

RENRAKU ACQUIRES NIGHTENGALE'S

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Renraku is acquiring the cosmetic surgery and implant firm Nightengale's. NeoNET has been seeking a buyer for the Las Colinas-based augmentation firm for several months now. Spinrad Global had declared their intention to acquire the firm in June., Renraku had made no indication of their interest until the deal was announced, earlier this morning.



The deal was announced at a joint press-conference at the Renraku Arcology in Denton. Renraku North America's Sasaki Orito said, "Nightengale's is one of the premier producers of fashion and cosmetic implants in North America. By combining their expertise with the resources of Renraku, we will be able to take them to the next level. I want to personally welcome them to the family - and I look forward to seeing what they can do."

- > I would have put serious nuyen on Spinrad getting his slimy paws on Nightingales. Ghost knows that they ran my hoop ragged trying to lubricate that deal.
- > SithDog2057
- > A little bird tells me that the decision was made on the other side of the Pacific. Sasaki wasn't a big fan of the deal, but Nakatomi and the rest of the Board pushed it over his objections. Apparently some of the older gentlemen are intrigued by some of Nightengale's crotch-enhancements, and want to be able to get their hands on them first.
- > (In)sanity
- > Too many jokes!
- > MEESA
- > I can't say I blame them. They've had the best in the business for a while now (to Universal Omnitech's intense irritation), but their latest biosculpt is crazy - post-implant adjustment of characteristics via oral pharmaceutical. Not just size, but color, nerve density, texture, the works!
- > TechmOnkey
- > I'm dying here.
- > MEESA
- > Before you get too excited, the technology is still vaporware, and the adjustment time is slow - weeks to transition. There's no way that the full gender-switch will take anything less than three months. Not much work utility. Playtime only.
- > Nocrimo

According to their most recent filing with the Extraterritoriality and Registration Liaison Agency (ERLA), Nightengale's currently employs approximately 8,000 employees in the DFW area, at four different sites. Per their Corporate Court A-rating listing, they have more than 40,000 employees around the world. They currently operate over 300 clinics, most of them in North America and Europe.

NeoNET has been facing a severe liquidity crunch since being fined by the Corporate Court for their role in the Boston Lockdown. Their position has worsened since being downgraded by the Corporate Court to AA status, as part of the ongoing Megacorporate Audit. Nightengale's is only the most recent subsidiary that they have sold - and it will not be the last, according to sources within the company.

The terms of the deal have not been publicly disclosed, but according to sources associated with the negotiations, the transaction involved a significant transfer of nuyen, along with guarantees to block additional fines being imposed by the Corporate Court.

ARES REFIT NEARING COMPLETION?

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While Ares has not made a formal announcement, multiple anonymous sources have indicated that the refit process is nearing completion. "95% - should be done within the next couple of weeks," one source told us, an estimate that was echoed by others.

With nearly 80% of Ares Corporate Military Forces (ACMF) currently cycling through the refit process in the Detroit area, the refit process has caused significant friction with the normally-friendly UCAS government. During a press conference earlier this week, President Colloton had this to say: "While we appreciate that the refit process was delayed by the tragic bombing at Ares HQ, Ares lack of cooperation with my administration is forcing us to reassess the role Ares plays in our national defense planning."

- > That Knight was willing to bomb his own board of directors is hardly surprising - drek, fragging Vogel was probably just a bonus. Damien's hated Vogel since the Big D gave him a spot on the board. But this whole refit thing smells worse than a devil rat nest in a Tamanous septic tank.
- > Youarebeingliedto
- > You ain't wrong. But I still say it was the Firewatch crews Knight tried to whack. Ravenheart doesn't believe in half-measures when it comes to payback, Ghost bless her cold-blooded heart.
- > Ain't Tellin'
- > Maybe, but I find it hard to believe the Colonel would have fragged up that badly and killed her only defender, omae. If she wanted Knight's head on a spike, it'd be on a spike. I hate to agree with Yabl, but something's not adding up.
- > SithDog2057
- > Vogel's datastream stirs yet within the shadowed realms. He abideth still, bringing vengeance and salvation in his wake.
- > Raven
- > Even the best catch a bad break every now and then.
- > Ain't Tellin'

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