

## Dungeon S 1371

### Chapter 1371: Extra: Report For the Morning

"By the way, did you say that you would offer some rewards to us?" Jin shamelessly asked the question and Lisa Von Crustfingers' eyes suddenly lit up while she rummaged through her tattered leather sling bag.

"We are Birth Mothers so the most we can offer you are seeds of the Demon Rats," Lisa said as she took out a satchel containing the Demon Rat seeds. "These are the best seeds that we have grown from our body. I have kept them from the other Demon Rats so that my most precious of children would not be used as mere fodder."

"You do know that you are aiding your enemies, right?"

"But we had all heard rumours about you Humans. How you have multiple monsters that fought beside you. We thought that there is a chance life might actually be better than being enslaved by our own race." Lisa said and Jin sighed.

"You know, not every human is that benevolent. Some will use you or even manipulate you more than you could ever imagine." Jin responded.

"It's alright. We are willing to take the risk. All of us." Lisa replied with a depressed tone.

"Anyways. Keep those seeds of yours first. Get some rest along with your other colleagues. In fact, you should not even participate in this war at all. If I manage to find any other Birth Mothers, I would ask if they would like to join you."

"Thank you! Thank you! They should be more than willing to come with you when you say my name and also with this plaque. Give me a moment." Lisa's eyes suddenly lit up when she heard that Jin would try his best to save the other Birth Mothers. She quickly searched through her bag and took out a broken wooden sculpture of a demon rat.

"Show this to them and they would know that you are an ally, not a foe," Lisa said but Jin reiterated that there would be no guarantees he or his allies could find more of these Birth Mothers after the commotion that happened minutes ago. Lisa understood that notion and returned to her group where they quickly offered her a portion of the food.

"User, why did you not accept the seeds that were given to you? That is your rightful reward for saving them and we could use their numbers." The System asked and Jin smiled.

"Have you not thought of the future?" Jin threw the question back to the System. "If they are able to live comfortably here, don't you think that the rats they give birth might actually be of a higher quality?"

"That answer does not quantitate-"

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"It's all about timing and trust," Jin interjected. "Let them get used to the place, have them do their job as they are supposed to do naturally and once they figure out how to make the best rats out of the babies they have given birth from, then bring out those seeds. Perhaps, the quality of seeds that they

grow over time might exponentially increase in quality, making those seeds which they currently have erm...obsolete?"

The System understood where he was coming from and apologised for asking such a stupid question. "Then not taking the seeds was not only to show but reinforce the image that the humans and monsters can coexist together despite their differences."

"That's a bit too far fetched but you get my point." Jin chuckled a little as he got Captain Hei and Captain Bai to appear and escort the Demon Rats out of the Dungeon Maker instance once they were done with the food. After all, it was the command centre and even if the White Demon Rats are now their allies, it would not be wise to show the destruction of their race right in front of their eyes.

So while waiting for the Birth Mothers to clear out of the instance, Jin had begun contacting Weslie, Gold and Qiu Yue about their situations.

"We are progressing well. Just that the fighting never ceases ever since we start." Gold reported. "They had been not just throwing bodies at us but also rather decent troops."

"It's the same situation at my side, but other than that, we are able to make progress. We do need better air filters though or else those artillery we were using could potentially cause a dust explosion within the cave." Weslie reported.

"Weslie, I will get the System to prepare some for both of you. Otherwise, Gold, I understand there were some casualties at our end. I should be able to send them back down after the System has cleared them for teleportation." Jin answered back. As much as they want to send the reincarnated back to the fray, the System had always emphasised the need to balance cost and profit.

While it was capable of sending the soldiers back again in almost an instant, it would take a significant amount of resources to make sure that the minion was in good condition, both stable in the mind, body and soul before sending them out again. Any desynchronisation of the three elements could possibly reduce the 'stats' of the minion and cause unnecessary mistakes in battle. (Not to mention, they would be demoralised by the loss of proficiency in battle.)

No doubt, this could be averted by pouring a large amount of resources but a minion is still a minion. Unless they all have started to grow and show hidden talents as prominently as the minion leader, the System would only devote that amount of resources for its reincarnation.

"Could I have more than just beavers? They are good but judging how things are progressing, it would be great to have more erm...underlings." Qiu Yue asked through the comms with the sound of heavy artillery in the background.

"Do you think other minions could learn everything so quickly like your beavers? Besides, aren't you increasing your Empire Building proficiency with this fight? I heard from the System that you could already create walls with automated arrow installations on it. Further improvements to your Empire Building proficiency would no doubt see wonders if you keep using them." Jin asked and Qiu Yue nearly wanted to return to Dungeon Maker Instance and knock his head.

"Yeah?! Tell me that when you are down here fighting for 48 hours consecutively!" Qiu Yue shouted back although she was doing what Jin was saying upon learning that this was the best time to increase

her Empire Building powers. Not just walls, she could also summon metal pillars from nothing and throw them with immense force. And even though she was dying to test out the new skills she learned from Zeru, she felt that it was better to use her Empire Building abilities against masses of Demon Rats instead.

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"You can always come back to rest, the System would teleport you back to the battlefield," Jin replied and that was what the other troops were doing. They might have been fighting a gruesome battle but their morale was still high because the System and Jin allowed them to return to their warm beds and showers accompanied with a sumptuous meal cooked personally by Lynn.

No invading troop in the world has such a privileged life to rest, relax and recharge each time when they were called off from the fight to rotate.

"Fine, fine but you better take a closer look because the Demon Rats are always looking for opportunities to exploit." Qiu Yue said as she fought for a while longer before teleporting back to Jin's house.

### **Chapter 1372: Inner Town Base Camp**

Once the Birth Mothers had left, Jin had begun to look at the status of the Pillar Base Camp. It was already morning and the Pandarens were coming into the raid instance via waves. Because of the proximity of the base camp to the teleportation crystal near the third layer of the Inner Wall, the teleportation crystal was used instead mainly to give the Pandarens the 'excitement' of parachuting down from above.

While the dungeon supplier could have made it easy for the Pandarens and teleported them into the Pillar Base Camp, he purposely created this 'situation' so that he could 'milk' the Pandarens who failed to jump onto the pillar and descend. But he had a valid reason to do so as well. The third layer of the Inner Wall requires reinforcements as well and if they could manage to clear it, the Pandarens would have a safe base of operations they could use.

Of course, that is assuming that the Demon Rats did not pull off another big major earthquake to break the land once more and force the Pandarens to fall down to their Undercity. However, Jin knew that it would be near impossible for the Demon Rats to do that even though the odds of it coming true were still there. This was mainly because the bulk of their Undercity was situated right under it and causing an earthquake right above it would definitely destroy certain key facilities that would be vital for their continuation of this particular war.

It might be true that the Rats might do that in the future if they felt that they were on the losing end of the war but Jin had already started to sell a very unique item that was not seen in the Hidden Gem Night market before.

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Shu's roots.

The magical Treant had 'graciously' offered his roots for sale so that if such an earthquake were to occur again, the Pandarens would not be in such a pinch in the future. (Obviously, in return for his roots, he was compensated with System points.) This was because Shu's roots were capable of holding the ground together once they were planted on the ground. And if multiple roots were used at the same time, it would multiply the effect to hold the ground so that there would be no worries even if the Demon Rats had decided to do the same again.

Jin had also used a dummy anonymous account with a relatively high level rank in the forums in order to fool the rest while increasing the reliability of his information to 'announce' the presence of such an item. This prompted a few relatively rich Pandarens who had the coins to purchase them knowing that this would certainly be a surefire way to earn raid points. The only problem they now faced was that they were not strong enough to walk into the middle of a battlefield and plant those.

Even if they could, there was currently no base of operations which could utilise such an item. But all that changed when the Royal Zodiac Snake General Hou Fei emerged out of nowhere with a yawn and a platoon of over fifty people with him. With his presence alongside his soldiers, they were immediately able to create a base camp near the third layer of the Inner Wall and did similar fortifications as the previous Outer Wall Camp.

Because of the experience they had set up the Outer Wall Camp, the Inner Town Camp (which was the new name of the camp) had been established without too much of a hassle. People were amazed that the Royal Zodiac Snake had offered to create another base camp considering how much it cost. But everyone was fooled, including the Royal Snake Head that Hou Fei had sacrificed much of his wealth for the well being of the Pandarens even though it was just a temporary fixture in this particular raid.

This was because Hou Fei had the base camp package for free from the System since it was part of his rewards for successfully infiltrating the Undercity's Dark Tower. And since he was part of the Inc Executives (Panda Clan's fancy names for their own members.), the System also gave him significant discounts to set up the Inner Town Base Camp.

The sudden development of a new base camp further raises the morale of the Pandarens, and also allows those said rich Pandarens to establish Shu's roots, allowing them to gain a hefty amount of raid points for contributing to the stability of the Inner Town Base Camp. The rock wall which Milk had created previously from her fight against the Rat of Ruins was a slight hindrance to the expansion of the base camp but the Royal Zodiac Snakes had decided to keep it as it is because if there was ever a need to fall back, the giant rock wall would be a good buffer to lean on.

But other than that, the basic foundations for a decent base of operations had been set up. A medical camp for injuries that would be severe enough that healers cannot heal in a matter of minutes. A basic resupply station especially for cultivators who were using arrows, bombs, modern ammunition etc. A repair station where the cultivators could get their armour and weapons repairs if destroyed. A merchant shop which provided a slight discount compared to the active online store as well as a place to sell the junk the cultivators picked up.

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Not to mention, there was a food canteen where thankfully the penguins were the chefs to provide some food to the hungry as well as a command centre that belonged to the Snakes and other military arms of the Royal Zodiac. That was where they were allowed to rest and communicate as they shared information on the current situation not just within the raid instance but also outside of the raid instance.

After all, the streamers and other viewers could show stuff that the Royal Zodiacs might have missed and they could use it to their advantage especially in this day and age, information had always been the edge to win against any war. (Of course, Hou Fei had the best information at hand but as a former spy, he was happy to practise the art of not knowing anything. Or else, what fun would it be if they could not learn how to get the information themselves? )

And with that, the Pandarens were ready to send a counter attack later in the morning especially after defending the Pillar Base Camp for the entire night since it had been the main priority so far.

At the same time, the Pandawans who were finally arriving for the fight once more had started scouting places based on Jin's slightly classified intel of the Undercity. (The Boss could not give everything to them except the general areas or else it would be cheating.) and from there, they started to plan their wide active response events so that Jin could finally have the 'sufficient' reason to bring down his minions to fight against the Demon Rats.

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The third day of PandaVerse would definitely be a busy day for everyone.

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### **Chapter 1373: Breaking Out The Kill Zone**

Even with the increased manpower in the Pillar Base Camp, there was still no progress as expected. The rank and file Demon Rats that were surrounding the Pillar Base Camp were still numerous and they were 'refilling' at a rate that even the increased numbers of Pandarens could not take on.

It was pretty obvious that the Demon Rats had already begun to know that the Pandarens were more or less stuck in the Pillar Base Camp unless there were sacrifices willing to push through and break the encirclement.

And that itself would still be an insurmountable task to perform. Unlike the previous time when the Demon Rats consisted of a mix of melee and ranged troops, now they were playing with guns. Almost every one of them was hiding behind a piece of cover shooting at the magic barrier indiscriminately because there were no targets to pick on.

The moment those Pandarens emerged from the Pillar Base Camp, there would be nothing but their own equipment they had to rely on to block or evade those gunshots. And that was assuming that they could even get out of the kill zone.

The Pandarens who managed to return to the battlefield knew that this might get worse as there were already sightings of heavier guns from the scouts that were peering through the Undercity at the highest point of the pillar that was still covered by the magical barrier.

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It was only a matter of time, the magical barrier would be overwhelmed and the Demon Rats would concentrate on picking the Pandarens or destroying their walls and emplacements. Pandawan Yue Han who was on sight had then decided it was probably time to use his Wide Active Response Event initiator. The Pandawans were given a couple of one time portal tickets when they were talking to Jin and the Dungeon Supplier had promised to send out minions that were appropriate to the event's completion.

As long as the Pandarens had completed the WARE with 60% of the participants getting a gold level participation, Jin would then send in the reinforcements as the rewards. But the Dungeon Supplier did say that the higher the difficulty of the WARE, the better the rewards so by defending the Pillar Base Camp was not exactly the most tedious job the Pandarens could ever have.

So, Yue Han, the Bat Cultivator had decided to use his WARE to break the stalemate by creating an event that would essentially cost the most amount of casualties if not done right. This was because the WARE he had in mind would only pop out when the Pillar Base Camp's magical barrier had been destroyed.

As the Demon Rats who had trialled and tested, getting the barrier down was a matter of fact, they had a small window of opportunity to charge in and destroy whatever the Pandarens would have before the new magical barrier would be up again. And that was where their big guns and mortars would come in now that they saw a higher concentration of Pandarens in the vicinity.

What Yue Han was proposing was that the Pandarens were to rush out at the same time as Demon Rats engaging them through battle and at the same time, find a way to break the kill zone. The other Pandawans who were in with his plan realised how crazy and suicidal it was. However, that also meant that they could finally get points from the Demon Rats that were charging in rather than cowering behind the walls.

Also, those charging demon Rats could be used as meat shields against the kill zone that the Demon Rats had set up. Almost every Pandarens knew that the Demon Rats did not care whether it was friend or foe as long as they ultimately could kill their enemies. Thus, the Pandawans knew that if they were to charge out at the same time as the Demon Rats, they would have some 'assistance' from the other side shooting at their own friendlies.

Hence, the plan was spread around and Yue Han had already initiated the Wide Active Response Event the moment he monitored that the magical barrier energy levels had dropped to 35%. The plan was not well received but seeing that it was now a WARE, the rest knew that there would be points awarded even upon their meaningless death.

Therefore, the Pandarens pretended to continue cowering behind the walls while readying themselves for the charge so that they could at least weaken the kill zone a little. Also, because it was the first WARE for the day, it enticed the Pandarens who were not yet in the raid instance and prompted them to join almost as soon as possible.

"The barrier is going to go down soon!" Yue Han shouted and everyone started to brace themselves for the inevitability. Everyone's hearts were beating hard knowing that they would die being shot. The pain was not a great feeling but the exhilarating adrenaline pumping through them made them feel alive compared to sitting at the desk doing administrative work.

And with a large explosion by the enemies' mortar, the barrier was broken, causing it to shut down right in front of everyone. The Sheep Zodiac soldiers had now tried to get the barrier up again by replacing the energy battery but before that could happen, the Demon Rats were already dashing towards the Pillar Base Camp with the intent to massacre the Pandarens with their large numbers.

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"NOW!" The Pandawans who were temporarily their leaders shouted in unison, firing a volley of flashbangs and fireworks to distract the Demon Rats temporarily and also forcing the Pandarens who were in hiding to jump over the walls in packs. The Demon Rats had no idea what was happening with the sudden bright lights but their momentary distraction brought time for the front wave of Pandarens to jump down safely and charge toward them.

"Kill the Humans!! Artillery continues your bombardment on their camp!!!" The Demon Rat captain shouted as he saw under the cover of those bright lights the humans were dashing towards them.

Usually, the humans would not even be attacking and hide from the attacks and yet now, all the defensive emplacements were manned and they did not care whether they were killed during the battle, another human would replace the dead one and continue using the defensive emplacement without any care for their lives.

It seemed as if they were desperate enough to ensure victory at all costs. But honestly, they just want the extra raid points and participation points.

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### [Chapter 1374 Monster Reinforcements](#)

The WARE event appeared and with the conditions of protecting the camp from not more than 100 Demon Rats from entering the campsite, all the Pandarens were rushing out of the camp to ensure that the rats do not even have the chance to enter even if it meant their deaths.

The Demon Rat leaders were surprised by the sudden foolishness of the Pandarens but it did not mean much to him. Those Demon Rats of his were itching to have a brawl with them instead of just shooting from afar. Sure, it was pretty effective but most of the rats were satisfied until they tasted blood upfront.

More artillery and mortar shots were fired from the Demon Rats and some of them came out of hiding to shoot while they advanced down to the Pillar Base Camp. However, because of the close proximity between their fellow comrades and the Pandarens, friendly fire was inevitable and that was the reason why Yue Han had decided to use this opportunity to attempt to cull the numbers of the Demon Rats down.

It was a risky but decent move in Jin's eyes even though everyone knows that they would be back to square one the moment the magic barrier in the Pillar Base Camp would go up and everyone would be in that sheltered area again.

Thus, the Demon Rats were pushing hard hoping to enter and destroy the magic barrier generator if possible. Those long range strikes were in the Rat's hopes that it would destroy the magic barrier by chance and so they could earnestly mow down the cultivators by sheer force.

However soon, they were bound to regret their choice as the WARE events came to a close the moment their magic barriers were up. People realised that this was a relatively short wide active response event but for some reason, their raid points were drastically increased.

Perhaps it was because of the high danger component when they were faced with hundreds or maybe thousands of demon rats shooting at them. Quite a number of Pandarens died but both sides' recklessness had put a major blow to their forces.

Yet, that was enough for Jin to finally showcase his promise to the Pandarens that initiated the WARE event. With the closure of the wide active response event, a notification emerged out of their Pandamonium Apps. Since most of the Pandarens were already in the Pillar Base Camp once more, they were able to read the notification without being disturbed.

"Warning, major monster reinforcements are incoming in eight minutes."

Most people were confused about this as they did not know whether the monster reinforcement was from their end or it was the app hinting to them that the Demon Rats were preparing a major Rat Horde to claim the Pillar Base Camp.

However, only Yue Han and the rest of the Pandawans know that this was Jin's way of helping the Pandarens. However, knowing that telling the other cultivators would be cutting them short of a pleasant surprise so they shouted as much as they could to tell them to quickly prepare for the worst case scenario.

Some regretted entering the WARE event thinking that it was because of the event that forced this new condition to emerge (which was not wrong.) but that eight minutes was what the Pandarens needed to regroup as Jin hollered his first wave of troops to be prepared to move out.

"One minute more for major monster reinforcements to emerge. Please brace yourselves." The app continued to announce the monster horde wave and everyone started to frantically buy items from the online store to restock as much as they could, thinking that they would need them during a major fight like this.

And when the counter reaches zero, everyone had their weapons ready to move out once more the moment their Pandawans counterparts gave the signal. But instead of receiving that signal, they felt an enormous discharge of chi coming near the centre of the camp.

The terrifying source of energy caused them to tremble in fear as they saw a bespectacled man in a white coat along with a mantle walking to check the status of the magic barrier. "You guys really know how to overwork the barrier generator. Regardless, this is good data knowing that the barrier can take

this much punishment despite repeated use.” He said while looking at the cultivators who were now pointing their swords at him.

Probably because despite him looking like a man, his face was partially disfigured mainly due to the fact that he was still a ghoul.

“Perhaps in another instance, I would be the boss of the dungeon. But not today for I, Derek, the Half Ghoul Lord is here to assist your puny existence to victory.” Derek said as he gave a half bow while raising his hand high.

“Please move away from the walls for now or at least make some way else it would be an unpleasant experience for you. Do not blame me if you are killed by the stampede.” Derek said after he snapped his fingers.

Some of the Pandarens did not know what to do, especially those who had just entered the camp. However, the Pandawans insisted that it was not a threat and repeated the orders by Derek. Seeing how their higher commands had asked them to do so, they warily moved aside for the moment but could not help to notice that something was not right especially when the grounds were shaking rather violently.

“Stay your blade! Stay your blade! Those on the walls, move down now or try to make some space!” Yue Han shouted continuously, hoping that he made the right choice. After all, he had no idea what kind of minions Jin had with him and the one in front of him was someone he had never encountered before.

“Thank you very much for your assistance and now, please. Enjoy the show.” Derek said as he smiled widely before making a jump to the highest point of the camp in order to have a better view of the current situation.

“Now my zombies. You only have two commands. Arise and fight the Demon Rats to death.” Derek said as he yearned to see how his newly minted battle zombies would fight after months of countless modifications.

### [Chapter 1375 The Zombie Surge](#)

The cultivators participating in the raid were in shock. Not just the ones on the scene but those who were both watching and streaming were in awe by the current development.

Zombies were emerging out of the Pillar Base Camp’s grounds and if not for the Pandawans’ pleas to not touch anything else, the Pandarens would instinctively do two things. Either run or fight the zombies before they fully emerge from the ground.

But now that they were asked to stay still, they could see how creepy the zombies were from the viewer’s perspective. As the zombies crawled out from the ground, their howling made it as if they had been craving for something, urging them to fulfil it as soon as possible.

There was no mistake, the humans were delicious to look at, and even had a scent that made the zombies drool a lot. But the commands of the Half Ghoul Lord were absolute.

To feast on the Demon Rats instead.

So their heads turned from the humans that were standing so defenceless from the shock of their appearance and headed towards the walls. Similar to the cultivators, they all began to start jumping as if they had some imbued chi inside of them. Some of the Pandarens noticed that their leader also did the same thing previously and wondered if they were zombie cultivators.

The truth was that they were not entirely wrong because all the zombies had been imbued with both utility and offensive inscriptions, causing them to burst with chi. The same goes with Derek who equipped a number of high grade inscriptions that allowed him to make others feel like he was a super cultivator.

While the Half Ghoul Lord had treated his zombies kindly and even gave them adequate food and care, he did not hesitate to use them like weapons. Because of the degradation of their intelligence, it was best that they could do something more than just biting their enemies to death.

So through rote learning, the zombies finally learnt how to swing a sword properly and with the aid of inscription charms, they were able to do more than just slashing the enemy with their brute strength. They could unleash the powers within those inscriptions (though rather haphazardly) and bring carnage to their enemies (Also to some extent, friendly fire. Derek remembered at the start of their training, some zombies almost wiped out the entire zombie group because they could not control the swing when empowered by their inscriptions.)

The Demon Rats were rather shocked that humans were jumping out of their shelter and into the killing fields of their ranged attacks. They could not be any more happier as each of them attempted to fill every piece of filth that was foolish enough to be shot at.

However, they soon realise that those humans were not hindered by the attacks except for those who were shot in the head. It was then they found out that those were not entirely humans but monsterified humans which they had never seen before.

Some of them were even lit up in different shades of hues as they rushed recklessly towards the Demon Rats. Not to mention, more of those 'humans' started to jump off the walls of Pillar Base Camp and even the Demon Rat leaders started to call for strikes on the battlefield rather than focusing on the magic barrier of the base camp.

The Pandarens who were at the scene peeked over the walls to see what was happening and saw the carnage that was about to unfold. The zombies might look like they were losing since those who stepped into the battlefield were killed. However, the Pandarens noticed that with each zombie dead, the body that dropped dead was actually closer to the Demon Rats who were shooting at them from their designated point.

That means the Demon Rats were having difficulty pushing them back and there is a chance that the Zombies could stop the shooting towards the Pillar Base Camp. "Heh. No wonder Master Jin wants me to go in first. My zombies might not be the most offensive of troops but they sure can take a lot of hits from all those shooting." Derek thought to himself as he monitored the battlefield. At the same time, he pulled out a magical staff and started to chant.

Unlike Peppers who loved to cast offensive magic, Derek was more of a support caster and with good reason. Why learn an offensive magic that could only kill one or two Demon Rats considering the mana

that he has when he could learn the same level of area support magic and sustain his zombies? By doing that, his zombies were his sword and shield that annihilates everything in his path.

Just giving them a minor regeneration boost had already allowed them to reach the Demon Rats in record time. Something even the Pandarens had difficulty doing despite all the fancy gadgets that they bought from Jin. (Which of course, Jin secretly thanked them for spending all that money as well. They probably got scammed in some way or another and only the System and its User knows it.)

,m And with Derek's zombie having first 'physical' contact with the Demon Rats, the Pandawans took this opportunity to send out another WARE event now they saw how much the monsters were giving the progress they solely needed. (It goes to show how low level most of the cultivators were that they were also regarded as fodders with the exception of Pandawans and a few richer Pandarens who could circumvent the situation using gear.)

Regardless, with progress on their side, they are finally able to get out of that base camp and start to move forward and earn some raid points. Jin was delighted that things started to move as he was itching to send all his forces down if not for the allure of money pouring into his coffers. (Which was contradictory since sending his troops down costs money rather than earning money.)

But since the Pandarens had started to branch out to fight, the System and Jin had started to listen into the Demon Rats' plans with the listening bugs that Hou Fei had planted.

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### [Chapter 1376 Zombie Demon Rats](#)

"You see. I told you they are waiting for us." Jin said as the System had reported a few columns of artillery being deployed away from the Undercity's city hub. Why was he not surprised that there were more underground storages for those Demon Rats to pull out their guns.

However, the fight had started in earnest now that Jin had begun showing his hand to deal with the Demon Rats. This was because the Half Ghoul Lord Derek had continued to bring out every single zombie that he had in his possession and continuously sent them out to not only deal with the kill zone but also started converting those Demon Rats to their side.

While the Demon Rats were unable to under the System's command, that did not mean that it could be converted temporarily to their side. This is because the zombies did their basic job best – By spreading their 'zombie' virus to the Demon Rats. Jin and Derek had already experimented it out on the Demon Rats who they had captured previously and it worked out perfectly fine.

The only problem was that when the Zombie Demon Rat was killed, their resources were corrupted as well. Rotten and stinky just like how most zombies would have with their degenerating flesh despite their never dying ability. (As long as their head remained intact.)

But this spreading of the zombification virus would no doubt strengthen Jin's side momentarily. As long as the zombies were able to place a bite before the Demon Rats turned into resources, their zombie virus would work. Derek even made sure that the zombie virus spread fast after countless hours of

research that had been put in to understand the Demon Rat's physiology and ensure the zombie virus could move to infect the brain as quickly as possible.

However, it would not have been possible if not for how the Demon Rat's body works. No matter how permeable Derek had made the zombie virus to be, it would be of no use if there was no blood flowing to the heart and brain of the Demon Rat. But in the end, Derek found out that the workings of 'nature' were on their side as they found out that the Demon Rat's blood flow was actually the fastest when they were dead.

Their hearts would not stop pumping as if to accelerate some sort of matter growth and Derek could only presume that it was because they were changing back into a resource. The System was initially curious about the Demon Rats' physiology, thinking that if they could halt this change, they might be able to reincarnate the Demon Rat, hence having a supply of soldiers under Jin.

However, despite multiple attempts to control it, both the System and Derek felt that it was meaningless and decided to drop such a prospect. Knowing that the blood flow was the fastest upon their death only meant that the virus could seep into their brain quite easily the moment the virus was introduced. Thus with this method, the kill zone box became a breeding ground for more of the zombie troops to emerge.

That was also why the Demon Rat Command responded fiercely when they received word that their own comrades were turning into enemies. The only thing that Jin was surprised by the deployment of those artillery cannons was how ruthless they continued to be by sending incendiary rounds to burn the entire place.

Now the Pandawans had learnt that setting up WARE events to counter the Demon Rats' efforts would be the most effective. They now knew that they were no longer the main assault force and should do everything they could to assist in this current war. It was as if Jin had already given the Pandarens their chance to prove themselves and they were not able to show that they were capable in the fight against such an immense force.

For now, the WARE events included countering the incendiary rounds or making sure that the fire was contained to not burn any more dead corpses that the zombies could utilise. At the same time, Jin was also preparing more troops behind the scenes so that once the Pandarens had completed the WARE events set up by the Pandawans, Jin would be able to send in masses and stop their artillery strikes as soon as possible for their army to advance.

"User could easily send elite troops to deal with the Demon Rat Command right now." The System suggested but Jin shook his head.

"They are not of a swarm mentality, you cut their head off, others would take their place and continue to fight. It is better we continue to counter them accordingly based on the information we are hearing...or until we are fooled by them." Jin said and the System believed Jin would like to drag the battle to fulfil PandaVerse's festival duration.

"Understood. We shall break the shield that is surrounding the hole for now." The System said as it was waiting for the WARE events to be concluded to move to the next portion of the assault.

But to its surprise, the Pandarens were able to clear the WARE events rather efficiently and allowed the System and Jin to send out their biggest eater when it comes to magic consumption.

Mister Derpy.

Instead of emerging out from the Pillar Base Camp, Mr Derpy teleported out from the Inner Town Camp and headed towards the magical shield that only allowed the pillar tunnel to exist. Since breaking was such a wasteful option, Jin had decided to let Mr Derpy debut early and eat the shield's energy. This not only gives Mr Derpy his daily consumption for the day, but it also will no doubt lower their number of mages. It was literally killing two birds with one stone.

And once they find out that maintaining that magic shield was feasible, that was when the real fun begins...or that was what Jin imagined it to be.

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### [Chapter 1377 Mr Derpy's Magic Meal](#)

"Yuck, what kind of magic power is this?!" Mr Derpy said as he munched on the magical barrier. "But beggars can't be choosers..." he thought to himself as he could feel that his whinings would be purposefully ignored.

At the very least, Mr Derpy finally had an enormous amount of energy to consume. He had been starved for quite a few days since the System needed resources to work on the invasion. Not to mention, he could not complain since he had been given a healthy amount when he was not doing anything at all.

"But that does not mean I have to suffer from eating such a bad quality of energy. It's too stale..." Mr Derpy complained once more as he made a loud click sound which vibrated the magical barrier and eventually broke it into pieces. Without a doubt, a number of mages had a bout of intense magical feedback, killing them in the process.

A new batch of mages who were on standby quickly took over and attempted to cover the city with a fresh layer of magical energy. At the same time, the Demon Rat Command assumed that the gigantic whale would be a threat of enormous value if it enters the Undercity airspace so they had begun to sortie the air units once more.

And with Air Force Demon Rat General Gnawbones redeeming himself a little the day before, he was quickly reinstated by Cinderclaw, the incumbent overall in command to settle with the mess up in the skies. Gnawbones was overly elated that he got control of the Air Force once again even though Cinderclaw did it as a minor payback for a grudge long forgotten by the former.

But with the Air Force completely in his hands and no more holding back now that the allied monsters emerged on the battlefield, Gnawbones finally would be able to unleash the full might on his natural enemies.

Meanwhile, when the magical barrier had finished forming, Mr Derpy took a hefty bite on it and finally started to enjoy his meal. He could only assume that the magical shield quality had been degraded from the consistent bombing by the Royal Zodiac Snakes and the Pandarens. To him, it initially felt like he was

munching on burnt meat but right now the 'meat's' taste was acceptable and began to seep energy from it.

There was without a doubt the Demon Rat mages were trying their best to maintain the barrier but Mr Derpy's rate of consumption exceeded their regeneration of the barrier causing holes to appear on it.

And with the System prompting the crew on Nerodia on the latest development of the shield via the Pandamonium App, the Royal Zodiac Snakes had decided to sortie their planes as well...until they realised that something was coming out of their radar.

"And also Sir! There is an enormous fleet of boogies detected in the north!" One of the standby crew reported from the command bridge.

"What?" Chen Lai, who had brought out his laptop to do some administrative work, was stunned by the latest development. "And here I thought I could finally complete some menial task while waiting for the war to end..." Chen Lai said to himself as he was appraised by his crew members on the current development.

"Clearly we do not have enough planes to have a decent dogfight with them." Chen Lai said as he had decided to send the information to the Inner Town Camp where his General was commanding the rest of the Royal Zodiac Snakes that were available.

"Yea, it's pretty obvious from my side that a giant ass whale is floating at the top of the magical barrier and eating it up. It's no wonder that the Demon Rats would be riled up by it." Hou Fei said. "I see what I can do from my side. I should have a few anti air flak cannons in my inventory."

Once the communication between the Nerodia was done, Hou Fei still gave Chen Lai, the current commanding officer of the battleship, to sail slightly closer to the shore to provide some support. At the same time, it was given a new objective to find out where the planes were coming from. With these many planes which amount close to fifty over, there would definitely be a base where they were flying from.

In the meantime, Hou Fei consulted the System since it should have a rather detailed map of the Northern Region but the System stated that the base was not a concern at the moment since it was going to sortie Mr Derpy to the area soon enough.

"But what can one big ass whale do? Gobble the base up?" Hou Fei asked through the System Channel and Mr Derpy who was in the vicinity heard the insult and sent out a whaling howl which deafened the Pandarens as well as the soldiers at the Inner Town Camp.

"Okay, okay. We see how this battle whale works against a fleet of planes." Hou Fei surrendered and Mr Derpy gave a slight smirk.

The Demon Rats Fighter planes came in no time and with the direction they were heading, it was apparent that Mr Derpy was their target. The Inner Town Camp already had the Pandarens at the ready with anti air weapons but with the limited equipment that they have, they could only do so much. Not to mention, if the fighter planes were to come close to Mr Derpy, friendly fire would be expected so they could only do so much.

However, what they did not expect was that the giant ass whale suddenly started to move forward and at a speed that they were not expecting. Even the fighter planes who had decided to send a volley of rockets towards the whale and split their formation afterwards were shocked by the intense charge by the giant amphibian.

“Holy shit, is the whale going to swallow the fighter planes up?” One of the Pandarens said as they saw the entire fight unfold right above their eyes.

True enough, Mr Derpy opened its mouth and dashed through the fighter planes’ formation, eating up almost three quarters of their fighting force in one swoop (or bite). Everyone was flabbergasted by the development and even Hou Fei was at a loss for words until he tuned into the local team channel that was in contact with Nerodia’s crew.

“Deploy all the Chryso fighter planes. The remaining Demon Rat planes would be more than enough target practice for those rascals...” Hou Fei said and chuckled at the absurdity of the current situation.

### [Chapter 1378 Pandaverse Third Day Morning Report](#)

Gnawbones was in total shock when he saw his precious planes disappear into the gigantic flying sea monster. What’s more, was that there were enemy planes in the air fighting against his as the monster continued to move further north nonchalantly.

Hou Fei was taken aback by the development of the current situation considering that if he knew Mr Derpy could have been reliable, he would not have taken the time to make anti air defences and focus on gathering strength to clear the Inner Town properly.

After all, the more time he had to clear the Inner Town, there would be fewer avenues for the Demon Rat to attack while the Pandarens gained more confidence to proceed with their individual assaults too.

This was because the majority of the customers would not find it too fun when the difficulty level was hindering them. Despite it being ultra realistic and full of surprises, if the raid was not handled well to cater for the group, people might stop participating once they tried it once.

That was also one of the reasons why Jin had decided to bring in the monsters on the third day because with their aid, the Pandarens would now have an easier time fighting while having an adequate challenge when the Demon Rats threw their rank and file against them.

In any case, when Hou Fei saw how the enemy’s air force was decimated, he decided to leave it to Mr Derpy to find the air base and destroy it once and for all while the Royal Zodiac Snake General continued to take charge to clear the Inner Town, inch by inch.

With the soldiers at the forefront, the participating Pandarens joined as auxiliary support either by giving extra firepower or providing logistics support. It still gave them raid points as advertised and some of the Pandarens especially the Snake Cultivators even tried to use this opportunity to see if they could catch the eyes of Royal Zodiac military officers.

Some were blatant in their actions but the Royal Zodiac officers were also rather selective of ‘secret’ recruitment. That was also one of the reasons why the other Royal Zodiac clans that were currently here

were doing as well. As much as they were training their own soldiers in the raid, they were taking this chance to find out whether they could find any hidden talents as well.

This was also mainly due to the fact that both the Monkey and Sheep Royal Zodiac clans were lacking recruits with battle experience which was why they decided to use this opportunity to find more. The reason behind the lack of battle cultivators is that the clan usually accepts more academics who could further their clan's specialities. All those academics needed was to adopt a basic monkey or sheep cultivation and even using them as secondary cultivation was allowed if the academics/doctors were reluctant to change.

But the recent attacks by the Banned Emperor had forced the Royal Zodiac clan's higher ups to think more about their security. Sure, they could get help from the other Royal Zodiacs such as from the Tiger Clan since they owned a big pie of the police and are obligated to help but there was a certain limit on how much they could assist.

Not to mention, some secrets were best to be kept within one's clan than asking for the protection of the others and so they were keeping their eye out for the best within this raid.

However, let's not forget that the Tigers were here as well despite their small group but their objective was purely dedicated to the raid itself. Even though there were some cultivators trying to brown nose the captain in charge of the Tigers, Hu Chun Hua would not even bat an eye at them at all.

Her team's objective was very clear to improve themselves and increase their grade if possible. So, with the current chaos created by the Zombie Horde, they were finally able to wreak havoc freely without thinking that they could get shot from the back now that the kill zone was officially broken.

The WARE events were also done, allowing Jin to push the next wave of soldiers out to annihilate the artillery that was set up to counter the zombie horde. It was none other than Wyrstriker and his trusty Wyvern riders. Ayse and her science team had once again improved the mana thruster engines that the goblin wyvern knights were using, allowing them to exit the portal the System created at top speed and zoomed towards the artillery encampments.

The sound of the mana thrusters was satisfying to hear as they dived through the broken magic barrier that Mr Derpy left before intervening the Demon Rat's air force. It caught everyone's attention including the Demon Rats as they had no idea how fast those goblin wyverns knights were moving.

There was no time for the defences in the artillery encampments to react as the wyverns dropped cluster bombs, a devastating missile made up of several smaller explosives. This instantly crippled the encampments allowing the zombie horde to run and invade the undercity.

Everything seemed to go smoothly until the System and Jin heard something from the Demon Rat Command that retracting their orders would be a difficult thing to do.

"Derek! Pull your zombies back immediately! The Demon Rats are going to-" Before Jin could finish his sentence, Derek could already see that the Demons had started their counterattack. Explosives were detonated, causing a certain row of houses to explode, impeding the zombie horde from moving forward. The cloud of dust that emerged looked as if the Great Wall of China had been erected right in front of the invaders.

Even with the System's omnipotent map of the undercity, they could not predict that they had planted that many high grade explosives and waited for more of the zombie horde to cross until they detonated it.

"Holy shit..." Jin said as he saw the scale of destruction with his two own eyes.

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### [Chapter 1379 Blitzkrieg](#)

As much as Gnawbones wished to return the attack at the flying whale monster, he have to move the second phase of the current war plan that the Demon Rat Generals had planned beforehand.

The first phase of this particular war plan which the Demon Rat Air Force was responsible for was to attack via the surface. They had a hidden base which was supposed to be used for this particular phase and their planes would either destroy the threat that was damaging the energy shield.

Even if they could not defeat the force that was damaging the energy shield, the remaining number of Demon Rat planes would zoom past the enemy's forces with all their might and return to the Undercity. The mages would open up a certain section that was known to the Demon Rat Pilots that were participating in this war operation and then the fighter planes would disrupt the enemy lines from the back.

That was in conjunction with the massive wall of explosives that were used to kill Derek's encroaching horde of zombies into the city and the remaining fleet of Demon Rat planes would use the shock induced situation to decimate the human soldiers and their monster comrades.

All of that became impossible with the Royal Zodiac Snake's Chryso fighter jets destroying the remaining Demon Rats while Mr Derpy continued to fly forward, going for the forward air base that the Demon Rats were using. Even if it would be void of planes, the System had instructed Mr Derpy to dispose of the airbase since there were still Demon Rat remnants in the region according to its updated map.

When within sight, all Mr Derpy did was just take a huff and puff his lungs out, causing an immense gust of wind to penetrate their feebly magical barrier and destroy whatever contents the Air Base was holding.

And with another puff, it cause a temporary hurricane to emerge right in the middle of the base, ripping the floor foundations apart, revealing Demon Rats that were hiding and killing them in the process. He did not even need to use any of his Deep Ones but still eventually decided to send a squad in just to make sure that everything was thoroughly cleaned up.

In the meantime, Air Force General Gnawbones had already sent his best pilots to bomb the zombie horde and the Pandarens and his remaining fighter planes to deal threat that the Goblin Wyvern Knights were giving. Unfortunately, because he was in the Command Room, he did not have a full glimpse of Wyrstrikers and his knights' capability.

Even before the bombers and the fighter planes could fully depart towards the survivors of the horde, Wyrstriker and his Wyvern Knights were already circling around waiting to hunt their latest prey. The

moment they have them in their sights, their mana thrusters were already roaring through the Undercity and headed straight for them.

The bombers tried to evade the Goblin Wyvern Knights but in this current tight airspace especially when they were underground, they were basically air target practices for the Wyverns to bring down. A new piece of equipment had allowed the wyverns to shoot several devastating blasts of fire in a short period of time, which had been dubbed as the ignitor, had been making their debut in this situation.

With that piece of equipment near their mouth, it acted as the name stated to help ignite their breaths, increasing the explosive power of their fire breaths. This new method of spewing flames allowed the wyverns to complement the firepower that the Goblins were carrying as well and gave them extra mobility to complete their mission objectives.

On the other hand, the Demon Rats in those bomber planes might shoot back but they could never catch the speed the Wyverns were moving unless it was a lucky shot. Other than that, the bombers went down fast, enabling the Goblin Wyvern Knights to concentrate on the dogfight engagement they have with the remaining fighter planes.

It was yet another loss for the Demon Rats Air Force as it was pretty obvious that their technology could not surpass Wyrstriker's platoon of Goblin Wyvern Knights strapped with mana thrusters.

This gave the Zombie Horde some time to recover especially when Half Ghoul Lord Derek brought forth the Fire Zombies, allowing them to absorb the brunt of the disaster. The fire they took in was also used as energy to power themselves up, causing them to have a stronger magical presence and shoot long range fireballs back at the Demon Rats who were shooting them from afar. Simultaneously, the Pandawans set up more WARE events to salvage this particular disaster they were in, so for example Pandarens who knew water arts contributed to extinguishing the fire that was raging after the explosion.

However, this also allowed the Demon Rats to regroup and party up with the reinforcements that were coming through the underground tunnels or alleys. Houses and apartments were filled with Demon Rats aiming their rifles and rocket launchers through the windows while they waited for the Zombie Horde to go through.

But they had forgotten that Jin's Army does not only have foot soldiers.

Columns of armoured vehicles caught the attention of the viewers from the System's streams as they were the next to pop out from the portals once the current wave of WARE event was completed.

Since Jin knew that the Undercity would be a complicated place to fight, it was best to storm the various districts with speed. Scout and lure Demon Rats out of their hiding places and fight with them accordingly.

In short, Jin was trying to imitate the tactics of the German's infamous blitzkrieg tactics where speed was the only thing that matters. The Dungeon Supplier might want to spread this Demon Rat Raid as a week's long event but given the estimation of numbers that the System had noted in the latest scan along with the Birth Mother's testimonies, it might be best to work a little bit faster than usual.

“Besides, isn’t this speed we are going favourable for the current streaming community too?” Jin thought to himself as he could see the numbers and retention of viewers started to increase with respect to Bear Cub One’s Metube stream.

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### [Chapter 1380 New Threats Every Hour](#)

Even as the Goblin Wyvern Knights were doing their best to break down the bomber planes, they realised the numbers were only growing. With each plane they shot down, another two more emerged from afar.

And to make things worse, the bomber planes were kamikazing, throwing themselves at Jin’s Army as much as their planes could take. Demon Rats were also seen to be strapped with explosives and bombs that were heavier than their weight so that they could use a booster to make themselves akin to guided missiles.

The only difference from the concept of guided missiles was that the Demon Rats were sacrificing themselves to make sure the explosives get to where they were going, to destroy as much as the zombie horde as they could. For the armoured vehicles that were driven by the Dark Templars, most of them were able to continue to charge forward to the city centre

Thus, the only solution was to annihilate the bomber planes, combusting them in mid air so that the recovering zombie horde would not take the brunt of the damage. However, it was extremely dangerous for the Goblin Wyvern Knights to do so because the mid air explosions were equally deadly to the wyvern riders.

To counter this, Jin had decided to send in Marquis Forneus and his mechanised company of Dragon Devils. This half metal half dragon menace was the latest fighting force that had been sent into the fray against the suicidal bomber planes and the Demon Rat’s remaining airforce.

The explosions might be a little damaging to the Dragon Devils but their mechanised selves that had been enhanced by the System allowed them to repair on the go, enabling the Dragons to move from one bomber plane to another rather easily. Marquis Forneus even took the initiative to send his dragon to throw out a hyper charged beam to burn down the latest wave of Demon Rat planes.

In the meantime, the Pandarens were in awe by the appearances of dragons since they were always seen as a symbol of might and strength especially when it comes to the fight for the skies. Those who had joined the Defence of Pandapolis previously initially thought that the Dragon Devils were enemies until they realised that they were on the same side and subsequently cheered for them.

With the intervention of the Dragon Devils, this gave the zombie horde some time to gain back their momentum and Half Ghoul Lord Derek continued to push the horde out using the roads that were initially cleared by the convoy of the armoured vehicles.

Stragglers were still around even after the initial push by the armoured vehicle convoy but at the very least, the Dark Templars had forced the Demon Rats to push their attention to the armed convoy since they were getting closer to the city centre.

And as expected when the Dark Templars forced their way through, they were met with heavy resistance. Impromptu fortification such as makeshift walls filled with metal junk and sandbags to heavily reinforced guard posts which were near impossible to go near. Some of the Dragon Devils were able to answer calls by the Dark Templars asking for a quick fly by and they obliged, allowing the armed mobile convoy to move deeper than Jin had expected them to do so.

Yet, most of them reached an impasse as the fighting got extremely intense and most of their vehicles were destroyed with dozens of rockets flying to halt their tracks. A number of Dark Templars managed to survive and decided to dash into buildings not just for safety from the overarching shots from urban warfare but also to score some kills.

With the power and courage granted to them by Mr Derpy, their object of worship, their skin turned scaly and secreted a kind of slime which enabled them to block gunshots to a certain degree. If the shots were far enough, the build up of slime on their skin would stop the attack but if the shots were near, they might graze the scales that had or maybe injure them slightly.

This allowed the Dark Templars to fight at a very demanding pace and massacre the Demon Rats while they hide in the buildings and gain some environmental advantage. The only time some of these Templars were killed was when the Demon Rats bombed the entire apartment building down, crashing their kind within the debris in the process.

This series of events made the Demon Rats realise that the cultivators were clearly not the threat and they were right to reserve most of their firepower for Jin's minions. It was apparently so for the Air Force General Gnawbones who he saw that his remaining fleet of planes was dwindling at a rate he could have never imagined.

If mechanical units were not a match to Jin's monsters, then perhaps it was time to release their own monsters to fight against such monsters. The Demon Rats had not been idle after being engaged in multiple skirmishes with Jin's minions before this great defensive war they were currently fighting.

Behind the scenes, they had started to make their very own monsters or chimaeras as one would call them. This was because they knew that when they die, they would turn to a certain random resource. It could vary from something precious like gold to something ridiculous like a bag of feathers.

But it was previously because there was something like a bag of feathers, such Demon Rats were used as the base core for these mutations, creating Demon Rat Chimaeras that were out of this world. There were plenty which the Demon Rats had made and especially when they used the research left by Weslie, the Scholar of the West before she was rescued by Gold, these Chimaeras were strengthened and specialised to monsters that were suited to the Demon Rats' military needs.

Right now, one such monster was the Flying Rat Chimaeras and Gnawbone had decided to unleash a bunch of them all hungry for a fight.

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