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I. Quorum

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- pal City
- Jarhanpur
- Smallville
- St. Roch
- Star City
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II. Committee Background

The Justice League of America (JLA) is the most important team of superheroes, often referred to as the Justice League. The first appearance of the JLA was in a comic book named *The Brave and the Bold* in 1960. The idea was made by editor Julius Schwartz and writer Gardner in the Silver Age of comics. It came as a revival of the previous league of heroes, the Justice Society of America (JSA). The league had a purpose, and the purpose was to combat threats too large or complex for a single hero to handle. For example, intergalactic invaders, magical forces, or large-scale global crises. Its purpose is also to create Justice and fairness, as the name says it.

It was founded by Batman, who united 7 of the best superheroes to create it. The 7 heroes who make up the JLA are Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman, The Flash, Green Lantern, Aquaman, and Cyborg. They all complement each other and have different abilities. In comics, the team came together because of an invasion by Darkseid. He was very powerful, and they were all separated when fighting against him. Because of this, they had to learn to cooperate and to work together. So they decided to create a team to fight these types of threats.

Every member has different abilities and roles in the team. Superman served as the moral compass, the most powerful, and the symbol of hope. The leader, Batman, does not have powers, but rather is the most intelligent, the most strategic, and he makes most of the plans. Additionally, he is commonly known as the “World’s Greatest Detective”. Wonder Woman is a fearless warrior, being the one with the most wisdom, discipline, and compassion. Flash, also commonly referred to as “The Fastest Man Alive,” is the optimist; he is always positive and the most humane. Green Lantern is the one who brings all of them together, and his most outstanding traits are his powers and duty as an intergalactic peacekeeper whose powers are powered by willpower & imagination. Aquaman is an authority because he is the king of the sea, which makes him the supreme authority of 70% of Earth. Cyborg is the technological brain, the one who can repair everything related to technology. Every member is crucial to the JLA.

The JLA has saved the world many times, one of the most important ones being when they defeated space invasions like Brainiac, preventing the destruction of the world. They also fought against Darkseid and won, gaining the restoration of the multiverse. Those two were the most important because they involved the whole universe, but they had saved Earth and specific areas of it countless times. If the heroes had not won, the world would’ve been destroyed.

III. History of Topic

The history of the fictional scenario where a corrupt government helps corrupt heroes in DC Comics is real and may happen, and has happened before, for example. Frank Miller's *The Dark Knight Returns* (1986) established the precedent of the U.S. government weaponizing Superman



and forcing him to serve as a controlled, state-sanctioned agent against independent heroes like Batman. This narrative was crucial because it introduced the theme that a national government could successfully compromise or co-opt the world's most powerful hero to enforce questionable policies, laying the foundation for the idea that legitimacy could be used as a political tool against liberty.

This theme was heavily reinforced by the creation of government agencies like A.R.G.U.S. (Advanced Research Group Uniting Super-Humans) in modern continuity, which are explicitly structured to provide resources, intelligence, and legal cover for morally dubious missions, often involving metahumans (like the Suicide Squad). This administrative infrastructure ensures that any corrupt figure, whether an agent like Amanda Waller or a rogue hero, has the institutional support necessary for mass operations. This resource backing is vital for the scenario, as it turns the hero from a simple villain into a state-backed military force, granting them access to secure databases, high-tech facilities, and legal immunity that they could never acquire alone.

IV. Topic Information

Regarding this topic for the Justice League of America (JLA), the people who are supposed to protect civilians are becoming corrupt and are being supported by government agencies despite the massacres committed by heroes. These heroes are also being influenced by the government, and because they are very powerful, common police forces can not stop them; only other heroes who are deemed as lawful and non-corrupt are fit to stop them. The whole justice system is broken, forcing the people to choose who to trust.

The public might choose outlaw heroes as the safe ones because they don't like to follow what the government says. They are effective and strong enough to stop massacres. However, people may need to be cautious because some heroes have already been corrupted by the government, like Superman and Green Lantern, who, thanks to fear and manipulation, were forced to commit unlawful acts

Also, people might opt to choose the slower and safer options: the inside reformers or the outside arbiters. Yet almost every hero can get corrupted. Sidekicks like Red Hood got corrupted, and even Magical Champions like Black Adam were corrupted. It is not an easy choice for the public. And it shows that almost every hero can get corrupt and can be bad at some point.

Ultimately, the most trustworthy hero is the one who is both effective and truly selfless. They must be powerful enough, but they are not interested in gaining power. That is the hero who will defeat all corrupt heroes.



V. Current Issues

Atlantis

Unlike most other DC cities, Atlantis's system is inherently and historically isolationist and perpetually on the brink of civil war. Atlantis's primary protector, Aquaman (Arthur Curry), is the ultimate Compromised Monarch Hero. He operates not to fight political corruption (which he often inherits), but because the legitimate system is too divided against itself and too distrustful of the surface world to achieve true, lasting peace or global security.

Gotham City

Unlike most other DC cities, Gotham's system is inherently and historically corrupt. Gotham's primary protector, Batman, is the ultimate Outlaw Hero. He operates not because of a temporary crisis, but because the legitimate is too broken to provide real justice.

Metropolis

Unlike most other DC cities, Metropolis's system is inherently and historically controlled by corrupt corporate and technological influence, often masquerading as a beacon of safety and progress. Metropolis's primary protector, Superman, is the ultimate Legitimate Authority Hero. He operates not as an outlaw, but because the legitimate system is too easily bought, manipulated, and secretly run by figures like Lex Luthor and Intergang to provide justice against high-level, organized technological crime.

New York City

In the DC universe, New York has a government very similar to the real-world one. When a massacre happens in NYC, it's typically the work of an *outside* force (like an alien invasion or a super-villain), not a failure of the city's foundational governance.

VI. UN Actions

The JLA's main job is to protect the world from supervillains. They have repeatedly stopped Darkseid and his forces from conquering Earth. Darkseid is the absolute embodiment of tyranny, and every time the JLA prevents his conquest, they save the planet from eternal enslavement. They have defeated major threats like Brainiac, who attempts to bottle entire cities, and Mageddon, an enormous sentient war machine that nearly pushed humanity to self-destruction through psychological manipulation.



Also, the JLA has helped us put moral standards and to know what is right and what is not. Events like the "Tower of Babel" storyline, where it was revealed Batman created secret plans to neutralize every JLA member, forced the League to confront the ethical danger of their own immense power. This led to discussions about oversight and the need for moral checks within the team itself.

VII. Conclusion

Ultimately, whether the crisis is corrupt politics or cosmic warfare, the conclusion remains the same: the hero who earns society's final trust is the one who demonstrates a lot of integrity, the one who not only stops the destruction but refuses to seize the resulting power, thereby proving their selfless dedication to true freedom.

VII. Guiding Questions

- When a sovereign government uses super-powered individuals to commit massacres, at what point does the government lose its political legitimacy?
- What international body gains the authority to intervene when a sovereign government loses legitimacy?
- Should a **Mental Health and Trauma Protocol** be mandatory for all major metahumans?
- How would metahuman monitoring be enforced without infringing on individual liberty?
- Should the international community establish a **Metahuman Oversight Mandate** to recognize outlaw heroes like Batman as legitimate, temporary forces of justice?
- How can a global resolution establish legal mechanisms for recognizing a heroic rebellion (Outlaw Heroes)?
- What mandatory checks and balances must be built to prevent heroic rebellions from becoming the next tyrannical regime?
- What specific U.N. protections should be provided to safeguard **Internal Reformers** (like The Question) from assassination by the corrupt state?
- Should the U.N. create a binding global treaty that strictly limits the resources any single national government can devote to a **super-powered enforcement agency**?
- How should a resolution address the specific threat posed by **corporate corruption** (the Metropolis model) that enables mass crimes?



- What role should non-governmental organizations (like the Daily Planet) have in a global anti-corruption effort?
- Should a **Universal Intervention Charter** override national sovereignty when a global-scale threat (like a cosmic attack enabled by a corrupt power) originates within an isolationist state like Atlantis
- How can the U.N. collaborate with the JLA to ensure that heroes who **refuse to seize power** are supported as the legitimate force of order?

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