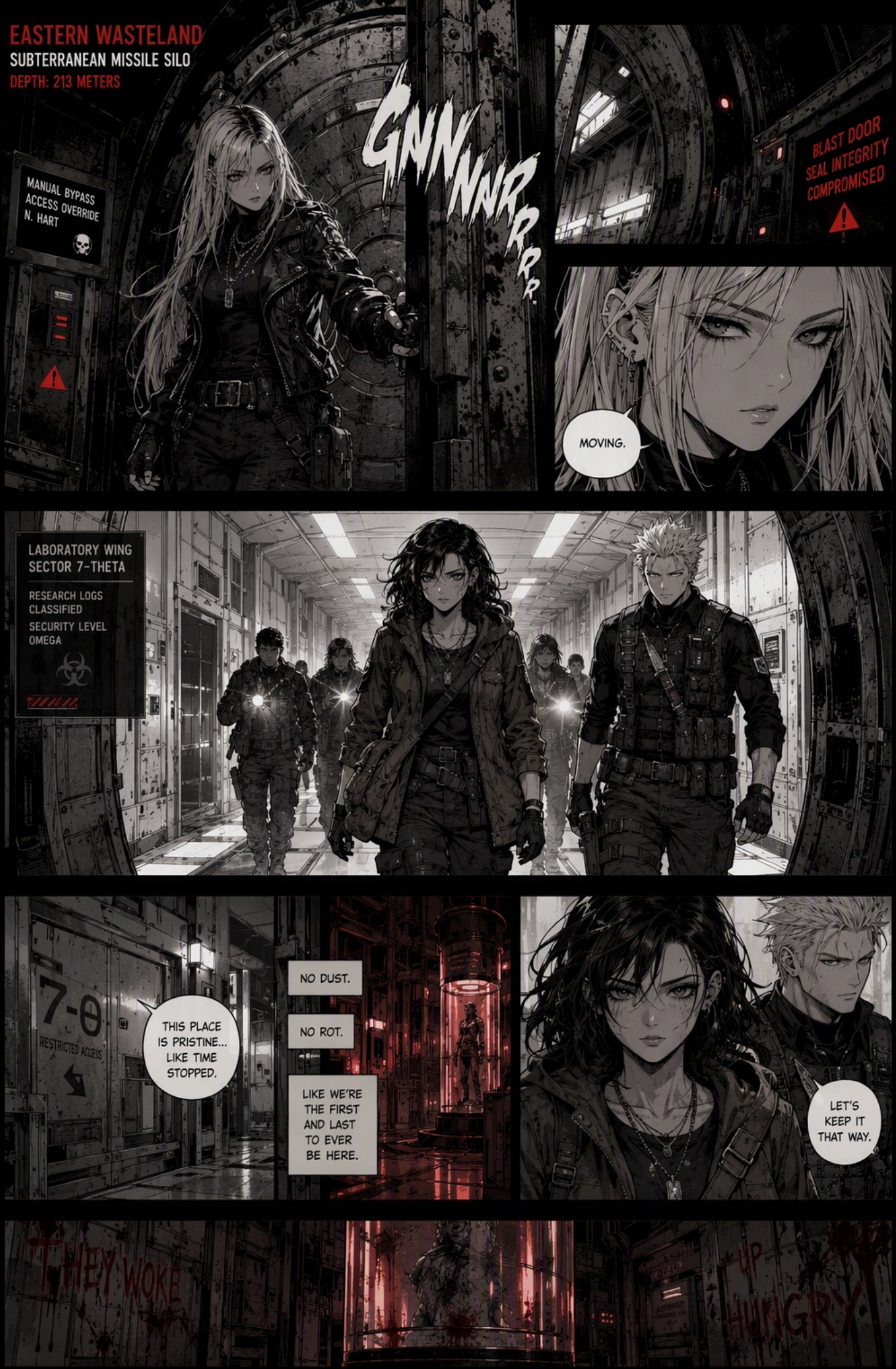


RED LATITUDE

EPISODE EIGHT: ORIGINS


THE GRAND TERMINAL.
ONCE A GATEWAY TO THE WORLD.
NOW, A KINGDOM OF RUST AND ROOT.
THE CROWN IS A LUXURY HOTEL BUILT ON VANITY.
WE GO FOR WHAT THEY LEFT BEHIND.
WALLS HIGH. WINDOWS DARK.
SOMETHING'S STILL RUNNING IT.
GOOD.
DEEP BENEATH THE MISSILE SILO FIELD.
THE UNDERWORKS DON'T LEAVE MUCH FOR THE SURFACE.
BUT THEY LEAVE ENOUGH.
SOME DOORS SHOULD STAY SHUT.
SOME WE OPEN ANYWAY.
BIOHAZARD
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY
BIOHAZARD
LEVEL 4
SECTOR 7-G
MISSILE SILO COMPLEX
7G-19B / 7G-21F
7G-22A / 7G-23D
RADIATION STABLE.
AIR FILTRATION DEAD.
CLASSIC.
TWO TEAMS.
TWO TARGETS.
ONE WINDOW.
IF THIS WORKS, WE EAT WELL TONIGHT.
IF IT DOESN'T.
WE DON'T.
UNDERWORKS WON'T LIKE THIS.
TOO BAD.
FOCUS.
BREATHE.
MOVE.


GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT COMPLEX.
WESTERN SECTOR.
THE CIRCUIT.
23:47 LOCAL.
GTAC
WESTERN SECTOR
CIRCUIT
THEY SAID THE AIRPORT DIED FIFTEEN YEARS AGO.
THEY LIED.
SINGLE LANTERN.
SOUTH PLATFORM SEVENTEEN.
THEN ANOTHER.
AND ANOTHER.
HOLY...
COOK-FIRE SMOKE.
LANTERN GLOWS.
A HUNDRED. TWO HUNDRED.
HUNDREDS LIVING IN THE RUINS.
A CITY THE MAPS DON'T SHOW.
A CITY THAT DOESN'T EXIST.
LOOK AT THAT!
THE HANGARS— THE HOTEL TOWER— EVEN THE CONCOURSE!
PEOPLE EVERYWHERE! IT'S... IT'S HUGE!
HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT.
CLASSIC CIRCUIT.
WE MOVE GHOST.
WE STAY GHOST.
DON'T GET COMFORTABLE.
PLACES LIKE THIS EAT OUTSIDERS.
WE OBSERVE. WE PLAN.
THEN WE DECIDE.
OUT HERE, SURVIVAL ISN'T ABOUT STRENGTH.
IT'S ABOUT KNOWING WHO YOU PROTECT—
—AND MAKING DAMN SURE THEY MAKE IT HOME.
CIRCUIT
THAT'S THE CIRCUIT.
THAT'S FAMILY.


EASTERN WASTELAND
SUBTERRANEAN MISSILE SILO
DEPTH: 213 METERS
MANUAL BYPASS
ACCESS OVERRIDE
N. HART
GNNNNRRRR.
BLAST DOOR
SEAL INTEGRITY
COMPROMISED
MOVING.
LABORATORY WING
SECTOR 7-THETA
RESEARCH LOGS
CLASSIFIED
SECURITY LEVEL
OMEGA
7-Θ
RESTRICTED ACCESS
THIS PLACE IS PRISTINE... LIKE TIME STOPPED.
NO DUST.
NO ROT.
LIKE WE'RE THE FIRST AND LAST TO EVER BE HERE.
LET'S KEEP IT THAT WAY.
THEY WOKE
UP
HUNGRY


WESTERN GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT
PLATFORM SECTOR 7
DAY 47. 14:18
NEWS TRAVELS FAST OUT HERE..
FASTER THAN ANY TRAIN.
VALE!
IT'S VALE!
BY THE CIRCUIT—
IT IS YOU!
YOU'RE ALIVE!
I— I DIDN'T KNOW IF I'D EVER SEE YOU ALL AGAIN.
I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE NOW.
DAMN. LOOK AT THIS PLACE.
WE DIDN'T REALIZE HOW BIG THE CIRCUIT FAMILY IS.
THE CIRCUIT DOESN'T FORGET ITS OWN
LET THEM HAVE THIS.
WE'LL WATCH THE PERIMETER.
YEAH.
I GOT THE EAST GATE.



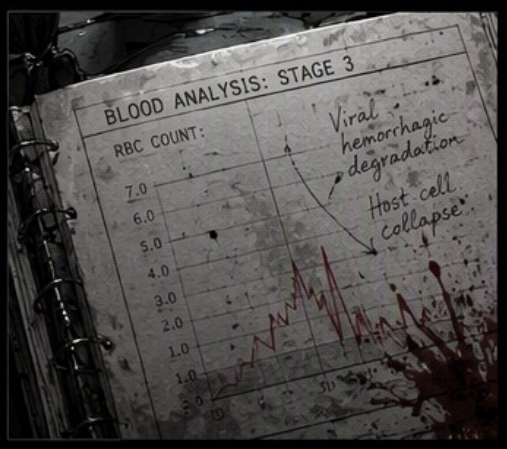
UNDERWORKS LOG ENTRY — 04/17/1987
SECURITY PROTOCOLS: SEVEN.
CONTAINMENT IS EVERYTHING.

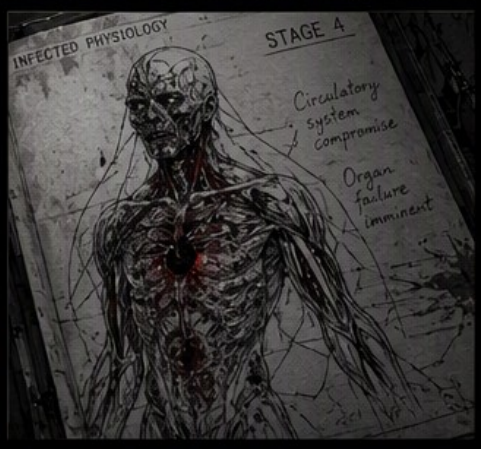

GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT
COVERED RAIL YARD
TRACK FOURTEEN
DECOMMISSIONED LINE B
WORKSHOP CAR 07
SAFETY BEFORE SPEED. - JT
NO SHORTCUTS.
EVERY BOLT HAS A STORY.
EVERY BOLT WHY CFORE.
THEY DON'T BUILD 'EM LIKE THIS ANYMORE.
CAR 07 - INTERIOR LAYOUT
JT 07
TOOL RACKS
ANVIL STATIONS
V.I.S.E. CLAMPS
AXLE JIG
BUT MAYBE THAT'S WHY SHE'S STILL HERE.
SOMEONE LEFT THEIR MARK.
J.T
J.T
COPPER WIRE
SALVAGED BOLTS
GROUND STRAPS
FUSE BLOCKS
EVERY PIECE, A SECOND CHANCE.
I SHOULD DRAW THIS ALL DOWN.
BEFORE IT RUSTS AWAY...
...I WANT TO REMEMBER EVERY DETAIL.


SECTOR 7 - ARCHIVE VAULT
BLACK RIDGE MISSILE BUNKER
DEPTH: -312m
ACCESS: SIGMA-7 CLEARANCE ONLY
WARNING
BIOHAZARD ARCHIVE
INTRUSION VIOLATES
MILITARY CODE 934-28
LETHAL FORCE AUTHORIZED
ARCHIVE VAULT 7-3
They buried more than war down here.
They buried the truth.


PROJECT LATITUDE:
HUMAN-HOST RESPONSE
CLASSIFIED
MILITARY EYES ONLY


PROJECT LATITUDE. THEY WERE TRACKING IT FROM DAY ONE.
SUBJECT LOG // L-27
EXPOSURE: UNKNOWN PATHOGEN
SYMPTOMS ONSET: 02:17:43
PROGRESSION: RAPID
NOTES:


BLOOD ANALYSIS: STAGE 3
RBC COUNT:
Viral hemorrhagic degradation
Host cell collapse


INFECTED PHYSIOLOGY
STAGE 4
Circulatory system compromise
Organ failure imminent


THEY DIDN'T CALL IT A VIRUS. THEY CALLED IT A RESPONSE.


NOT A DISEASE.
A HOST ADAPTATION.


WHATEVER IT IS...
IT'S STILL ALIVE.


GRAND TERMINAL
AIRPORT COMPLEX
— 11:47 HRS
THE CIRCUIT.
TARMAC CELL.


SPLCH




!?


TARMAC CELL.
NO BLOOD. NO TROUBLE.


VALE.
DIDN'T THINK YOU'D COME THROUGH THE SOUTH APRON.
DEVIL'S RUNOFF THIS WEEK.


KAEL.
JORY.
WE BROUGHT FRIENDS.


FRIENDS DON'T WALK IN THREE-DEEP.
WHAT'S THE PLAY? WHAT DO YOU NEED?


PARTS. FUEL.
A PILOT WHO'S NOT AFRAID OF HEIGHT.
AND SOMEWHERE TO LAY LOW 'TIL THE HEAT STOPS HUNTING.


DEEP. UNDER.
MILITARY BIOLOGICAL DEFENSE BUNKER SECTOR 7-G.
AUTOMATED DECONTAMINATION CHAMBER.
THREE SCAVENGERS.
TEN SHADOWS.
ONE WAY IN.
NO GUARANTEE OF ONE WAY OUT.


MOTION SENSORS TRIPPED.
CHEMICAL SPRAY SYSTEM ARMED.
AIRLOCK SEALS ENGAGED.
ALL EXITS LOCKED.
EEEEE EEEEE EEEEE
WE'RE TRAPPED.


SOMETHING'S OUT THERE.
HEAVY. DRAGGING. MORE THAN ONE.
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DOOR'S SEALED.
WHATEVER'S OUT THERE— IT'S NOT LEAVING.


MANUAL OVERRIDE IS FRIED.
I CAN JUMP THE CIRCUIT… MAYBE.
KZZT KZZT


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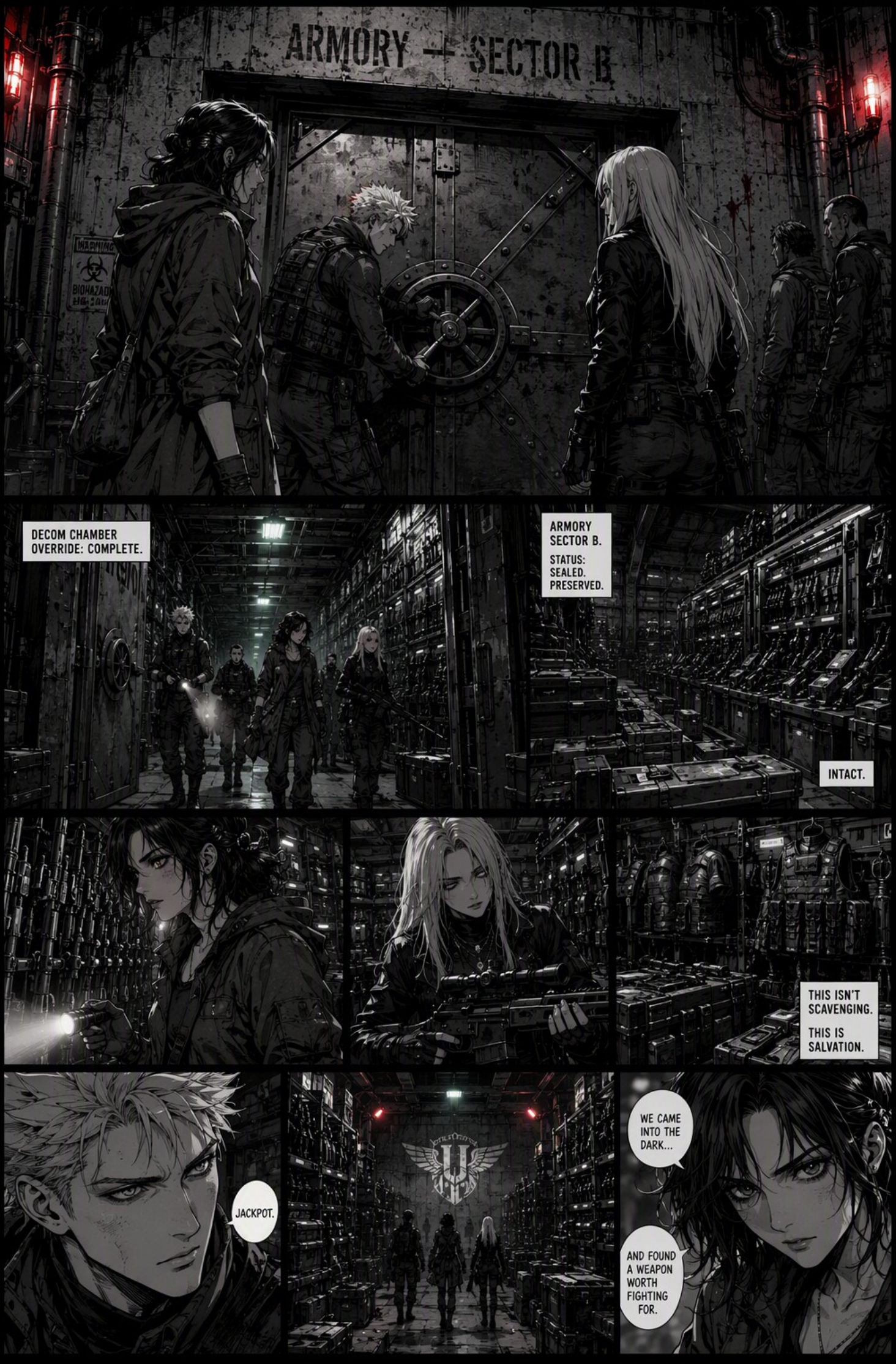

CHEMICAL SPRAY WILL ENGAGE IN NINETY SECONDS.
PRAY IT'S NOT NERVE AGENT.


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STAY SHARP. STAY QUIET.
STAY ALIVE.
THAT'S THE PLAN.

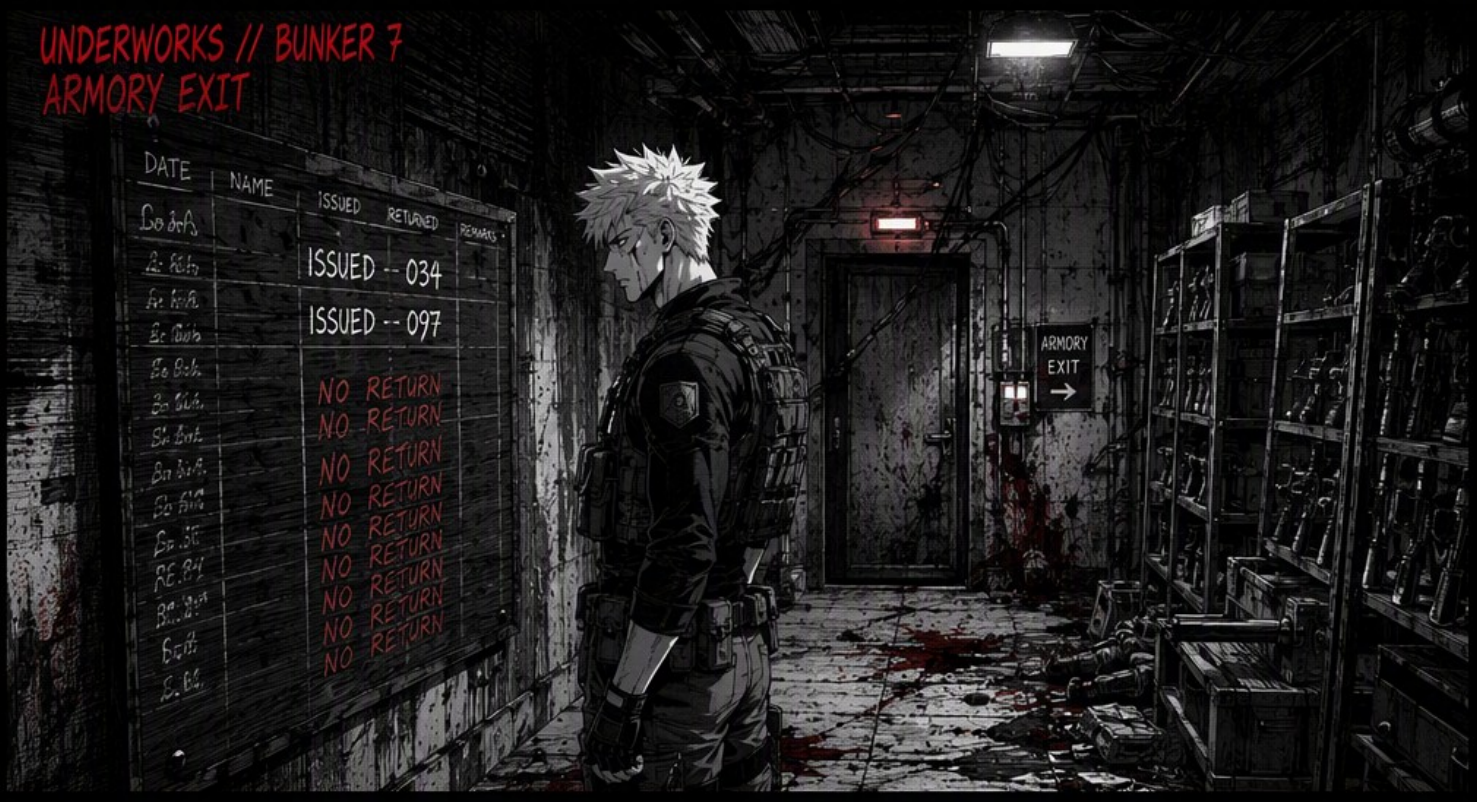

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WE DON'T MAKE IT OUT TOGETHER?
I'M TAKING AS MANY BASTARDS WITH ME AS I CAN.


GRAND TERMINAL
GATES B1-B12
GATES C1-C20
BUY ME NINETY SECONDS TO SPOOL THE TURBINES!

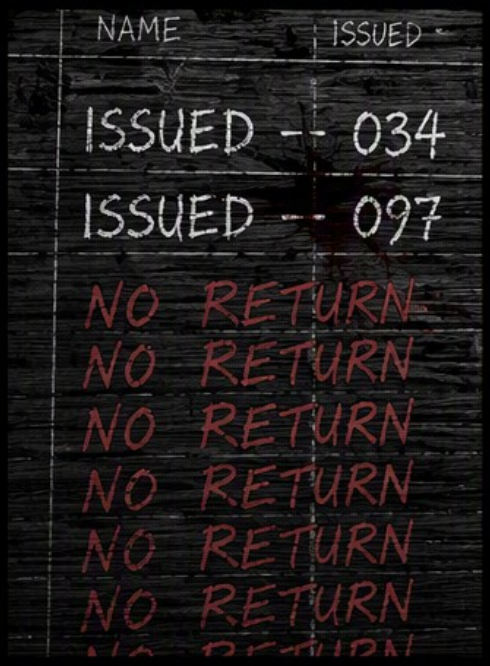

GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT
HANGAR SEVENTEEN
2:17 A.M.
WHINNNNNEEE—
K-K-CHUK—
K-K-CHUK—
BRAKKA— BRAKKA— BRAKKA—
JADA! THROTTLE— NOW!
ON IT.
I SAID, THROTTLE!
THAT'S A LOTTA HOLLOW.
HOW MANY YOU THINK WE GOT LEFT?
KAEL
SCAVENGER. STRATEGIST. PROTECTS WHAT'S HIS. ESPECIALLY MIRA.
VALE
COURIER. THE CIRCUIT. FAST HAND. SHARP MIND. ALWAYS HAS OUR BACK.
JORY
SCAV. TECH. OPTIMIST. KEEPS US HUMANE. KEEPS US LAUGHING.


ARMORY — SECTOR B
DECOM CHAMBER OVERRIDE: COMPLETE.
ARMORY SECTOR B.
STATUS: SEALED. PRESERVED.
INTACT.
THIS ISN'T SCAVENGING.
THIS IS SALVATION.
JACKPOT.
WE CAME INTO THE DARK...
AND FOUND A WEAPON WORTH FIGHTING FOR.

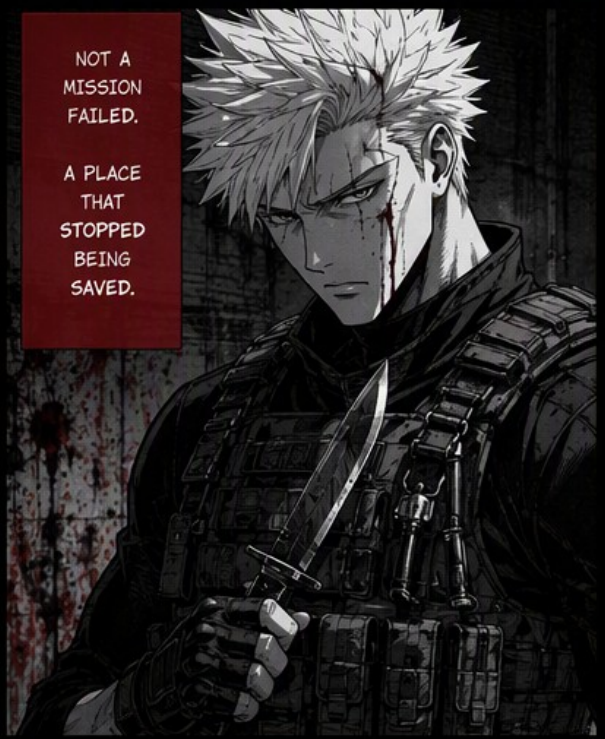
UNDERWORKS // BUNKER 7
ARMORY EXIT

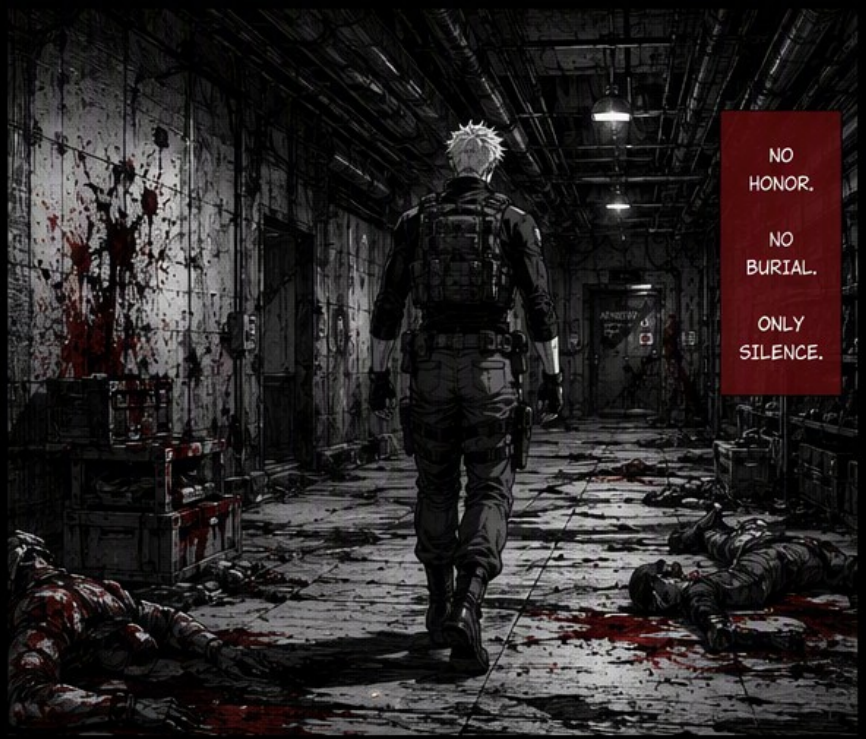















LAST ONE! GET 'EM IN!


DOORS LOCKED.


SUPPRESS AND LIFT.




GRAND TERMINAL RUNWAY SECTOR.


TURBINE COMPROMISED!
TRANSMISSION FAILURE!
DAMN IT, HOLD—


LIFT LOST!
IMPACT IMMINENT!
GRAND TERMINAL CONCOURSE.
END OF RUN.
TO BE CONTINUED...


BEYOND ARMORY
RESTRICTED SECTORS
THIS IS WHERE THE BLUEPRINTS GET REAL.
SUBTERRANEAN BIOSHELTER COMPLEX DELTA-7
BIOLOGICAL CONTAINMENT
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY
LOCKS WITHIN LOCKS.
STANDARD MILITARY PARANOIA.
LEVEL IV BIOLOGICAL HAZARD
INCUBATION PROTOCOL
LEVEL IV BIOLOGICAL HAZARD
INCUBATION PROTOCOL
NOTHING GOOD.
WHATEVER'S IN HERE...
IT'S WHY THIS BUNKER EXISTS.


GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT.
11:47 A.M.
ALL UNITS!
THIS IS NOT A DRILL!
AIRCRAFT DOWN!
INSIDE THE TERMINAL!
I REPEAT— AIRCRAFT DOWN!
CODE RED!
CODE RED!
CODE RED!
DEPARTURES
GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT
TICKETING
OH GOD... OH GOD... OH GOD...
ANY SURVIVORS ON THAT THING?
GATE 2
MY GOD... IT HIT THE TICKET COUNTERS...
THERE'S BODIES... EVERYWHERE...
WHY...? WHY US...?
SECURE THE AREA! MEDICS, THIS WAY!
I WANT EVERY EXIT LOCKED DOWN! NOW!

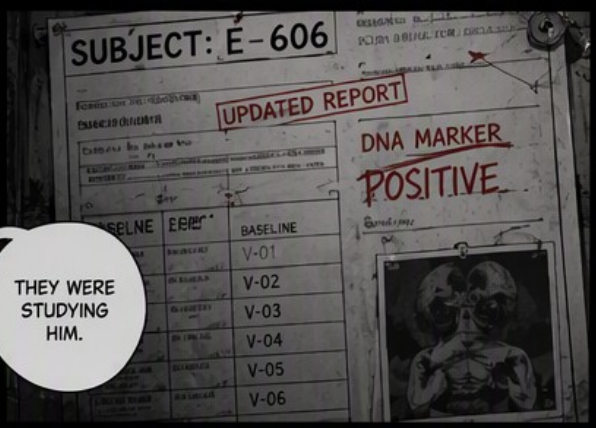

SUBTERRANEAN MILITARY
BIOLOGICAL BUNKER
LEVEL IV RESEARCH LABORATORY
RESTRICTED ACCESS
LEVEL IV
CLEARANCE ONLY
EVERYTHING STILL...
TOO SILENT.
CELLULAR INFECTION: DEVELOPMENTAL STAGES
STAGE I VIRAL ENTRY
STAGE II CELLULAR MULTIPLICATION
STAGE III TISSUE DEGRADATION
STAGE IV CELLULAR CONTAMINATION
STAGE V HEMORRHAGIC SEPSIS
PROJECT: CHIMERA
DIAGNOSTIC REPORT
DIAGNOSTIC REPORT
SUBJECT:
STATUS: TERMINAL
CAUSE OF DEATH:
ORGAN FAILURE
CLASS IV PATHOGEN
WHATEVER THEY WERE BUILDING...
IT DIDN'T STAY IN THE PETRI DISH.


THE CRASH BOUGHT US SOMETHING WE DIDN'T HAVE BEFORE.
HIGH GROUND.
GROUND FLOOR IS A FLOOD OF TEETH AND ROT.
UP HERE...
...WE'RE GHOSTS THEY CAN'T REACH.
THE CANOPY CELL WATCHES FROM ABOVE.
THE HOTEL CELL COMES THROUGH THE FRONT DOORS.
AND JUST LIKE THAT—WE'RE ALL IN THE SAME ROOM AGAIN FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YEARS.
GRAND TERMINAL
THERE WON'T BE NO TALKING.
ONLY SURVIVAL.


OLFACTORY RESPONSE
AUDITORY RESPONSE
MOTOR AGGRESSION
HOST INTEGRATION
BLOOD TRIGGER
SUBJECT: E-606
SUBJECT: E-739
SUBJECT: E-606
OLFACTORY TESTING
AUDITORY STIMULUS
AGGRESSION TRIAL
RAGE RESPONSE
NEURAL PATHWAYS
BLOOD RESPONSE
DNA MARKER
POSITIVE
UPDATED REPORT
POSITIVE


GOD...


RESTRICTED ACCESS
MILITARY PERSONNEL ONLY


SUBJECT: E-606
UPDATED REPORT
DNA MARKER
POSITIVE
BASELINE
V-01
V-02
V-03
V-04
V-05
V-06
THEY WERE STUDYING HIM.


NOT A WEAPON.
A PERSON.


EVERYTHING WE THOUGHT WE KNEW...
...WAS A LIE.


CANOPY LOUNGE
GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT
SECTOR 7, LEVEL 3
21:47 LOCAL
DEPARTURES
THE WATER PLANT
THE UNDERWORKS
THE ISLAND
VOSS
CANOPY CELL
"THE GROUND IS A DEATH SENTENCE."
THE GROUND EATS PEOPLE.
OPEN SKY. NO COVER. NO EXIT.
A DEATH SENTENCE.
MARIS
HOTEL CELL
"WE'RE NOT LEAVING THE FORTIFIED HOTEL."
THIS HOTEL IS OURS.
WE HOLD THE HIGH GROUND.
I'M NOT TRADING WALLS FOR AN OPEN GRAVE.
JADA
TARMAC CELL
"MACHINES ARE OUR ONLY SURVIVAL."
PEOPLE DIE.
METAL DOESN'T.
MACHINES DON'T RUN IN FEAR.
THEY FIGHT.
KAEL
UNDERWORKS HAS DEFENSE.
GREENLINE HAS FOOD, CLEAN ISLAND WATER.
ALL THREE OF YOU. ALL THREE CELLS.
THERE IS ROOM FOR ALL OF US.
THE WATER PLANT
THE UNDERWORKS
THE ISLAND
WE UNITE.
WE PUSH EAST ACROSS THE GROUND.
WE STOP RUNNING.
WE START BUILDING.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BECOME US.
YOU JUST HAVE TO DECIDE
IF SURVIVING TOGETHER IS WORTH THE CROSSING.
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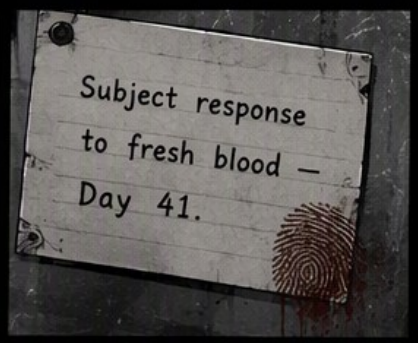

DEEP CONTAINMENT WING
LEVEL 7
SECTION D


EMPTY.
FORTY-ONE DAYS.


CELL D-27
RESTRICTED ACCESS
CLEARANCE 7 ONLY


Subject response to fresh blood — Day 41.




Subject response to fresh blood — Day 41.




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NO SCREAMS.
NO MOVEMENT.

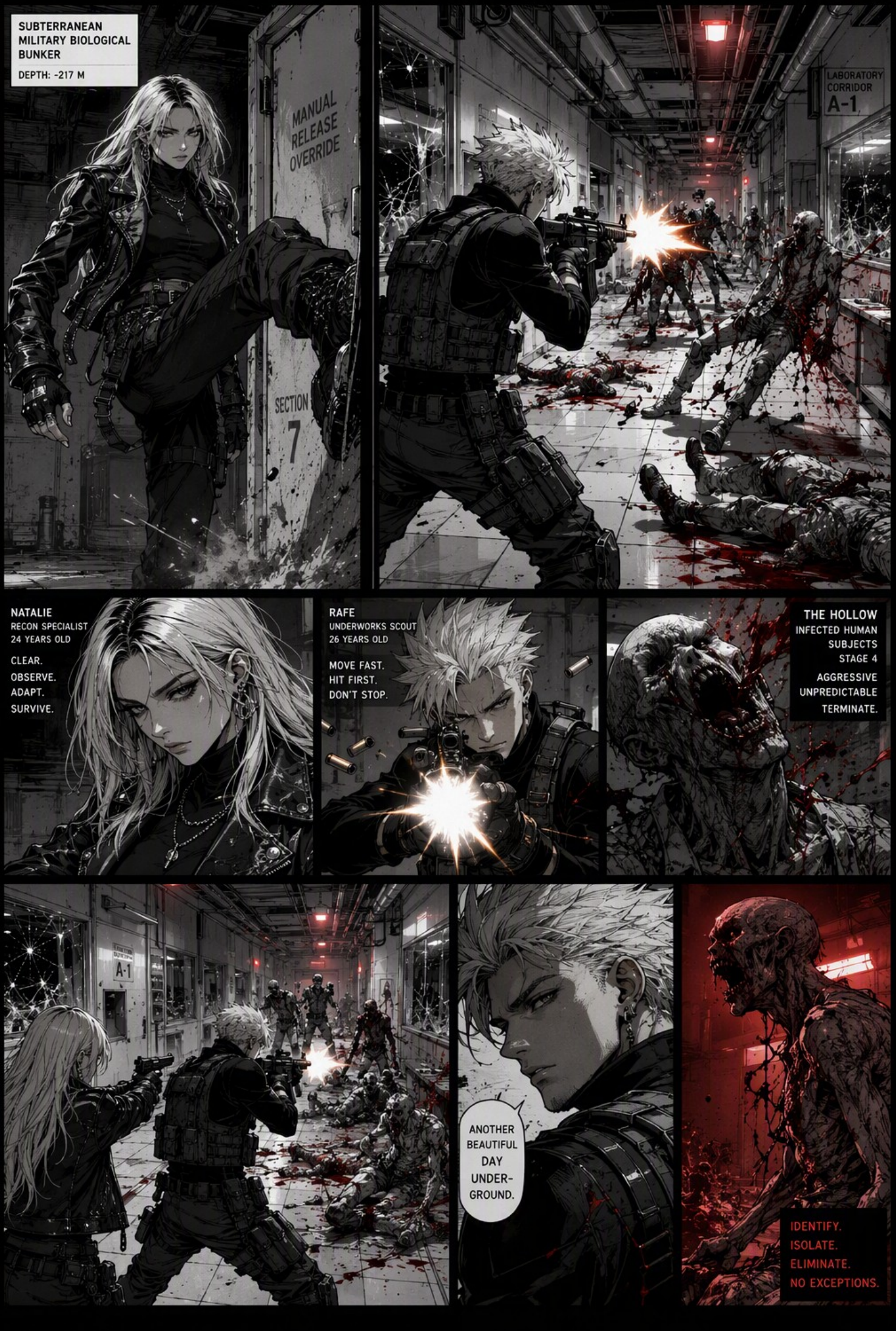

NOT STARVATION.
NOT THIRST.

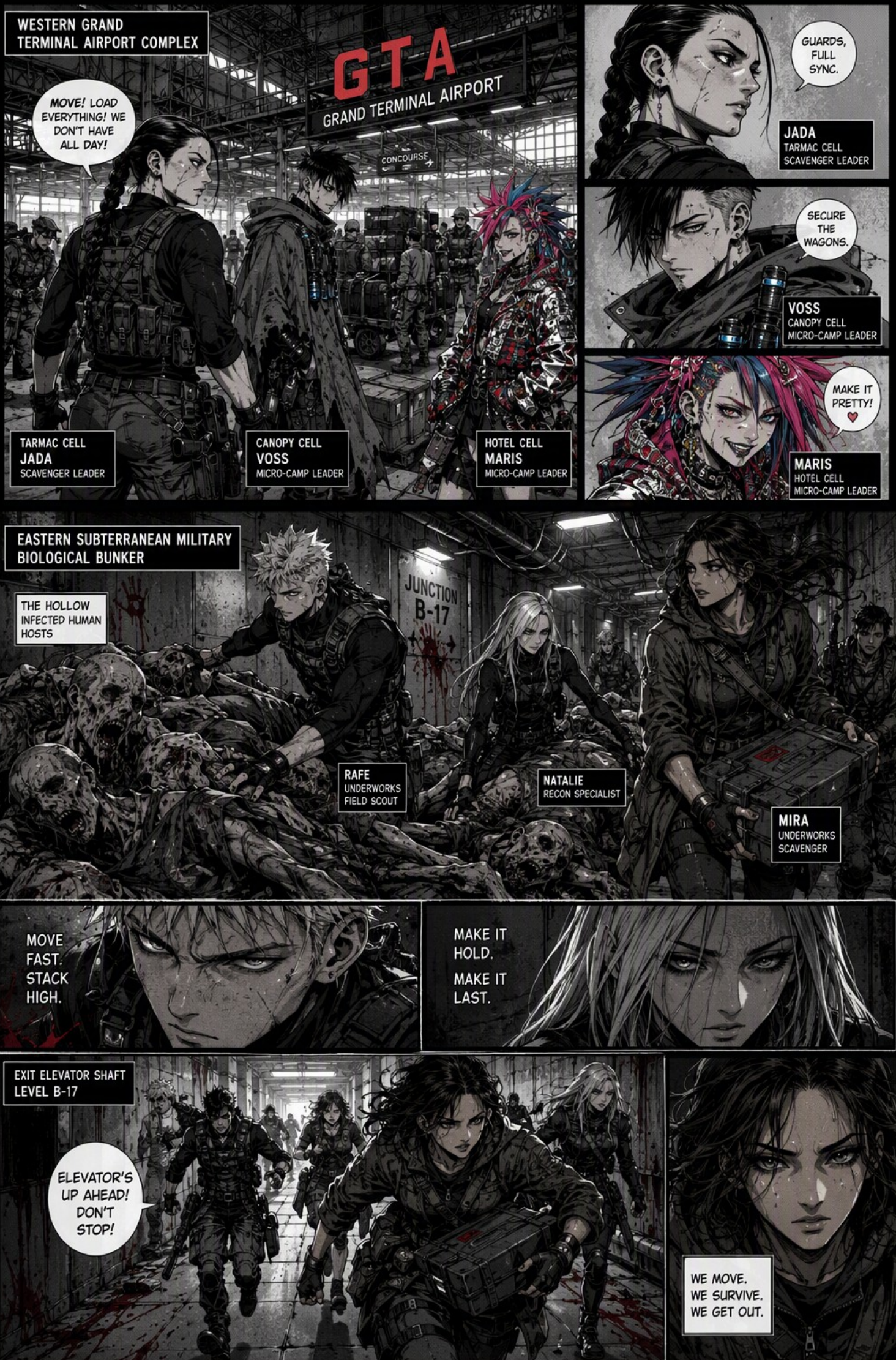

SOMETHING ELSE.
SOMETHING OLDER.


WHAT DOES IT WANT?


GRAND AIRPORT TERMINAL
COCKTAIL LOUNGE
OVERLOOKING THE CONCOURSE
OVERLAND ISN'T DEAD.
THE ISLAND IS THRIVING.
WATER, POWER, PEOPLE.
A SANCTUARY.
WE CAN GET THERE.
TOGETHER.
HMPH. I CAME READY TO KILL FOR THAT FAIRY TALE.
BUT EVEN I KNOW A SLOW STARVE TRAP WHEN I SEE ONE.
HOTEL'S A COFFIN.
I'M IN.
THE GROUND WILL KILL YOU LONG BEFORE ANY BULLET.
I DON'T LIKE OUR ODDS.
...BUT I WON'T LET YOU WALK BLIND.
I'M IN.
I'M TIRED OF RUNNING.
TIRED OF LOSING PEOPLE.
I WANT A PLACE WHERE WE CAN BREATHE.
I'M IN.
THEN WE MOVE EAST.
TOGETHER.
THREE CELLS.
ONE EXODUS.
NO ONE GETS LEFT BEHIND.
THREE FACTIONS.
ONE FUTURE.
WE MOVE.
THE CIRCUIT
COURIER
THE CIRCUIT
HOTEL CELL
CANOPY CELL
TARMAC CELL
EASTWARD EXODUS
NO GODS
NO MASTERS
ONLY SURVIVAL
WE ENDURE.


THEY KNEW.
THEY KNEW.
CONTAINMENT NO LONGER SUSTAINABLE— SUBJECTS ESCAPED.
INCIDENT LOG // ARCHIVE B-17-9
SUBJECT RESPONSE INCREASES WITH FRESH BLOOD EXPOSURE.
AUDITORY RESPONSE REMAINS HIGH.
COMBINED STIMULUS PRODUCES UNCONTROLLED PREDATORY AGGRESSION.
OH GOD.
POWER FLUCTUATION
HYDRAULIC LOCKS
FAILURE IMMINENT
BIOLOGICAL WING - LEVEL C3
23:47:12
CELL BLOCK D-7

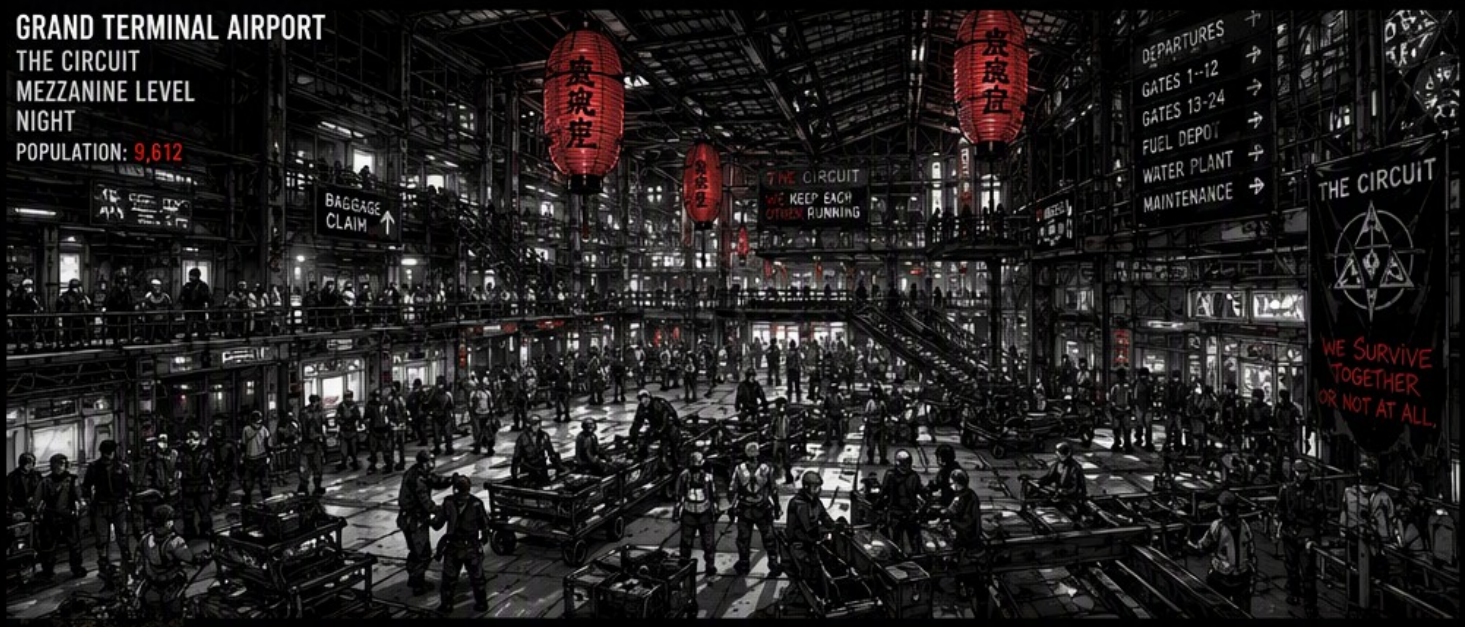

SUBTERRANEAN MILITARY BIOLOGICAL BUNKER
DEPTH: -217 M
MANUAL RELEASE OVERRIDE
SECTION 7
LABORATORY CORRIDOR A-1
NATALIE
RECON SPECIALIST
24 YEARS OLD
CLEAR.
OBSERVE.
ADAPT.
SURVIVE.
RAFE
UNDERWORKS SCOUT
26 YEARS OLD
MOVE FAST.
HIT FIRST.
DON'T STOP.
THE HOLLOW
INFECTED HUMAN SUBJECTS
STAGE 4
AGGRESSIVE
UNPREDICTABLE
TERMINATE.
A-1
ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL DAY UNDER-GROUND.
IDENTIFY.
ISOLATE.
ELIMINATE.
NO EXCEPTIONS.


WESTERN GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT COMPLEX
GTA
GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT
CONCOURSE
MOVE! LOAD EVERYTHING! WE DON'T HAVE ALL DAY!
TARMAC CELL
JADA
SCAVENGER LEADER
CANOPY CELL
VOSS
MICRO-CAMP LEADER
HOTEL CELL
MARIS
MICRO-CAMP LEADER
GUARDS, FULL SYNC.
JADA
TARMAC CELL
SCAVENGER LEADER
SECURE THE WAGONS.
VOSS
CANOPY CELL
MICRO-CAMP LEADER
MAKE IT PRETTY!
MARIS
HOTEL CELL
MICRO-CAMP LEADER
EASTERN SUBTERRANEAN MILITARY BIOLOGICAL BUNKER
THE HOLLOW
INFECTED HUMAN HOSTS
JUNCTION B-17
RAFE
UNDERWORKS
FIELD SCOUT
NATALIE
RECON SPECIALIST
MIRA
UNDERWORKS
SCAVENGER
MOVE FAST. STACK HIGH.
MAKE IT HOLD.
MAKE IT LAST.
EXIT ELEVATOR SHAFT
LEVEL B-17
ELEVATOR'S UP AHEAD! DON'T STOP!
WE MOVE.
WE SURVIVE.
WE GET OUT.


BIOLOGICAL BUNKER
SECTOR 7B
SUB-LEVEL 02
LABORATORY ANNEX
KRRRAAAWGG
RETREAT.
NOT DEFEAT. SURVIVAL.
THIS ANNEX... WASN'T ON ANY MAP.
NEITHER WAS IT.
HRRRKKK
CRACK
BLAM
GHHH—
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
EVERY BREATH COUNTS.


KREEEE
CLANG!!
CHNK
REGIONAL MILITARY INSTALLATIONS
CLASSIFIED
SITE 07
ACTIVE
BIO-FACILITY
BIO WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT WING
TRANSFERRED


FORT DREADNOUGHT
SUBTERRANEAN BIOLOGICAL BUNKER
ANNEX SECTOR - 7B
MIRA UNLATCHES THE ANNEX BLAST DOOR.
KCHNK
ANNEX
7B
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY
KREEEEE...
RAFE. NATALIE.
WORDLESS RELIEF.
THEY MADE IT. THEY'RE ALIVE.
RAFE SCANS THE CORRIDOR.
NATALIE CHECKS MIRA OVER.
BRISK.
PROFESSIONAL. EFFICIENT.
ALL CLEAR.
MOVE.
SCOUTS FORM UP. TIGHT. SILENT.
TO THE SURFACE.
NOW.


GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT
THE CIRCUIT
MEZZANINE LEVEL
NIGHT
POPULATION: 9,612
BAGGAGE CLAIM
DEPARTURES
GATES 1--12
GATES 13-24
FUEL DEPOT
WATER PLANT
MAINTENANCE
THE CIRCUIT
WE KEEP EACH OTHER RUNNING
WE SURVIVE TOGETHER OR NOT AT ALL.


JADA
LEADER OF THE TARMAC CELL


MARIS
LEADER OF THE HOTEL CELL


VOSS
LEADER OF THE CANOPY CELL


KAEL & JORY
OF THE SCAVENGER COHORT


CANOPY


WHAT ABOUT THE MAINLAND WATER PLANT CAN IT SAVE US


NOT RUNNING YET.
BUT IT WILL BE.


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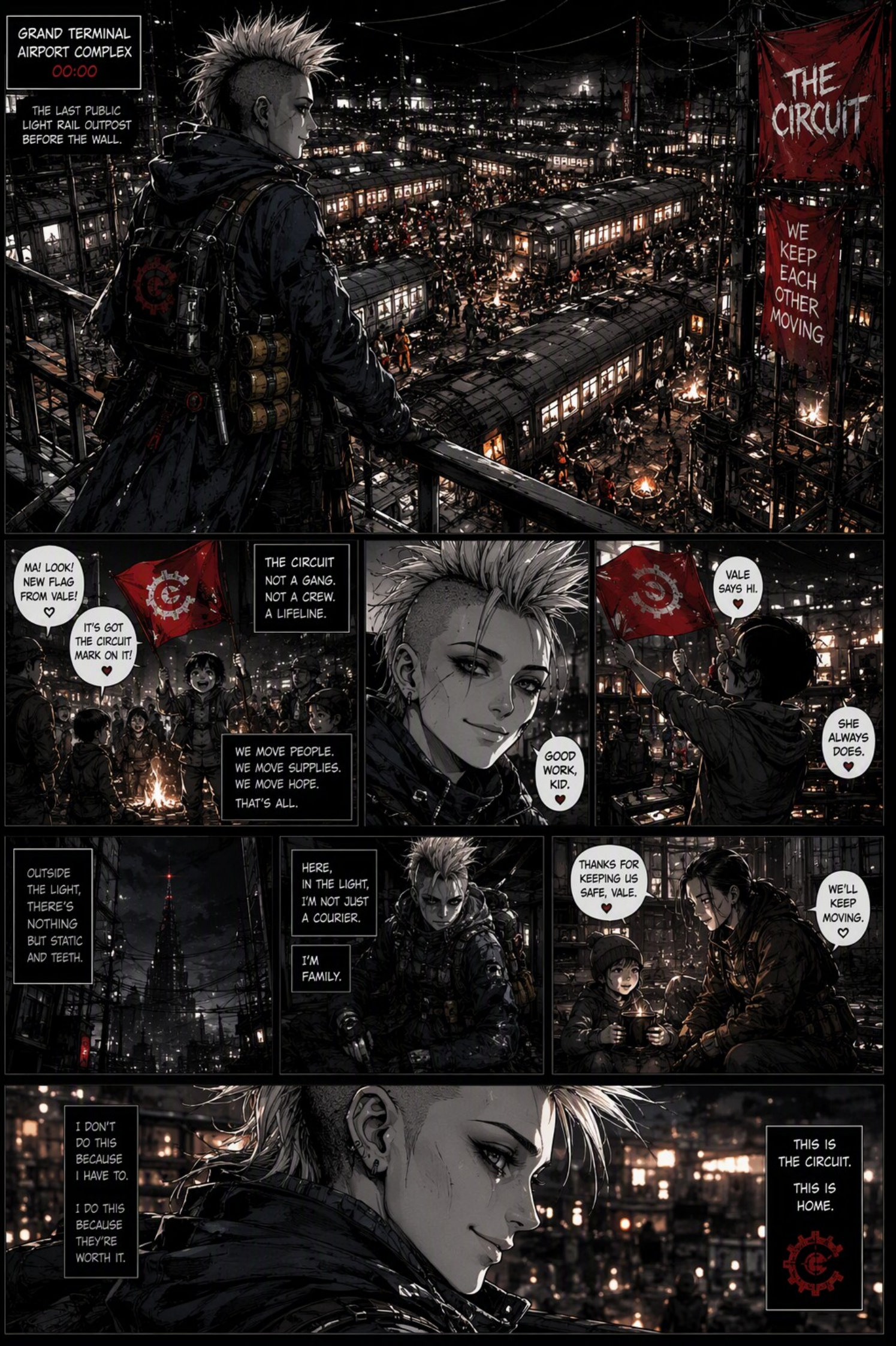

YOU SURE YOU DON'T WANT BACKUP?
NO.
SOME DOORS DON'T OPEN TWICE. TWICE.
WE CROSS A LINE HERE.
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THE TRUTH ISN'T JUST BURIED.
SITE 07
CLASSIFIED LOGS & SECTOR MAP
IT'S WEAPONIZED.
BE CAREFUL, MIRA.
THE WORLD OUT THERE...
...IT'S NOT WHAT YOU THINK.
EASTERN MISSILE SILO FIELD
RESTRICTED ACCESS
MILITARY INSTALLATION
DEADLY FORCE AUTHORIZED
DANGER
LIVE FIRING AREA
DO NOT ENTER








SITE 07
N45.20.751
W76.02.318


GRAND TERMINAL
AIRPORT COMPLEX
00:00
THE LAST PUBLIC LIGHT RAIL OUTPOST BEFORE THE WALL.
THE CIRCUIT
WE KEEP EACH OTHER MOVING
MA! LOOK! NEW FLAG FROM VALE!
IT'S GOT THE CIRCUIT MARK ON IT!
THE CIRCUIT NOT A GANG. NOT A CREW. A LIFELINE.
WE MOVE PEOPLE. WE MOVE SUPPLIES. WE MOVE HOPE. THAT'S ALL.
GOOD WORK, KID.
VALE SAYS HI.
SHE ALWAYS DOES.
OUTSIDE THE LIGHT, THERE'S NOTHING BUT STATIC AND TEETH.
HERE, IN THE LIGHT, I'M NOT JUST A COURIER.
I'M FAMILY.
THANKS FOR KEEPING US SAFE, VALE.
WE'LL KEEP MOVING.
I DON'T DO THIS BECAUSE I HAVE TO.
I DO THIS BECAUSE THEY'RE WORTH IT.
THIS IS THE CIRCUIT.
THIS IS HOME.


GRAND TERMINAL AIRPORT
ELEV. CONCOURSE WALKWAY
23:47 LOCAL
SOVEREIGN MISSILE BASE
OUTER RIDGE PERIMETER
MIRA.
KAEL WHISPERS THROUGH THE STATIC.
I'M HERE.
SHE ANSWERS, HER VOICE TREMBLING WITH EXHAUSTION.
COME BACK.
KAEL SAYS SOFTLY, FULL OF QUIET LONGING.
I WILL.
SOVEREIGN
MISSILE BASE
RESTRICTED ACCESS
DEADLY FORCE AUTHORIZED
DISTANCE MEANS NOTHING.
NOT WHEN YOU'RE ALREADY HOME.
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