



NAME: GUNSHO HIROSHI KATO FACTION: Dragon's Fury DOB: 10/13/3108 REGIMENT: Amaterasu HAIR: Brown VEHICLE: Giggins APC EYES: Black

Hiroshi Kato can trace her lineage with the Amaterasu all the way back to the Jihad, when the regiment was known as the Draconis Combine's Ninth Sword of Light - a bold experiment conceived by Coordinator Hohiro Kurita. Her grandmother, Lillyana Kato, herself a second-generation samurai in the DCMS, and a sho-ko for the regiment's infantry detachment, commanded a Kage battle armor platoon in the 54th Recon, but fell in battle on Sabik a year before the end of the Jihad. To honor her grandmother, Hiroshi - born Hiroshi Granger - changed her name back to Kato and swore to live up to Lillyana's legacy.

VEHICLE: GIGGINS APC

Record No FE-106-02

Serial Number: ROS0101-349 Mass: 40 tons Power Plant: Nissan 220 Fusion

Cruising Speed: 65 kph Maximum Speed: 96 kph

Armor: Clydesdale Standard/8

Armament: 2 Scatter Gun II Machine Guns



Her ambition and skills as a vehicle commander earned her a posting to the elite Amaterasu regiment just before the HPG network crashed. There this brave and honor-bound warrior remains a fanatic servant of Duchess Tormark's Dragon's Fury faction. One of the most capable infantry-support soldiers in the field, Kato is known for driving her tough Giggins wheeled APC beyond its limits, and her willingness to race into the heart of a raging battle to the rescue of friendly troops, or to deliver them where they can do the most good, has already become legendary.

Commentary

One of the first armored fighting vehicles to be built by a Republic factory for use by Republic armed forces, the Giggins wheeled APC is a tough and flexible addition to any army. Built along similar lines to the Saxon, the Giggins emphasizes armor more than previous APC designs, ensuring the survival of the vehicle and its cargo in battle. With high cross-country speeds, the Giggins' wheeled configuration allows it to enter difficult, wooded terrain and deliver its troops in relative safety, while twin turret-mounted machine guns provide additional cover fire in a hot zone.

Hiroshi Kato's Giggins entered Republic service immediately after its manufacture in 3102. There it saw action in repelling several pirate raids over the years, before coming to serve in Prefecture III prior to the communications blackout. Known for coaxing more speed from her Giggins than any other combat driver in the regiment, Hiroshi has named her Giggins "The Dragon's Wing."