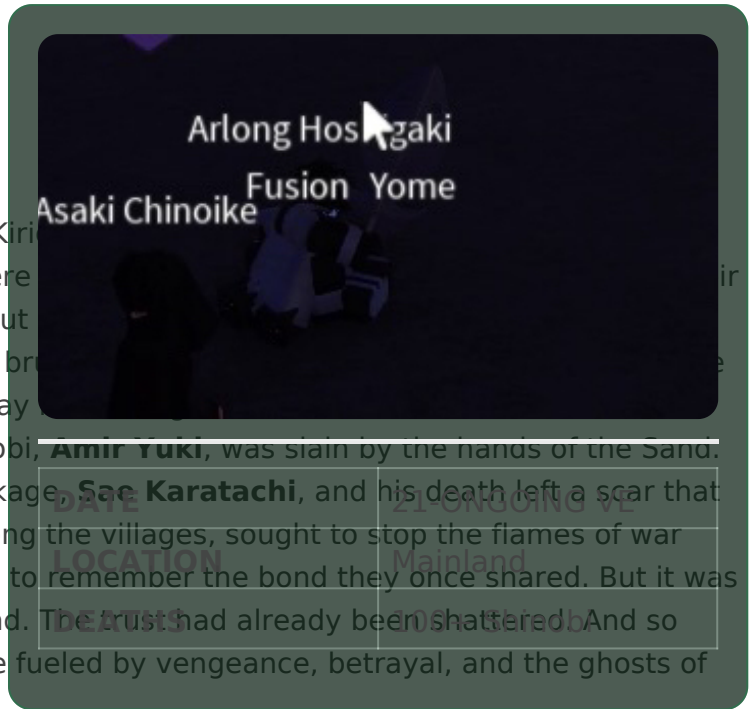


Broken Bonds, Looming War

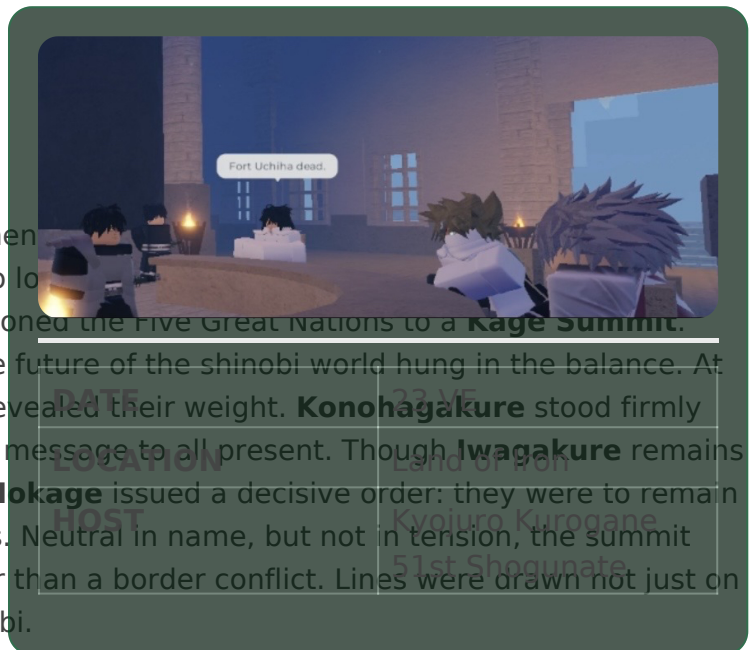
Background

The Kazekage, **Enjin Houki** once hailed from Kirigakure, but the current Mizukage, **Slourn Uchiha**. The two were on divergent paths leading them to rule separate villages. But rumors of the Bloody Mist's leader launching a brutal assault were slaughtered in cold blood. The motive? Many say during the last Great War, a revered Mist shinobi, **Amir Yuki**, was slain by the hands of the Sand. Amir had once stood beside the previous Mizukage, **Sae Karatachi**, and his death left a scar that never healed. Tom Lee, a respected voice among the villages, sought to stop the flames of war from igniting. He urged the two Kage to speak, to remember the bond they once shared. But it was too late. The blood had already soaked the sand. The trust had already been shattered. And so began the **first strikes of a Bloody War**, one fueled by vengeance, betrayal, and the ghosts of the past.



Information

After weeks of **rising tensions**, heated arguments between Kirigakure and Sunagakure, the storm could no longer be contained. A **momentary ceasefire** was called, and the Five Great Nations were summoned to a **Kage Summit**. There, amidst tense silence and wary eyes, the future of the shinobi world hung in the balance. At the summit, the strength of alliances quickly revealed their weight. **Konohagakure** stood firmly beside **Kirigakure**, their unity sending a clear message to all present. Though **Iwagakure** remains a vassal state under the Leaf's influence, the **Hokage** issued a decisive order: they were to remain uninvolved in the war, no matter their loyalties. Neutral in name, but not in tension, the summit marked the beginning of something far greater than a border conflict. Lines were drawn not just on the battlefield, but in the hearts of every shinobi.



Declaration of War

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