to test it!

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by Lone0001 on Thu, 23 Apr 2009 19:43:21 GMT

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Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by mrãçÄ·z on Thu, 23 Apr 2009 20:10:44 GMT

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On my serv i use parachutes for my Powerups

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by ErroR on Thu, 23 Apr 2009 20:11:28 GMT

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Lone0001 wrote on Thu, 23 April 2009 22:43I dunno about anyone else but I can't even see what the blue text says that's why mine is green

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in...

Posted by Lone0001 on Thu, 23 Apr 2009 20:15:00 GMT

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I mean in that video... the quality is too bad to see it.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in...

Posted by Brandon on Thu, 23 Apr 2009 20:18:45 GMT

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Really neat! However, it was a bit awkward to hear a Havoc dialogue while you're on team Nod. Perhaps another sound effect?

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Posted by reborn on Thu, 23 Apr 2009 21:36:58 GMT

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Sorry man, Windows movie maker stripped too much of it out. I might make another movie using camtasia, should be better...

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You're right, but time spent searching through the always.dat listening for a suitable sound file is the last thing I'll be doing. The nuts and bolts of the code is always my priority.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in...

Posted by reborn on Thu, 23 Apr 2009 22:27:44 GMT

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http://game-maps.net/staff/reborn/commander/commander.html

Better quality ^

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in...

Posted by a000clown on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 01:28:40 GMT

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That looks cool, I wouldn't mind adding it to a live server that usually has around 20 players in it.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by Genesis2001 on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 01:33:41 GMT

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reborn wrote on Thu, 23 April 2009 15:27http://game-maps.net/staff/reborn/commander/commander.html

Better quality ^

Could you actually make it smaller... It goes over my resolution >.>

Not to mention laggy.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by Lone0001 on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 01:35:33 GMT

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I have to second the above tbh, and try using fraps when recording game footage

Desktop recorders don't do a good job recording game footage.

PS. Plugin looks interesting though.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by Gen_Blacky on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 03:08:28 GMT

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Zack wrote on Thu, 23 April 2009 20:33reborn wrote on Thu, 23 April 2009 15:27http://game-maps.net/staff/reborn/commander/commander.html

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it was like half of my screen lol

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by reborn on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 06:59:21 GMT

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I used Fraps for the first version, but Windows movie maker made it un-readable, I used Camtasia for the second movie because it gave a better quality with only a slight reduction in quality. If you want me to upload the raw Fraps avi file then I will, but it's 1.6gb compared to the 14 mb for this ones...

Here's a smaller version. Moan about it, and fucking die.

http://game-maps.net/staff/reborn/commander_small/commander_small.html

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in...

Posted by reborn on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 09:14:09 GMT

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Advanced c4 messages for the team commander.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in...

Posted by ErroR on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 09:32:54 GMT

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sweet

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by Omar007 on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 10:05:01 GMT

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NICE

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by ExEric3 on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 10:12:41 GMT

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I can also test it.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in...

Posted by reborn on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 17:35:29 GMT

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ExEric3 wrote on Fri, 24 April 2009 06:12I can also test it.

I've got a couple of people now, but sure, the more the merrier. Thanks.

Team Commander can !order his team mates (just sends a pm to every one on there team). Was actually tricky constructing that sentence, but I've probably done it some weird ass way anyway (streat and strepy)...

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by Jamie or NuneGa on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 18:29:13 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

don't use windows movie maker to shrink movies

I had a nice program on old comp which reduced size by a lot without any loss of quality(noticeable anyway).

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in...
Posted by Lone0001 on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 19:36:02 GMT

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Lone0001 wrote on Fri, 24 April 2009 15:36Does the supply crate just refill your health completely?

No, if a player picks it up, it's exactly like refilling from the purchase terminal (refills all ammo for all weapons, apart from the beacon).

If a tank runs over it to pick it up, then it refills there health and armor to maximum.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by Lone0001 on Fri, 24 Apr 2009 19:59:08 GMT

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Ah that's what I was wondering, if it refilled your health completely.

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Quote:

This is a plug-in designed to work with SSGM2.02 for cnc_renegade. It was written by reborn from MP-Gaming.COM (fm_reborn@hotmail.com).

This is release version and probably has some bugs in it, with feedback I will fix bugs found.

This plug-in is based on the system first created by black-cell. However, it has been developed to be configurable for server owners so that they might

set it up in a unique way for there own server. The plug-in allows the following to happen:

There is allot of infomation following, but you should also check out the commander.ini for details on each setting.

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! Poll Commander; ! Poll Commander; ! Poll Commander; ! Vote Com

Then the player name. For example:

!pollcommander reb00b

The name does not have to be the whole name either, there are allot of players with stupid ass weird names like: "o0angelx-x1\!\1||!", to type there name would be a pain in the butt.

In this instance you could type:

!pollcommander angel

And it would still work, as long as "angel" was not a substring of someone else's name.

This will then start a vote going, team mates can then either !vote yes or !vote no. The amount more yes votes then no votes needed is configurable in the commander.ini file.

voting for a commander. useage !vote;!VOTE;!Vote;!Poll;!PolL!
Then your answer, yes or no. For example:
!poll yes, or !vote NO would be acceptable, but only when a vote is occuring
Check who your team commander is. Useage:

!commander;!Commander;!COMMANDER;!TC;!tc;!Tc;!TeamCommander;!TEAMCOMMANDER;!t eam commander If there is a commander for that dudes team, then it will tell them the commander name, if not, it will page temm with instructions on how to start a vote. check the team fund. Usage: !teamfund;!TeamFund;!TEAMFUND;!TF;!tf;!Tf;!tF This pages the player what the current teamfund value is. The team fund is controlled by the team commander. It can be used to distribute money to other people or used to call in supply drops. If you run the base defense plug-in, it could be used for that too... The server owner can also configure a trickle to the team fund to, at defualt it is set to increase on it's own by ten credits every ten seconds. But this is subject tot he server owners change. donate to the teamfund. Usage: !TFdonate;!tfdonate;!TFDONATE;!TeamFundDonate;!teamfunddonate;!TEAMFUNDDONATE;!T FD:!tfd Then the amount to donate, for example: !teamfunddonate 500 If I have 500 credits, then I would donate 500 credits to the team fund. healing aura The team commander gets a healing aura (can be toggled off by the server owner in commander.ini), this aura heals near-by team mates and there vehicles. The strength of the aura, and the area of it's effect is controlled byt he server owner in commander.ini donating the team fund to a player, useage: ONLY FOR COMMANDER

!tfdonateplayer;!TFDONATEPLAYER;!TFdonateplayer;!TFDonatePlayer

Then the player name and the amount, for example:

!tfdonate reb00b 500

If there was 500 credits in the team fund, and player reb00b was on the commanders team, then he would be given 500 credits from the team fund. This

command can only be used by the team commander. the name of the player works the same as the votecommander command, i.e you only have to type part of there name

ordering a supply drop, usegae: ONLY FOR COMMANDER !Supply;!SUPPLY;!supply
The team commander can order a supply drop, a chin00k drops off a box at there position. At default it costs 500 credits, but this is controlled in commander.ini for server owners to change. The supply box will grant a refill to whatever player picks it up, and will refill the health and armor of any tank that picks it up.
The supply can be called in an infinite amount of times, but the server owner controlls how often you're allowed to call in it in the commander.ini file. Once every x seconds
blocking the harvester, usegae: ONLY FOR THE COMMANDER
!BLOCKHARV;!BlockHarv;!blockharv;!BlockHarvester;!BLOCKHARVESTER;!blockharvest;!bh;!BH;!Bh
The commander can block the harvester with this command. He might do this when the enemy holds the field for example.
un-blocking the harvester, useage: ONLY FOR COMMANDER
!UNBLOCKHARV;!unblockharv;!UnBlockHarv;!UnblockHarv;!UNBLOCKHARVESTER;!unblockharvester;!UnBlockHarvester;!UBK;!ubh The commander can un-block the harvester at any time with this command. If his team re takes the field for example, he would obviously want it to return to normal duties.
finding out the commander abilities, useage ONLY FOR COMMANDER
!abilities;!ABILITIES;!Abilities When the commander is voted in, he is paged telling him he has extra abilities and typing !abilities will tell him about it.
If he does type !abilities he will be paged with such info, because there are allot pf people who will forget the syntax or even what they're capable of.
Advanced c4 message, useage: ONLY FOR COMMANDER
!c4;!C4
This is the same as the normal !c4 command, however when the commander types this, he is paged additional infomation about the c4.

Specifically what building they are placed clostest to, and how many of them.
Ordering your team, useage: ONLY FOR COMMANDER !order;!Order;!ORDER Then your message For example !order Defend the hand of Nod guys This would then page every player on your team "The team Commander orders you to: Defend the hand of Nod guys". This is an important command for motivating your team You could for example do !order Buy flamers for flame rush, is excallent for setting up plans and controlling the team for better team work.
Checking the status of the harvester, useage: ONLY FOR COMMANDER !hstatus;!HStatus;!HSTATUS This will page you the health percent of the harvester.
As well as these commands, you will also be paged warnings about the health of your buildings and harvester should they fall below 50%. This might be a good time to use the !order command to get team mates to repair If on the next map the commander from the previous map is still on the same team he will carry his command over. If however he is teamed to the other side he will lose it. This is to encourage the use of the commander as much as possible. At present, a player can start a poll for himself to be the commander, this isn't really in the spirit of team work, however it may make more use of the commander as players tend to be inherently selfish, hence the need for such a system. I may in the next version not allow them to start a vote on themselves, or perhaps let the server owner choose.

I don't run a renegade server, I have no real use for this plug-in and have made it for the sole reason to help other server owners.

If you use this plug-in and modify it, if you see a problem, either tell me, or preferably submit code. Don't be selfish, release the source code.

I believe it is only with this attitude that Renegade will continue to keep it's diminishing player base.

I really mean it, this thing took me quite a while to write, and if you're reading this, then I did it for you. So if you modify the source code

and add your own code, then release it.

To use this plug-in, refer to SSGM.ini in your SSGM2.02 server folder.

You'll need to add the .dll to the server folder, and make an entry in the [Plugins] section, mine looks like this:

[Plugins]

01=commander

You'll also need to add commander.ini supplied to your SERVERs directory. This is where you can configure all the settings for the commander system.

You'll also need to place NOD_Supply.txt and GDI_Supply.txt in your servers DATA folder too. Please note the emphasis of where

to place the .dll and .ini file, that actual server directory, as where the two text files for the cinematics have to go in the DATA folder.

I urge you visit my forums and my site @ MP-Gaming.COM. I would also like to direct you to Black-Cell.NET. There is a history of this game there that

most people are oblivious to, and without Black-Cell, none of the feature rich servers we have today would be here. They also have a renegade server

back up and running. Be sure to find it in the WOL server listings and join. It's hella fun.

commander.ini

Quote:

[General]

;This setting is the number of votes they have to win by for the vote to win, and the commander be set. The votes have to come from team members.

;It is currently set to three by defualt. This means that if a vote for a team commander is started, then there needs to be three more "!vote yes" then there are "!vote no" votes. Majority=3;

;This setting defines how long the vote for the team commander lasts for. By default it is set to 180 seconds (three minutes).

votelastforinseconds=180.0;

;This setting is the toggel for whether or not the team commander gets a healing aura or not. The healing aura heals close by friendly players infantry. Set this to 0 or 1. CommanderGetsAura=1;

;This setting is the interval at which the aura heals people. It is currently set to 1.0 seconds, but could probably be set a little higher. IntervalForAura=1.0;

;This setting is the radius at which the aura heals people. 15.0 is probably a good setting to leave it at, possibly a little less maybe.

AreaOfEffect=15.0:

;This is the amount at which friendly near-by players characters are healed by each time the aura has effect. It will heal health first, then armour.

HealthIncreaseValue=2.0;

;This is the starting value for the team fund, it's default is 0, but you could experiment and set it high, with no team fund trickle...

StartingTeamFund = 0;

;This is the interval at which the team fund trickle for each time is increased. TeamFundIncreaseInterval=10.0;

;This is the amount the team fund for each team increases by each interval. TeamFundIncreaseAmount=10;

;This setting configures how much the supply crate drop off costs the team commander SupplyDropCost=500;

;This setting is the amount of seconds a commander has to wait before he can use the supply command again to call ina supply drop. DropTimer=180;

;This setting toggles on or off, you should leave this on really, it briefly explains to the server about the team commander mode every 3 minutes.

;Perhaps in time it may be fine to turn it off, but it will be new for people for a long time... EnableExplanationMessages = 1;

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by futura83 on Sat, 25 Apr 2009 12:54:49 GMT

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Although I could make it say which building it is closest to, but not count it if it is too far away, like say 20 feet or something, so you can be sure that the mines are pretty close to that structure. Infact I will do that... Thanks

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OK, yeah that might be better.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by Sladewill on Sun, 26 Apr 2009 09:47:42 GMT

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Reborn you should try making it so the team commander can disarm any c4 their closest to

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in...

Posted by futura83 on Sun, 26 Apr 2009 10:17:32 GMT

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I'm curious: Do those supply crates work for the enemy?

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Very nice, glad that you do something even if you dont run a Server

!rec Reborn nice

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by reborn on Sun, 26 Apr 2009 11:21:47 GMT

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Sladewill wrote on Sun, 26 April 2009 05:47Reborn you should try making it so the team commander can disarm any c4 their closest to

Like a disarming proximity c4 aura? Hmm. It's possible, but I'm not sure it's that's too much or not. I might add that but as a toggle for server owners to choose if they want the commander to be granted that or not.

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They do yeah, they work for anyone.

madrackz wrote on Sun, 26 April 2009 06:23Very nice, glad that you do something even if you dont run a Server

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Thanks man.

Only exeric has come to me for the alpha release, the rest have not.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by reborn on Sun, 26 Apr 2009 14:05:20 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Thanks Eric for joining to make sure it works..

http://game-maps.net/staff/reborn/disarmaura.wmv

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Posted by reborn on Mon, 27 Apr 2009 16:36:23 GMT

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None of the people I've sent the alpha version to have been able to break it or find any bugs so far. I'll probably release it tonight.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in... Posted by Xpert on Mon, 27 Apr 2009 16:44:21 GMT

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There is one thing I would suggest editing though.

The !vote yes and !vote no commands to something else. It interferes with regulators that use a poll system.

Oh and also the !poll command.

And not to mention the !tc command. !tc on a lot of servers is referenced for team change.

Subject: Re: I've been working on a commander system plug-in...

Posted by reborn on Mon, 27 Apr 2009 16:52:31 GMT

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Oh right, ok. Thanks.