

Origin of the Roadhog (Outline)

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The pig is running through the sandy desert. Mako stands up on the roaring quad bike and readies his crook. He tosses the crook just as they pass the pig, snagging it skillfully without killing the animal. Mako quickly jumps off to tie up the pig. They return to the farm to two robotic Omnic officials delivering information to Keiko. Keiko informs Mako that they're being relocated. Mako says it's illegal what they're doing.

Montage of Mako at protests against the Omnics moving in. He joins the Australian Liberation Front (ALF), becoming a ranked leader. At night, Mako leads an ALF night-time raid on an Omnic facility. The humans attack the omnics, dragging a large bomb inside. Mako uses his roping skills to tie up Omnics. The bomb is placed, Mako runs to an ALF officer. The officer is a psychopath and shoots Mako in the face. Mako collapses to the ground, wounded but alive. The ALF quickly leave the area as the bomb goes off with Mako inside. The facility's nuclear reactor explodes and rains radioactive debris for miles.

The next morning, Mako's shadowed form rises from the debris, horribly mutated and roaring in pain. He returns to the farm, wounded, covering his face. He notices none of his animals are in the pens. Mako goes into the barn, finding Keiko and Kana dead with four robotic Omnic soldiers over them. In Kana's arms, the Scrap Gun looks like it was used. Mako goes berserk and uses a bent piece of metal as a hook to fight the robotic soldiers. He eventually grabs the gun his child made and pours a handful of scrap metal into the barrel, tears in his visible eye. Kills the Omnic soldiers, blowing them to pieces with his child's gift. After the fight, Mako looks over the bodies of his family and at the Scrap Gun in his hand. An unspecified amount of time later, Mako pulls on a gasmask and mounts his chopper, now fitted with intimidating spikes. Embracing his rage, guilt and losing his sanity, becoming the murderous 'Roadhog'.

Roadhog rides off into the now-apocalyptic wasteland of the Outback.

Characters:

Mako Rutledge: (Mid 30s)

A simple farmer of Maori descent. He's big, somewhat portly but powerful looking. Mako earns his keep through his animals, mechanical skills and solar farming. He lives his life comfortably and is a good father to his daughter Kana, teaching her anything she is curious about and defers to his wife, Keiko, if there is anything he can't teach her.

While a simple man, he's smart and practical, having gone to college in the capital. He met Keiko during those college days and married her not long after. He easily knows the difference between right and wrong, he does his best to pass those traits to Kana. While knowledgeable about the Omnic crisis in the world, he prefers that it doesn't affect his daily life and is resistant to the idea about Omnics having the same rights as humans.

Commonly adorning himself with a sleeveless shirt that shows off burly tattooed arms and ripped denim or cargo pants. He's surprisingly dexterous and can handle a rope with surprising precision.

Keiko Rutledge: (Mid 30s)

Mako's wife, she's of Japanese descent but was born in Australia. She met Mako when they were attending college in the city. They fell in love and decided to move to the Outback together to raise a family, away from the rising political tensions of the world.

She helps around the farm, raising animals and assisting in keeping the solar farms going.

Kana Rutledge: (tweens: 12)

Mako's tomboy daughter. A gifted tinkerer and mechanic. At a young age, Kana found that she liked playing with tools and fixing things. Mako encouraged her to follow her passions and teaches her how to drive and maintain vehicles. She doesn't care about being girly and is very popular at school. She helps out at the farm, keeping the animals in check and making sure Mako's vehicles are always in working condition.

ALF Officer: (40s)

Mako's immediate superior after he joins the ALF. He believes in a pure world and thinks that all Omnics must be destroyed. He masterminded the idea of bringing a large bomb into the Omnic facility to meltdown the reactor inside. A cruel and sadistic man, he stops at nothing to make sure Omnics are purged from his homeland.

Omnic Officials:

Robotic men dressed in suits.

Omnic Soldiers:

Black colored, Armored, Well-armed and deadly humanoid Omnic soldiers. They carry hand-held assault rifles and wear flak jackets. They move unnaturally fast and can overwhelm human opponents easily.

Glossary

Omnic:

An **omnic** is a type of humanoid robot with artificial intelligence. Omnics were originally designed and built by humans, mostly notably the Omnica Corporation, to serve the economy.

During the Omnic Crisis, Omniums started producing omnics with weaponry and military strategy to fight humans. They were eventually stopped and shut down by multiple military forces such as Overwatch.

Since then, omnics have been second-class citizens in the majority of the world. For example, in London, the omnics have almost no rights, live underground, and have to deal with constant anti-omnic terror attacks. But there are a few exceptions, such as in Numbani, where the omnics are treated equally.

Source: <http://overwatch.wikia.com/wiki/Omnics>

Australian Liberation Front (ALF) :

The **Australian Liberation Front** was a renegade organization consisting of the settlers in the Outback. After the Omnic Crisis, their lands were given to the Omnics by way of a peace treaty, the settlers living upon the grounds displaced. Angered, they joined together to form the ALF, its members including the likes of Roadhog (formerly Mako Rutledge) prior to his irradiation. The ensuing battles with the robots eventually culminated in the destruction of their fusion core, obliterating the landscape and leaving it bathed in radiation for generations to come. The ALF seemed to dissolve afterward, some of its members joining the collection of survivalists known as the Junkers.

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The Outback:

The **Outback** is a harsh and barren area within Australia, destroyed by lingering radioactive decay. This is the result of the detonation of a fusion power core, obliterating the facility that contained it and leaving its parts scattered far and wide. The Junkers are the only known members of humanity that survive within this region, though most seem to be altered physically and psychologically by the radiation. Well before the Omnic Crisis, the land was home to settlers and survivalists, solar farmers and those that merely wanted to be left alone. After the Crisis ended, however, the land was taken and given to the omnic people. The resulting battles between the displaced humans and the robots eventually resulted in the blighted landscape seen today. Junkertown, the home city of the Junkers, is located here.

Source: <http://overwatch.wikia.com/wiki/Outback>

The Omnic Crisis

The **Omnic Crisis** (also known as the First Omnic Crisis) was a decade-long period of war between the self-aware robots known as omnics and humanity. The Crisis and its aftermath are of major significance within the lore of *Overwatch*.

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- A night where Mako is part of an ALF night-time raid on an Omnic facility.
- The humans attack the omnics, dragging a large bomb inside. Mako is using his roping skills to tie up Omnics.
- The bomb is placed, Mako runs to the ALF leader.
- Leader is a psychopath and shoots Mako in the face.
- Mako collapses to the ground, wounded but alive.
- The ALF quickly leave the area.
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