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Carlos Martinho — 29 Oct 1999, 13:12

My wife is Brazilian (which contains a lot of words from amerindian languages) but she just look at me blankly when I asked her about Apo, Apu, apu-punchai or any similar words for 'leader'. One point to the SE asia theory!

Well... I'm Brazilian, also. Amerindians from Brazil (tupi, guarani, caiapo, txucarramae, etc) are not the same -- language-wise -- with the Peruvian/ Andean Incas, who spoke quechua. "Apu-Punchau" sounds a lot like quechua (see, for instance, the name of the historical site -- "Macchu-Pichu", "old mountain", or the native leader Tupac Amaru). And, by the way, the Typhon mountains seem a lot like the Andes, IMO. BTW: if I'm not mistaken, "p'unchau" means "day" or "time" in quechua. And "apuc" means "chief". "Pampa" is also a quecha word.

My better guess is that Apu Punchau is somewhat related with the Incans. Ergo, the Commonwealth is South American.