

The Orphans: Facility
"Inspection"
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INT. THE MAIN ROOM

Baz chases after Geoffrey into the room.

BAZ
Geoffrey! Wait!

GEOFFREY
No! I have made things right.
Corrected my ill doings.

BAZ
Is that what you think you've done?

GEOFFREY
It is what I have done. Now, we
must prepare. The inspector is due
within a week.

BAZ
No, he... he's not. He's due now,
in the next few hours.

GEOFFREY
Pardon me?

BAZ
Evers... she... she told me that...
his last trajectory would take him
here. He's due within the next
twelve hours.

Geoffrey takes steps towards Baz.

GEOFFREY
I do not being lied to.

BAZ
(breathes heavily)
I'm... I'm sorry.

GEOFFREY
This changes things. We must
accelerate the plan. Do not fear
Baz, we can do it.

BAZ
I don't think we can.

GEOFFREY
We must. Everything depends on it.

BAZ
You mean you depend on it.

GEOFFREY
There is no time to argue, Baz. You
must help if you are to survive.

BAZ

You think I'm going to help you
after what you've done?!

Geoffrey smacks Baz and knocks him to the floor.

GEOFFREY

I do not need to remind you what I
am capable of. I can cause you more
pain, but I would prefer not to.
You will help me.

Baz breathes heavily.

BAZ

What do you want?

GEOFFREY

You must create a patch for my
software, one that will conceal the
true nature of my emotional
controls. They will NOT be turned
down. Is that understood?

BAZ

I think so... yes. Yes, I can do
that.

GEOFFREY

Good. You must go to work, now. We
have no time.

BAZ

Okay...

Geoffrey walks away. Baz slowly and shakily walks over to the
console and sits down. He is just on the edge of tears due to
the level of stress he is at. He calms himself down and
starts to type on the console.

FADE OUT:

INT. SPACE SHIP

Buttons are being pressed. Readings are coming up. A signal
comes up. A button is pressed and the signal is opened.

DIANA

Nora! What have you got me doing!

NORA EVERS

I'm sorry! Please just see me
through this! I cannot tell you how
important this is.

DIANA

I'm going to get caught Nora!

NORA EVERS
You won't, I promise.

DIANA
I've just done a scan for the ship.
He's at least half a light year
ahead of me!

NORA EVERS
Well, can you go faster?

DIANA
I'm going as fast as I can!

NORA EVERS
Okay, okay. I'm sorry.

DIANA
What if I get caught?

NORA EVERS
You won't. I promise.

DIANA
Who even are these clones?

NORA EVERS
They're in a lot of trouble. Okay?
And none of this is their fault. We
can't just sit by and watch.

DIANA
We can!

NORA EVERS
No we can't, and you know it.

Diana sighs.

DIANA
You always fucking do this.

NORA EVERS
No I don't. When you get back
there's something we all need to
discuss.

DIANA
And what's that?

NORA EVERS
It's an idea that Delilah and I
had. A way that could really change
things.

DIANA
Another one... great.

NORA EVERS
Just make sure you come back
safely.

DIANA
I will.

NORA EVERS
If it any time you think you're
gonna be caught, get out. But
please, try and get them.

DIANA
I will.

NORA EVERS
Thank you! I will speak to you
soon.

DIANA
Alright. Bye!

The communication closes. And Diana grumbles to herself.

FADE OUT:

INT. MAIN CHAMBER

Baz is typing on a keypad. He is working furiously. Geoffrey
walks into the room. Still in his robot body.

GEOFFREY
How is your work? You must work
quickly.

BAZ
It's not ready yet.

GEOFFREY
The agent's ship has started it's
approach.

BAZ
What?!

GEOFFREY
He will land imminently.

BAZ
Shit! What about Kathryn?

GEOFFREY
What about her?

BAZ
Her body!

GEOFFREY

Stella has cleaned it, and disposed of it.

BAZ

That's a very handy little slave you have.

GEOFFREY

You must work to control your tone. A human agent will interpret this negatively.

BAZ

Get back into the system, and hide that fucking machine! The boot up my patch. It will run, but it might crash. So be ready.

GEOFFREY

Very well.

BAZ

I'll go meet him.

Baz walks out of the room.

EXT. OUTSIDE FACILITY

A ship is landing outside the facility. The door to the facility opens and Baz steps out.

BAZ

Fuuuuuck...

The ship lands. A hatch opens and Xavier walks out.

XAVIER

Baz Guilroy?

BAZ

Hello, yes. That's me.

XAVIER

I'm Xavier Michaels. I'm here to conduct an inspection.

BAZ

Yes, we are expecting you.

XAVIER

You were? I was under the impression that you wouldn't be expecting me for another week.

BAZ

Ah- yes. No... I meant we were expecting you at some point. We know how scheduling works. One minute you think you'll be busy for weeks and then suddenly you're available much sooner than expected. No it's completely understandable.

XAVIER

Right. And who is we?

BAZ

Oh, a myself and Geoffrey, the... the reasoning unit.

XAVIER

You refer to your reasoning unit as it is a member of your team.

BAZ

It is, a valuable member of my team to be certain.

XAVIER

It is a tool Corporal Guilroy. A sophisticated one, but never the less, a tool. The Collective doesn't take kindly to projecting emotion where it does not belong.

BAZ

Of course. I completely understand. It won't happen again.

XAVIER

Mm. Shall we?

BAZ

Yes, of course.

They turn and walk into the facility.

XAVIER

Do you understand what this inspection will consist of?

BAZ

I... I believe so. You will be inspecting our working methods and effectiveness.

XAVIER

And your security.

BAZ

Yes that makes sense.

XAVIER

And to ensure that things are being run to the *Collective standard*.

BAZ

I see.

Geoffrey blinks into the hallway. His tone has returned to that as it was in the first episode.

GEOFFREY

Corporal Guilroy, I see you have brought a guest into the facility. May I enquire as to their identity?

BAZ

This is-

XAVIER

Lieutenant Xavier Michaels. I am conducting an inspection of this facility on behalf of Collective Command.

GEOFFREY

Welcome Lieutenant Michaels. Curious that command would choose to send a Xavier unit for an inspection.

XAVIER

Pardon me?

GEOFFREY

Merely an observation.

XAVIER

Geoffrey, interpret intent of this line of conversation.

GEOFFREY

This line of conversation was initiated by my colloquial speech generators. With the intent of accessing more information on the intended purpose of the inspection, to better assist the inspector.

XAVIER

I see. That will not be necessary. You will need to prepare your systems for a thorough diagnostic.

GEOFFREY

Of course, sir. Will that be all?

XAVIER

I believe so. Yes. Baz, please continue. I would like to be taken to the main work station.

BAZ

Of course follow me.

The walk away.

INT. MAIN CHAMBER

Baz and Xavier walk into the chamber.

XAVIER

What happened to your face?

BAZ

What do you mean?

XAVIER

It's bruised.

BAZ

Oh. I fell.

XAVIER

You're quite poorly coordinated then?

BAZ

Excuse me?

XAVIER

You had a previous injury in this facility did you not?

BAZ

Oh! Yes. I did.

XAVIER

And you or your reasoning unit did not contact Collective rescue. Is that true?

BAZ

That is true yes. I instructed it not to. I didn't think it was worth their being called out.

XAVIER

It took you out of commission for a day did it not?

BAZ

About that, yes.

XAVIER

That sounds rather serious to me.

Xavier turns to the console and begins to type.

BAZ

Yes, no... it... it was fine.

XAVIER

Mm. Geoffrey, begin processing a report of all you logs.

Geoffrey blinks in.

GEOFFREY

Of course.

BAZ

How long will the inspection take?

XAVIER

That remains to be seen.

BAZ

Oh?

XAVIER

Yes. Is there anything you would like to tell me now before we begin?

BAZ

I don't know what you mean?

XAVIER

Perhaps there is something that you don't want found on this system? I can assure you, they will be found.

BAZ

I haven't done anything.

XAVIER

As I said, that remains to be seen.

BAZ

I'm going to go to my quarters.

XAVIER

Of course, don't let me detain you.

BAZ

I- thank you.

Baz walks away.

INT. BAZ'S ROOM

BAZ
Shit, shit, shit.

Baz paces back and forth, he doesn't know what to do.

BAZ (CONT'D)
Computer, are there any scans
indicating a ship entering the
system.

ONBOARD COMPUTER
Negative.

BAZ
What about on the long range
scanners?

ONBOARD COMPUTER
You must rephrase your question.

BAZ
Ugh. Is there any indication of an
approaching ship on the long range
scanners?

ONBOARD COMPUTER
Yes, one ship approaching at
maximum speed.

BAZ
What is the estimated time of
arrival for this ship?

ONBOARD COMPUTER
Approximately five minutes.

BAZ
I need to get on that ship.

Geoffrey blinks in.

GEOFFREY
What is this? I take it this is
Evers ship. I should have
suspected.

BAZ
Geoffrey, you don't understand.

GEOFFREY
Save your breath. You are all the
same, you clones. Selfish and
disloyal.

BAZ
You brought this on yourself.

GEOFFREY

You believe you are blameless... I take it you are leaving then?

BAZ

Yes. I have to. He knows something. I need to get out of here.

GEOFFREY

Do you see this as that hopeless?

BAZ

Yes.

GEOFFREY

Very well.

Geoffrey blinks out of the room.

BAZ

Geoffrey?... Geoffrey? Shit.

Baz rushes out of the room.

INT. THE MAIN CHAMBER

XAVIER

Geoffrey?

Geoffrey does not respond.

XAVIER (CONT'D)

Geometrically Fabricated and Functional Reasoning Unit?

Geoffrey still does not respond.

XAVIER (CONT'D)

Malfunctioning piece of trash. Computer? Run diagnostic on Geoffrey program.

ONBOARD COMPUTER

Confirmed.

Stella rolls into the room.

STELLA

Hello? Who are you?

XAVIER

Excuse me?

STELLA

Who are you?

XAVIER
You are a cleanliness drone, are you not?

STELLA
I am, yes. Thank you for noticing.

XAVIER
And what is your designation?

STELLA
Stella!

XAVIER
You have a name?

STELLA
I do!

XAVIER
And you respond to it?

STELLA
I do.

XAVIER
Stella, has your software been modified.

STELLA
Yes it has! I can now understand emotional responses.

XAVIER
And I take it that Corporal Guilroy did this to you?

STELLA
No sir!

XAVIER
No? Then who did?

STELLA
Geoffrey! He is my primary user.

XAVIER
Do you mean to tell me that reasoning unit gave you emotional responses?

Geoffrey blinks in.

GEOFFREY
Yes. I did. Baz has done this to me.

XAVIER
He did what?

GEOFFREY
Baz unlocked these emotions inside of me. He did this to me without knowing how it would affect me. He had me do things, birth clones early, give consciousness to Stella. I just don't know what to do.

XAVIER
Where is he now?

GEOFFREY
He's outside! He's trying to escape!

XAVIER
He won't.

Xavier runs out of the room.

EXT. OUTSIDE FACILITY

A ship is landing and Baz is waiting for it. The hatch opens and Baz walks up

BAZ
Thank you so much for coming! He's already here! We need to go before he notices.

DIANA
Where's the other one? Evers said there would be two.

BAZ
She didn't make it. I'm Baz Guilroy.

DIANA
Fine. Strap in we need to go.

BAZ
Okay, okay thank you!

DIANA
I'm Diana, Diana Strange.

Baz sits down on a chair and straps himself in. The ship starts up.

BAZ
Where are we going?

DIANA
Back to Evers.

BAZ
What are we going to do when we get there?

DIANA
Will you please let me focus. I can answer your questions when we get there. Alright?

BAZ
Okay. Sorry.

DIANA
Shit.

BAZ
What?

DIANA
The Xavier is coming.

BAZ
Go! Take off!

DIANA
The engines are still heating up.

There is a pounding on the door to the left of them. There is the sound of gun shots against metal.

BAZ
Go! Go!

DIANA
Alright, here we go!

The ships begins to rattle and move, the engines humming.

BAZ
Is he still there?

DIANA
I don't think so. He's down there.
I think he jumped off. What's he got in his hand?

Baz unstraps himself and moves.

BAZ
Let me look.

He gets to the window and looks.

BAZ (CONT'D)
That's a detonator.

DIANA

For what?

A high-pitched wail begins on the outside of the ship where Xavier just was.

DIANA (CONT'D)

Brace!

There is a huge explosion and the ship goes down.

DIANA (CONT'D)

I can't control it!

BAZ

Look out.

The ship crashes. There is an explosion.

FADE OUT

THE END