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•monte••••normal•••randcu_1•"••Welcome to New Detroit. You look like a man who's hungry for work.~•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•~••Among other things. You hiring?• •monte••••nervous••randcu_1•"••Indeed I am. A simple delivery of iron, strictly legit.~•pc•••••nervous••randcu_2•~••I've heard that song before, Mr...?• •monte••••normal•••randcu_1•"••Sandoval, Ernesto Sandoval. And you are...?~•pc•••••surprise••randcu_2•~••\$NM. Call me \$CS.~•monte••••normal•••randcu_1•"••\$CS, you'll be running the load of iron to the Liverpool refinery in Newcastle...~•monte••••nervous••randcu_1•"••...which is just a short jump from here. No contraband, no hassles.~•monte••••normal•••randcu_1•"••Just dock at the station. My people will pick up the cargo.~•monte••••surprise••randcu_1•"••Afterwards, return here for your payment, 15,000 credits. Interested?~•monte••••randcu_1•"••~•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•~••Sure, why not? I could use the credits. What about an advance?• •monte••••nervous••randcu_1•"••Will this do?~•artifct1•X•1~•artifct1•È•1What is it, some sort of...sculpture?~•artifct1•È•cAn alien artifact. Extremely valuable.~•monte••••nervous••randcu_1•"••Soon I'll be selling this artifact for a considerable sum.~•monte••••nervous••randcu_1•"••In the meantime, I'll let you hold on to it as collateral.~•pc•••••angry••••randcu_2•~••In other words, it's hot and you want to distance yourself from it.~•monte••••nervous••randcu_1•"••For awhile. If you'll just hold onto it for me, just for this run...~•monte••••nervous••randcu_1•"••...I'll pay you a bonus of 5,000 when you return. Fair enough?~•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•~••I suppose...though I'm sure I'll wind up regretting this...~•monte••••normal•••randcu_1•"••Go with God, my suspicious friend. And hurry back.~•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•~••Sorry, I'm looking for a higher dollar mission right now.~•monte••••nervous••randcu_1•"••You fool, you have no idea...~•monte••••nervous••randcu_1•"••All right, fine. Take a hike, I've got my own problems.~•

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•monte••••angry••••randcu_1•"•••What are you doing here? You should've been gone long ago!•"•pc•••••normal••••randcu_2•-•••Some other business came up. •monte••••angry••••randcu_1•"•••This delay is risking us both!•"•pc•••••surprise••randcu_2•-•••I thought this job was just a run of iron to the Liverpool refinery base. •monte••••surprise••randcu_1•"••• The artifact. Is it safe? •"•pc•••••nervous••randcu_2•-••• Sure. Why wouldn't it be? •monte••••angry••••randcu_1•"•••Just get it off this base, \$CS. •"•pc•••••surprise••randcu_2•-••• What's the hurry? •monte••••angry••••randcu_1•"•••You don't want to know. Trust me. •monte••~angry••~randcu_1•"•••Run the iron from here to the Liverpool refinery in Newcastle. •monte••~angry••~randcu_1•"•••Your ship has already been loaded. •monte••~angry••~randcu_1•"•••Deliver the iron, return here, and I'll pay you 15,000 for your trouble... •monte••~angry••~randcu_1•"•••...along with 5,000 bonus when you return my artifact. •"•pc••~nervous••~randcu_2•-•••All right, I'll get right on it. You've made your point. •monte••~angry••~randcu_1•"•••I hope so...for both our sakes...•"

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•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•~•••I'm reconsidering your offer,
Sandoval. •monte•••••normal•••randcu_1•"•••A wise move. I can't understand why you walked away from such
an easy job. •monte•••••surprise•randcu_1•"•••I'll give you my artifact for advance
collateral... •monte•••••normal•••randcu_1•"•••...and you'll run iron from here to the Liverpool refinery in
Newcastle. •monte•••••angry•••••randcu_1•"•••Once there, dock and allow my men to retrieve the
cargo. •monte•••••nervous••randcu_1•"•••Return here with my artifact, and I pay you a 15,000
fee... •monte•••••nervous••randcu_1•"•••...along with 5,000 for the artifact's
return. •pc•••••angry•••••randcu_2•~•••This artifact business doesn't feel right to
me. •monte•••••angry•••••randcu_1•"•••You're not getting paid to feel good,
\$CS. •monte•••••surprise•randcu_1•"•••Do we have a
deal? •monte•••••randcu_1•"•••monte•••••surprise•randcu_1•"•••Good. I will have your ship loaded
immediately. •monte•••••surprise•randcu_1•"••• Get moving.
•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•~•••Maybe later, Sandoval. •monte•••••angry•••••randcu_1•"•••I
need to find someone right away, so don't take too long to make up your mind. ••

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•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••
assignment?• •tayla•••••normal•••randcu_1•••••Uh uh. You're a bad pony. I can't afford to bet on you
anymore.•å•tayla•••••normal•••randcu_1•••••You screwed up the last mission, \$CS. I'm cutting my
losses.•å•tayla•••••normal•••randcu_1•••••You'll have to take your chances with Insys. I'm out of
here.•å•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••
Tayla!• •tayla•••••normal•••randcu_1•••••You should've thought of that before you choked up. Later.å

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•tayla•normal•randcu_1•Ah, \$NM. You look just like your picture. Too bad. •pc•surprise•randcu_2•After a few drinks you'll change your mind, Miss...? •tayla•normal•randcu_1•Call me Tayla. I used to do business with Sandoval. •pc•normal•randcu_2•I'd rather talk about my face. What's wrong with it, anyway? •tayla•normal•randcu_1•Nothing, except the police have it plastered all over the holos. •tayla•angry•randcu_1•Sandoval is dead, and they want you for questioning. •tayla•surprise•randcu_1•Tough break, \$CS, but I'm here to offer you work now that you're...between jobs. •tayla•normal•randcu_1•I need you to make four special deliveries for me. •pc•nervous•randcu_2•By special you mean risky and illegal. •tayla•normal•randcu_1•And lucrative. The first run pays 10,000 credits. •pc•angry•randcu_2•That's lucrative? Thanks, but I got my own leads to follow up. •tayla•nervous•randcu_1•Right, the artifact. You have it, but you don't know anything about it. •tayla•normal•randcu_1•I could fill you in...after you fly my missions. How about it, Captain? •tayla•randcu_1•pc•nervous•randcu_2•With the police after me, I could use the trip off-system... •tayla•angry•randcu_1•Good, but you don't get paid until you finish. •pc•normal•randcu_2•Suits me, so long as you tell me about the artifact now. •tayla•normal•randcu_1•After you're done. Now listen, the first mission is easy. •tayla•nervous•randcu_1•Your cargo will be a legal load of plastics. •tayla•normal•randcu_1•Although your manifest will say you're running it to Newcastle... •tayla•nervous•randcu_1•...you'll deviate from your course along the way and deliver it to Oakham... •tayla•normal•randcu_1•...a hidden pirate base where I have connections. •tayla•surprise•randcu_1•While you work for me, the pirates will leave you alone. Count on it. •tayla•normal•randcu_1•Leave your ship unattended and I'll meet you there in the bar. •pc•afraid•randcu_2•Just be sure no one kills you while I'm gone, Tayla. •pc•angry•randcu_2•I've got an investment in you...and I mean to collect. •pc•normal•randcu_2•I think I'll check into this artifact business alone. •tayla•angry•randcu_1•Bad choice. You're in danger as long as you hold onto that thing... •tayla•angry•randcu_1•...and you're walking away from more money than you ever dreamed of! •

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•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•••Hey, I just spoke with my contact on
Oakham.•^•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•••They told me you still haven't delivered the
cargo!•^•pc•••••surprise•randcu_2•-•••Something came up, sweetheart. You know how it
is.• •tayla••••normal••••randcu_1•^•••Sure do. Unless you transport that load of plastic to
Oakham...•^•tayla••••normal••••randcu_1•^•••...deviating from your flight path to Newcastle to throw off
pursuit...•^•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•••...you can forget about the 10,000
credits!•^•pc•••••nervous••randcu_2•-•••Okay, okay, no need to panic. I'll get to
it.• •pc•••••angry••••randcu_2•-•••And why should I worry about being followed if my cargo's
legit?• •tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^•••Consider it a competency test.•^•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^•••
You know the rest...? •^•pc•••••normal••••randcu_2•-•••Yeah. Once I arrive, I should leave my ship
unattended, right?• •tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^•••If you want to make a profit,
yeah.•^•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•••And don't go shooting up any pirates
there!•^•tayla••~angry••~randcu_1•^•••You work for me, so they'll leave you alone...unless you get trigger
happy.~^•tayla••~angry••~randcu_1•^•••Meet me in the bar at Oakham when you're done. And step on it!~^

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•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^a•••Back, huh? I figured you'd change your mind.•å•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••That remains to be seen. •tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^a•••Look, it's a great deal. •å•tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^a•••Your cargo will consist of nothing but plastics...completely legal. •å•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^a•••Supposedly you'll be running it to Newcastle, but actually... •å•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^a•••...you'll divert to Oakham, a hidden pirate base, and dock. •å•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^a•••You won't have any trouble with the pirates because you work for me. •å•tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^a•••Once there, leave your ship unattended and meet me in the bar there at Oakham for your pay. •å•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^a•••In exchange for the service, I'll pay you 10,000 credits. And don't forget... •å•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^a•••...I have information on the artifact, info I'll share...if you fly for me. •å•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^a•••So...is it a deal? •å•tayla••••randcu_1•^a••••pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Sure, why not? I could use the credits. •tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^a•••If you don't want the job, just leave me alone! •å•

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•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^•••What took you so long, \$CS? Rough day at the office?•^•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Business before banter, Tayla. The money. •tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Relax, \$CS. The first installment is right here. •^•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••That's better. Now tell me about the artifact. •pc•••••nervous•••randcu_2•-•••Why would Sandoval just hand it over if it's so valuable? •tayla••••nervous•••randcu_1•^•••Maybe he got a sore neck from watching his back all the time. •^•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•••How's your neck feeling? Getting sore yet? •^•pc•••••angry••••randcu_2•-•••No...but I don't intend to let you get behind me, Tayla. •tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Wrong, ace. I've never whacked anyone for profit. •^•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^•••Now, your next job is to run a load of Brilliance to Hector mining base in Troy. •^•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••The run pays 15,000 credits...too much for such an easy job, if you ask me. •^•tayla••••randcu_1•^•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I'll take your word for it. What kind of opposition am I looking at? •tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Minimal. Maybe a few militia patrols, nothing you can't handle. •^•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Yeah? And what about all these pirates? What if they get greedy? •tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••While you work for me, no one'll hassle you. •^•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•••If you make it back, meet me back here in the bar for your pay. •^•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••WHEN I get back, Tayla, you better have some answers. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••You're pulling my chain. I'll learn about the artifact on my own. •tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••You'd better reconsider, Captain. You'll need all the help you can get. •^•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Someone knows what that artifact is. And if it was worth killing Sandoval... •^•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••...then killing you will be no more to them than...overhead. •^•

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•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1••••You haven't flown the mission YET? What's the
problem?••pc•••••normal••••randcu_2••••I'm waiting for the mood to hit
me. •tayla••••angry••••randcu_1••••Unless you fly that load of Brilliance to Hector mining base in Troy
quick...••tayla••••angry••••randcu_1••••...the only thing that's gonna hit you is hard
times. •pc•••••angry••••randcu_2••••You need to chill, Tayla. I know the
routine. •pc•••••normal••••randcu_2••••I hit Hector, leave the ship docked, let your goons go over
it... •pc•••••nervous••••randcu_2•••• ...and remove what law enforcement officials refer to as \"the
evidence\". •pc•••••normal••••randcu_2••••Then I head back here and link up with you in the bar to get my
15,000. •tayla••••angry••••randcu_1••••Just make sure you complete the delivery, \$CS. SOON. ••

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•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^•••So...you want the mission after
all?•^•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•~•••Let's just say I'm reassessing my
options. •tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Smart move. You're taking a load of Brilliance to Hector mining base
in Troy. •^•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Just hit Hector, leave your ship
docked... •^•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••...and meet me back here in the bar when you're
done. •^•tayla••••nervous•••randcu_1•^•••I'll pay you 15,000 credits for the mission...and tell you a little more
about your treasure. •^•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^•••How about
it? •^•tayla••••randcu_1•^•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•~•••Sure, why not? I could use the
credits. • •tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•••If you don't want the job, just leave me alone! •^•

•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•••You took your sweet time,
Captain. •^•pc•••••normal••••randcu_2•-•••Better late than never. Now I want my money...and info on the
artifact. •^•tayla••••normal••••randcu_1•^•••I won't say anything that will tip my hand
prematurely... •^•tayla••••surprise••randcu_1•^•••...but I can tell you that Sandoval got it by killing its previous
owner. •^•tayla••••normal••••randcu_1•^•••Before that a spice merchant named Deiter...obtained it from his own
father. •^•tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^•••Death follows this thing, \$NM. Feel
lucky? •^•pc•••••normal••••randcu_2•-•••Just give me my next mission, and let me worry about my
health. •^•tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^•••I'll pay you 20,000 credits to make another delivery of
Brilliance. •^•tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^•••I'm putting you on my main supply route to New
Constantinople. •^•pc•••••surprise••randcu_2•-•••A promotion, huh? And what'll I be up
against? •^•tayla••••normal••••randcu_1•^•••Some Confed patrols, but I've paid some major bribes to make sure
you're left alone. •^•pc••~•surprise••randcu_2•-•••Major bribes, huh? Great. I smell a major risk
here. •^•tayla••~•normal••~•randcu_1•^•••You're taking a bigger risk keeping that artifact with so many willing to kill
for it. •^•pc••~•angry••~•randcu_2•-•••I'm taking a risk trusting you in the first
place. •^•tayla••~•normal••~•randcu_1•^•••I've always paid you on time, so quit
whining. •^•tayla••~•angry••~•randcu_1•^•••Are you going to fly my mission...or
not? •^•tayla••~•randcu_1•^••~•pc••~•normal••~•randcu_2•-•••I made an agreement with you and I'll
honor it. •^•tayla••~•normal••~•randcu_1•^•••Good. You'll transfer the cargo from here to New
Constantinople. •^•tayla••~•normal••~•randcu_1•^•••Once you arrive, leave your ship unattended for an
hour... •^•pc••~•nervous••~•randcu_2•-•••...then get the hell out. I know the drill,
Tayla. •^•tayla••~•surprise••~•randcu_1•^•••A hotshot pilot with brains. Wonders never
cease. •^•tayla••~•normal••~•randcu_1•^•••Hurry back. I'll be waiting right here with your
pay. •^•pc••~•normal••~•randcu_2•-•••Wealth sounds great, but I tell you what,
sweetheart... •^•pc••~•angry••~•randcu_2•-•••...I'm going to find it on my own.
Later. •^•tayla••~•angry••~•randcu_1•^•••Stay alive without my help, \$CS...if you can. •^•

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•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^a•••Please, tell me you've completed the delivery to New Constantinople. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Not yet. What's the hurry? •tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^a•••Time is money, \$NM. How much is how soon, get it? •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Got it. I'll be heading in there soon. •pc•••••nervous•••randcu_2•-•••Whether or not I get out depends on how substantial your bribes were. •pc•••••surprise•randcu_2•-•••That's one heavily patrolled sector! •tayla••••afraid•••randcu_1•^a•••I told you, Insys has been taken care of. •tayla••••nervous•••randcu_1•^a•••Just run the Brilliance from here to New Constantinople... •tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^a•••...dock there, leave your ship, take a stroll... •tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^a•••...and then meet me here in Oakham for your 20,000. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••And more information on the artifact, Tayla. •pc•••••surprise•randcu_2•-•••I'll uphold my end of the bargain. Make sure you do the same. •

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•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Hey, I really hope you've changed your mind about flying this mission. •å•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••I need someone good to fly some Brilliance to New Constantinople... •å•tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^•••...taking over my standard supply run from someone who...didn't work out. •å•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^•••I'd pay you 20,000 credits to make the run, dock and leave the ship unattended... •å•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••...and meet you back here for my pay...along with some information, right? • •tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^•••Yeah. I've spread a few bribes around Insys to pave your way... •å•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••...though if you hit some Confed patrols, watch out. So how about it? •å•tayla••••randcu_1•^•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-••• Sure.

- •tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•••If you don't want the job, just leave me alone! •å•

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•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^•\$CS, you look like hell.•^•pc•••••angry••••randcu_2•-•Now I know what happens to charm school dropouts. Where's my money?• •tayla••••normal••••randcu_1•^•Keep your shorts dry, will you? Here, take it.•^•pc•••••surprise•randcu_2•-•I can't understand why a woman as attractive as you...• •pc•••••normal••••randcu_2•-•...has to pay for the company of men in bars.• •tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•I see it as an investment...with a penalty for early withdrawal.•^•pc•••••normal••••randcu_2•-•Well, since you're so quick with the answers, here's another question.• •pc•••••normal••••randcu_2•-•If you know the artifact's value, why don't you want it for yourself?• •tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^•You'll have to kill a lot of people to hang onto it. And I'm no murderer.•^•tayla••••normal••••randcu_1•^•Anyway, I'll tell you all I know about that thing after you finish this last job.•^•pc•••••angry••••randcu_2•-•Let me guess...I'm running a shipment of catnip to Kilrah.• •tayla••••normal••••randcu_1•^•Nope, I save the really lucrative jobs for myself.•^•tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^•Actually you're running more Brilliance to New Constantinople. It pays 10,000 credits.•^•pc•••••angry••••randcu_2•-•To hell with that! Those Confeds were all over me!• •tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^•Well, I've got an idea which will help prevent that this time out.•^•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1•^•But I'm sick of holding your hand while you whine. You want the job or not?•^•tayla••••randcu_1•^•pc•••••angry••••randcu_2•-•Okay, what's this great idea of yours?• •tayla••••normal••••randcu_1•^•I've gone over the schematics of your ship.•^•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1•^•I've located a space where we can install a secret compartment.•^•tayla••••nervous••randcu_1•^•It'll be completely undetectable and make smuggling much easier.•^•pc••~•normal••••randcu_2•-•I'll believe it when I see it.• •tayla••~•afraid••••randcu_1•^•\$CS, just make the damn run. I promise you won't have any problems.•^•pc••~•angry••~•randcu_2•-•Famous last words.• •tayla••~•normal••~•randcu_1•^•Just handle your end, and report back here for your pay.~•pc••~•nervous••~•randcu_2•-•You never have to worry about THAT, Tayla.~•pc••~•angry••~•randcu_2•-•Sorry, Tayla. I got a feeling my luck is running thin. I'm out.~•tayla••~•surprise•randcu_1•^•Are you kidding? You've almost completed your part of the deal!~•tayla••~•angry••~•randcu_1•^•You back out now, and we're BOTH screwed!~•^•

data\conv\s1mdc2.pfc

•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1••a•••I can't believe you haven't made the drop
yet.•å•tayla••••angry••••randcu_1••a•••You think I had that secret compartment installed in your ship just for
kicks?•å•tayla••••surprise•randcu_1••a•••Get on the ball, will you? I've had enough of your
waffling!•å•pc•••••nervous••randcu_2••¬•••Easy, Tayla. I'll run your drugs to New Constantinople pretty
soon...• •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2••¬•••I just hope that compartment is all it's cracked up to
be.• •tayla••••normal•••randcu_1••a•••Just make the run and come back here for your 10,000. Is that so
tough?•å•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2••¬•••Believe me, with all the patrols in that
sector...• •pc•••••nervous••randcu_2••¬•••...it's not the docking so much as the DUCKING...•

data\conv\s1mdc3.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Tell me a little bit more about this mission you're offering. • •tayla•••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••We'd install a secret compartment in your vessel and pay you 10,000 credits...•^•tayla•••••nervous••randcu_1•^•••...if you'll run some Brilliance from here to New Constantinople. •^•tayla•••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••You know the routine by now, right? •^•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Yeah. Dock, leave the ship, meet you back here and try not to get vaporized. • •pc•••••nervous••randcu_2•-•••What could be easier? • •tayla•••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Exactly. So...is it a deal? •^•tayla•••••randcu_1•^•••tayla•••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Great! I'll have your ship modified and loaded right away. •^•tayla•••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Good luck! •^•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-••• No deal, Tayla. I'm out. • •

data\conv\s1mdc4.pfc

•tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Here's your final payment, \$NM, 8,000
credits.•å•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Thanks, Tayla. That secret compartment made it
easy.• •tayla••••normal•••randcu_1•^•••Glad to hear it. This is our final meeting,
Captain.å•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Hold on a minute. You still owe me info on that
artifact.• •tayla••~•normal•••randcu_1•^•••The person you need to talk to is Roman
Lynch.å•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••You mean the mob boss on New
Constantinople?• •tayla••~•normal•••randcu_1•^•••He may be a thug, but he's also an expert on exotic and
valuable items.å•tayla••~•normal•••randcu_1•^•••I set up a meeting with Lynch,
\$CS.å•tayla••~•normal•••randcu_1•^•••He's expecting you in the bar on New
Constantinople.å•tayla••~•normal•••randcu_1•^•••I really don't know any more about that thing than I've already
told you...å•tayla••~•normal•••randcu_1•^•••But play your cards right with Lynch, you'll be a rich man.å

data\conv\s1rum1.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hey, buddy, have you heard the
latest?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ••.9,224,"Seems that the TCS Valiant has
just...disappeared.~•rand_npc•nervous••randcu_3•ÿ• •That's the second carrier the Confederation has
lost•à•rand_npc•nervous••randcu_3•ÿ• •along the border.~•rand_npc•angry••••randcu_3•ÿ• •It's a
sure bet the Kilrathi have their paws in this somehow!~•à

data\conv\s1rum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Have you seen a guy named Tybol
Carr?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •The Intersys Ops are looking for him...something about
a•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •murder trial.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I hear this
Carr is well-connected.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Anyone who can get him off-world wins the jackpot...à

data\conv\s1rum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hey, I heard a good one the other
day.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Seems that there's this hollow asteroid along
theà•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Kilrathi border...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •The
thing of it is, the Kilrathi use it as a munitions dump!à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •The guy who finds that
dump can help himself to as muchà•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •ordnance as he can haul!à

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•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••
time. •roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•Regretably, there shall be no next time. •1•roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•You're services are no longer required, \$NM. Good day to you. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••
you're cutting me off just because of one mess up? •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••
it! You owe me information on that artifact! •roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•That deal was not based upon failure. •1•miggs•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
Mr. Lynch? •©•roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•No, Miggs. \$NM is incompetent, not stupid. Good day to you, \$CS... •1•roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•...and trouble me no more! •1

•Sorry I haven't been coming up with the goods, but I'll do better next

•What,

•We had a deal, damn

•Want me to explain it to him,

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Ah, Captain \$NM. I've been expecting you. I am Roman Lynch. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Mr. Lynch, as you know, what we have to discuss is...confidential. •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Oh, you may speak freely around my assistant Miggs. He is exceedingly loyal. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Okay. As Tayla probably told you, I need information on an artifact... •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••...what it is, its history and, most of all, its value. •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Of course. I have examined the holo your associate Tayla provided me. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I believe I could shed some light on this mystery...given the right motivation. •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•For example, there is a certain pilot who has caused me much professional embarrassment. •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Could you take care of him for me, Captain? •1•pc••~••angry•••••randcu_2•-•••You must be joking. I'm no assassin. •miggs••~normal•••randcu_1•-• •You want I should take \$NM outside the airlock and teach him how to suck vaccum? •©•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Gentlemen, please, let us remain professional. •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•\$NM, I only want you to find the man and deliver a personal message for me. •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Simply tell him how profoundly displeased and...disappointed I am with him. •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Do this, and I will pay you 10,000 credits, as well as investigate this artifact of yours.

Agreed? •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Okay, what's this pilot's name? •roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•You'll find Captain Seelig in the Pentonville System. •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•His ship is the Hooded Hawk. See that he gets my message. •1•pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••And what about the artifact, Mr. Lynch? •roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Naturally I'll need to borrow it, so my experts can appraise it. •1•pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Naturally, you'll excuse me while I laugh. •pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Now that we've had our fun, will a hologram do? •roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•It will not. The analysis will take longer, and be less thorough. •1•pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••But I'm sure you'll do your best for someone you owe a favor. •roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Very well. This is my place. Come here when you're done for your

pay. •1•pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••This sounds like an internal problem. Get one of your own people to do it. •roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I go to great lengths for my friends, Captain. But I am not a charity. •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•If you wish to learn about this artifact, you'll have to talk to me...sooner or later. •1•

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•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Ah, \$NM. How did Captain Seelig react to my chastisement?•¹•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Actually, I haven't taken him the message yet.•

•roman••••surprise•randcu_1•¥•

•Indeed? I must admit, I'm surprised.•¹•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I suppose you're not as curious regarding the artifact as I had

thought.•¹•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••You suppose wrong. I just got...delayed. Trust

me...•

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••...I'll scour the nav points in the Pentonville system, find the Hooded Hawk...•

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••...and tell Captain Seelig just how disappointed you are with

him.•

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I hope so. Unless you succeed, I fear I'll be quite incapable of helping

you.•¹•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Or quite unwilling.•

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Either way, neither of us profits. Remember that.•¹

data\conv\s2mac3.pfc

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Well, if it isn't \$NM. Have you reconsidered?•1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I'm waiting to be convinced.• •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Your services are not indispensable to me...however, I'll humor you this time.•1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I want you to fly to the Pentonville System.•1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•There you will locate a man named Seelig, captain of the Hooded Hawk.•1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I wish you to tell him how profoundly...disappointed I am in him.•1•roman••~•normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•For that service I will pay you 10,000 credits...•1•roman••~•normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•...and provide you with information regarding the object once you return here.~1•roman••~•normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•So...either accept my deal, or stop wasting my time.~1•roman••~•randcu_1•¥•

••roman••~•normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Be on your way then, Captain \$NM. Miggs and I await your speedy

return.~1•pc••~•normal•••randcu_2•-~•••I still think you need to handle this one yourself, Mr. Lynch.~

data\conv\s2mbc1.pfc

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Did you deliver my message to Captain Seelig?•1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Yes. He attacked me. •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Alas, who would've thought Captain Seelig would react in such paranoid fashion?•1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I have a feeling that's just what you wanted. I don't like being manipulated, Lynch! •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Perhaps this payment, along with some information, will smooth your furrowed brow. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Thus far, our search of records and databases has turned up nothing. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•On numerous worlds my people have been harrassed, arrested, interrogated... •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•...all for asking questions about your artifact. •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Granting you this favor is costing me rather dearly. •1•roman••~normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•You will therefore need to make another effort to keep our relationship a happy one. •1•pc••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••Another chump job, Lynch? •miggs••~angry••~randcu_1•-• •Ever seen your lungs? Keep crackin' wise, I'll show them to ya...up-close, like. •©•pc••~normal••~randcu_2•-•••Jeez, where do you get your dialogue, Thugs-R-Us? •roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•Enough, Miggs. \$NM, I need you to make a very important delivery. •1•roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•It will further finance the study of your artifact. I'll also pay you 15,000 credits. Interested? •1•roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
••roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•Good. I need you to rush a weapons shipment to planet Siva in Rikel system. •1•roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•It's already late. Merely dock, and my people will unload your ship. •1•roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•Leave immediately thereafter, and return here for your payment. •1•pc••~normal••~randcu_2•-•••Do you have the weapons here? •roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•Of course not. I don't soil my hands with such...incriminating details. •1•roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•You will find them already loaded on your ship. •1•roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•Also, I must caution you regarding one...potential danger. •1•roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•One of my less scrupulous competitors, Salman Kroiz, may be out to stop the shipment. •1•roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•But I have every confidence that you will handle him...appropriately. •1•pc••~normal••~randcu_2•-•••You've told me nothing so far, Lynch. I'll take my search elsewhere. •roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•You'll find it severely impeded. I have a monopoly on this sort of information. •1•roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•Especially since we both know you can't go to the authorities with this. •1•roman••~normal••~randcu_1•¥•
•Mark my words...you'll be back. •1•

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•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I understand from my contacts on Siva that you've not delivered those weapons yet. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I did inform you that it was late already. What's the delay? •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I do have other business to attend to, Lynch. • •miggs••••normal•••randcu_1•-• •Other business? You want I should help him priority-wise, Mr. Lynch? •©•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Not now, Miggs. \$CS, when you fly for me, MINE is the only business that matters. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•However, I'll overlook this if you move immediately. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Deliver the weapons to the agricultural planet Siva in Rikel. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Afterwards, return here for your payment of 15,000 credits. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Fine...but I'll want info on the Artifact when I get back, Lynch. • •roman••~•normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Rest assured, you will have it. •1

data\conv\s2mbc3.pfc

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I do hope you've returned to accept the mission. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Really, you should, you know. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•All you need do is transport my load of weapons to the Siva agricultrual planet in Rikel. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•Afterwards, return here and I'll pay you 15,000 credits. Interested? •1•roman••••randcu_1•¥•

••roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I will load the weapons into your ship immedately. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•This is an urgent mission, please expedite. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•~•••You still haven't told me anything, Lynch. I'll get my information elsewhere. •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•You may again mark my words... •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•If you want information on the artifact...you'll be back. •1•

data\conv\s2mcc1.pfc

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•I understand you thwarted Mr. Kroiz, \$NM. Well done. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Here's your payment and, as agreed, some additional information. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Your find is of alien origin and, as such, virtually priceless. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Which also means the Confederation will want to keep it from private hands. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•To keep your possession of it secret, I've incurred additional
expenses... •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-••••You want another favor,
right? •miggs••••angry••••randcu_1•-• •Mr. Lynch did you a favor,
pal. •©•miggs••••angry••••randcu_1•-• •Better get grateful quick-like...while you can still
walk. •©•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-••••I could always get crutches, Miggs...but there's no cure for
ugliness. •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•I urge you to observe caution with Miggs. My control over him extends only so
far. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Actually, my request is personal. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•I'll pay you 30,000 credits to take someone off-world. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Do this, and I'll continue to procure the information you seek. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-••••Doesn't sound like much to ask. What's the
catch? •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•My cousin Regis and I share certain business interests. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Sadly, he's been subpoenaed in a murder trial. It would be best if he
disappeared. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-••••Uh-huh. Is he a witness...or a
suspect? •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•He is my cousin, which is enough for you. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Regis enjoys spending time on the Romulus mining base in Castor system. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•I suggest you get him out of New Constantinople and take him there. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•After you've dropped Regis off, return here for your pay...and more
information. •1•pc•••••angry••••randcu_2•-••••Sorry, Lynch, but we had a deal. I've lived up to it. You
haven't. •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•I wouldn't be exaggerating if I said your artifact is worth millions of credits... •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•...credits you'll never see without my help. •1•

data\conv\s2mcc2.pfc

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•My dear cousin Regis called. You have yet to deliver him to Romulus base in
Castor. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•I did communicate the urgency of the mission, did I not? •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Sure. He's the
one facing the murder rap. •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•

•A subpoena in a murder trial. I'd advise you not to assume anything. •1•miggs••••normal•••randcu_1•→•

•Yeah,

it just makes an ass out of me. •©•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••If a little knowledge is a dangerous thing,
Miggs has Kilrah licked. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••I'll get your cousin out of New Constantinople
safely, Lynch. •pc•••••angry••••randcu_2•→•••Just make sure you deliver the goods on the artifact when I
return. •

data\conv\s2mcc3.pfc

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Pray, \$NM, do us both a favor and accept this mission. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•My cousin Regis simply cannot appear at that murder trial. I wish him to
disappear. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••I charge extra for magic tricks,
Lynch. • •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Magic is not required, only guile and a certain amount of...discretion. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•I'll pay you 30,000 credits to fly him to Romulus base in Castor system... •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•...30,000 payable once you return here. Agreed? •1•roman••••randcu_1•¥•
••roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Upon returning to your ship, you will find Regis already aboard. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•After you've dropped Regis off, return here for your pay...and more
information. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•¥•
•Good luck, Captain \$NM. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••Sorry, Lynch. I've got to follow up on some
other leads. • •

data\conv\s2mdc1.pfc

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•\$NM. I trust you took care of my dear cousin. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Intersys was ready for us.
But I got him to Romulus all right. •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Excellent. Please accept this payment, 30,000 credits, with my warmest
thanks. •1•roman••••nervous••randcu_1•Y•
•But now, steel yourself for bad news. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Smythe, a man in my employ, found vital information regarding the artifact at the Oxford
Library. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Unfortunately, Mr. Smythe is currently trapped on a base in the Newcastle
System. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•The authorities there, rife with corruption, have stopped me from...exerting my
influence. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I see. What kind of
information? •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Smythe has not communicated that, but I believe our best chance of identifying your
find... •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•...resides in the files at Oxford. Smythe has access to this information. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•I'll pay you 30,000 credits to retrieve this man. It's in our mutual interest, after all. Deal? •1•roman••••randcu_1•Y•
•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Smythe is on Liverpool. A small refinery in the Newcastle System. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•He'll be waiting for you in the bar there. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Look, why don't I just head for
Oxford myself and locate the information? •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Smythe is a data retrieval expert. You'd never find what you need
alone. •1•pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Okay, I'll get him...but I hate to run off without giving Miggs a kiss.
Where is he? •roman••~••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Miggs is currently eliminating a...labor difficulty. I'll convey your
regards. •1•pc••~••normal••~••randcu_2•-•••I think I've gotten enough out of you. Our business is
done. •pc••~••normal••~••randcu_2•-•••I'm headed for Oxford to find the information I
need. •roman••~••normal••~••randcu_1•Y•
•Smythe is an information retrieval expert. You'll never find what you need
alone... •1•roman••~••normal••~••randcu_1•Y•
•...but I suppose you'll need to learn that the hard way. You'll be back. •1•

data\conv\s2mdc2.pfc

•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•\$NM, I am truly dismayed at your haphazard attitude regarding our business. •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Unless you retrieve Smythe from the Newcastle System... •1•roman••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•...our mutual search for information on the artifact is stymied. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬••••We know
he uncovered something at the Oxford library. • pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••• Why not go there?
• •roman••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Wasteful duplication of effort. Smythe knows what we want to know. •1•roman••~•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Better to retrieve him than to attempt to duplicate his research. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬••••Okay,
Lynch. I'll get him off...Liverpool, was it? • roman••~•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Yes, in Newcastle. And I'd advise you to hurry. •1•roman••~•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Return here afterwards with Smythe for your payment of 20,000 credits. •1

data\conv\s2mdc3.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••I've been thinking...maybe you're
right. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Your man Smythe uncovered something important at
Oxford... •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••...something it might take me months to locate on my
own. •roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•An optimistic estimate, I'm afraid. The Oxford stacks are voluminous. •1•roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•We'll both be better off if you rescue Smythe. •1•roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•I'm offering 20,000 credits for his return here, payable on delivery. Interested? •1•roman•••••randcu_1•••
•roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•Smythe is on Liverpool. A small refinery in the Newcastle System. •1•roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•He'll be waiting for you in the bar there. •1•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••No thanks, I'm headed for
Oxford to find the information myself. •roman•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•You'll be back, Captain \$NM, you'll be back. •1•

data\conv\s2rum1.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
week.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
figure.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
technology...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
station, eh?à

•Hey, an assassin from the Church of Man was here last
•He was looking to whack some artist, a writer or something. Go
•Those Retros give me the creeps. I hear they hate all
•...just the kind of wackos you want to run into on a space

data\conv\s2rum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
theft.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
net.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
crack.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•You wouldn't believe the trouble Oxford has been having with data
•These database jackers I know are looking to trawl the Oxford
•They been at it for months, but it's a tough
•I bet it's worth it, though. Lot of valuable info at the Oxford Library...•à

data\conv\s2rum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I can't stop shaking...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I just heard
that the 6th Confederation fleet was lost around Midgard...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Gone! The
Kilrathi must've destroyed them so fast they couldn't even get a message off!•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•An entire fleet, lost! We're doomed, it's only a matter of time...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Drink
up, friend. While you still can...•à

data\conv\s2rum4.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •This dancer from Saxtogue came in here last
week. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Real operator, this woman. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•You heard of Roman Lynch? Well, she lifted one of his bank codes. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•She's been siphoning off money slow, but I think she's in over her
head. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •If Lynch finds out, she's history. •à

data\conv\s3fuckup.pfc

•pc•••••normal••libcu_2•••••
cards?• •mastersn•normal••libcu_1•••••
•How about retirement?•Ç•pc•••••normal••libcu_2•••••
mean?• •mastersn•normal••libcu_1•••••
•Our deal is null and void. You failed a task I gave you.Ç•mastersn•normal••libcu_1•••••
•That's not the way to earn access to the Oxford Library, sir.Ç•pc•••••normal••libcu_2•••••
that access. Just give me another chance. •mastersn•normal••libcu_1•••••
•Impossible, I'm afraid. Now kindly leave...or I'll have security assist you out.Ç

•So what's next? Evicting bookworms? Repossessing delinquent library

•What do you

•Look, I need

data\conv\s3mac1.pfc

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•I'm sorry, but library use is restricted to students and teachers only. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••Yeah? What makes you think I'm not enrolled at Oxford? •mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•Students don't generally conduct research while armed. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••Okay, you got me there. Look, my name's \$NM. I'm a privateer. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•Sorry, \$NM, access exceptions are only made for endowment sponsors. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••Then how would I go about doing that? Making an endowment? •mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•If you have to ask, you can't afford it. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••Okay, maybe we could work a trade. I could fly for the University... •pc•normal•libcu_2•••••...say, four runs at a reduced rate in exchange for access to your files, Mr. ...? •mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•...Masterson. Yes, your offer might substitute for an endowment... •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•You could start with an escort mission which pays 10,000 credits. •Ç•mastersn•libcu_1••
•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•Good, now listen. We need you to escort someone to Oxford. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•You will find him in the Oxford system, in the vicinity of Nav 3. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•The man you are to escort here is named Hunter Toth. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••Hunter Toth? He wrote that book, what was it...? •mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•"Prometheus Unplugged". The Church of Man has marked him for death because of it. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•He's scheduled to give a commencement speech here...and he's already cashed the chit. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•Unfortunately, the Church of Man has vowed he will never reach Oxford. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••That's one vow those freaks will have to break. I'll bring him. Count on it. •pc•normal•libcu_2•••••Forget it. What do I look like, a charity? •mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•You're the one who brought this matter up. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••
•If you're not interested in working for Oxford, then don't waste my time. •Ç•

data\conv\s3mac2.pfc

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••••

•Where's Hunter Toth?•Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••Still hanging around Nav 3 of the Oxford system, I guess. •pc•normal•libcu_2•••••I haven't flown the mission

yet. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••••

•Maybe I didn't make myself clear. Time is of the essence!•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••••

•Toth is scheduled to deliver the Oxford commencement speech in just a few days!•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••••

•You'll meet him at Nav 3 in the Oxford system...•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••••

•...and escort him here, protecting him from Church of Man fanatics who want him dead. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••All right, all right. I'll bring him in alive...or die trying. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••••

•Oh, THAT'S a BIG comfort. •Ç

data\conv\3mac3.pfc

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Back again, eh? You must need library access rather badly.Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2••-••Let's just
say I'm reconsidering. What are the mission details?•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Oxford will pay you 10,000 credits and grant you limited library access to escort Hunter Toth
here.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Toth has agreed to deliver the commencement speech this year.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•You'll link up with him at Oxford system, Nav 3...Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•...and protect him from Church of Man fanatics who want to kill him.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Return here for your payment and next mission.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Have we got a deal?Ç•mastersn•libcu_1••Y•
•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Good. Time is of the essence. Toth is in grave danger.Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2••-••This Hunter
Toth, he wrote that book...what was it...?•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•\"Prometheus Unplugged\". The Church of Man has marked him for death because of
it.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Unfortunately, the Church of Man has vowed he will never reach
Oxford.Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2••-••That's one vow those freaks will have to break. I'll bring him.
Count on it.Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2••-••No thanks, I'm still not a charity
worker.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•The University cannot afford to pay more.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•If you're not interested in working for Oxford, then quit wasting my time.Ç•

data\conv\s3mbc1.pfc

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•I and the Oxford Graduating Class thank you for delivering Mr. Toth unharmed. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••Think of it as a tribute to free speech. What's your second mission? •mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•Some low-level data pirates have been troubling us. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•We would like you to intercept them, and end their activities. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•This mission pays 10,000 credits upon completion. Can you do it? •Ç•mastersn•libcu_1••Y•

•pc•normal•libcu_2•••Sounds easy enough. Where can I find these hackers? •mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•They operate a ship that hides somewhere in the Oxford system. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•From their vessel they somehow tap into our database remotely. No one knows how. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•Information is copied from the Library and then our memory is deleted. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•Afterwards, they try to sell our own information back to us! •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•More often than not, we lose it anyway. It goes to the highest bidder. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•We simply cannot afford to outbid the private sector. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••Yeah, I can tell how strapped Oxford is for capital... •pc•normal•libcu_2•••...ever since you started letting smugglers like me make endowments. •pc•normal•libcu_2•••Any other leads? That's not much to go

on. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•Only one. The name of the ship is \"The Black Rhombus\". •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•Return here for your payment and third assignment. Good Luck, Mr.

\$NM. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••Forget it. I'm already tired of this deal, Mr.

Masterson. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•I see. A pity you'll never discover whatever you came here to learn... •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•

•Ah well. Higher education isn't for everyone, Mr. \$NM. •Ç•

data\conv\s3mbc2.pfc

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•
•Were you able to locate the database pirates?•Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•-•I haven't gotten around to
looking for them just yet...• •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•
•What the hell are you waiting for?•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•
•They're stealing information from our library and then deleting it from our
banks!•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•
•If you want access to our files ...those that are intact... you'd better get
moving!•Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•-•Okay, don't blow your
stack...• •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•
•The pirates are doing a good job of that already!•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•
• Now, they're on a ship called \"The Black Rhombus\".•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•
•Don't come back for your 10,000 credits until they're taken care of!•Ç

data\conv\s3mbc3.pfc

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•ÿ•
•Back so soon, \$NM?•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•ÿ•
•Data pirates are tapping into the Oxford database...•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•ÿ•
•...stealing information and then deleting it from our files!•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•ÿ•
•They operate out of a vessel called \"The Black Rhombus\"...•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•ÿ•
•...currently located somewhere in the Oxford system.•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•ÿ•
•Return here for your fee of 10,000 credits after you've ended their piracy.•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•ÿ•
• Do we have a deal? •Ç•mastersn•libcu_1•ÿ•
•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•ÿ•
•Excellent. I will have your third assignment ready for you when you
return.•Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•-•Sorry. I've had enough higher education. •

data\conv\3mcc1.pfc

•pc•normal•libcu_2•-•••Okay, Masterson. Those pirates won't be hassling you again. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•That will be a welcome change. How did you manage...? •pc•normal•libcu_2•-•••Right now I'm more interested in getting into your stacks...nothing personal. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•Perhaps if you told me what you're looking for I could find it for you. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•The fee for research is much lower than that required for private access. •pc•normal•libcu_2•-•••I don't think so. This is private business. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•Might there be a large sum of money involved? •pc•normal•libcu_2•-•••Might you be looking for disability payments? •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•Really, \$NM, you needn't be threatened that I've discovered your intent. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•People are always coming here to research one treasure or another. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•But enough of this. We have a shipment of rare and valuable books en route here. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•The ship bringing them in needs an escort. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•We'll pay you the usual 10,000 credits upon your return... •mastersn•libcu_1•••
•pc•normal•libcu_2•-•••Okay, where can I intercept the courier? •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•"Vulcan's Forge" is awaiting her escort at Nav 3 in the Oxford system. •pc•normal•libcu_2•-•••Any particular reason it needs an escort? •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•Several unscrupulous collectors have offered a... "finder's fee" for the books. •pc•normal•libcu_2•-•••Don't worry. I'll bring them in...safe and sound. •pc•normal•libcu_2•-•••Sorry, pal. Books aren't exactly my speed. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•No doubt. Still, this is the largest repository of information in the sector. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••
•You'll be back, sooner or later... •pc•

data\conv\s3mcc2.pfc

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•So...where are my books?•Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••Sorry Masterson...I haven't been in the neighborhood of Nav 3, Oxford lately. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•Unbelievable! \"Vulcan's Forge\" has a cargo hold full of priceless books...•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•...she's a sitting duck waiting for you to escort her here, and you're wasting time!•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•If you want library access, you'd better do your job and return here with good news...•Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•...unless you're no longer interested in that 10,000. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••Point taken. I'll get to Nav 3 ASAP... •pc•normal•libcu_2•••••...and I promise you, none of those book collectors will get to her. •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•They'd better not! Any one of those books is worth more than you make in a year!•Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2•••••Give me the library clearance I need, and we'll SEE about THAT...•

data\conv\s3mcc3.pfc

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•I hope you've changed your mind. I'm against the wall, so to speak. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•I need someone to escort \"Vulcan's Forge\" to Oxford. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•She's carrying a load of rare books here...books many collectors would kill to have. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•\"Vulcan's Forge\" is awaiting her escort at Nav 3, Oxford system. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•Rendezvous with her and bring her back here. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•After your successful return, meet me here for your usual payment of 10,000 credits. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•This mission will count as your third installment toward your endowment to Oxford... •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•...which will get you access to our files...sooner or later. •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2••• Better make that sooner, Masterson. • mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•That depends on you, \$NM. Are you in? •Ç•mastersn•libcu_1•••

•pc•normal•libcu_2••• Don't worry. I'll bring them in...safe and sound. • pc•normal•libcu_2••• No, I'm out. Books aren't for me. • pc•normal•libcu_2••• I'll see you later, Masterson. •

• I'm sure you will, Mr. \$NM. •Ç•

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

data\conv\s3mdc1.pfc

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•I don't have time to swap pleasantries, \$NM.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Here's your payment of 10,000 credits for the last mission.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•We have an incoming freighter laden with materials about to be attacked by several
fighters.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Valuables as well as vital supplies are aboard.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•You'll probably find it somewhere near Nav 1, Oxford system.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Rendezvous with the freighter and bring it back safely...Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•...and return here for library access...along with a final payment of 10,000
credits.Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2••-••How long before they
strike?•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•They could arrive at any moment. Please, will you help?Ç•mastersn•libcu_1••Y•
•pc•normal•libcu_2••-••Okay, I'll save your freighter. But I'd better get full access to the
library...•pc•normal•libcu_2••-••...hell, you better name an entire wing after
me!•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Stop stalling and save that freighter, damn it!Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2••-••Touchy,
touchy...•pc•normal•libcu_2••-••Shove it, pal. Consider this payback for all the crap you've given
me.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Unless you take this mission, consider our agreement terminated.Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1••Y•
•Whatever your angle is, \$NM, you might as well forget about it paying off.Ç•

data\conv\s3mdc2.pfc

- mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•
- Of all the...what are you doing here?•Ç•mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•
- Our freighter is being attacked even now!•Ç•mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•
- Unless you hurry up, vital supplies will be lost!•Ç•pc•••••normal••libcu_2••~•• Well, I...
- •mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•
- What are you standing there for?•Ç•mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•
- Get to Nav 1 and protect our freighter...•Ç•mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•
- ...or kiss your precious access good-bye.~•Ç•mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•
- NOW MOVE! •Ç

data\conv\s3mdc3.pfc

•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•Look, \$NM, our freighter is about to be attacked, and I don't have time to waste with you. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•That freighter is carrying vital supplies, and we can't afford to lose it. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

• It's at Nav 1, Oxford. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•I told you, if you want 10,000 credits and access to our files, you need to defend it! •Ç•mastersn•angry•libcu_1•••

•Your endowment will be complete as soon as you return here successfully. •Ç•mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•Will you help us, or not? •Ç•mastersn•libcu_1•••

•pc•normal•libcu_2••••••Okay, I'll save your freighter. But I'd better get full access to the library... •pc•normal•libcu_2••••••...hell, you better name an entire wing after me! •mastersn•normal•libcu_1•••

•Stop stalling and save that freighter, damn it! •Ç•pc•normal•libcu_2••••••Touchy, touchy... •pc•normal•libcu_2••••••

Forget it, Masterson. This mission looks like a suicide

run. •pc•normal•libcu_2••••••I need the information, but it's only useful to me if I'm around to enjoy it. • •

data\conv\s3mdc4.pfc

•mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•

•The freighter is safe, thanks to you, \$NM.Ç•pc•••••normal••libcu_2••~••Skip the hearts and flowers.

My library access...?• •mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•

•Everything has been arranged. And here's your final payment of 5,000 credits.Ç•mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•

•Good luck with that \"personal business\". I hope you find what you're looking for.Ç

data\conv\s3rum1.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Didn't I see you here, 'bout six months
ago?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You know, back when the Rondall Corporation was hiring
mercs.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •No? Too bad. You could've cleaned
up.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •They were looking for people with blockade
experience...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Oh well. Can't win 'em all, I s'pose.•à

data\conv\s3rum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Have you heard the bad news?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•No one has been able to establish contact with Palan.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •It's like the
whole planet has just...disappeared.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hell, I got family there...I...had family
there...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Man...nobody in this bar needs a drink worse than me.•à

data\conv\s3rum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Get this. Kilrathi patrols are sweeping the outskirts of
Rygannon. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Nothing there but refineries, but they're flying sweep
patterns... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •... almost like they're looking for something. Weird,
huh? •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I'm glad I'm running a bar and not flying
anymore. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •It's getting crazy out there! •à

data\conv\s3rum4.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Beastly affair. Seems the Intersys Patrols are looking for a
murderer. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •He eliminated a diplomatic party on Matahari. Ten dead.
Horrid. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I hear this was done to stall negotiations with
Oresville... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...prolonging the labor disputes. What do you think? •à

data\conv\s4fuckup.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••What's the matter, Murphy? You look more sour than usual. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•You want it straight? Well here it is. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•I don't think much of your flying. You're sloppy. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•You fail to realize mission objectives. We can't afford to waste time with you. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•You're washed up here. Collect your things and pull out. •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••But we have the same goal. I have to get down to Palan. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•Then you'll have to do it alone. Good-bye. •ô

data\conv\s4mac1.pfc

•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•You here to sign up?•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Sign up for what,
Miss...?• •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•'Miss' nothing. The name's Lynn Murphy. I go by Murphy.ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Fine, Murphy.
Look, all I want is to get down to Palan.ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I'm looking for...an old friend, and I
can't get through.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Join the club. You get to cool your heels with the rest of us on Basra awhile.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Bronte Corporation has thrown up a blockade around Palan.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Tough luck...but you could turn a nice profit, if you're smart.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•There's two corporations in the Palan System, Rondell and Bronte.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Bronte is responsible for the blockade. They want to block Rondell food
exports...ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•...while kicking up their own to fill the void, stealing Rondell's market share.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•I'm organizing the resistance for Rondell from this base. Hired
resistance.ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••My reasons for wanting to get down to Palan are
personal.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Sure, but you'll never break the blockade alone. Smarten up...what's your
name?ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I am \$NM, also known as
\$CS.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•\$CS it is. Why not sign on? The money's good.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•This next mission, an intercept operation, pays 15,000 credits, plus kill bonuses.
Interested?ô•lynn•••••randcu_1•Y•
•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Hey, if I'm gonna bang up against that blockade, might as well get paid for
it.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Good, I got a mission right now. We've traced several jumps in-system.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•They're merc ships, coming to reinforce the Bronte blockade.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•I want you to intercept them at Nav 1 of the Palan system...ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•...and prevent them from joining the main group...by any means
necessary.ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Funny, you don't look like the type to use
euphemisms.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Just trying to spare you, ace. You look like the squeamish type to
me.ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Yeah? Guess you've never seen a real man up close. I could arrange
it, if you like.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Sure. If one comes by, let me know.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Just stop those reinforcements, and meet me back here afterwards...ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
• ...without the cheap come-ons, got it?ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Murphy...you're all
heart.ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I'm not looking to get involved in any corporate
war.ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I'll take my chances with the blockade
alone.ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Your loss, ace, I got no time to argue with you. It's your funeral.ô•

data\conv\ls4mac2.pfc

•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Didn't I give you a mission to fly, Mister?•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬••••Yeah, but I had business to tend to...• •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Stow it. This is important! If you want this blockade broken...•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...and want to get paid, you better listen up!•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Merc ships have jumped in-system to reinforce the Bronte blockade of Palan.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Unless you intercept them at Nav 1 of the Palan system...•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...and prevent them from joining the main group, this blockade won't end any time soon.•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬••••Okay, okay...I'm on my way.•

data\conv\s4mac3.pfc

•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Back again? If you're here to bust my chops some more...•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Chill, Murphy.
I'm thinking of signing on after all. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Yeah? Well, God knows we could use an extra hand. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Bronte has hired mercs to reinforce their blockade of Palan. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•The merc ships have jumped in-system, and are set to rendezvous with Bronte
forces. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•We'll pay you 15,000 credits to intercept them at Nav 1 of the Palan system... •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•...and prevent them from joining the main group...preferably by blowing them to
hell. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Afterwards, return here for your pay...and another assignment. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•For the last time, are you interested or not? •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Hey, if I'm gonna bang up against that blockade, might as well get paid for
it. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Prevent those mercs from joining the main group...by any means
necessary. •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Funny, you don't look like the type to use
euphemisms. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Just trying to spare you, ace. You look like the squeamish type to
me. •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Yeah? Guess you've never seen a real man up close. I could arrange
it, if you like. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Sure. If one comes by, let me know. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Just stop those reinforcements, and meet me back here afterwards... •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
• ...without the cheap come-ons, got it? •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Murphy...you're all
heart. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I guess I'll still take my chances with the blockade
alone. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•If you don't want my missions, then leave me alone, got it? •ô•

data\conv\s4mbc1.pfc

•pc•normal•randcu_2•Scratch one set of reinforcements,
Lynn. •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•Make it Murphy, \$CS. Only my close friends call me Lynn. •pc•normal•randcu_2•And how do I
go about getting close to you? •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•I'm a sucker for love letters...posted from Kilrah. •pc•normal•randcu_2•Jeez, you must have a
lot of company. •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•No. And I like it that way. Now listen up... •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•We've received a tip that a large scout patrol is approaching our base. •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•They're probably just looking for the first reinforcement wing... •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•...but if they come across this base, they'll destroy it. •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•We're not equipped to deal with an assault. •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•So we'll pay you 10,000 credits to eliminate this patrol. •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
• How about it? •lynn•randcu_1•
•pc•normal•randcu_2•I can handle that patrol, no sweat. Where do I find
them? •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•They're currently sweeping the Palan system. •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•Intercept and eliminate the reinforcements at Nav 1...assuming you
CAN. •pc•normal•randcu_2•Like I said, don't sweat
it. •pc•normal•randcu_2•I'll handle things on my end. It's your end I'm concerned
with. •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•Again with the cheap come-ons? How about a fat lip, Mister? •pc•normal•randcu_2•Lighten up.
I only meant for you to have the money when I get back. •pc•normal•randcu_2•I like you,
Murphy...but you ain't keeping me up nights. •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•At last, we have something in common. •pc•normal•randcu_2•No can do. The downside's
too steep. •pc•normal•randcu_2•I think I'd do better against this blockade on my
own. •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•I think you're kidding yourself. You'll never get down to Palan without help... •lynn•normal•randcu_1•
•...but that's not my problem. Good luck, \$CS. You'll need it. •

data\conv\s4mbc2.pfc

•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Well, you may talk a good game, \$CS...•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...but I can't say I'm impressed with your performance so

far.•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••Performance? We haven't even gotten to the good night kiss

yet.• •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•If you spent as much time flying as you do making lousy jokes...•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...you'd have flown the mission by now. What's the hold-up? Scared?•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Or are you enjoying the rec facilities here on scenic Basra too much to be

bothered?•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••No problem. I just got tied

up.• •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Look, either head for Nav 1 and intercept that patrol headed for our base...•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...or blow off the 10,000 credits and quit wasting my time.•ô

data\conv\s4mbc3.pfc

•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•You want me to beg you to take the damn mission? Forget it!•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•A large scout patrol may be headed toward our base...•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•...but I'll never be desperate enough to plead with someone like
you.•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••C'mon, Murphy. Can't a guy have second
thoughts?•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••I've got to get down to
Palan.•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••Seems like if you get blown to atoms, it doesn't improve my
chances.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•Logic from a spacer? That's a first...but you're right.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•This base won't survive an assault...and we could use your help.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•We'll pay you 10,000 credits to intercept that patrol.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•That's my final offer.•ô•lynn•••••randcu_1•••
•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••I can handle that patrol, no sweat. Where do I find
them?•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•They're currently sweeping the Palan system.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•Intercept and destroy them at Nav 1...assuming you CAN.•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••Like I said,
don't sweat it.•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••I'll handle things on my end. It's your end I'm concerned
with.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•Again with the cheap come-ons? How about a fat lip, Mister?•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••Lighten up.
I only meant for you to have the money when I get back.•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••I like you,
Murphy...but you ain't keeping me up nights.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•At last, we have something in common.•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•••Still no can do, Murphy. The
downside's getting steeper by the minute.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•Then buzz off, \$CS. I got a blockade to break through.•ô•

data\conv\s4mcc1.pfc

•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•I heard you waxed the patrol. Not too bad, Ace. •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••That's the closest thing to a complement you've ever given me. •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Getting sentimental in your golden years, Murphy? •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•If I came on to you in my golden years it wouldn't be sentiment... •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•...it'd be senility. Now listen up. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Our attacks on Bronte's reinforcements have finally weakened the blockade. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•They're running low on fuel, food, patience, you name it. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•It's time to make the big push and break the blockade. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•If you'll throw in, I can provide a force of two militia Talons for your wing. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•We'll pay you 15,000 credits and a kill bonus when you return here. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

• You in? •ô•lynn•••••randcu_1•Y•

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I can't speak for everyone, but...I like kicking a guy when he's down. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Then you'll start right away, before more reinforcements jump in-system. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•This'll be a tough one. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•The blockade is holding at Nav 4 of Palan system in orbit around Palan. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•If you make it through, pick up your friend and return here for your

pay. •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••You worried about my pay...or that I might leave without saying goodbye? •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Believe me, if you had left without saying hello I'd be delighted. •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••You're one tough broad, Murphy. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Why \$NM...that's the nicest thing you've ever said to ME. •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••This is a really bad idea, Murphy. Bronte's net isn't as frayed as it seems. •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••This is a suicide run. I want out. •ô•lynn••~••normal••~••randcu_1•Y•

•This is the best chance we'll get...we can't hold off the reinforcements forever... •ô•lynn••~••normal••~••randcu_1•Y•

•...but do whatever you want. No skin off my nose. •ô•

data\conv\s4mcc2.pfc

•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•I don't know what your angle is, mister...•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...but if we don't punch through that blockade now, we never will.•ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→••••Yeah...I have been kind of dragging my heels.•

•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•You should be dragged BY your heels, \$CS.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Look, if you want to pick up this friend of yours, now is the time.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•The blockade ships orbiting Palan at Nav 4 won't be getting any weaker.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•We've got to hit them now, before more reinforcements arrive.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Two militia Talons are standing by to accompany you on the assault.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Don't come back here until the mission is finished and you want your pay.•ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•I've wasted too much time with you as it is.•ô•

data\conv\s4mcc3.pfc

•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•What's your problem, \$CS? You're about as decisive as a politico. •ô•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Just trying to check out all my options, Murphy. • •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Hey, you want to get down to Palan and hook up with your friend... •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•...you have no option but to fly this mission. •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•We're going to try and break the blockade with you or without you... •ô•lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•...but this is your best chance to get to Palan...and make 15,000 credits to boot. •ô•lynn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•So...are you going to hook up with the two Talons we managed to dig up... •ô•lynn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•...head for Nav 4 and kick some butt... •ô•lynn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•...or kiss your friend, and your fee, good-bye? •ô•lynn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•pc••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••I can't speak for everyone, but...I like kicking a guy when he's down. • •lynn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Then you'll start right away, before more reinforcements jump in-system. •ô•lynn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•

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•Believe me, if you had left without saying hello I'd be delighted. •ô•pc••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••You're one tough broad, Murphy. • •lynn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Why \$NM...that's the nicest thing you've ever said to ME. •ô•pc••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••Actually I just came to kiss YOU goodbye, Murphy. •pc••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••I'm gonna make this run on my own. • •lynn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Oh, \$NM, you are a dreamer. •ô•lynn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•You'll never make it to Palan on your own. •ô•lynn••~normal••~randcu_1•Y•

•Now beat it, before I have to throw you out'a here myself. •ô•

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•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Just like I promised, I've come back for my
pay...• •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••...and anything else you'd like to give
me. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•I never considered a swift kick in the butt an incentive, but have it your
way. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Cute. Give me my money before I get all mushy on
you. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•Here it is. Did you find your friend? •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Not yet. I'll pick him up on the next
run. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•There won't be a next run, ace. Not flying for us, anyway. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•The blockade's broken, and hard as it may be for you to believe... •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•...we don't need you anymore. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Well, thanks for breaking it to me gently,
sweetheart. You're an angel. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•News is news. What do you want, tears? •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•Fact is, the job's done. If you want your friend, go to Palan and pick him up. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•No skin off my nose, either way.... •

•pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Ah, Dr. Monkhouse. I'm glad to see you. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•I wish I could say the same. I'm not receiving visitors right now, young man. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•I wish to be alone. •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Sorry, Doc, but I didn't run the blockade to take no for an answer. •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Listen, I have this alien artifact, and I.... •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•Don't speak to me about extraterrestrial artifacts! I'm sick of them! •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•I nearly got killed here because of my work. You've heard of the Steltek? •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•Well, suffice it to say, I recovered an interesting piece of Steltek manufacture... •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•...a piece which interested certain corrupt corporate interests who shall be nameless. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•All I need is a libel suit on top of everything else. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•What's your name? •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•\$NM. My handle is \$CS. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•Well listen, \$NM. I was kidnapped and brought to Palan by men who wanted my artifact... •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•...and then I was nearly killed in last month's bombing attacks. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•Thank God my kidnappers were buried beneath the rubble of the interrogation compound. •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•And what happened to your artifact? •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•Never you mind about my artifact. What do you want of me? •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•I have an artifact of my own. I want you to tell me what it is. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•I'd consider it...in exchange for transportation off-world. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•If you'll fly me to Basra mining base in the Palan system... •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•...I'll help you solve this puzzle. •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Basra mining base? It's not exactly vacation central. Why go there? •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•It's the nearest base, and I detest space travel in cramped quarters. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•I'll charter a luxury liner back to civilization later. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•I will pay you 5,000 credits towards your expenses. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•Have we a bargain? •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Okay, Doc. I'll get you off this rock and fly you to Basra. •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•But once we hit Basra, you better prove you were worth the trouble. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•Meet me in the bar on Basra for your payment, and your analysis. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•Most assuredly. If I can't tell you about your find...no one can. •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Sorry, Doc. I don't like those terms at all. •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•And yet you expect to employ my years of hard earned knowledge for nothing? •monkhous•normal•randcu_1•Y•No, young man. I don't like those terms either. Farewell. •

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•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••I thought we had a deal, young
man.°•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬••• We do. • •monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Well, in
that case, I'd advise you to get me off this wretched planet
immediately...°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••...and take me without further delay to
Basra!°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••My patience is wearing thin...and the longer we delay, the more it
deteriorates!°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••If you want me to help you identify your find, GET ME OUT OF
HERE NOW!°•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬••• Yes, sir.
• •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••Be on my ship in five minutes.°

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•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••See here, young man. I won't be trifled
with.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••If you'll transport off this wretched world and get me to the Basra mining
colony...°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••...I'll pay you 5,000 credits and help you identify your
find.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••Have we a
bargain?°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••pc•••••••normal•••randcu_2•¬••••••Okay, Doc. I'll get you off this
rock and fly you to Basra.°•pc•••••••normal•••randcu_2•¬••••••But once we hit Basra, you better prove you were
worth the trouble.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••Meet me in the bar on Basra for your payment, and your
analysis.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••Most assuredly. If I can't tell you about your find...no one
can.°•pc•••••••normal•••randcu_2•¬••••••I want the information up front,
Monkhous.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••I'm afraid that would leave me with little leverage in this
situation, \$NM.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••I have made my position
clear.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••I will tell you about the artifact the moment I arrive in
Basra.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•••Come back when you are willing to accept my offer.°•

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•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Just like I promised, I've come back for my
pay...• •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••...and anything else you'd like to give
me. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•I never considered a swift kick in the butt an incentive, but have it your
way. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Cute. Give me my money before I get all mushy on
you. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Here it is. Did you find your friend? •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Uh-huh. He's waiting at the next
table. •lynn•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Then goodbye, \$NM. And take care of yourself. •ô

•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••That was truly and exciting ride, \$NM. Here are 5,000 credits as promised.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Thank you for getting me here in one piece.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••I've examined your artifact. A very interesting piece you have there, young man...°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••...especially since I have one almost exactly like it.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Ironically, it's the very piece that my kidnappers were interested in.°pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Then...you know what it is?°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Ah yes. You said you knew nothing of the Steltek.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••\$NM, long before man emerged on Earth, the Steltek ruled an empire that spanned the galaxy.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Even then, they were more technologically advanced than we are now.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••By the time their empire crumbled, they were possessed of wonders beyond our comprehension.°pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Is that so? Well, if they were so tough, what happened to them?°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••No one knows. Some say they perished in a civil war that lasted millenia...°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••...others believe they simply grew weary of their power, surrendered it...°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••...and even now enjoy a simple, tranquil existence at the heart of the galaxy.°pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Nice fairy tale, Doc. But what about the artifact?°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Here's my piece of it. Notice anything odd?°pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••The markings...°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Hold it up beside yours, \$NM.°artifct2•è•pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••A map. God Almighty, it's a treasure map!°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Superficially. It also contains a complete set of the Steltek alphabet.°pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Who cares about that? What are we going to find at the spot indicated, Doc?°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Who knows? The real question is, where do we go from here?°pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••The sector on the map seems to be located on the edge of the frontier.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Bad luck indeed. That area is currently uncharted.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Without the location of the sector's jump points...°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••...exploring the area will be nearly impossible.°pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Unless I enlist with the Exploratory Service in Rygannon.°pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••That way I could map the jump points, and get paid for it at the same time.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Always the privateer, eh?°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Care you nothing for the possibility of scientific advancement?°pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••You got it, Doc. Nothing. I'm in this for the profit.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Very well. I have no interest in baubles...°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••You may keep my fragment, and whatever treasure you find...°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••...so long as I get to publish any scientific finds. Agreed?°pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Sounds good to me.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Excellent. Before you go, I'll program your computer with the nav information from the map...°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••...as well as the Steltek alphabet. It may come in handy where you're going.°pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••What, you think X marks the spot to a Steltek colony?°pc••~••normal•••randcu_2•-•••You've been watching too many late night holos, Doc.°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••We shall see.°

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•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Look, you don't have to tell me. I know I screwed

up. •taryn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Yeah, you did. It hurts me to say this, because I like you...•Ä•taryn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...but I'm afraid you're fired. •Ä•taryn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•We need results, \$CS. And I don't want to sit around this god-forsaken sector

forever. •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Hey, I'll try harder, I'll work

faster... •taryn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Sorry, \$NM...you had your chance and you blew it. •Ä•taryn•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•I wish you luck. Good-bye. •Ä

•pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Excuse me, I'm looking for Taryn Cross. •taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•You've found her. So...you gonna slit my throat, or just rob me?•Ä•pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Don't let my clothes fool you. They're a little rough, but times have been hard... •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•...which leads me to the point. I'm looking for work... •taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•...and you heard that the Exploratory Service takes anyone, is that it?•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•That's a misconception, I'm afraid. Our work is hazardous, yes,...•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•...but not all our employees sport scars and pirate hats.•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•The job requires brains as well as blasters, Mister...?•Ä•pc•normal•randcu_2•-•\$NM. Or you may have heard me going by \$CS. •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Please believe me, I'm not looking for a handout, just a job. •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•I have all the qualifications you're looking for... •pc•normal•randcu_2•-•...an eye for detail, a nose for trouble and a butt that's never been kicked. •taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•Suppose I'll have to check that out for myself...later.•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•Okay, \$CS. If you want the job, you're in...on a per mission basis.•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•Right now I need someone for a potentially dangerous assignment.•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•I'm in charge of charting maps for the sector.•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•The ES has lost a number of ships in the Delta system...•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•...and through jump point Delta, which remains unexplored.•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•Could be Kilrathi, a singularity or black magic. No one knows...•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•...but I'll pay you 10,000 credits to find out.•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•You'll leave Rygannon, travel to the Delta system and scout it through 4 nav points.•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•The navigational info you'll need will be programmed into your nav computer.•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•Basically, for charting purposes, you'll be flying a small loop...•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•...and standard nav points which make up the loop have been calculated.•Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•Simply hit all the nav points, return here safely... •Ä•taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•...and we'll download what we need from your flight disc...and pay you, of course.•Ä•pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Sounds pretty easy. •taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•Easy? We've lost three vessels so far.•Ä•pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Yeah, but did those pilots have scars or pirate hats? •taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•Neither.•Ä•pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Then get ready to strike \"Here there be dragons\" from your map, Ms. Cross. •taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•It'll be a pleasure, Mr. \$NM. Good luck.•Ä•pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Somehow the idea doesn't grab me. Got anything else? •taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•Not at the moment.•Ä•pc•normal•randcu_2•-•Then I'll pass. Thanks anyway. •taryn•normal•randcu_1•Y•

•Sorry it didn't work out. Good luck, anyway.•Ä•

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•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Just as I suspected...all talk and no action. You disappoint me, \$CS.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•You should have left Rygannon and charted the nav points in Delta system by
now.•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→••••I'll get around to it sooner or

later.• •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Make it sooner. I may be desperate for someone to fly this, \$CS...•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...but I can't afford to wait forever.•Ä

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•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•I didn't think pirates were known for their waffling. •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••We're not, but we never jump into things without thinking them through...if we can. •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Look, I can't let you take too much longer to decide. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•I need someone to head out to Delta system and chart it... •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...following the preprogrammed nav points which comprise the mapping loop. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•We've lost three ships attempting to do just that... •Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...and I'll pay 10,000 credits to the man who can bring back the cartographical info we need. •Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•How about it? Yes or no? •Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Sounds pretty easy. •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Easy? We've lost three vessels so far. •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Yeah, but did those pilots have scars or pirate hats? •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

• Neither. •Ä•pc••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••Then get ready to strike \"Here there be dragons\" from your map, Ms. Cross. •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•It'll be a pleasure, Mr. \$NM. Good luck. •Ä•pc••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••Got anything else? •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

• Not currently. •Ä•pc••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••Then I'll try later. Thanks again. •

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•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Well, \$CS, are the dragons slain?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Wipe the dragons from your charts, and replace them with Pirates. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Dead Pirates, anyway. The area was swarming with the little buggers... •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••...but I did a little exterminating before completing my mapping run. •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•That's good to know. If I don't get this sector mapped real soon...•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•...the brass at HQ will have my rear. •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Lucky brass. Any way I can beat them to it? •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Hmmm...maybe we'll discuss that after this next mission. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•This time you'll enter a completely unexplored region. •Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•I need you to launch from Rygannon, pass through Delta to a new jump point...•Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•...which you will use to jump to the uncharted system we've designated Beta. •Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•All you have to do is hit all the nav points in your computer. •Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•I'll update the chart using your flight disc and pay you 10,000 credits when you return...•Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•pc••••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••Like I told you before...I need the work. •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Don't worry, \$NM. You're not going into a known hazard area. •Ä•pc••••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••Yeah, but it's the unknown hazards that scare me. •pc••••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••Still, I'll do my best and meet you back here when I'm done. •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Good. By the way, there's one more thing I need you to do on this run. •Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•One of my men, Captain Garrovick, made the same run you're making. •Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•He never came back, so one of your objectives is to find him if you can. •Ä•pc••••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••I thought this wasn't a known hazard area. •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•We don't know if anything hazardous happened to Garrovick...•Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•...but keep your eyes peeled just the same, okay? •Ä•pc••••~normal•••randcu_2•-•••Sounds kind of boring. I think I'll bow out. •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Too bad. I think this one would've been a lot easier...•Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•...but I guess you have your reasons...•Ä•

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•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••••

•Finished your mapping run of Beta system already?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2••••Haven't left yet, actually.• •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••••

•Look, \$CS, this is easy money. If you don't want it...•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••••

•...I'll be happy to find someone who does!•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2••••Like I told you...I need the money.• •taryn••~•normal•••randcu_1••••

•Then take Jump Point Delta to Beta system, follow your mapping spiral...•Ä•taryn••~•normal•••randcu_1••••

•...try to locate Captain Garrovick and report back here for your 10,000.~•Ä•taryn••~•normal•••randcu_1••••

•And please hurry. I have deadlines, you know.~•Ä

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•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Why are you hesitating about taking this mission? It's not difficult.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•You'll launch from Rygannon, pass through Delta to a new jump point...•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•...which you'll use to jump to the uncharted system we've designated Beta.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Then all you have to do is hit all the nav points in your computer.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•I'll update the chart using your flight disc and pay you 10,000 credits for the
charts.•Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•That's my offer. Sound good to you? •Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•pc••~normal•••randcu_2•~•••Like I told you before...I need the
work. •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Don't worry, \$NM. You're not going into a known hazard area.•Ä•pc••~normal•••randcu_2•~•••Yeah, but
it's the unknown hazards that scare me. •pc••~normal•••randcu_2•~•••Still, I'll do my best and meet you
back here when I'm done. •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Good. By the way, there's one more thing I need you to do on this run.•Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•One of my men, Captain Garrovick, made the same run you're making.•Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•He never came back, so one of your objectives is to find him if you can.•Ä•pc••~normal•••randcu_2•~•••I
thought this wasn't a known hazard area. •taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•We don't know if anything hazardous happened to Garrovick...•Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•...but keep your eyes peeled just the same, okay?•Ä•taryn••~normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•I'll be here if you need the work.•Ä•

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•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Finished your mapping loop, \$CS?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•

•Yeah, the information's on my flight disc. And I found Garrovick. • pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•

- You didn't tell me he was a raving lunatic, Taryn. •taryn....normal...randcu_1•ÿ•
- Garrovick isn't crazy, he's one of our best pilots!•Ä•taryn....normal...randcu_1•ÿ•
- Thank God you brought him back!•Ä•pc.....normal...randcu_2•¬•

•Uh, well...actually, I didn't. •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••Y•
• What?! •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Garrovick was out of his mind, Taryn. He fired on me for no reason. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Whatever attacked his ship must've been so frightening it drove him mad. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••That's what bothers me. I can't believe the Pirates did all this. •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••Y•
•Which means there's a new player in the sector. •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••One tough enough to end the game. So where do we go from here? •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••Y•
•Keep exploring. What else can we do? I have maps to prepare. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••Y•
•I'll pay you 10,000 credits to make another mapping run... •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••Y•
•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Ah, why not? Some say life is hell and death an escape... •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••...others say heaven awaits us in the world beyond... •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••...but either way, I need a new pair of shoes. •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••Y•
•Then listen. You'll leave Rygannon, pass through Beta system... •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••Y•
•...and use the jump point there to reach the uncharted Gamma system. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••Y•
•Fly the loop pattern in your nav comp by hitting each nav point in sequence... •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••Y•
•...complete the mapping spiral through Gamma and hurry back here to collect your pay. •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••What, with Death Incarnate sucking around out there? No way. •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••Y•
•I'm disappointed...but I can't say I blame you. Good luck, \$CS. And good-bye. •Ä•

data\conv\5mcc2.pfc

•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Back already, eh? Did you turn your flight disc over to Cartography?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•~•••To
tell the truth, I haven't left yet. •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Look, I know it's dangerous out there, but if you can't take the
heat...•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•~•••Hey, no sweat. I'm not afraid. Things come up, you
know? •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•All I know is, the ES brass are breathing down my neck. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•They're interested in the sector, and they're pressuring me to finish up. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Listen, pilot through the Beta system and use the jump point there... •Ä•taryn••~•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...which should take you to the uncharted Gamma system. •Ä•taryn••~•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Fly the loop pattern in your nav comp by hitting each nav point in sequence... •Ä•taryn••~•normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•...complete the mapping spiral through Gamma and hurry back here to collect your 10,000. •Ä

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•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Thinking twice before bailing out? Smart boy.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•This is easy money if ever there was such a thing.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•All you need to do is pilot through the Beta system and use the jump point there...
•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•...which should take you to the uncharted Gamma system.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Fly the loop pattern in your nav comp by hitting each nav point in sequence...•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•...complete the mapping spiral through Gamma and hurry back here to collect your 10,000
credits.•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•©•••Sounds easy enough...
• •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•©•••...so why are unmentionable portions of my body spontaneously
puckering?• •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•Don't let the disappearances bother you. Just focus on the mission at hand, okay?•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
••pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•©•••Ah, why not? Some say life is hell and death an
escape...• •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•©•••...others say heaven awaits us in the world
beyond...• •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•©•••...but either way, I need a new pair of
shoes.• •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•©•••Not until I find out what's out
there.• •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
•I still can't say I blame you, \$NM. Good luck.•Ä•

data\conv\s5mdc1.pfc

•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Did you complete the run, \$CS?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•

•Yeah...no thanks to the Kilrathi. • •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1••••
•Kilrathi? What were THEY doing there?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2••••

•They were flying an inverted V, the usual formation for a broad sector sweep. •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•But what could they be searching for, out here in the middle of nowhere?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••You tell me. Why is the Confed interested in mapping this sector, anyway? •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•I don't know. The top brass makes those decisions, I only implement them. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•If you're suggesting there's some kind of hidden agenda here... •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••All I'm saying is, if the Confed is out here looking for something... •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••...it makes sense that the Kilrathi would share their interest. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Anyway, they're the ones who've been trashing your ships all along. •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Makes sense...I guess. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Up for another mapping run? It pays the usual 10,000 credits... •Ä•taryn••••randcu_1•Y•

•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•This time you'll map a newly-discovered system, designated Delta Prime... •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•...for it's transpatial proximity to Delta System. •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Transpatial, eh? So I'll be doing a little jumping to get there. •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Right. You'll need to fly through Gamma to the jump point there... •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•...jump to Delta Prime and hit the nav point we've programmed into your computer. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Afterwards, report back here for your pay. •Ä•taryn••~•normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•If it goes well, this will be your last run in this sector. •Ä•taryn••~•normal•••randcu_1•Y•

• Good luck. •Ä•pc••~•normal•••randcu_2•-•••If I'd wanted to tangle with Kilrathi, I'd have enlisted. Forget it. •taryn••~•normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Too bad. Another run, and we'd have finished with this sector... •Ä•

data\conv\s5mdc2.pfc

•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Damn it, am I expecting too much...•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•...asking you to complete your mission in a timely manner?•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•I can see it in your eyes. You haven't flown it yet, have you?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••Quit nosing
around in my eyes, Taryn. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••I promise, your mission is now on top of my list
of \"things to do\". •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Yeah? Then get to it! I want to see Delta Prime charted in my lifetime!•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Maneuver through Gamma to the jump point located there...•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•...jump to Delta Prime and hit the nav point we've programmed into your
computer. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Just one more mapping run, and we've completed our chart of the sector. •Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Just fly your programmed course, and return when you're finished. •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••You
don't have to remind me. •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••I'm negligent... not stupid...•

data\conv\s5mdc3.pfc

•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•You've changed your mind?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••I'm considering rethinking my
decision.• •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Talk about fear of commitment...•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Look. You need to fly through Gamma to the jump point there...•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•...jump to Delta Prime and hit the nav point we've programmed into your
computer.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Afterwards, report back here for your payment of 10,000 credits.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
• Agreed? •Ä•taryn••••randcu_1•ÿ•
•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•If it goes well, this will be your last run in this sector.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
• Good luck. •Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••I'd better quit while I'm ahead here,
Taryn.• •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Your call, \$CS. Someone will come along and finish this job.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
• So long. •Ä•

data\conv\s5mdc4.pfc

•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Well? How did it go?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••Pulled it off, naturally. What else did you expect?• •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•No offense intended.•Ä•taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•I suppose you want to be paid for pushing back the frontier for all mankind?•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••Not to be crass...but

yeah.• •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Here it is. Last payday. Don't drink it all at once.•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••Yeah...well, I guess that wraps up my stint in the ES.• •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••Taryn, it's been

fun.• •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Too much fun can kill you, \$NM.•Ä•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••Yeah...that's why I'm heading out before it becomes a joy. Take care.• •taryn••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

• You too. •Ä

data\conv\s5rum1.pfc

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|---|--|
| •rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •Talk about bizarre stories, this is |
| incredible.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •A Kilrathi attack force was spotted on |
| sensors...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •It was moving along the frontier in a search |
| pattern.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •On Confed screens, one by one, each Kilrathi ship |
| vanished...just vanished...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •...all except one, which moved into Confed |
| space. Strange, huh?•à | |

data\conv\s5rum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •More trouble from the front. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I
heard that Confederation Outpost 57 is gone. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Now there's a crater on the
asteroid where Outpost 57 used to be. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Not a trace of residual radiation. No
weapon we've ever heard of. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Intel reports call it a new Kilrathi weapon. Do
you buy that? •à

data\conv\s5rum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I heard this from a privateer out of
Saratov. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •He ran across this daft bloke while lane-skipping along the
frontier. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •The terminal wooly was sitting in the middle of a "ship's
graveyard"... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...wrecked ships all around. He opens fire on my mate, no
reason... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...ranting and cursing him like he was the devil himself! Fancy
that... •à

•sandra•normal•randcu_1•\$NM, I'm Captain Goodin, attache to Admiral Terrell. We've been expecting you. •pc•normal•randcu_2•And yet no cake? I'm crushed. •pc•normal•randcu_2•Excuse my flippancy, but it's not every day I have the honor of being arrested. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•You're not under arrest, \$NM. Though we have all the evidence we need. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•What does the word \"smuggler\" mean to you? •pc•normal•randcu_2•It's an antonym for \"plausible deniability\". •pc•normal•randcu_2•Sorry, Cap. I won't say another word without my lawyer. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•Relax. I'm only here to extend an...invitation. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•You'll proceed to Perry Naval Base, where the Admiral will interview you personally. •pc•normal•randcu_2•Regarding...? •sandra•normal•randcu_1•Playing dumb, huh? Have it your way, then. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•We've traced a series of disappearing and destroyed ships to your movements. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•Looks like wherever you go, disaster follows. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•Tell me, \$NM, are the Kilrathi paying you to test their secret weapon... •sandra•normal•randcu_1•...or do you merely keep the plunder? •pc•normal•randcu_2•I don't know what you're talking about, Cap. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•You'll have plenty of time to think about it... en route to Perry. •pc•normal•randcu_2•And if I don't want to go? •sandra•normal•randcu_1•You don't have to. As I said, you're not under arrest. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•But something out there has the hots for you. Something nasty. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•And if you really don't know what it is... •sandra•normal•randcu_1•...if you're as much in the dark as we are... •sandra•normal•randcu_1•...maybe the Navy and \$CS can help each other out. How about it? •sandra•normal•randcu_1•pc•normal•randcu_2•I'll hear the Admiral out, Goodin. •pc•normal•randcu_2•But I don't like sleeping with the military. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•You don't have to kiss us, \$NM, just grit your teeth and close your eyes. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•Better get a move on. You never know what's out there waiting for you... •pc•normal•randcu_2•Sorry, but working with you military types makes me nervous. •pc•normal•randcu_2•I'd rather tackle a monster than a bureaucracy. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•Red tape or blood, same color either way. No skin off my nose. •sandra•normal•randcu_1•I'll be here if you change your mind. •pc•

data\conv\s7mac2.pfc

•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••Look, I know you hate cooperating with
\"authority\"...•È•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••...but Admiral Terrell is waiting for you at Perry Naval
Base.•È•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••Are you heading out, or
not?•È•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•~•••Yeah, I guess I might as well get it over with...•

data\conv\s7mac3.pfc

•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••Really, \$NM, you'd be smart to head to Perry Naval Base at max speed.~•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••The Admiral wants your help in destroying that thing, whatever it is...~•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••...and if you've got a brain in your head, you'll cooperate.~•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••Will you meet with him at Perry or not?~•sandra•••randcu_1•~•••pc••••••normal•••randcu_2•~•••I'll hear the Admiral out, Goodin.~•pc••••••normal•••randcu_2•~•••But I don't like sleeping with the military.~•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••You don't have to kiss us, \$NM, just grit your teeth and close your eyes.~•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••Better get a move on. You never know what's out there waiting for you...~•pc••••••normal•••randcu_2•~•••Again, I'd rather deal with a monster than the military.~•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••Have it your way, \$NM.~•sandra•~•sandra•••normal•••randcu_1•~•••I'll be here if you change your mind.~•~•

•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•We don't have a lot of time, \$NM, so let's cut the niceties. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•I'm Admiral Terrell, and the Confederation needs your help. •È•pc...normal...adoff_2...• Goodin
accuses me of being a kittie collaborator, and now you want my help? •terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•Yes, well, Goodin has always been a little over-zealous in executing her orders. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•We know you're not responsible for the destruction of our fleet... •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•...at least not directly. •È•pc...normal...adoff_2...• Then what exactly do you want from
me? •terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•\$NM, for quite a while we've suspected the Kilrathi of having a secret weapon. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•There could be no other explanation for the havoc being wreaked upon our
forces. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•This was confirmed recently when, using the path of destruction as a baseline... •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•...we drew a correlation between that course and your flight path. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•That correlation approaches unity. •È•pc...normal...adoff_2...• You mean the thing that's following
me around is a Kilrathi secret weapon? •terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•Yes. For some odd reason, the thing has locked on to you. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•Maybe it's a flaw in the targeting algorithms. Who knows? •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•The point is, wherever you go, it shows up eventually... •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•...and that's why we need your help. •È•pc...normal...adoff_2...• Are we talking bait here,
Admiral? •pc...normal...adoff_2...• I've been jumping like crazy, trying to keep ahead of this
thing... •pc...normal...adoff_2...• ...and now you want me to stand
still? •terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•It's not like I'm asking you to slit your wrists, \$NM. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•Commodore Reismann has assembled an entire fleet! •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•Even as we speak, they stand ready to destroy the Kilrathi marauder. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•All they need is for you to lure it into the ambush. •È•pc...normal...adoff_2...• An entire fleet, huh?
So why doesn't that make me feel better? •terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•I could force you to do this, \$NM...but I won't. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
• The way I see it... •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•...you can either cooperate, and let the fleet blast it to Kingdom Come... •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•...or you can keep running the rest of your life. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•To sweeten the deal, we'll throw in 30,000. So...what'll it be? •È•terrel...adoff_1...•
•pc...normal...adoff_2...• Running has never been my style, Admiral. Deal me
in. •terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•Excellent. This should be the easiest mission you've ever flown. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•Simply fly to the ambush point at Blockade Point Tango, Nav 1. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•That's far enough away to minimize civilian casualties. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•Once there all you have to do is kick back and wait. •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
• We'll do the rest. •È•pc...normal...adoff_2...• I hope so, Admiral. I surely do hope
so. •pc...normal...adoff_2...• I've done all right so far,
Admiral. •pc...normal...adoff_2...• Frankly, the thought of being your sitting duck doesn't thrill
me. •pc...normal...adoff_2...• I'll take my chances on my
own. •terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•As I said, I won't force you to do this...but you're making a bad mistake, \$NM... •È•terrel...normal...adoff_1...•
•...and I hope you live long enough to realize it. •È•

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•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•What the hell are you doing here?•È•pc••••••normal•••adoff_2••—•••What's the matter? Make you nervous having your decoy sitting around the base?• •terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•Frankly, yes. We don't want to lure the damn thing to Perry!•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•Head out to Blockade Point Tango, Nav 1, pronto!•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•They can't hold the ambush without you, you know!•È

data\conv\s7mbc3.pfc

•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•What're you doing here, \$NM? Thought you'd be gone by now.•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

• Gone as in dead. •È•pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬•••I'm not that anxious to hit space again. I'm thinking your offer over.• •terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

• Then think fast. •È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•I was about to order the fleet massed at Blockade Point Tango to disperse.•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•No sense in giving an ambush if nobody's coming.•È•pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬•••You really expect me to lure this... whatever it is... to Tango Point...• •pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬••• ...serving as your decoy?

• •terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•Sooner or later you'll have to face that thing.•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•This way you can do it on your own terms...with an armed fleet as chaperone.•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•It's the best shot you've got. And we'll pay you 30,000 besides.•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

• Will you do it? •È•terrel•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬•••Even though the thought of being your sitting duck doesn't thrill me...• •pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬•••...running has never been my style, Admiral. Deal me in.• •terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•Excellent. This should be the easiest mission you've ever flown.•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•Simply fly to the ambush point at Blockade Point Tango, Nav 1.•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•That's far enough away to minimize civilian casualties.~È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•Once there all you have to do is kick back and wait.~È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

• We'll do the rest. •È•pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬•••I hope so, Admiral. I surely do hope so.~È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•As I said, I won't force you to do this, \$NM...~È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

•...but I still think you're making a bad mistake.~È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•

• Now if you would leave me alone, I have a decision to make.~È•

data\conv\s7mbc4.pfc

•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•
•Congratulations, \$NM. That was some amazing flying.•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•
•You took out that drone like a real pro. Ever consider a career in the
military?•È•pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬•••Yeah, once, but the fever broke and I got
better.• •terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•
•You're an insubordinate smart ass...and one of the best pilots I've ever seen.•È•terrel•••surprise•adoff_1••ÿ•
•Just say the word, and an officer's commission is yours.•È•pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬•••Appreciate it,
but I'm not cut out for the military.• •pc•••••surprise•adoff_2••¬•••I'm a privateer. There's a fortune waiting
for me out there somewhere...• •pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬•••...and all I've gotta do is smuggle, steal and
kill a lot of people to get it.• •terrel•••angry•••adoff_1••ÿ•
•All right, but you're going to be awarded the Confederation Medal of Freedom...•È•terrel•••angry•••adoff_1••ÿ•
•...whether you like it or not. Understand?•È•pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬•••Hey, far be it for me to screw
up a photo op. I'll take it.• •terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•
•Okay. I'm sure you're headed for trouble, and I'm sure you probably deserve
it...•È•terrel•••normal•••adoff_1••ÿ•
•...but I wish you good luck anyway. And if you ever change your mind about
serving...•È•pc•••••normal•••adoff_2••¬•••...I'll have my head examined. Take care, Admiral.•

FORM RUMR

```
{  
  CHUNK CHNC  
  {  
    int    20    //chance buzzoff  
    int 40    //chance base  
    int    40    //chance plot  
    int 40    //chance general  
  }  
}
```


data\conv\agrrum1.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You picked a hell of a time to come to \$BN. I can't stop
shaking...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I just heard that the 6th Confederation fleet was lost around
Midgard...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Gone! The Kilrathi must've destroyed them so fast they
couldn't even get a message off!•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •An entire fleet, lost! We're doomed,
it's only a matter of time...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Drink up, friend. While you still can...•à

6th confed fleet destroyed at Midgard

data\conv\agrrum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Friend, you look like a hard man...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•...and we don't need your kind here on \$BN.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •This is an agricultural
base. We're farmers...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...not pirates looking to hire cutthroats and
thugs.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Please, do us all a favor and don't make trouble here. Fair enough?•à

data\conv\agrtum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y•
fits.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y•
colonies...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y•
crossfire.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y•
food.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y•
of others.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y•
you're interested.à

- I hear the Kilrathi are giving the Confed
- Our boys are spread too thin to protect the outlying
 - ...the result being plague and famine for those trapped in the
 - The Confed has asked \$BN to up our production of
- It's good for business, but no one here likes profiting from the hardship
 - Anyway, there may be some cargo runs available for you, if

Cargo runs available

data\conv\agrrum4.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hey, you're new to \$BN, aren't you? Have you heard the bad
news?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •No one has been able to establish contact with
Palan.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •It's like the whole planet has
just...disappeared.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hell, I got family there...I...had family
there...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Man...nobody in this bar needs a drink worse than me.•à

Contact broken with Palan

data\conv\agrrum5.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
time.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
board.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
year...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
change.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
on me.à

•Welcome to \$BN. You've come at a good
•We've had record crop yields across the
•We think it has something to do with the lessened solar flare activity this
•...but what does it matter? We're making out like pirates here for a
•So make yourself at home, pick up some cargo. And have one

Cargo runs available

data\conv\ buy fight. pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••I see you're looking at the Centurion. Hell of a ship. •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••As you can see, the Centurion is a heavy fighter. •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••Note the racks for 4 guns, 2 weapons and, of course, a rear turret. •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••Beautiful, eh? Look at those hard edges, the aerodynamic sleekness... •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••Did you know the Mercenaries' Guild has endorsed the model 2069... •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••...as the best publicly-available fighter? •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••The Centurion is a real bargain, priced at \$U3 credits. •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••I can give you \$U1 trade in value on your old ship, plus \$U2 for all your extras. •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••Leaving you with \$U4 credits to outfit your new Centurion. •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••So how about it? Interested? •à•rand_npc•shpdlr_1•Y••••rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••You certainly know a good deal when you see one, friend. •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••You'll find your new ship fueled up and waiting on the landing pad for you. •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••Your payment will be deducted automatically. Have a good one! •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••Hmmm...let me give you a sales brochure and my card. •à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y•••Call me if you change your mind. •à•

data\conv\buym merch. pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••Checking out the Galaxy Class merchant ship? Good choice.à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••She's not as flashy as some ships, but she sure is practical.à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••You get a roomy cockpit, loads of cargo space...à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••...and you can add top and bottom turrets if you feel you need more fire power.à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••Did I mention she's a fast ship, as merchant vessels go? No? Listen...à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••If you can't afford a Drayman...and who the hell can these days...à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••...you'll find the Galaxy fills all your shipping needs. And it's a steal at only \$U3!à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••We can give you \$U1 credits for your old ship, plus \$U2 for your add-on modules.à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••You'll have \$U4 credits left in the bank to load out your new ship.à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••So...how about flying a Galaxy home today?à•rand_npc•shpdlr_1•Y••••rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••Great. Your payment will be deducted automatically...à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••...and you'll find the ship waiting on the pad for you.à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••Thanks for your business...and good shipping.à••rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•Y••Ah well. Think it over a little, and get back to me, okay?à•

data\conv\buytug.pfc

•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••You want to buy an Orion. I'm telling you, you
DO.à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••You do a lot of risky runs? You look the type. Let me tell you
something...à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••...the Orion may not be fast, but she's a regular
tank.à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••She has the thickest armor and best shields of any ship on the open
market.à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••Sure, the cargo space is limited, but she'll keep you AND your cargo
safe, get it?à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••This ship has something for everybody. Merchants have cargo
protection...à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••...and mercs can fly her with confidence that they'll come back in
one piece.à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••The Orion has racks for 2 guns, a weapon or tractor beam, and a
rear turret.à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••A great buy at only \$U3
credits.à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••Of course, you'd get a trade in of \$U1 credits for your ship, and \$U2
for the extras...à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••...leaving you with \$U4 credits for new
accessories.à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••So...you want one, or
what?à•rand_npc•shpdlr_1•ÿ••à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••Sharp eye,
pal.à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••We'll deduct your payment automatically and have her waiting on the
pad.à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ•• Enjoy! à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••I didn't think
you would. You look like a window shopper.à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ••No hard feelings, pal. Let me
know if you change your mind.à•

data\conv\cargo.pfc

•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ•
sale...•à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ•
customer.~•à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ•
cargo...~•à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ•
cargo.~•à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ•
up.~•à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ•
this...~•à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ•
blind.~•à•rand_npc•normal••shpdlr_1•ÿ•

•Hey, far be it for me to pass up a
•...but I can't afford to take advantage of a
•The problem is, your ship's carrying
•...and the Merchant's Guild won't let us touch your
•So go ahead, sell off your cargo, come back and I'll fix you
•Believe me, I'm doing you a favor telling you
•...some dealers will steal you
•But I appreciate your business.~•à

data\conv\fixran1.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •Say, what's the plan?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
 •I'm looking for an eye to check out \$EN patrols in the \$DS system,...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
 •...nav point \$DN. You in?•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •What's it worth to
you?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •\$PY bills. It's a fast job. How about
it?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •Sorry, but I happen to know the \$EN
are hostile to spies.•\$•

patrol

Random fixers??

data\conv\fixran 10.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
sphere?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
shipment...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
system,...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
course...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
already have contraband. •\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
here? Can't you just pay off the inspectors? •\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
there's no guarantee our guys will be on duty. I hope... •\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
makes it worth the risk. What do you say? •\$•random•••randcu_2•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
do space combat. Don't want any trouble at the base. Sorry. •\$•

•Hi, where's the action in this
•The action is in \$CB1 and \$CB2. I need to move a mixed
•That means pick ups from bases \$SN1 and \$SN2 in the \$SS
•...and a drop at the \$DN base in the \$DS system. Of
•...could be a small risk at the second pick up, since you'll
•What kind of two-bit operation are you running
•We've paid who we can, but
•...you'll find \$PY
•I only

Contraband double pick-up

data\conv\fixran 11 pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••Hi, got some freight to
run?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••I've got a desperate buyer in the \$DS system at the \$DB
base,...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••...willing to pay me several times cost for a load of
\$CG.~\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••Sounds good for you, what's in it for
me?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••I'm paying \$PY for delivery.
Interested?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••Somehow, I'm just not in the
mood for low-paid courier service today. But good luck.~\$•

Cargo run

data\conv\fikran12.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••What's doing? Got some goods to
move?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••Unicon has some \$CG freight destined for the \$DB base in system
\$DS...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••Originating at the \$SB base. Can I sign you on for
\$PY?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••Sorry, I'm looking for a little more
excitement...with pay to match.•\$•

Cargo run

data\conv\fixran 13. pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••Hey, how about some
work?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••I've got a shipment with a short fuse. Pick up point is the \$SB base in
system...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••...\$SS. You need to drop half the load at the \$DN1 base in the
\$DS system. The other...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••...half goes to the \$DN2
base.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••What's the
incentive?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••A complete run pays \$PY. Ready to
move?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••Sorry, but that's bad timing for
me.•\$•

cargo double drop

data\conv\fixran 14.pfe

•pc•normal•randcu_1•••How are you doing? Name's
\$LN.•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•••I need a pro to move a very desirable load of \$CG. It ships from
the...•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•••...\$SB base, system \$SS and you'll be met in the \$DS system at the
\$DB base,...•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•••...hopefully with an armed
escort.•\$•pc•normal•randcu_1•••I hope you're about to offer me professional
pay.•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•••If the cargo arrives intact, you'll get
\$PY.•\$•random•randcu_2•••pc•normal•randcu_1•••Sounds like pirate bait to me.
Sorry, Pal.•\$•

Cargo run

data\conv\ fixran 15 pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••Say, know anybody with a
run?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••We've got some boys needing supplies on the front line in the \$DS
system...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••Need a drop-off at the \$DB
base.~\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••Let's talk
greenbacks.~\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••We're paying \$PY. Can the boys count on
you?~\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••Sorry, but dropping supplies in a
war zone is worse than combat.~\$•

Cargo Run

data\conv\ fixran 2. pfc

| | |
|--|--|
| •pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••• | •Name's \$PC. How's |
| business?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2••• | •I need somebody to take a look at the local militia over on the |
| \$DS system,...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2••• | •...nav point |
| \$DB.~\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••• | •How close do I have to get, and how much are you |
| paying?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2••• | •You need to touch the nav point. Won't be easy, but \$PY |
| should make it worth the...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2••• | •...effort. Sound |
| good?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••• | •Sorry, but I have a feeling these guys |
| are trigger happy when it comes to spies.~\$• | |

Scout

data\conv\fixran 20 pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
looking for a gun to ice a \$EN. He's no easy mark, mind you. •\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
might have guessed that. Where is he? •\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
system on or near the \$DN base... •\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
while? •\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
those guys. •\$•

•How's it going? •\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
•I'm
•Somehow, I
•He hangs out in the \$DS
•Will \$PY make it worth your
•Sorry pal, but I've got nothing against

Assassination run

data\conv\fixran21.pfc

| | | |
|--|--|---------|
| •pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• | •Hi. Got any action?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• | •Got to |
| take out an employee. They're willing to pay \$PY to lose this kid.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• | | •Not |
| bad.•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• | •You're likely to find him in the \$DS system at nav point \$DN. How about | |
| it?•\$•random•••randcu_2••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• | •Sorry, but I'm no assassin.•\$• | |

assassination run

data\conv\fixran22.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
target.•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
get...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
base.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
\$PY.•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
objections?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
of gun-shy rookies is not my idea of fun.•\$•

•Hi, I'm a merc looking for a
•Unless we want to find ourselves slave to the \$EN, I've got to
•...some ships over to the \$DN
•This gun'll cost you
•Only allegiance you mercenaries know is money. Ok, you got it. Any
•Fighting the \$EN with a bunch

Combat run

data\conv\fixran23. pfe

•pc•normal•randcu_1•Y•
•Just got word that the \$SN base in the \$DS system is under...•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•Y•
•...attack by the \$EN. I need a fighter pilot at nav point \$DN to head them
off...•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•Y•
•Always ready to fight on the side with the bucks.•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•Y•
your loyalty?•\$•random•randcu_2•pc•normal•randcu_1•Y•
options before I commit.•\$•
•I'm \$LN. Any news?•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•Y•
•...while my men regroup.•\$•pc•normal•randcu_1•Y•
•Will \$PY hold
•Afraid I need to check other

defense rem

data\conv\fixran24. pte

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•We've got a score to settle with the \$EN in the \$DS system...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
•We agreed to keep the fallout away from civilians, so our theater of attack
is...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
us?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
dogfights. Guess I'll sit this one out.•\$•

•What's up? Got any action?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
•...nav point \$DN. The tour pays \$PY. You with
•I have a distaste for orchestrated

Combat

data\conv\fixran2\$. pfz

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y• •What's happening?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y• •We've
got a pilot who's been acting suspicious on his reconnaissance runs. He's
supposed...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y• •...to be at nav point \$DN. They want you to check him out. If
he's not there,...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y• •...find him and neutralize
him.~\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y• •Hit jobs require a special
price.~\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y• •Don't get sentimental on me. The job pays \$PY. Are you the
gun or not?~\$•random•••randcu_2~pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y• •Sorry, but that price is just not
special enough for assassination.~\$•

Scout, then assassination

data\conv\fixan26.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•I have an agent who needs to be retired. A good position for the hit is nav point
\$DN.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
enemies.•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
keep your mouth shut...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
in?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
business.•\$•

•Hi, name's \$LN. How's life?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
•The militia offing each other. That should amuse your
•Just think of it as a purge. I'm paying you \$PY to do the job and
•You
•Sorry, but I'm not in the retirement

assassination

data/conv/fixran27.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•Hi, any work for a pro?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••

•I've got the biggest shipment of my career coming in, and I need a clear flight

path...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••

•I'm paying \$PY to the gun who can eliminate patrols around nav

point \$DN...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••

•You want the

job?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•Sorry, but my intuition keeps me alive,

and I get a warning signal about this gig.•\$•

Combat

data\conv\fixran28.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
cu(random, normal, random_cu_2, 159, 9, 5, "Weekly militia bribes are outpacing my profits. I'll have to fold my business,
unless you...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
them.~\$~pc~\$~normal~\$~randcu_1~\$~
them?~\$~random~\$~normal~\$~randcu_2~\$~
it?~\$~random~\$~randcu_2~\$~pc~\$~normal~\$~randcu_1~\$~
problem needs a different solution.~\$~

•Hey, what's up?
•accept this week's bribe as payment to take care of
•A militia hit will cost you \$PY. Where can I find
•Their post is at nav point \$DN. Will you do
•That point's swarming with guns. Your

Combat

data\conv\fixran29.pfe

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•They get their bribes on time and still, they intercept my biggest shipment. I
want...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
\$DN...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
fix.~\$~pc~•••••normal~•••randcu_1~•ÿ~
•Sounds like this lesson's going to be expensive for everybody. You're
looking at \$PY.~\$~random~•••normal~•••randcu_2~•ÿ~
•The pay will be comparable to the damage you do.
Now...could be a little bonus in it,...~\$~random~•••normal~•••randcu_2~•ÿ~
•...if you clear the place.
Deal?~\$~random~•••randcu_2~•••pc~•••••normal~•••randcu_1~•ÿ~
•You can eat your creative pay
scale.~\$~

Combat

data\conv\fixran3. pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
must know, \$CS, that we despise your evil technology, but we're willing to use
it...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
base.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
\$PY.•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
cause?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
put me in the mood for caution.•\$•

•Say, what's up?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
•...against a greater evil--the confederation at \$DB
•My fee for that kind of run is
•Your fee for this sacred job will be forthcoming. Will you assist our
•Maybe I'm just paranoid, but fanatics

•You

Combat

data\conv\fixran 31. pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
action.•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
looking for...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
cu(pc, normal, random_cu_1, 159, 9, 5, "You could be talking to the right gun, depending on your
incentive.~\$~random~•••normal~•••randcu_2~•ÿ~
out.~\$~random~•••randcu_2~•••pc~•••••normal~•••randcu_1~•ÿ~
around that prison.~\$~

•Name's \$LN, and I'm looking for some
•Hope you're up for jail break action in the \$DS system. I'm
•...some coverage on nav points \$DN1 and \$DN2.
•What do you say to \$PY. Should be easy in, easy
•A gnat couldn't get through the net

patrol & combat

data\conv\fixran 32.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
here?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
good deal of...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
to port or take care of him on the spot.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
with this notorious \$EN.?
cu(random, normal, random_cu_2, 159, 9, 5, "Finding him's half the battle. He's been seen in systems \$DS1,
\$DS2,...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
hunt?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
market for a quick gig right now. Good luck.•\$•

•Hey, who's got the plan,
•I've got one for you. There's a \$EN who's been causing us a
•...grief. He's worth \$PY dead or alive. Either bring him
•Where am I likely to meet up
•...and \$DS3. You up for a
•Sounds like a challenge, but I'm in the

patrol & assassination

data\conv\fixran 33.pfc

•pc•normal•randcu_1•Y•
•We've got a missing ship with sensitive cargo, rumored to be in the hands of
the...•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•Y•
it.~pc•normal•randcu_1•Y•
the...•\$•pc•normal•randcu_1•Y•
it.~\$•random•normal•randcu_2•Y•
locations...~\$•random•normal•randcu_2•Y•
\$DN2. How about it?~\$•random•randcu_2~pc•normal•randcu_1•Y•
for a scavenger hunt, today.~\$•

•Hi, where's the action?~\$•random•normal•randcu_2•Y•
•...\$EN. We want you to find it and destroy
•Must be very sensitive freight, if you're willing to destroy it just to keep
•...\$EN from having
•That's why we're paying you \$PY to find it. The \$EN have
•...in the \$DS system. You should try nav points \$DN1 and
•Sorry, but I'm not up

patrol & assassination

data\conv\ fixran 34. pfe

•pc•normal•randcu_1•ÿ• •How are you? Name's \$LN. •\$•random•normal•randcu_2•ÿ•
 •We've got a berserk agent that'll test your mettle. I want you to find him
and... •\$•random•normal•randcu_2•ÿ• •...remove him. We've tracked him to the \$DN1 and \$DN2
bases... •\$•random•normal•randcu_2•ÿ• •...in the \$DS
system. •\$•pc•normal•randcu_1•ÿ• •I assume we're talking hazard
pay. •\$•random•normal•randcu_2•ÿ• •He was our best. We're offering \$PY to any gun who can top his skill. Is
that you? •\$•random•randcu_2•pc•normal•randcu_1•ÿ• •I wish it were. •\$•

patrol & assassination

data\conv\ fixran 351 pfc

•pc•normal•randcu_1•
got a rogue ship out there that is pegging our radioactivity meter. I need
somebody...•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•
nav points \$DN1 or \$DN2...•\$•random•normal•randcu_2•
system. •\$•pc•normal•randcu_1•
hunt? •\$•random•normal•randcu_2•
wrangle? •\$•random•randcu_2•pc•normal•randcu_1•
metier. •\$•

•Hi, how's it going? •\$•random•normal•randcu_2•
•...to track it and destroy it. You might be able to intercept it on
•...in either the \$DS1 system or the \$DS2
•What's the reward for this little bounty
•The successful pilot gets a \$PY prize. Ready to
•Sorry, but ship wrangling's not my

•We've

patrol & assassination

data\conv\fixran4.pfz

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •Hi. Looking for help?•§•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
•The \$DS system militia will soon mount a strike against my
business...•§•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •May I suggest a fee of \$PY for a tape of their latest practice
formations?•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •Which force?•§•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
•I wish to target the force at nav point \$DN for my inquiry. Can you
help?•§•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •As much as I enjoy spying on the
militia, uh...rumor has it your business is short...•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •...right now. Sorry,
pal.•§•

Scout

data\conv\fixran5.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
here?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
confederation...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
footage is worth \$PY...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
action?•\$•random•••randcu_2••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
thick in that area.•\$•

•How are you? Name's \$LN. Any action around
•Hi. I'm looking to buy some \$DS system intelligence on how the
•...at nav point \$DN moves sensitive shipments. Raw
•Ready for
•Not a bad offer, but the guns are too

Scout

data\conv\fixran br pfr

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Hi. How's business?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Just got a call for a load of \$CB. The exchange point's at the \$DB base in

the...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•...\$DS system. Pays \$PY. Your ship free for a

run?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Sorry, too many \$CB busts, lately.•\$•

cargo

data\conv\fixran 7. pfz

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•Hi. How're you doing?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
•Looks like there's an insatiable desire for \$CB in the \$DS system...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
•I'm hiring a pilot to jump a load over to the \$DN base for \$PY.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•How much heat am I likely to encounter?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•••
•Possibly none if you
stick to my plan. So, how about some easy cash?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
•Sorry, but I've had enough trouble shipping legit cargo in that area.•\$•

cargo (contraband)

data\conv\fixran 8. pfe

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
cu(random, normal, random_cu_2, 159, 9, 5, "I've got some cargo needs to be jumped. Got any
references?•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
got?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
base...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
say?•\$•random•••randcu_2•••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
kind of maneuver.•\$•

•Name's \$LN. What's happening?
•Never divulge my contacts, pal. What've you
•\$CB headed for the \$DS system at the \$DN
•\$PY transferred on delivery. What do you
•Afraid my ship's not equipped for that

Cargo

data\conv\fixran 9. pfe

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
table?•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
the \$SN base...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
And I'll tell you...•\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
time to time.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
job.~\$•random•••normal•••randcu_2•Y•
it?•\$•random•••randcu_2••pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Hi, any good deals going down at this
•Could be. I'm looking for an ace to pick up a load of \$CB from
•...in the \$SS and drop it in the \$DS at the \$DN base.
•...up front, those systems have been unstable from
•Better be a substantial sum hanging on this

•\$PY. Can you do
•I think I better pass this time.~\$•

Cargo

data/conv/genrum1.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
jobs.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
sector.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
them...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Listen, you can't beat New Detroit for great
•I mean, it's the HiTech hub of the Gemini
•Employers who need special services and are willing to pay for
•...can usually be found there. Check it out.à

New Detroit

data/conv/genrum10.pdf

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Here's a tip. Confed patrols around New Constantinople have been kicked
up. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •They're trying to cut back on all the Brilliance that's coming in from
Troy. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Fat lot of good that'll do. There'll always be privateers like you willing to
make the run... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...and they can't catch them all. They need to crack
down on the source. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Anyway, the point is, think twice before running
Brilliance to New Constantinople. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •It'll be a tough run, so if you do it, get a
damn good price. •à

no Brilliance to New Constantinople

data\com\genrum11.pfe

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Looking for work? Who isn't. Well, here's a suggestion, take it or leave
it...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Ever heard of Roman Lynch? He runs a business empire out of New
Constantinople. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •The guy has his fingers in almost every illegal operation
in Gemini... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...every one worth messing with, that is. He's a hard man, and
like all players... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...he'll screw you over if there's enough profit in
it. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •But even so, there's a lot of money to be made from a guy like that...if
you're careful... •à

find Roman Lynch in New Const.

data/conv/genrum 12.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •This you gotta hear. You know who Roman Lynch
is?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Only the richest, most-connected crime lord in Gemini
Sector. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Anyway, word is some nut named Seelig screwed Lynch over
on a drug deal big time. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Not a good thing to do if you have any
plans...like waking up in the morning. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •It's only a matter of time before Lynch
sends some goon to Pentonville to take Seelig out. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •If I was him, I'd head
for Kilrathi space. Believe me, it's safer...•à

Seelig duped Lynch → gone to Pentonville

data\conv\genrum 13.pfx

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I'm not in the mood to talk right now. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•That son-of-a-bitch Roman Lynch sent his trained gorilla in here to bust up my
place. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Ever seen the guy? His name's Miggs. Lynch uses him as an
enforcer. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •How the hell does he expect me to pay him back if he keeps
sending animals to trash my bar? •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I barely got cleaned up in time to open
up this morning! •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Someday I hope that rich bastard and his torpedo get
what for! •à

Miggs is Lynch's muscle

data\conv\genrum 14. pfz

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Here's a good one. Roman Lynch, Gemini's own Godfather, has family problems. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •His cousin, Regis, was caught in New Constantinople with a gun in his hand... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...and a corpse at his feet. Pretty open and shut case. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Old Regis is going up on murder charges, and all of Lynch's money can't save the guy. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Guess there IS some justice, eh buddy? •à

Regis, Lynch's cousin, jailed in New Const. for murder

data\conv\genrum 15. pfz

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
Services?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
University.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
don't exist.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
you anything.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
alone!•à

•Hey, what're you talking to me for? What do I look like, Central

•I just tend bar. You want to know something, try Oxford

•I hear they got a library there so big that, if they don't got it, it

•People think, just because you're behind a bar, they can ask

•Well, unless you want a drink, do me a favor and leave me

Oxford Library

data\conv\genom 16. pfe

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Had a treasure hunter here the other day. You know the
type. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Seems he'd hit it big on an archaeological dig on a planet in Kilrathi
space. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Found a prehistoric Kilrathi artifact, proved they sharpened their claws
with special tools... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...something like that. Anyway, he was headed for
Oxford, planned on using the library there... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...try to figure out what he had.
I say good luck. Oxford's his only hope at this point. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •If he can't come up
with something there, he'll have to research it on Kilrah! •à

Kilrathi artifact researched at Oxford

data\conv\genum17.pfx

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •Looking for the Rhombus crew? No? Too
bad. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •I was told to keep an eye out for some guy who's supposed to hook up
with them here. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •They got a sweet deal going in the Oxford system.
Operate out of a ship named "Rhombus". •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •They've got the access codes
for the Oxford data bases. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •These guys have been robbing the library blind
and selling the data. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •Nice racket, if you can get the codes. Maybe you ought
to check it out... •à

Rhombus stealing Oxford data

data\conv\genrum18.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Boy, I'd hate to be in Hunter Toth's shoes. Have you heard about
him?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •He's wrote "Prometheus Unplugged". Surely you've read
it.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •That's the book that attacked the Church of Man, remember? He
coined the term "retros"...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...labelling the faithful as backward for their
hatred of technology.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Now all those anti-tech freaks are gunning for him, and
he's been forced into hiding.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Wonderful society we live in, where scholars
can be silenced by freaks...•à

retros want revenge on Toth (scholar)

data\com\genrum 19. pfe

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
time.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
so...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
books...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
Get it?à

•You look like you've done a little piracy in your
•I happen to know that sometime in the next month or
•...Oxford library is going to be receiving a shipment of rare, VALUABLE
•...or NOT receiving it, if someone smart intercepts the freighter.

Valuable book cargo bound for Oxford

data/conv/genrum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
now.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
to...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
something big.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
hell to dump. Probably hot.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
should look into getting a piece of his action...à

•I hear there's a real operator hiring out of New Detroit right
•His name's Sandoval. I don't know exactly what he's up
•...but with the rumors floating around this guy, he must be up to
•I hear he's got some kind of valuable art piece he's trying like
•If you ask me, the guy's a High-End, and you

Sandoval in New Detroit with valuable art

data\conv\genrum 20.pfx

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
ago. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
Kilrathi... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
made so far. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
and left. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
sweat... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
cracked up to be... •à

•Jeez, this weird...guess you'd call it a THING...was seen in these parts just days
•Some kind of ship, gave off an eerie green glow. Must be
•...though it's sure as hell worse than anything the cats have
•This is the same thing that's been destroying capital ships right
•Tore the TCS Winterrowd a new asshole without breaking a
•...though from what I hear, the Winterrowd wasn't all she was

probe spotted - gutting capital ships



data\conv\genrum 21.pfx

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
you?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
now.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
now...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
corporation.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
LOT of credits, friend.•à

•You're not afraid of a tough fight, are
•There's a holdful of credits to be made in the Palan system right
•Bronte Corporation has Palan blockaded right
•...trying to block shipments from Rondell, a rival agricultural
•Whichever side you work for, expect a lot of trouble...and a

data\conv\genrum22.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You catch the netcast last night? Remember the guy that got that huge Rondell grant?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You know, the archaeologist that did those Mars digs...Monkeyhower, something like that...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •He was digging on Palan when the blockade went up. Hasn't been heard from since.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •If you ask me, he's a goner. Archaeologists like him... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...they always have some valuable knick-knack or other. Makes them a target.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Count yourself lucky you're not in the relic business, pal. That's one rough trade...•à

data\conv\genrum23.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
system.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
book.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
planets...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
race.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
away.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•There's a lot of talk about the blockade in the Palan
•Supposedly Lemuel Monkhouse is trapped there. I read his
•Drawing on the fossil evidence discovered on Mars and other
•...he believes the entire galaxy was home to an ancient super
•Interesting hypothesis, but I think he's a little carried
•After all, a galaxy-spanning race couldn't just vanish...could it?à

data\conv\genrum24.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
now.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
Gemini.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
much...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
out there.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
scrape.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

- There's some money to be made in Rygannon right
- The Exploratory Service is charting an unexplored region in
 - Usually this kind of grunt work doesn't pay
 - ...but I hear they've lost a number of ships through jump points
 - They're looking for pilots who can take care of themselves in a
 - And you look like you fill the bill. Check it out.à

data\conv\genrum25.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You remind me of an old friend, name of
Garrovick. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •He worked the privateer racket, until he signed on with the
Exploratory Service. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Haven't seen him since, though I heard a nasty rumor
that he had disappeared... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...vanished while charting out of
Rygannon. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I can't help but think that, whatever got all those Confed ships,
took him out as well... •à

data\conv\genrum26.pfc

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| •rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •Myself, I used to fly for the Exploratory |
| Service...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •...till I saved up enough to buy this |
| bar.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •It's a good living. They're not real picky about who they |
| take...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •...and the pay's nothing to sneeze |
| at.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •If you don't mind getting shot at, from time to time, you oughtta look into |
| it.à | |

data\conv\genrum27.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
right?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
Kroiz.~à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
polite!~à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
void...~à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
names...~à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
weasel, no doubt about it.~à

•Man, I tell you, I hate the British. Who doesn't,
•But there's one limey that really pisses me off, privateer named
•Gun-runner, dangerous as hell, but what really gets me is, he's
•A pirate who's ready to throw you to the
•...should at least have the courtesy to be rude, call you a few
•...so you know where you stand. Yep, that Kroiz is an English

data\conv\genrum28.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
lately?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
there.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
is...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
targets...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
huh?•à

- Have you noticed an increase in Confed patrols
- Has to do with that killer ship skulking around out
- They're trying like hell to find it. Funny thing
- ...instead of hitting military installations, logical Kilrathi
- ...it's destroying targets along the usual privateer lanes. Weird,

data\conv\genrum29.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
week.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
shut.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
sector.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
vessel.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Friend of mine in the Confed reserves was called into duty last
•His orders were secret, but hell, he never could keep his mouth
•Seems there's a Confed fleet massing somewhere in the Gemini
•Ten to one it's tied into all those random attacks by that marauder
•Whatever it is, if it runs into that fleet, it's dead for sure!•à

data\conv\genrum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •This might sound a little crazy to you...
•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...but I've heard there's some guy at New Constantinople...no, make
that New Detroit...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •He's got something that Insys is desperate to get.
Something ALIEN. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Not Kilrathi. From a civilization way before them.
Before us, even. Worth a mint. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •If I was a privateer like you, I'd get the hell over
there and look into it...•à

data\conv\genrum30.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hey, you need to watch your back. Something's up.
•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Admiral Terrell at Perry Naval Base is conducting research on
privateering. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •He's digging for any dirt he can find on privateers operating in
the Gemini Sector. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Usually all you guys got to worry about is
Insys... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...but now the Confed is getting into the act. Not a good time to
get careless. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I think he's looking for someone specific, pal. Sure hope your
nose is clean... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...and if it isn't, you better wipe it QUICK. •à

data\conv\genrum4.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hey, you ever been to New Detroit? Ever heard of a guy named
Sandoval?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Me and him are tight, but I tell you, lately he's been acting real
weird.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hell, we been pals a long time, but I ain't heard stat from
him...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...no one has in weeks. Listen, if you ever dock at New Detroit...
•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...be sure to look up Sandoval for me, will you?•à

data\conv\genrum5.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Look, you better steer clear of New Detroit for
awhile. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Both Insys and the Confed are looking for a guy named
Sandoval. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •He's gotten into something real big, some kind of alien
trouble. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Anyway, there's probably a lot of money to be made at New
Detroit right now... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...but if I were you, I'd steer clear. Better poor than
dead, eh? •à

data\conv\genrum6.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
Brilliance?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
drugs...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
offense.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
Tayla.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
contracts.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Did you know that the Troy system is known for moving a lot of
•I know a lot of Privateers turn their noses up at smuggling
•...but you don't look like the picky type. No
•Anyway, you'll want to hook up with a woman named
•She's well-connected with the underworld there. Tayla can get you the
•If she likes you, that is...~•à

data\conv\genrum7.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•••
not?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•••
system.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•••
young man such as yourself.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•••
agricultural and mining worlds...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•••
welcome respite from the tedium.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•••
sparsely patrolled. Good money, low risk...à

•You have the look of a smuggler about you. I'm right, am I
•If you have no qualms about running Brilliance, head for the Troy
•I know of a woman there, Tayla, who could use an enterprising
•She mainly channels the merchandise to
•...where a little chemical cheer is
•Her routes are well-drawn and

data\conv\genrum8.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Can you keep your mouth shut? •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•There's a group of pirates at Oakham base in Pentonville. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •These
guys move Brilliance in volume. I'm talking bulk here. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You could get a piece
of that, with the right contact. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •'Course, if I knew who that was, I'd be running
the stuff myself. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •All I can tell you is, some broad working out of Troy
system is their agent... •à

data\conv\genrum9.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You should've been here an hour ago. Talk about
idiots. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Some moron calling himself William Riordian was shooting his mouth
off... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...about smuggling Brilliance for some knockout named
Tayla. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •He was even blabbing about her having pirate contacts in
Pentonville... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •What a fool. A privateer who can't keep his trap closed about
operations... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...is soon unemployed...or dead. Mark my words. He's
history. •à

data\conv\mercgld1.pfc

•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Ÿ•••The Mercenaries' Guild offers only the most challenging
missions...•ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Ÿ•••...with commensurate
pay.•ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Ÿ•••Take a look at the mission screen, if you're ready for a challenge.•ç

data\conv\mercglid2.pfc

•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••Listen up, if you're looking for fame and glory, you've come to the right place. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••Just remember, the Mercenaries' Guild not only gets you the best jobs,... •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••...we guarantee payment. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••In this business, that's worth thinking about. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••The application fee is now 5,000 credits. Our rates have only recently gone up. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••Well worth the price though. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••The Mercenaries' Guild offers the most challenging missions... •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••...and a premium compensation plan. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••And our complimentary information service might just save your life some day. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••What do you say? You with us? •ç•mercgirl•mercecu••Y••••mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••Good. The application fee will be automatically deducted from your account. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••If you have any questions concerning the guild, just ask. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••If I can't answer your questions, I'll find someone who can. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••Thank you for joining the Mercenaries' Guild. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••Go get 'em, tiger. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••The Mercenaries' Guild is not for everybody. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••You have to have what it takes... •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••...and I see you're coming up a little short today, \$CS. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y••I'll be right here when you change your mind. •ç•

data\conv\mercgld3.pfc

•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y•••Everyone knows that the Mercenaries' Guild is the place to be. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y•••We guarantee the best missions... •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y•••...the best pay... •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y•••...and provide information you can't get anywhere else. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y•••However, \$CS, I regret to inform you that our records indicate... •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y•••...that you lack the 5,000 credits required to join the guild. •ç•mercgirl•normal•••mercecu••Y•••Come back and see me when you can afford our services. •ç

data\conv\merch1.pfc

•tayla••••normal••clunker••Y• •Say, would you like to join the Merchant's
Guild?•\$•pc•••••normal••clunker••Y• •Funny, you don't look like you just
did...•\$•tayla••••normal••clunker••Y• •Sue me.
Join?•\$•tayla••••clunker•• ••••tayla••••normal••clunker••Y• •Thank you. And welcome
aboard!•\$•pc•••••normal••clunker••Y• •No deal.~\$•

data\conv\merch2.pfc

•tayla••••normal•••clunker••Y•

•Beat it kid, you bother me•\$

data\conv\mg1-2.pfc

•piratnav•afraid•••clunknav•Œ•#•To fly that thing like that, you're
crazy...•à•pc•••••normal•••clunker••Ÿ• •I'm just a privateer trying to make a semi-honest
living. •±•piratnav•afraid•••clunknav•Œ•#•Yeah, sure. OK, just don't kill me,
man. •à•pc•••••normal•••clunker••Ÿ• •I don't mind that you tried to kill
me. •±•pc•••••normal•••clunker••Ÿ• •But protecting myself against your type gets
expensive... •±•pc•••••normal•••clunker••Ÿ• •...and I'm on a budget. •±

data\conv\mg1s45.pfc

•piratnav•normal•••clunknav•CE•#•Say, what's a little boy like you doin' in a place like
this?•à•piratnav•normal•••clunknav•CE•#•I think, maybe, not all your merchandise is on the manifest. Am I not right,
smuggler boy?•à•pc•••••angry••••clunker••ÿ•
console.±•pc•••••angry••••clunker••ÿ•
am?±•piratnav•normal•••clunknav•CE•#•Deep in trouble, little tourist. Prepare to be
boarded.à•pc•••••angry••••clunker••ÿ•

•Sorry, kids. I'm just a tourist with a busted nav

•Could you tell me where I

•Not a chance, pal. Prepare to go to Hell.±

data\conv\miggs.pfc

•miggs••••normal•••randcu_1•—• •You don't wanna talk to me, 'cause I don't wanna talk to
you.©•miggs••••angry••••randcu_1•—• •And anyone that makes me do what I don't wanna do gets hurt,
painwise, get me?©•miggs••••angry••••randcu_1•—• •Mr. Lynch, sitting over there, HE'S the one you wanna
talk to...©•miggs••••angry••••randcu_1•—• •...so either state your bidness or take a hike, buddy.©

data\conv\minrum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •New to \$BN? Good. We could use some more flyboys hauling cargo around
here. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •There's been a shift in demand from the usual metals to radioactive
ore. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Haven't seen anything like it. With the invention of particle
weapons... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...radioactive ores became less and less
valuable. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I guess the Confed must be experimenting on some new
weapon, huh? •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Well the way the war is going, looks like they'll need it. •à

data\conv\minrum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Just flew in, did you? Let me ask you a
question. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Did you notice the increased militia and Confed patrols on your
approach to \$BN? •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •The Confed is losing hundreds of ships a day to the
war. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •That means they need more metal for replacement
ships... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...and they're stepping up protection of mining bases to keep
raw material out of Kilrathi hands. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I don't know about you, but I feel a lot
safer because of it... •à

data\conv\minrum4.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hey, an assassin from the Church of Man came by \$BN last
week. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •He was looking to whack some artist, a writer or something. Go
figure. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Don't ask me what the hell a writer would be doing on a mining base,
though. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Those Retros give me the creeps. I hear they hate all
technology... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...just the kind of wackos you want to run into on a space
station, eh? •à

data\conv\minrum5.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Welcome to \$BN, the newest boomtown of the Gemini
Sector!•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •We got ahold of a dozen of those new Sediment Imaging
Satellites...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...and it's made all the difference in the
world.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •SIS has revealed deposits of tungsten, iron and radioactive ores we
never would've found.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Business couldn't be better, pal. You came at a good
time.•à

data\conv\minrum6.pfc

| | |
|---|--|
| •rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •There is one bit of bad news here on |
| \$BN.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •The base is being shaken by |
| tremors.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •We can't keep the damn mines from collapsing. We fix |
| one...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •...then a quake hits and collapses two |
| others.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •Unless this 'roid stabilizes, \$BN may be in for some trouble.à |

data\conv\minrum7.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •This dancer from Saxtogue came to \$BN last
week. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Real operator, this woman. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
 •You heard of Roman Lynch? Well, she lifted one of his bank codes. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
 •She's been siphoning off money slow, but I think she's in over her
head. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •If Lynch finds out, she's history. •à

data\conv\miscrum1.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Didn't I see you here, 'bout six months
ago?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You know, back when the Rondall Corporation was hiring
mercs.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •No? Too bad. You could've cleaned
up.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •They were looking for people with blockade
experience...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Oh well. Can't win 'em all, I s'pose.•à

data\conv\miscrum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •A pilot laid this on me last week. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•She was three weeks out of New Detroit, off-lane, running silent... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•...when she came in visual range of this incredible ship! •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
massive, not Kilrathi, not Confed...and every instrument said it wasn't there! •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•She said she could see it, but it didn't register on her scans. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
believe her? I sure don't. •à

•It was

•You

data\conv\miscrum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hey, what do you think the Kilrathi are up
to?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •From what I hear, they've changed tactics
again.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Instead of their usual seek-and-destroy policy, it seems they're asking
some odd questions...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •They're looking for a smuggler who has some unusual
weapon they want...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You don't know anybody like that...do you?•à

data\conv\mrchgld1.pfc

•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••If you're ready for a cargo run, feel free to make use of the mission screen.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••Remember, we pay premium bounties on ships that harass Merchants' Guild members.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••We take care of our own, \$NM.•õ

data\conv\mrchgl2.pfc

•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••Hi, \$NM, how are you? I'd like to invite you to join our guild.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••We broker for the most ... reputable clients.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••That means we guarantee your work and your compensation.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••The Merchants' Guild primarily schedules cargo runs...•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••...but we also place big bounties on pilots that attack our own members.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••Guild members get unlimited access to our mission computers...•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••...plus the latest news and information from other merchants around the universe.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••It will only cost you 1,000 credits to join our ranks.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••How about it?•õ•merchguy•mrchcu•••Ÿ••••merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••Great! We will automatically debit the service fee from your current banking system.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••If any questions come up, feel free to ask. I'll be right here.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••The Merchants' Guild appreciates your business. Thanks for joining.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••You'll be glad you did.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••You'll wish you had, friend.•õ•

data\conv\mrchgld3.pfc

•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••So you want to join the Merchants' Guild,
huh?•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••Sorry, \$NM, but guild records show that you lack the 1,000 credits
required to join.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••Guild membership guarantees cargo and
payment...•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••...provides unlimited access to our mission
computers...•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••...and offers the latest news from merchants around the
universe.•õ•merchguy•normal•••mrchcu•••Ÿ•••Please try again later when you have the proper funds.•õ

data\conv\mrchjoin.pfc

•pc•normal•clunker•Y•

Guild?•\$•pc•normal•clunker•Y•

did...•\$•pc•normal•clunker•Y•

•Thank you. And welcome aboard!•\$•pc•normal•clunker•Y•

•Say, would you like to join the Merchant's

•Funny, you don't look like you just

•Sue me. Join?•\$•pc•normal•clunker•Y•

•No deal.•\$

data\conv\oxbrush.pfc

•mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•

•Excuse me, where do you think you're going?•Ç•pc•••••normal••libcu_2••ÿ•
research I need to conduct. •mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•

•I have some personal

•I'm sorry, sir, but access to the Oxford library files is restricted to students. •Ç•pc•••••normal••libcu_2••ÿ•

•Look, couldn't I just buy a library card...? •mastersn•normal••libcu_1••ÿ•

•I'm afraid not. Good day to you, sir. •Ç

data\conv\pbrush.pfc

•sandra•••normal•••pnbgu1•••••Hey, where do you think you're
going?•“pc•••••normal•••pnbgu2•••••Just wandering around. Is there a
problem?•,•sandra•••normal•••pnbgu1•••••There is, if you try to go through that
door.•“•sandra•••normal•••pnbgu1•••••That's Admiral Terrell's office. And he doesn't like
visitors.•“pc•••••normal•••pnbgu2•••••Hey, don't sweat it, sweetheart. I don't like
visiting.•,pc•••••normal•••pnbgu2•••••Stay sweet now, you hear?•,

data\conv\pbrush1.pfc

•sandra•••normal•••pnbgu1•••••Hey, where do you think you're
going?•••pc•••••normal•••pnbgu2•••••Just wandering around. Is there a
problem?• •sandra•••normal•••pnbgu1•••••There is, if you try to go through that
door.•••sandra•••normal•••pnbgu1•••••That's Admiral Terrell's office. And he doesn't like
visitors.•••pc•••••normal•••pnbgu2•••••Hey, don't sweat it, sweetheart. I don't like
visiting. •pc•••••normal•••pnbgu2•••••Later. •

data\conv\pbrush2.pfc

•sandra•••normal•••pnbgu1•••\$CS, you've got a hell of a nerve coming back
here!•••pc•••normal•••pnbgu2•••Hey, I was a sitting duck for you clowns, the least I expect is an
apology. •sandra•••angry•••pnbgu1•••For what? For allowing the drone to annihilate our strike
force?•••pc•••surprise•pnbgu2•••Sweetheart, Commodore Reisman had an entire fleet. I had a
gun. •pc•••angry•••pnbgu2•••Gee, I wonder who screwed the pooch on that
one? •sandra•••angry•••pnbgu1•••As far as Terrell is concerned, the puppies are gonna look just like
you!•••sandra•••angry•••pnbgu1•••And unless you want to be thrown into the brig, you better hit the lanes
before he sees you!•••pc•••angry•••pnbgu2•••I see. Thanks for reminding me why I hate
sleeping with the military. •sandra•••normal•••pnbgu1•••Yeah? Well on your way out, don't look for any
money on the dresser, pal. •••sandra•••normal•••pnbgu1•••It wasn't that good. •••

data\conv\pirrum1.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hey, buddy, have you heard the
latest?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •A pirate looking to scope \$BN for business told me this one.
•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Seems the TCS Valiant has
just...disappeared.~à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •That's the second carrier the Confederation has
lost~à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •along the border.~à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •It's a
sure bet the Kilrathi have their paws in this!~à

data\conv\pirrum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
Mister. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
days. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
lately. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
'em... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Better watch your step on \$BN,
•The...business community here is leery of strangers these
•We've had a lot of problems with undercover Militia agents
•I'm not saying you're one of
•...but I'd do my best to look as innocent as possible, if I were you. •à

data\conv\pirrum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
effort. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
fits. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
up... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
enforcement! •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
better! •à

•Happy days are here again! You heard? The Confed is slipping in the war
•Seems the sector is lousy with Kilrathi, and they're giving the Fed
•Hey, I'm as patriotic as the next guy. I don't want the Fed to give it
•...but this means they're diverting their efforts away from law
•That's good news here on \$BN. The less Confed around, the

data\conv\pirrum4.pfc

| | |
|--|---|
| •rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •Looking for a job? Must be if you're hanging around |
| \$BN.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •Ever heard of a guy named Roman Lynch? He's a Well, a real |
| mover.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •Seems he's looking for a wet spesh to whack a guy named |
| Seelig.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •Lynch runs his empire out of New |
| Constantinople.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• | •No thanks, that's what bartenders do. Just remember |
| me when it's time to tip.à | |

data\conv\pirrum5.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
good.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
borders...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
salvaged!à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
bread...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
beam!•à

•Hey, Mister, have a seat. The first one's on me.
•No big deal. We're having a boom here on \$BN. Times are
•With all the fighting out along the
•...there's a lot of loot just floating around out there, waiting to be
•Used to be a pirate had to do some shooting to earn his daily
•...nowadays, the only trigger he's gotta pull is wired to a tractor

data\conv\pirrum6.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I hope you're gonna buy a drink and not just sit here trawling for a
job. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Business is slow at the bar. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•People are spending too much time out there on those stressful
missions. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •They need to be in here relaxing, like
you. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •So...what'll it be? •à

data\conv\pirrum7.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hey, welcome to \$BN. I heard a good one the other
day.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Seems that there's this hollow asteroid along
theà•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Kilrathi border...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •The
thing of it is, the Kilrathi use it as a munitions dump!à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •The guy who finds that
dump can help himself to as muchà•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •ordnance as he can haul!à

data\conv\plerum1.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Get this...the Confed has lost another
carrier!•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I'm afraid it might be related to that Kilrathi secret weapon
we've been hearing about.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I'm thinking of shutting down the bar awhile,
leaving \$BN...maybe heading deeper into Confed space.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •The thought of
something that nasty creeping around, well, it makes you think, doesn't it?•à

data\conv\plerum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Come to \$BN for a vacation, have you? You're not
alone. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Seems like in wartime, everyone has a worse need for
entertainment... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...and that desire for relaxation seems to grow as the
war worsens. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Anyhow, you did right to come to \$BN! We have the finest
facilities in the sector. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Trust me...would I lie to a guest? •à

data\conv\plerum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Damn Confed hotshots! I hate it when they come to \$BN on
leave. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You wouldn't believe the hell they raised in
here. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I barely had time to clean up before we opened this
morning. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •And the 17th floor, God! It's a shambles. These jocks are
nuts! •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Mooning, jumping off balconies into the pool,
ballwalking...listen... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Take my advice. Avoid the 17th floor. It's not pretty. •à

data\conv\plerum5.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
sir.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
getaway...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
meaning.à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
enjoyed...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
women...à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•You picked a fine time to come to \$BN,
•With all the bad news about lately, everyone is anxious to find a little
•...especially the ladies, sir, if you take my
•I think you'll find your stay at \$BN the best you've ever
•...that is, if you LIKE
•Oh dear...I hope I haven't been too presumptuous...à

data\conv\plerum6.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
up!•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
hard.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
worried.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Mind, this is just hearsay, but it seems the Kilrathi are all stirred
•The weird thing is, they seem to be looking for something...looking real
•God only knows what it could be...but whatever it is, it's got them
•I just hope the activity doesn't scare off our tourists.•à

data\conv\plerum7.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
murderer. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
Horrid. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
Oresville... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Just arrived at \$BN have you? Then you haven't heard the latest.
•Beastly affair. Seems the Intersys Patrols are looking for a
•He eliminated a diplomatic party on Matahari. Ten dead.
•I hear this was done to stall negotiations with
•...prolonging the labor disputes. What do you think? •à

data\conv\premonk.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Dr. Monkhouse, I
presume. • •monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Yes, you do, greatly. •°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••I
wish to be alone. •°•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Sorry, Doc, but I didn't run the blockade just to be treated
like a vaccum salesman. • •pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••I need a favor. I understand you're an expert on
alien...antiquities. • •monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••That I am, but my consulting price is currently
transportation off this rock. •°•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Say no more, climb into my ship and we're out
of here. • •monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Heavens no! Not while the blockade is in
effect! •°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••I shall sit tight until that unfortunate situation is
ended. •°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••Should you wish to facilitate that circumstance, head for
Basra. •°•monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••From what I understand, the resistance is centered
there. •°•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•-•••Basra, huh? All right...I'll look into
it. • •monkhous•normal•••randcu_1•Y•••You do that. I'll be right here, waiting. •°

data\cony\refrum1.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Talk about bizarre stories, this is
incredible. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •A Kilrathi attack force was spotted on
sensors... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •It was moving along the frontier in a search
pattern. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •On Confed screens, one by one, each Kilrathi ship
vanished...just vanished... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...all except one, which moved into Confed
space. Strange, huh? •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Boy, I'm glad I'm here on \$BN, safe and sound. Aren't
you? •à

data\conv\refrum2.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Did you hear? A delegation from the Confed Mining Guild swept by \$BN last
week. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Because of attrition on the front, they're stepping up fighter
production... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...which means more raw ore is being bought, which means it
has to be refined... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...which means everyone at \$BN is jumping to keep up
with the demand. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Seems it's gonna be a bad year for the Confed...and a
hell of a year for us. •à

data\conv\refrum3.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •There's an ugly rumor making the rounds here at
\$BN. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Heard it from a subcontractor for the Fed that they're thinking of
militarizing our business. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •They might use the Wartime Emergency Act to
take over all mining and refinery operations... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...which means we'd have to
work twice as hard for four times less. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •I sure hope it ain't true. •à

data\conv\refrum4.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
ago...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
theft.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
net.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
crack.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Heard this from a pirate who left \$BN two days
•You wouldn't believe the trouble Oxford has been having with data
•These database jackers I know are looking to trawl the Oxford
•They been at it for months, but it's a tough
•I bet it's worth it, though. Lot of valuable info at the Oxford Library...~•à

data\conv\refrum5.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Had a look around \$BN yet?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Well,
you wouldn't guess it from the way things look...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...but everyone on \$BN is
going to be rich in three years.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •We just signed a deal with the Merchants'
Guild that'll do us right.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Because of the quality of our ore, they've waived 75%
of the standard Guild cut...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •...in exchange for 10% of our gross. Sweet,
eh?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Bet there's no other refinery that can make THAT claim...•à

dta\conv\refrum6.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •We had another terrorist bombing at \$BN
today. •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •I tell you, it's those damn Mandarins if it's anyone! This war started out
to be good business... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •...but if the bombings get much worse, the only profit'll
be had by Russo Incorporated... •à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •...maker of fine red ink everywhere! •à

data\conv\refrum7.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
front.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
gone.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
be.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
of.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Bet you're glad to be on \$BN. There's been more trouble from the
•I heard that Confederation Outpost 57 is
•Now there's a crater on the asteroid where Outpost 57 used to
•Not a trace of residual radiation. No weapon we've ever heard
•Intel reports call it a new Kilrathi weapon. Do you buy that?•à

data\conv\rumbuz1.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Could you tell me...•
but I've got customers. Can't talk right now.•à

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Excuse me,

data\conv\rumbuz10.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Any news I can use?•
with me later, after I've talked to some other folks.•à

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Check

data\conv\rumbuz2.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••What's happening on the local
scene?• •rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Ÿ• •I can't think of anything right now. Check with me later.•à

data\conv\rumbuz3.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Any local news?•
right now. I think we're being watched.•à

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•Shh. Can't talk

data\conv\rumbuz4.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Any news of local interest?••rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ••Sorry,
man. I don't have anything for you right now.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ••Except for a good Manchester
Rum!•à

data\conv\rumbuz5.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••What's going on around these
parts?• •rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Y• •If I hear anything new, you'll be the first to know.•à

data\conv\rumbuz6.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••Any tips for a new kid in town?•
•Don't get blown up. That's all I've got right now.•à

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

data\conv\rumbuz7.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Ÿ•

•Sorry, no new info.•à

data\conv\rumbuz8.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•→•••What's a guy do for fun around
here?• •rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•Ÿ• •Drink some beer!•à

data\conv\rumbuz9.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_2•¬•••Any good missions out there?•
•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
•If you're looking for a mission, talk to the guys who sometimes sit at the front tables there.•à

data\conv\rumor1.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
tidy bundle selling a holographic projector to the Church or Man. •§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
see them, man, they project their leader onto a circular screen and go all
ecstatic. •§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
ragging on me about... •§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•What's up? •§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
•But get this, the whole time I was cinching the deal, they were
•...the evils of technology. Watch out for those guys. •§

•Just made a
•You should

data\conv\rumor10.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Ÿ•
lately?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
androids.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
production.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
up.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Ÿ•

•Hi, heard about any good deals,
•You bet. Hemdale just paid full asking price for a load of
•Agricultural planets are buying them to put new fields into
•Better get a load before demand causes the price to go
•Hey, thanks for the tip.•\$

data\conv\rumor11.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•The pirates, man. I wouldn't go alone, but there's a teaming black market on

Drake.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

is...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Hi, who's got the deals?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•You can get just about anything at half price. The trick, of course,

•...jumping your load out of their system without getting ambushed.•§

data\conv\rumor12.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••

•What's new?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••

•The brass at

Perry Naval Base is rabid to get some of those micro-robots.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••

•You know,

robotic flies that land on you and extract a cell for DNA identification.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••

•I don't

know where you get them, but I think New Detroit sell robotics.•\$

data\conv\rumor13.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Y• •Hey, you look like a business man. If you're not already in the art market, now's
the time.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Y• •The smart set is out-bidding each other for original oils right
now. I just made a sweet deal in Anapolis.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Y• •But be sure you know what
you're buying, if somebody offers to sell.•\$•pc••••••normal•••randcu_1•Y• •Good advice, thanks.•\$

data\conv\rumor14.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Check out those new holo-porn chips. We're talking intense ecstasy, man. Best money can
buy.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

Base.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Hi, what's hot these days.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•If you can find them, there's always a market on Perry Naval

•Thanks, man.•\$

data\conv\rumor15.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Hey, pilot. You looking for some grain
action?•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •Could be.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Then
get yourself a run to the Fariss Quadrant. Mostly mining and theiving out there, so they're desperate for
grain.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Of course, the farther in you go, the higher the price your load brings.
Good luck.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •Thanks.•§

data\conv\rumor16.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
fuels?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Y•
up.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Y•
it.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Hi, what's the word on advanced
•Plasmonium is the fuel of choice. So, if it comes your way, snap it
•The Potter Quadrant needs an endless supply of
•Great. Thanks.•§

data\conv\rumor17.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Ÿ•
here?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
System.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
volume.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
is really twisted.•§

•Hi, what's moving around
•Infochips. I just sold 50,000 game chips in the Rygannon
•The return per unit's not that great, but it's volume, man
•Besides, you should try some of those games. That Ultima stuff

data\conv\rumor18.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
missions?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
sometimes...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
nothing.~§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
yourself killed.~§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Hi, what do you know about those computer
•I've run a few. Sometimes the pay's in line with the risk, but
•...the damn thing sends you on a death mission for half of
•If you don't know the lay of the land, learn it before you get
•Right. Thanks, pal.~§

data\conv\rumor19.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Hey, man, looking for a gig?•\$•pc•••••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Could be.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •The Humbolt Quadrant is buying construction
equipment. I jumped a load there, yesterday.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Descent pay, but damned
remote. Make you feel vulnerable, man, like you'd better watch your back.•\$

data\conv\rumor2.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •How're you doing?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Good,
just jumped a small load of plastic pellets to Oakham with a wide profit
margin.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •But Oakham's a pirate base. What do they want with raw
plastic?
cu(rand_npc, normal, random_cu_2, 159, 9, 5, "Don't you know the latest, man? It's legit cargo, until you melt it and render
a psychotropic drug.•§

data\conv\rumor20.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••
lately?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
System.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
your time, of course.•§

•Hi, heard about any good buys,
•Yeah, there's a deal on uranium in the Troy
•And you can probably unload it in Newcastle, sweetened up for

data\conv\rumor21.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••
Guild?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
record.~\$~rand_npc~normal~•••randcu_2~••
getting paid.~\$~rand_npc~normal~•••randcu_2~••

•What do you know about the Merchant's
•I'm a member. They tend to represent businesses with a track
•That means the deals are legit, and you're guaranteed of
•You don't get that kind of security hustling freelance.~\$

data\conv\rumor22.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••
Guild?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
time.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
man.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
you're winging freelance.•\$

- Hey, what do you think about the Mercenary's
- I do runs for them from time to
- They represent just about everybody and they always pay,
- It's hard to get your money out of some of the jerks out there when

data\conv\rumor23.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

his cowboy. Long as I got my console and a good ship, I don't need their brand of security. Cuts into my

profits.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

paid?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

me.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Hi, you in the guilds?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•You don't worry about not getting

•I've been in this business half my life. Everybody knows

•If it was going to be a stiff job, they'd hire a new kid.•\$

•Not

data\conv\rumor24.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Hey, you interested in exotics?•\$•pc•••••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Sure, if they're bringing a good price.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •I just dropped a load of emu
hides in Gracchus. You can double your money right now,...•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •...but better
hurry, won't take long to flood the market with that kind of demand.•\$

data\conv\rumor25.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•There's almost always a mining base that'll pay good money for a plasma

drill.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

though.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Hi, what's hot these days?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Just sold one in New Caledonia. Those suckers are a pain,

•Hope you have good hydraulics and a huge cargo bin.•\$

data\conv\rumor26.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Ÿ•

•Hi, know anything about the energy

business?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•

•The future's in ekapromethium. You've heard of it, right, a

stable super heavy element?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•

•Very convertable energy source. Just buy it

from mining bases and sell to refinery bases. Can't go wrong.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Ÿ•

•Hey,

thanks, pal. Sounds like my retirement plan.•§

data\conv\rumor27.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Ÿ•

•Hi, heard about any runs to the Potter

Quadrant?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•

•Yeah, the tobacco crop in Rodin is ready to ship, and I hear

Wickerton is buying with a vengeance.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Ÿ•

•Great. Thanks, pal.•§

data\conv\rumor28.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•
track?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Y•
go.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Y•
completion. It's my style.•§

•Hi, what's the best mission
•I do computer missions, myself. No hassle. Just get your gig and
•Don't have to worry about getting paid either. Cash transferred on

data\conv\rumor29.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
missions.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
Can't tell what you're committing yourself to.•§

•Hi, what do you think about computer
•Don't touch them, man. Those damned entries are too brief.

data\conv\rumor3.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••
deals?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
heading out to line up a buyer.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
extra cash.•\$

•Hey, heard about any good
•Just heard Beaconsfield is moving plutonium at a 30% discount. I'm
•Ought to get in on this deal, if you have any

data\conv\rumor30.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
lately?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
wood.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
wood?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
scarce -and- expensive.•§

•Hi, heard of any good deals,
•Sure, there're affluents on Erewhon who'll pay a tidy sum for hard
 •Now, you're talking exotics. Where can I get hard
•A small harvest is coming up on Helen. But you're right about it being

data\conv\rumor31.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•There's always a market for food, man. Buy meat, produce, grain...•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•...whatever they grow on the agricultural planets and sell just about anywhere

else.~\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•Hi, what's moving right now?~\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•It's not the big time, but it's steady money.~\$

data\conv\rumor32.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Hey, man, what's up?•\$•pc••••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
 •Nothing. Just looking for a gig.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Deal land weapons, man.
Every war has to hit the ground, eventually...
cu(rand_npc, normal, random_cu_2, 159, 9, 5, "...unless they plan to make astral dust of the whole
planet.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •I just unloaded a nuclear tank on
Macabee.•\$•pc••••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •Thanks, man.•\$

data\conv\rumor33.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••
privateer?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
my game.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
at.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••

•Hi, got any advice for a
•I'm not looking for competition, mind you, but space salvage is
•Of course you got to know what you're looking
•Could take a thousand oysters to render a single pearl.•\$

data\conv\rumor34.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Hi, interested in textiles?•\$•pc•••••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Doesn't sound like the kind of freight that could make a fellow rich.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
•You may not get rich with a single shipment, but it's a good, steady
business.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Clothing these days is not just for fashion, the right fabric can
save your life.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Anyway, If you want to give it a go, might check out New
Caledonia and XXN-1927.•\$•pc•••••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •Thanks, pal.•\$

data\conv\rumor35.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
Quadrant?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
mining...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Hi, what can you tell me about the Fariss
•You got mining in Fariss. But where there's
•you'd better look out for pirates and astroids.•§

data\conv\rumor36.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•Hi, what do you know about the Humbolt

Quadrant?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•Pirates, man. Even thicker in Fariss. They're flying around out

there like hornets,...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•...so don't get stung, man.•§

data\conv\rumor37.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
Frontier?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
sect...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
contradiction.~§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
to get your job done, man.~§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
technology to neutralize another.~§

•Hi, what do you know about the Fariss
•If you're headed that way, be well warned of a zealous, religious
•...calling themselves The Church of Man. Talk about
•They'll blow you out of the sky just because you use technology
•Of course, it's ok for them to use one

data\conv\rumor38.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•Hi, know anything about the militia in the Potter

Quadrant?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Y•

•Yeah, most of those guys are death on contraband. They have

'shoot to kill' orders for smugglers.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Y•

•That's good to know.•§

data\conv\rumor39.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••
Quadrant?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
dues.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••

•Hi, you got a line on the militia in the Humbolt
•Sure do. They're pretty lax, long as everybody pays their
•Good. Thanks.•\$

data\conv\rumor4.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Say you look tough enough.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
•There's profit to be made shipping for the mines in the Humbolt Quadrant, but watch your
back.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •The pirates are thick, and they have a special intuition for hitting you
when you're loaded.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •Thanks, pal. I'll check that out.•§

data\conv\rumor40.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
system?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
truck.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
Merchant's Guild.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Hi, any confederates in the New Detroit
•Not really, just militia. But better be careful what you
•Good chance of getting inspected, unless you're working for the
•I'll keep than in mind. Thanks.•§

data\conv\rumor41.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

you're interested in an even split of the take, you should hang with the pirates.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•The live on the edge with blood, sweat and more cash than you'll ever make working for the

man.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

them.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•What's happening?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•If

•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•But let me warn you, they believe you're either with them or against

•It's something to consider.•§

data\conv\rumor42.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
me. Those guild guys'll keep you a member of the working poor.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
contraband. Ought to do a few runs for them, see if they'll cut you in.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•Thanks, I'll check it out.•§

•Hi, you in the guild?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
•Not
•The profit's in

data\conv\rumor43.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
gigs?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
palate, and I bet you...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
the system.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Say, where can a guy get some low-risk
•Spend time in the Potter Quadrant. It's civilized, a pleasure for every
•...could get local runs that don't even take you out of
•Thanks, I could go for spiking my work with a little pleasure.•§

data\conv\rumor44.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Hey, you look like the kind of guy with pioneer
blood.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ• •You talking to me?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
•Yeah, you. The Fariss Quadrant. Could make a bundle scouting new asteroids for mining
interests.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •They're crawling over each other, mining for
ekapromethium.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Might be lonely out there, but you're a tough guy.•\$

data\conv\rumor45.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Hi, bought your quadrant map, yet? Smart move if you have. If not, don't delay,
man.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •It's your first defense.•§

data\conv\rumor46.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Say, you look like a mercenary.•§•pc•••••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
•What about it?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Just wondering if you've cracked the
commodities market, yet.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •I mean no sense hauling for merchants all the
time when you could be buying low and selling high yourself.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ• •Check it out,
man. It's easy now that they've centralized everything with those exchange centers.•§

data\conv\rumor47.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••
here?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
universe.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
can kill militia for the smugglers.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
depends on who your contacts are.•§

•Say, what kind of work they got around
•Just name it. You can kill people for just about any group in this
•You know, like you can kill drug smugglers for the militia, or you
•You can spy, scout or patrol. Just

data\conv\rumor48.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
Guild.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Ÿ•
why.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
everybody.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•

•Hey, if you're looking for work, check out the Mercenary's
•I suppose you're going to tell me
•Variety, man. They broker jobs for
•As for myself, I go for those risky confederation jobs.•§

data\conv\rumor5.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Hi, what's moving right now?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•You might check out New Reno. The casinos are upgrading their computer nets, and they're
looking...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•...for the latest ergonomic hardware with software so powerful, it

makes ethical judgments.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Thanks.•§

data\conv\rumor50.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
pleasure?•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••
out the pleasure planets. You got your gambling, your sex, your drugs.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
more could you want to buy? Whatever it is...they got that, too.•§

•Hey, man. Looking for a little purchased

•Could be.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•Check
•What

data\conv\rumor51.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

land?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

yourself lucky.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

cu(rand_npc, normal, random_cu_2, 159, 9, 5, "Reconnaissance. That's the first thing you do when you hit a new

sector.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Hi any advice about the lay of the

•Well, if you haven't gotten tangled up in a pirate's nest yet, count

•The control planets in every quadrant...except maybe Potter."

•Ok, thanks.•§

data\conv\rumor52.pfc

•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ• •Say, stranger, how do you like our jump point
system?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ• •There're even jump points to areas we haven't explored,
yet.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ• •Of course any time you go remote like that, you better use good
sense.•§•pc•••••••normal•••randcu_1•Ÿ• •Right.•§

data\conv\rumor53.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••
war?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
fighters.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
us.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
because...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••

•Hi, any word about the Kilrathi
•There've been a few sightings of their stealth
 •Thought we'd destroyed them all, but looks like a few got past
•So, if your eyes start doing tricks on you, man, better start firing
 •...they've got their crosshairs on you.•§

data\conv\rumor54.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

coming?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

don't foresee a reprieve.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

constitution,•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

their enemy.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•Hi, how's the war effort

•We're keeping them contained in the Clarke Quadrant. But I

•These cats are bred with a warrior's

•and they believe, unconditionally, in the rightness of conquering

•That enemy happens to be us, man.•§

data\conv\rumor55.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
battlefield?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
rocking along.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
people up there...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Any news from the
•We registered some casualties, but both sides seem to be
•I tell you, it's great for commerce. They got a concentration of
•...consuming food and supplies at warp speed.•§

data\conv\rumor56.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•The Kilrathi just had a good week. Surprised you haven't been tapped as a backup

gun.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

sucks.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Hi, any news from the front?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•

•Pay's not bad, but the wing organization

•Those poor kids are just cannon fodder if you ask me.•\$

data\conv\rumor57.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
game?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
for...•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
out.~\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•

•Hi, what's the score in the war
•Changes from week to week, but Hyades is offering a good price
•...medical equipment and supplies if that's any indication. Check it
•Thanks, pal.~\$

data\conv\rumor58.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••
fire?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
fighters.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
disappear from your radar screen."

cu(rand_npc, normal, random_cu_2, 159, 9, 5, "If you get a glimpse of one, don't wait for a clear target, man...you won't even know what hit you.•§

- Say, what's the danger of me running into Kilrathi
- Not too likely, except in Clarke, but watch out for those stealth
- You know, planes with cloaking devices. Allows them to

data\conv\rumor59.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
industry?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
magnetoplasma crane.•§•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•ÿ•
it?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
strong...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
with critical precision.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•ÿ•
tool.•§

•Hi, heard about any buys in the construction
•Just so happens I turned a nice profit in Troy on a
•Sounds intriguing. What's so special about
•This crane has a digitized, variable beam so
•...you can lift an object of any mass, any resistance and place it
•If you've got construction, you've got a buyer for this

data\conv\rumor6.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•What's happening?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•Nothing, man. Getting ready to deliver a load of movie chips to Perry Naval

Base.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•Bound to be a snoozing trip but, what the hell, pays the bills.•\$

data\conv\rumor60.pfc

•pc•normal•••randcu_1••
•Hi, how's it going?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
•Couldn't be better. Just made a run out to Lisacc with a plasma drill. There're some
eager...•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
one, be sure you're getting...•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
variable focus beam adjuster.•\$•pc•normal•••randcu_1••
•...miners out there wanting these drills. But if you spring for
•...the one with a molybdenum tripod and a
•Say, thanks Pal.•\$

data\conv\rumor61.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•Hi, what's happening?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•Plenty. I managed to cop one of those on-board microwave receptors. With

this...•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•...little gizmo, you can be sitting on the farthest planet of the Humbolt

quadrant...•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•...and still hear a pin drop on the edgeward most Kilrathi base.

We've got a wide...•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•...market for communication technology here, and I

intend to tap it.•\$

data\conv\rumor62.pfc

•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•Hi, what's up?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•Factory retooling. I've had good luck selling super conductive conveyor belts to
mining...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•...planets. One of the most valuable tools I've ever tried to sell.

It generates power for...•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••
products along for processing. Good investment.•§

•...the entire factory while it moves your

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•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•Hi, what's selling these days?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•My game is pre-fab buildings. I prefer the anti-fatiguing, yttrium based frame.

They're...•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•...light and collapsible like the ancient Yurt dome but with

plastiglass windows. These babes...•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•...sell themselves at the right base.•\$

•pc•normal••randcu_1•Y• •Hi, what do you sell?•\$•rand_npc•normal••randcu_2•Y• •I outfit professional space salvagers. Usually try to sell packaged deals. Hard to get a good...•\$•rand_npc•normal••randcu_2•Y• •...price, but this combo has everything you need to get the job done. Check the exchange in...•\$•rand_npc•normal••randcu_2•Y• •...New Chicago if you're interested.•\$

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•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•Ÿ•
•Hey, what's with you?•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
•I don't
know if you've run any jobs for the Merchant's Guild, but watch them, man.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
•I did a jump for them the other day that would give you the cold
sweats.•§•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•Ÿ•
contracts aren't always fair.•§
•Sure, they always pay their contracts, but if you ask me, those

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•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1••
Guild?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••
Quadrant.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2••

•Hey, what's the latest with the Mercenary's
•They're always hiring. If you want a tough job, take the Farris
•If you want a cush run, better head for the Potter Quadrant.•\$

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•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•Hi, what's moving?•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•Slaves. You can get them cheap right now, and they're drawing a

premium.•\$•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_2•••

•Just delivered a load to New Reno. Better get you a

load.•\$•pc•••••normal•••randcu_1•••

•Yeah, thanks.•\$

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•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•A pilot laid this on me last week.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•She was three weeks out of New Detroit, off-lane, running silent...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•...when she came in visual range of this incredible ship!•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

massive, not Kilrathi, not Confed...and every instrument said it wasn't there!•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•

•She said she could see it, but it didn't register on her scans.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ•
believe her? I sure don't.•à

•It was

•You

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•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Hey, what do you think the Kilrathi are up
to?•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •From what I hear, they've changed tactics
again.•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •Instead of their usual seek-and-destroy policy, it seems they're asking
some odd questions...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •They're looking for a smuggler who has some unusual
weapon they want...•à•rand_npc•normal•••randcu_3•ÿ• •You don't know anybody like that...do you?•à

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•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ•••Hell of a ship, the Centurion.•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ•••You
are obviously a privateer who likes firepower...•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ•••But I'm afraid my boss won't let
me trade ship for ship.•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ•••Can I tell you about the Orion or Galaxy?•à

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•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•••I see you already fly a Galaxy Class merchant ship.à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•••She's not as flashy as some ships, but she sure is practical.à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•••If you're into aggressive space combat, then the Centurion is just what you're looking for.à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•••If it's security you want...à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•••...the Orion sports better armor and shields, but you'll give up a little cargo space.à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•••Which ship can I tell you about?à

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•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ•••You already fly an Orion, so you know you fly the safest ship available.•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ•••If you need more speed, then let me tell you about the Centurion.•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ•••But if it's cargo space you're after, then I suggest you consider a Galaxy.•à

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| •rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ• | •I hate to break it to you, but we've checked your |
| account...•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ• | •...and you don't have enough credits to buy this |
| ship.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ• | •She sure is a fine ship though, isn't |
| she?~•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ• | •Listen, I want to make a sale, you want to make a |
| purchase.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ• | •Let's look at the |
| numbers...~•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ• | •This ship retails for \$U3 |
| credits.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ• | •I can give you \$U1 trade in for your ship, plus \$U2 for your |
| extras.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ• | •That leaves you short by about \$U4 |
| credits.~•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ• | •Go get some cash, and come back when you're ready to deal, |
| okay?~•à•rand_npc•normal•••shpdlr_1•ÿ• | •And don't feel embarrassed...these things happen...~•à |