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At the end of the Battle of Gods, the Demigods on both sides of the conflict began to retreat around the headquarters of the Black Plain Army.

The aliens' plan was to try to force the enemy forces back and look for a way to eliminate Abby. But since the alien Gods had failed in their plans, it would be a waste of strength to continue to fight the Demigods.

Thus, the group of 10th-stage aliens soon began to disperse while the Demigods of the local forces attacked with vigor to take out as many of the retreating enemies as possible.

The local Demigods were not as strong as the same-level enemies. However, thanks to the many Demigods that Abby had resurrected, the local forces had the support they needed in the final minutes to inflict heavy casualties on the enemy side.

Of the thousand or so 10th-stage aliens that attacked this base moments ago, 400 fell by the time the alien retreat began.

On the other hand, most of the local natives who died in this conflict were those who were already dead and would naturally disappear after Abby's fusion ended.

Even those living beings who died in today's battle could eventually return to contribute to the Spiritual World by being revived by Abby!

Thus, this battle ended with the Black Plain Empire defeating the aliens!

Unfortunately, this was not the only battle around the empire, and many other forces around the state would suffer quite different results!

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Vico, Willow, and Aarav remained together above the Black Plain Army headquarters as they watched the situation calm down.

The three of them were exhausted, with worried looks on their faces as they felt that despite their victory in the battle, their situation was not good.

"The next time we're attacked like this, we won't be able to count on those two," Vico said as he thought of the Sky Whale and Henry.

"We have other bodies of Gods of the Spiritual World, but it might be difficult to get them to cooperate like those two." Aarav agreed, aware that the dangers for them could be much greater next time.

Willow looked worriedly in the direction the enemies had gone and said. "Did you notice how the enemies recovered faster than we did?"

The enemy Gods, who had been in the Spiritual World since the first battle of the war, had been exhausted in that first major battle but had still recovered faster than these three.

The aliens in question hadn't reached 100% of their energy in those months in the Spiritual World, but they were about 30% better off than the natives of that world.

Willow had noticed this in the fight a few moments ago and couldn't ignore the problem. "If they can heal better than us, we'll have a problem. Eventually, we'll be weakened and without many allies. At that point, they'll be able to get rid of us, and the war will be resolved in their favor." Follow current novels on [nov3lb\(\(in\).\(co/m\)](http://nov3lb((in).(co/m))

The two noticed the problem as they thought about the battle earlier and realized she was right.

"What are we going to do?" Vico asked them, not knowing what they could do to change it and preparing for the worst.

Willow looked at Aarav and said. 'We have to talk to Gloria. We may have to use Minos' medicines.'

Aarav hadn't thought about it at first, but when he heard Willow's voice in his mind, he couldn't help but notice that using the Divine Medicines of Minos as a nutrient for them could help them recover quickly.

It was even possible that they would become even stronger!

'Will she allow this? These medicines are for the future of the Black Plain Empire.' He commented while the three of them remained silent.

'There will be no future if we can't stop the alien threat.' She said, imagining that they had to at least try to use some of these medicines and then try to surprise the aliens.

If they succeeded, maybe they wouldn't need to use all the medicines in Minos' Spatial Kingdom!

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While the Gods of the Spiritual World were discussing such a delicate matter, the aliens who had escaped from the Black Plain Empire were also talking about it.

"The enemies were weaker than I expected." One of the aliens, someone who had been on this world the longest, commented. "If I'm not mistaken, the natives here don't have the same kind of resources as us, and it's hard for them to recover their energy."

"Oh? Do you think they'll be weaker the next time we attack them?" Asked one of the two gods new to this world who had survived today's battle.

One of the Gods in the group who had been on this world the longest had died on the battlefield, which was a shame and worried the three wounded survivors who were now fleeing to their territory. But if the alien's words were true, then today's battle might give them the chance they needed to defeat the forces of this world.

"Yes, I believe so." Said the alien. "I think we should focus our attention on recovering from this battle for the next few months and let our 10th stage experts take care of our plans for this world."

When we are at our best, the enemies will most likely be weakened. They won't be in their best shape, and they still won't have the help of those two dead men.

That will be the time to eliminate several of them and go after the Empress of the Black Plain Empire!"

"All right, let's do it." Said the strongest of them. "Let's leave our 10th stage men to take care of expanding the empire's territory in this world. Meanwhile, let's make them use the local natives who want to surrender to us. We'll let the natives take care of the basics in our territory until we defeat the enemy leaders."

With this decision, the three of them continued their journey to the core of their territory in the Ancestral Sea, having already sent messages to the other three Gods who were acting around the Spiritual World.

They also ordered an end to today's action throughout the Black Plain Empire, willing to give the local forces some peace while they began to prepare for the next massive attack.

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Thus, the two forces battling in the Spiritual World began to follow more or less similar plans, with both sides retreating with their key specialists for the time being.

Aarav and Willow would soon talk to Gloria about their plans and get her approval to take 2 Divine Medicines with them for the recovery of the Gods of the Spiritual World.

Meanwhile, Abby would return to her seclusion to increase her level and prepare for the next enemy attack. She had never used resources to speed up her cultivation before, but now it would be part of her strategy to avoid future defeats!

Chapter 2222 Arrival in Littlemere

In the blink of an eye, nine months have passed since Minos' party left Kilburn.

They had traveled a long distance, encountered many problems, encountered several experts beyond level 100, and even had to flee from one of them.

Five group members died due to the problems they encountered during this time, including the creatures that chased them because of Minos' wings.

A few months after the battle for those wings, some members of the survivor's group caught up with them and fought a great battle against Minos' group.

Fortunately, there was only one enemy above level 100 with such a group, and after using everything they had, Minos and Maximillian were able to defeat that enemy and escape.

Unfortunately, three of their companions died in this battle due to complications from the massive fight against their enemies.

After that, the group ran into more problems that caused the other two team members to die.

Fortunately, the rest of the group survived these challenges unscathed. But those months were not all bad. They also encountered good opportunities and resources, as they collected many things and even took advantage of some of the chances that came their way.

As a result, some survivors made new breakthroughs, with some people raising the quality of their physique to the Divine grade and more people reaching levels 98 and 99.

Only seven people in the group were below level 98 now, with Minos, Ruth, and the native of The Adamant Land being three of those seven.

Finally, the group was very close to reaching their second level 100 Sovereign or God. But before they made any further progress, they finally reached Littlemere, the first city they would stop since Kilburn.

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When they got close enough to Littlemere to see the place, the group paused momentarily to stare at the magnificent city in front of them.

Rising from the glistening snows of a silver taiga, Littlemere is a true ancient jewel. Its beauty is complemented by the many waterfalls that have helped shape the urban environment. The waterfalls have not only brought important economic resources but have also inspired local architectural designs, with many buildings mimicking their waterfalls or even having their own man-made versions.

The skyline is dominated by distinctive buildings, creating a breathtaking view. Commerce thrives in Littlemere and attracts much attention. Numerous cultures have left their mark on the city, enriching its identity. This diversity is what makes Littlemere so special. Hundreds of cafes, shops, and special

places for cultivators offer an incredible variety of options. For those looking for more than just cultivation, there are endless opportunities for entertainment, study, and everything you could want in a place like this.

As they made their way through the entrance to the city, Minos' party had no trouble getting in, nor did they attract as much attention as they had in Kilburn.

But they understood immediately why. Not only was it a city of over 100,000 people, much larger than Kilburn, but the number of different creatures was enormous.

In their first few minutes in Littlemere, the group had already encountered at least 100 different kinds of creatures. Some resembled the insects of Kilburn, but other creatures were more like the hybrid creatures of the Spiritual World, as well as those that didn't look like anything Minos' group had ever seen.

Some groups of space explorers were there, so Minos' group wasn't enough to make most locals look at them strangely.

To the locals, they were just another of the various types of space explorers who occasionally passed through the city.

Littlemere wasn't as interesting a place for space explorers as Examire. Still, any being of foreign origin could get in and out of the city without any problems, just because of where they came from.

Whether or not their local goals would be successful was another matter.

As developed and interesting as Littlemere was, there was no guarantee that anything could be found there. In fact, it wasn't the best place for Minos' group, which was why Strin had told them to go to Examire instead of here.
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However, Examire was in a region where the language was different than the one spoken here, so the group had to stop there to at least get some language crystals.

Since they were already passing through that city, they didn't want to do just that. The group already had plans to sell resources and buy things other than the 4 language crystals they knew they would find.

Once they were in the city, they would soon make their way to a shop where they would purchase the blessed language crystals, traveling together to avoid trouble.

They could split up to get their business done more quickly, but the group was aware of the dangers and problems that could result from doing so.

So a group of about 25 people went into a downtown store where a clerk soon took care of them.

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"Hello, how can I help you?" A creature that looked like a monkey but with an exoskeleton instead of skin and hair asked the group as he looked at them with his big black cockroach eyes.

"I want to see your language crystals," Minos spoke as Maximillian stood beside him.

"We have four kinds of language crystals in my shop. Each one costs 215 Qilnats." The level 92 creature said as he took the four crystals and placed them on the counter between him and Minos' group.

"Which one will you take?"

The price was slightly higher than Strin had said but not enough for Minos to back out of the deal. "I'll take all four kinds." He said as he placed a bag of 860 Qilnats on the counter.

The clerk quickly closed the sale and handed Minos the crystals. "Can I help you with anything else?"

"Do you know where I can sell corpses in this city?" Maximilian asked.

They already knew that the beings of this world killed each other in droves, and the trade in body parts of beings of different races was not uncommon. Not only that, but the beings of this world had bodies with a fascinating composition for beings of many other races, so there were always places in the cities of this planet that would buy body parts from beings of practically any race.

"I know a few places..." The vendor soon pointed out four different places in Littlemere that the group would have to pass through to complete their sales. Not all of these places would buy every type of remains, but if they went to all four, they would most likely be able to sell everything they had.

With that, the group would soon set out to find a place where they could learn their new languages, something they wanted to do before selling the bodies they had accumulated over the months.

They also had wild resources to trade, but they would do that later when they searched for the resources they had been longing to buy.

Chapter 2223 Business in Littlemere

By the next day, Minos' entire party had learned the four different languages from the language crystals they had purchased upon their arrival in Littlemere.

With their new knowledge in mind, the group left the place where they had spent the "night" and went back to roaming the local streets in search of shops that could trade the resources they wanted to buy or sell.

With four new languages, they would find it easier to negotiate with any vendor, and their chances of being cheated would be greatly reduced.

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"Four bodies of Eabil, three trunks of Muthaiampal, eyes of two Mixansians, and legs and arms of Utocon..." A strange, pale green, gelatinous creature standing in front of Minos' group in a shop they had just entered said as he counted the remains in front of him that had caught his eye.

"I will buy the corpses and body parts I mentioned. You can keep the rest. I'm not interested in them." The creature commented to Minos while using its large, slimy body to swallow what he had just mentioned.

The people in Minos' group watched the creature's actions and looked at him strangely. But no one said anything to displease this level 98 creature while their bosses sold the remains they had with them.

"How much are you ready to pay for them?" Maximillian asked.

Their group wasn't entirely in the dark about the value of these body parts and corpses, but they were far from knowing their true worth.

However, this slime didn't know anything about that and said the price he thought was fair for this deal so as not to disrespect the other side or take away from his potential profit from reselling these things in the products he would make from them. "How about 1,800 Qilnats for all of them? Eabil's four bodies are quite valuable because they're whole, but the others are in small pieces, so their value isn't high. I won't be able to do much with them."

Maximillian and Minos looked at each other and felt this value was good for them. With this first sale of the day, they would recoup the 860 Qilnats from the purchase of the language crystals and still have 940 Qilnats left over for their later purchases.

"Alright, let's make a deal for 1,800 Qilnats." Minos said to the slime, who quickly spit out a bag of Qilnats.

"Hehe, do you want anything else, dear customers? I'm not just a shopper. I have a variety of options in my shop." The slime said.

Maximillian asked. "Do you have Extinguisher Apple, Ruby Bloom, or Cave Tarragon?"

Hearing the names of these herbs and plants, Slime understood exactly what they were after, but unfortunately, he didn't have any of them.

The slime summoned a vial from inside his body and said. "I have a potion called Mountain Vial. It has the same effect as Extinguisher Apple pills. But unfortunately, I don't have anything similar to Ruby Bloom or Cave Tarragon. You'll have to go to the Green Thumbs shop 12 blocks away. You might be able to find those two herbs there." The alchemist in the group, currently at level 97, looked at this and felt a strong medicinal power coming from the potion.

In the Spiritual World, alchemists didn't make potions. Normally, they formed whatever they wanted into pills.

But in Zocarro, there were two types of cultivation resources that were handled by cultivators similar to alchemists.

Minos and Maximillian waited for the man's answer, and then one of them said. "Let's do some more research. Maybe we'll come back later to buy the potion."

"Hmm, good luck with your shopping." The slime stored his potion in his body before watching the group leave his shop.

As they left, the alchemist said to Minos and Maximilian. "I don't think it's good for us to buy resources prepared by others in Zocarro. We don't know what kind of things might be in those resources.

It would be effortless for a powerful local alchemist to put poison in pills or potions. Until I learn more about the local resources and how to decipher artificial products to the point where I can detect such things, I think it would be risky to bet on these items."

Minos and Maximilian agreed. For now, they still had to learn more about this world, the local professions, and things far beyond their current level.

Even in the Spiritual World, one had to be careful about the origin of the pills they bought. So, in a strange place where they still had a lot to learn, it made no sense to rely so easily on resources that others had manipulated. Updated from n0velb(i)n.c(o)/m

Kilburn hadn't taught them much about such things, as it wasn't an amiable place for space explorers. As for Littlemere, they didn't plan to stay there for long. Besides, it wasn't the best place for them to learn.

The group intended to stay on Examire for a while to learn more about the world and to take advantage of the local opportunities for space explorers like themselves. Only then would they plan their journey to the far north of the continent, to the island from which they could travel to the station on the artificial moon that would give them access to the galaxy.

Once more group members reach level 100, and the spiritual experts learn more of their specialties from the knowledge of beings from this and other worlds, they can make better use of Zocarro's opportunities.

Until then, they would have to be careful, or their group might suddenly shrink, just as it had in the group's first hours on this planet!

So Minos' people spent the next few hours visiting various shops in Littlemere, making various deals with the resources and enemy parts they had accumulated over the months. After collecting about 6,000 Qilnats, the group would visit the shops indicated by some of the beings they had done business with that day.

In some places, they found the herbs, plants, and minerals they were looking for, while in others, they were told to look in other places or even given areas between Examire and Littlemere where they could find such resources for free.

All the resources they were looking for were more or less well-classified, as they were above the Zocarro average. Even so, some of them could be easily found by traveling through the continent's forests.

Some merchants who didn't deal in such resources wouldn't mind telling these foreigners after doing business with them, so the group would also gather good information in Littlemere.

After a full day of coming and going, the group would end up with a positive balance of 3,000 Qilnats when they returned to where they would stay for a few more days before leaving.

Cultivating in towns like this was safer than in the woods, so the group would stay there for a few days to focus on their training and meditation but also to produce and buy everything they would need for the next few months of travel.

After Littlemere, they didn't plan to stop in any towns until they reached Examire!

Chapter 2224 Opportunity or Problem?

After leaving Littlemere, Minos' party traveled for another six months, finally leaving behind the area where Strin's language was dominant.

They were stronger and better informed after their passage through Littlemere, so their losses during these months of travel were far less than in this region of Strin's people.

Still, two group members died during this time, one being the native of The Adamant Land and the other being the weakest robot in the group.

These losses came from traps in special areas the group had passed, where the robot that died had gone to save Minos and Ruth, while the alien had died in an 11th-stage bandit trap.

There were many groups of bandits in Zocarro, and Minos' party had encountered several of them on the roads of the Oqia continent. Most of the time, they had been able to defeat their opponents, most of whom were space explorers. However, in some situations, the group suffered greatly and even had their belongings stolen.

Fortunately, the region they were now in was less dangerous for travelers, and the dangers on the roads were gradually increasing.

But this was not out of kindness to the local people. The area they were now in, to which Examire belonged, was run by high-ranking Sovereigns and was also friendlier to space explorers.

There were dangerous places in this area, but the roads there were already much safer than those in the territory of Strin's people.

The number of living beings traveling through the area was also much higher, and even members of the local oppressive forces were present at many points along the roads.

But amid this less problematic route for travelers such as space explorers and traders, Minos' group came across an opportunity this afternoon!

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Stopping for the night at a place not far from the road they were following toward Examire, Minos' party had been there for almost a full day when someone keeping an eye on the area noticed something changing. Updated from novelb(i)n.c(o)/m

'Guys, I'm sensing a strange fluctuation coming from a few kilometers ahead.' Said the person in charge of monitoring the area where the change was coming from.

'What happened?' Asked one of the other observers.

'I can't explain it. It was quiet a minute ago, and then suddenly, this overwhelming aura appeared before us.' Said the person who had focused on the direction of the sensation. 'Now I see a bluish glow coming from the area where that aura is. What should we do?'

The strongest robot in the group listened to the mental conversations of the observers and asked. 'Is this aura from a living being or something else?'

'I can't tell. It could be from a special creature, but it could also be something else. It's quite confusing.' Said the man standing guard over that area.

'Then, keep an eye on it. I'll talk to His Majesty and see what we can do.'

The robot quickly reached Minos and informed him of the situation one of the guards in the group had noticed.

"Maybe we should find out what it is." Maximillian looked at the brown-haired young man beside him. "This could be a cultivation opportunity for us."

"Or a faster way to die," Ruth said as she took one of Minos' hands.

But Minos couldn't deny the possibilities. "Well, let's carefully observe what this might be. If it's someone dangerous, we'll flee immediately."

He smiled at Ruth, for this woman understood that they couldn't avoid danger if they wanted to grow up and return to their plans to end the war.

Minos quickly alerted the whole group and got them into battle formation while he and Maximillian headed toward the area where the powerful aura was coming from.

The place wasn't far from where they were, so after only four minutes, the group was at the place where something was making a big blue glow coming out of the area between the trees and rocks.

Minos and Maximillian felt the sensation better as they got closer, and soon, Emperor Stuart put his wings into fight mode.

"This is really powerful," Maximilian commented to Minos. "If it's not a monster, this could be a great opportunity for us!" His eyes sparkled, and he couldn't help but marvel at his advancement to level 101.

"Hmm, let's take a closer look." Minos agreed as he cautiously raised his level to 96 with the help of one of his level 99 party members.

With his cultivation at a higher level, Minos motioned to Maximillian, and they both moved in the direction of the bluish glow simultaneously, leaving their group ready to act on the outskirts of the area.

Once they had cleared the vegetation and relief from their path, they came upon a strange place they hadn't expected to find so close to their resting place.

"This..." Maximilian kept his guard up but looked around with a less tense expression when he saw a place that looked like the entrance to a cave.

From there, they could see the entrance to a rocky area where crystal clear water, which they could easily see at the bottom of the shallowest parts, covered a good part of an area slightly larger than an ordinary training platform. Deep down, they couldn't see what was there because a strong blue glow was coming from there, indicating that something or someone powerful was heading in that direction.

The plants around that cave entrance were experiencing intense spiritual fluctuations and seemed to have developed unusual characteristics. At the same time, the energy there seemed to be flickering as if something special was drawing a lot of energy from the surroundings to the entrance of that area.

"What could that be?" Maximilian asked aloud.

"Maybe it's the birth of a valuable resource?" Minos said in an inquiring tone. "In our world, it's common for the birth or maturation of powerful resources to emit phenomena similar to what we're witnessing."

"It's possible this is it... What should we do?" The level 100 guy looked at the young man with the golden wings on his back.

Minos then said in the minds of everyone in his group. 'Form a defensive belt over this area and use all our defensive and hiding forms.

Maximilian and I will enter this area to explore it further. But if it is what we think it is, we may all have opportunities here.'

The people in the group quickly did what they were supposed to while Maximilian and Minos cautiously entered those waters, heading towards the blue glow.

Chapter 2225 Grotto of Miracles

After Minos and Maximillian entered these waters, the group stood outside the thing for 30 minutes.

Everyone there was tense, worried about what might have happened to their stronger companions after a few minutes without any sign of them.

Some of them were sweating slowly with nervousness, wondering if they should leave their positions and venture into the place to see what had happened.

But just as Ruth and some of them were about to move, Minos appeared in the small lake at the entrance to the cave. Updated from n0v3lbln.(c)o/m

"There is no danger ahead." He said with a smile on his face, making everyone there breathe a sigh of relief. "Come on, follow me. This place is fantastic. There are many possibilities here."

"Aren't we leaving someone on guard?" One of the robots asked.

Minos looked at the arrays they had set up in the area and said. "That won't be necessary. Maximillian and I identified the source of the phenomenon a few moments ago. We won't have to worry about it attracting the attention of any beings in the area, and the arrays you've set up will be enough to camouflage the area."

With that, the group soon began to follow him through the crystal clear water, swimming for about three minutes toward the bottom of the area where the most important part of the cave was located.

When they reached a relatively dark spot, lit by small crystals on the surrounding rocks, they left the water they were in and walked to a small underground "beach."

Immediately upon arriving there, Minos' people looked at the surroundings differently, just as this emperor and Maximillian had looked when they arrived there.

"Incredible!" A level 98 Gorgon said as she looked at the crystals and small plants surrounding this area, sensing the powerful resources there.

Everyone's eyes, except for the robots, glazed over, as Minos explained.

"This place seems to be a wonderful cave with possibilities for advancement!" He said as he smiled and introduced the place he and Maximillian had started exploring after arriving in this area minutes ago. "We've searched the whole area, and there doesn't seem to be any conscious beings here. However, we have found a number of compartments in this underground area that could be very useful to our group.

In addition to wild resources that we can harvest and use in the future, there are compartments in this area that look a bit like the place under the elves' Tree of Life in the Spiritual World.

Maximilian has already selected the resource that caused this phenomenon and has begun cultivating it in one area. But there are other places we can use here. Let's move on."

The people there followed behind him, looking at the few tunnels there.

The place looked like an ordinary cave with many special items around it, many small pools here and there, and better lit than ordinary caves due to the presence of a fluorescent mineral that made up the surrounding rocks.

Small wild plants grew not far from the pools, some of which had reached the level of Divine Medicines.

The group didn't try to pick any of them at first as they followed Minos.

They soon entered one of the first tunnels they saw on their way and came to an area that looked like a natural sauna.

In an area of about 55 square meters, there were several pools, each of them ideally sized to hold only one person.

But they weren't exactly the same. Each one contained water plants that glowed in different colors but also emitted different auras.

The group didn't need an explanation from Minos to understand what this was all about. "This... It's like a magic fountain!" One of the level 99 Demigods in the group exclaimed as he felt the great affinity he had with one of the ten small natural pools in the area.

Another said. "If I cultivate in this place with a Divine Medicine, I'm almost certain to reach the 11th stage!" Minos smiled in agreement. "Yes, that's the

case. Maximilian and I intend to take a little seclusion in this wonderful cave. I have 5 Divine Medicines with me to give to you. I'll give them to the 5 closest to level 100 who have compatibility with one of these special pools. We'll stay here until you all reach level 100!"

The level 99 Demigods there quickly approached the pools they had the most affinity with, but three of them didn't have the compatibility with those pools to benefit from this place.

Minos then gave those four with compatibility, 4 of the 5 medicines he had brought from the Spiritual World, while another 3 individuals between levels 97 and 98 split up to take the other 6 vacant spots in that area.

Unfortunately, the group didn't have enough people to take advantage of all the opportunities there.

"Cultivate in this place as long as you need to. We'll wait for you to continue our journey to Examire." Minos said after dividing the place and indicating to the other group members to accompany him to another part of the cave.

They wanted to get to Examire to understand this world better and to make better use of the possibilities that existed in Zocarro. But when faced with a place like this, Minos and Maximilian couldn't rush to that city. It would be better for them to stay in this cave for one, two, or even three years and get more Gods, or rather Sovereigns than to go to Examire right away and miss this great opportunity.

Since there were many resources in this world that could help people reach level 100, and even the possibility of reaching the 11th stage without the help of resources, Minos didn't hold such resources for himself and Ruth.

He handed over the four medicines without blinking an eye and soon led the group to another cave area.

"How long do you think we'll be here?" Ruth asked him, imagining what it would be like for level 99 cultivators to advance to level 100 in this world.

If it were the Spiritual World, it would take these four at least ten years to succeed. But Ruth expected that in Zocarro, it would take much less than that.

"I think one year." Minos came right to the point, surprising Ruth and the others.

"That's it?" One of those level 99 people who hadn't found a place for themselves in this area asked seriously.

"Yes, I believe that outside of this place, using our Divine Medicine, it would take the four of them 3 to 4 years to advance to level 100. But this place we found is extraordinary and compatible with the four of them. So their breakthroughs should come in less than half the time." Minos said, trying to analyze the situation logically. "But I don't rule out the possibility that it will take less or more time. There are still too many things about this world that I don't understand to make precise analyses of this place."

After he said this, the group beside him reached another area of the cave, a place that seemed much more ordinary than where Maximillian or those seven individuals were now.

Chapter 2226 Seclusion in the Cave

Arriving at an area where several roots ran up the walls and covered part of the ceiling, where several semi-transparent bluish stalactites stood, the group came upon a special cultivation area.

There was no fountain there, nor were there any extraordinary resources that would make them stronger quickly. However, how the place was formed and the way the energy and laws of nature flowed through it made this 40-square-meter area a 'natural cultivation room.'

However, this was not a 'cultivation room' in the Spiritual World, but in the powerful and rich Zocarro!

The energy and laws were extremely concentrated in this area, and any being that cultivated or even breathed in this area would benefit!

The fountain where seven of their companions were was probably much more attractive than this place, but this would be the best place for everyone there to use after those fountains.

"This is a good place to cultivate." Said one of the few remaining spiritual experts in the group. "We'll probably be able to get closer to our levels by cultivating here while those seven take advantage of their opportunities."

Minos nodded in agreement. "We can take turns using this area. Half of us can fit in here simultaneously, so we can take turns cultivating here while part of the group attends to other matters in the cave."

It wasn't just these two special areas that the cave had. There were interesting minerals and plants for the group to study and collect, and the professionals there would need time to produce resources and work.

Even though the place wasn't big enough for all of them, it was enough for the group to settle in without any problems.

Minos soon chose those who would start their shifts there, placing Ruth among them and leaving the spiritual professionals and the two remaining robots out of the group for the first shift.

"I want you to study the minerals and plants in this area. Gather what you can, but be careful. Although there doesn't seem to be anything to threaten us here, this is a special place that could react against us depending on the circumstances."

The people agreed and soon moved on to explore this underground area while the robots stayed behind Minos.

"I want you to help our professionals, but there's something here I want to show you." Minos led the way through the area, heading for the last part of it for them to explore.

Arriving at a wall where there was a large white crystal that covered the entire wall and gave off a strong sensation, Minos said. "This is a bit like what's inside your heads, isn't it?"

The stronger of the two robots looked closely at the crystal and noticed the structure of the thing, which emitted a strong energy and singularity.

"Interesting. I'm not saying it's identical to what we have in our essence, but it's very similar." The robot said as he brought one of his metallic hands close to the thing.

When he touched it, he felt his whole system tremble as he confirmed what he had just said.

"What do you think?" Minos asked.

He had studied the nature of alien robots extensively before the war began, but he still couldn't find an explanation for how the robots of the Mechanic Empire were made.

But with his encounter a few moments ago, for the first time in many years, he had come close to understanding what gave life to these metallic creatures.

"It is possible that if we use this, we can create new essences capable of giving life to other robots." The being said as he moved one of his hands away from the crystal. "But we would have to reach the Mechanic Empire. There's no one in our group with the skills of the Mechanical Emperor, so creating robots with that alone will be very difficult.

But this could eventually give birth to robots that are much more advanced and powerful than me, Your Majesty. Moreover, these robots would be utterly loyal to the one who first left his mark on this crystal, you!"

Those robots were under the command of Minos, but if a new Mechanical Emperor who was stronger than him appeared before them, they would immediately switch sides. Not only that, if such a Mechanical Emperor approached them while Minos was away, even if that guy was stronger than the alien in question, he could still lose these robots to his opponent.

But if new robots created from this essence were to join Minos, it would be a completely different matter!

"I see. Can you mine it?" Minos asked.

"It will be difficult to mine this crystal at our current levels, Your Majesty." Said the strongest and oldest robot. "But it is possible for us to take this crystal from here and in the future, when we are stronger, to do what you wish."

"Then do it," Minos ordered. "Try to use the opportunities here to become stronger, but do it before we leave."

With that, he left the two robots alone to work with the large crystal that would be able to create a few dozen robot essences while he returned to the area where Ruth was already meditating. New novel chapters are published on [no/vel\(b\)in\(.\)co/m](http://no/vel(b)in(.)co/m)

'Time for me to join you.' He thought as he found a place for himself, planning to meditate for the next few hours until it was time for the group to change shifts.

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The group would remain in this grotto for the next six months, but none of the seven individuals cultivating in the special springs of the area would leave their places, nor would Maximillian succeed in advancing.

Meanwhile, the robots would finish removing the crystal Minos had ordered them to remove, while the group's spiritual experts would finish collecting and analyzing everything they had managed to take from the cave during that time.

The group hadn't encountered any problems since they began their seclusion there, so they would follow Minos' plans to continue there until their more fortunate allies had finished taking advantage of their opportunities.

That would take some time, so the whole group would eventually be in seclusion there for several months.

Even then, no significant progress would be made in the meantime, as no one in the group would take special pills to speed up their progress.

They wanted to focus on cultivating hard for a while before going back to consuming resources that would facilitate their progress in this world.

So they would stay in that cave for another nine months until the first people came out of those fountains.

With the first to succeed in their special seclusion, new individuals would reach levels 98 and 99. Not only that, the first level 99 Demigod of the group would advance to level 100 since their arrival in Zocarro!

So the weeks following the second level 100 in the group would pass until finally, it would be time for Maximillian to awaken from his state and reach a level never before imagined by beings from the Spiritual World.

Maximilian would be the first native of this world to reach level 101!

Chapter 2227 The Group's New Strength

After more than a year in the miraculous cave, Maximilian opened his eyes and felt his cultivation base at a new level!

When he reached level 101, he felt his level 100 strength increase by more than twice the energy of a level 99 Demigod.

That was impressive!

Most Demigods needed at least a few millennia to reach level 99. But after Maximilian arrived in Zocarro, he only needed about 3 years to cultivate more than twice as much as a level 99 Spiritual World Demigod would normally cultivate in a few millennia!

Considering that he was already a Sovereign, someone whose strength was ridiculously greater than that of level 99 Demigods, this was an important addition for him to differentiate himself in this world!

He smiled in satisfaction, immediately feeling less doubt about his previous thoughts of staying in Zocarro longer or even never returning to the Spiritual World.

'Now, I'm the strongest Spiritual World native in history!' He vibrated with happiness while he couldn't help but remember his old rival, Maximus.

'Tsk! You died in the Spiritual World, old man. But I'm going to live a completely different story!' He got up from where he had spent all his time cultivating.

Just as he was about to leave this area and return to the rest of his group, he felt the auras of four new Gods, or rather, the auras of four new Sovereigns in the group.

"It seems that Minos has succeeded in his plans." He smiled as he reached where half of the group was meditating, waiting for him.

When he arrived there, he met two human Gods, one from Sista and the other from the Western Empire.

The strongest Demigods in Minos' group, when they left the Spiritual World, were obviously not all members of the Black Plain Army. Updated from novelb(i)n.c(o)/m

There were a few such individuals, especially spiritual professionals, some of whom had died, but there weren't many of them. In this crew, several of Minos' allies man had been given to him by his greatest associates, such as Henry Quinn and Willow Sista.

There was also a level 97 Dragon and a Phoenix in this group when they left the Spiritual World, one of which was currently at level 99, and the other had reached level 100 a few days ago.

"Congratulations on your progress..." Maximilian commented to the two new Sovereigns in front of him before spotting Minos standing nearby.

"We've made good progress... This place has done us a lot of good." Maximilian said as he looked at Minos.

"Hmm, the group's average level is now between the levels 98 and 99. Thanks to this place, we'll get to Examire with more favorable conditions for us." Minos agreed before shaking Maximillian's hand and congratulating him on his progress.

"You are not far from level 95. Even if you haven't advanced in this time, you'll probably advance as soon as we reach Examire, right?" Maximillian asked as he scanned the cultivation base of the brown-haired man in front of him.

"That must be the case." Minos smiled in agreement.

"Well, when do we leave this place? Is there anything else we can do here?" Maximillian asked as the surrounding people turned their attention to them.

If they stayed there, they could profit from this area for a longer time. But their plans, after the advances of the four Demigods who were now Sovereigns, were to leave for Examire as soon as Maximillian had finished his seclusion.

"We will leave as soon as the meditating group has finished their cultivation session," Minos replied. "That will give us about three or four hours. Then we should leave within that time."

Maximillian didn't see any problem, and soon, all those who weren't meditating began preparing to leave while the strongest ones in the area talked among themselves about what they would do next.

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Hours later, Minos' group left the grotto of miracles for the first time in over a year, the group disarming all the arrays outside the cave before returning to the road.

As Minos had said months ago, the particular fluctuation that had drawn them there would not attract anyone else's attention after Maximillian's action to begin absorbing the resource that had caused such a phenomenon. As such, no one but them had come there, and their defensive actions in the area were enough to prevent any beings from accidentally arriving there.

There was no trouble in the area when they left, and soon they were back on the roads of that region, heading for Examire more than a year behind their original plans.

Fortunately, the group had no deadlines to meet, only the need to strengthen themselves.

They wanted to find ways to learn more about this world to know how to return to their mission concerning the war in the Spiritual World, but for that, they had to become stronger, which they had done during that time.

So when they returned to the road, none of them felt that they had wasted their time or were too late.

Besides, they were only a few months away from Examire, so they would soon reach the city Strin had recommended for them to get a better understanding of this vast world.

Time would begin to pass quicker for them, and they would soon approach their destination without dealing with too many problems along the way.

Demigods were already beings with above-average powers in Zocarro. But with 5 Sovereigns in the group, one of whom was at level 101, the amount of problems that could arise for the group was far less than it would have been if they had ignored the previous cave.

Therefore, they wouldn't have any battles to test their strength until they were very close to their destination city.

When they were about to complete 4 years since their arrival in Zocarro, they would finally reach Examire, one of the most space explorer-friendly cities on the Oqia continent!

Just before reaching this city, the party stopped at a place where they could see the silhouette of this huge international city so that Ruth could meditate on her advancement to level 94.

Shortly after consolidating her power at the same level as her husband for the first time in a long time, the group would come across the deepest contact they had ever had with stronger Sovereigns!

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While Minos' group was in the area where Ruth had just finished advancing, four alien beings approached where they stood.

Among them was a level 106 creature!

Chapter 2228 The Great Examiner

Minos, Maximillian, and the other four Sovereigns of the group were soon standing in front of the rest of their people when they saw four aliens stop a few meters in front of them.

"Fellow special explorers, where did you come from?" Asked the weakest of the Sovereigns, a level 102 individual with green hair, four legs, and three arms that resembled octopus arms.

The people in Minos' group looked nervously at this being while he and Maximillian were one step ahead of the four newly promoted Sovereigns in the group.

Then, the being continued. "You seem to be quite different from the space explorers we usually meet here. What galaxy are you from?"

Minos looked at the individual and said, trying to be friendly, because a problem with these beings would cost them a lot. "We come from a planet we call the Spiritual World. I don't know which galaxy we belong to. We came to Zocarro by accident."

"Oh?" The strongest of the four opened his mouth in interest. "So you have no connection to any powerful force? How do you feel about visiting our group? I'll be honest; I felt that woman's magical fluctuation, and I couldn't help but be interested in your group. You don't look weak."

"Can I learn more about the seniors?" Minos asked with a respectful tone.

Another of those creatures that looked identical in appearance said to Minos. "We are part of a force that only consists of aliens on Zocarro. Our headquarters are in Examire, not far from here." The creature pointed with one of its arms toward where they could see that city.

"Anyway, we're a group whose purpose is to explore Zocarro's potential, to reach new worlds, and to find a place in the Upper Realm for as many of our members as possible."

"Upper Realm?" Maximillian asked when he heard this name they had never heard before.

"The Upper Realm is a place in the universe where only cultivators at the 13th stage or higher than that can enter." The level 106 being said.

When these words were spoken, Minos' entire group felt pressure on them as they heard for the first time about what might be the most powerful place in the universe.

'Upper Realm?' Minos wondered silently. 'Does this have something to do with the lord of that seraph? He said his leader had many parts of the universe under his control.'

Thinking about it, Minos realized he would probably have to go to the Upper Realm to keep his promise to that seraph.

'That must be it. He had told me that if I could access other civilizations more powerful than the Spiritual World, I would get answers to my questions!' Sensing this was the case, he quickly turned his attention to these beings.

"This is very important. We would like to get to know the group of the seniors in Examire better before we decide. As tempting as the idea of joining a group with such a great purpose is, we have issues to resolve that could get in the way between us." He said, showing his interest but also his uncertainty about their proposal.

The weakest individual in the group in front of them threw what looked like a small bone in Maximilian's direction. "Look for Armhands in Examire. Use this item to locate us and gain access to our headquarters. There, you will be guided, and your questions answered."

Maximillian took it with interest, feeling that it would be good for them to join a group in Zocarro during their stay in this world.

He was more and more inclined to stay in this world. However, even if he decided to give up his old ties to the Spiritual World, he still wanted to accompany Minos' group until they could leave to return to their mission.

That was not out of mere kindness on Maximilian's part. He didn't want to be alone in an unknown and powerful world. Even though he was the highest-level cultivator in his group, he felt that he could get further and have a better chance in Zocarro if he traveled with Minos and the rest of the group.

Until they found a way out of this place, it would be time for him to adapt, grow stronger, and find a way forward if he really decided to stay in this world.

Then, the strongest of these strange beings said to them before he left with his companions. "Think about it. Our group is well known in the city, and few have the chance to join us. I only gave you this 'key' because of this person. Her ability is quite interesting. If she can become a Supreme being, she will be an asset to those who seek the Upper Realm!"

The people in Minos' group didn't say anything. They just watched those four disappear while thinking about everything they had just heard.

"Strin was right. Examire is the best place for us." The level 100 dragon in the group commented as he thought about the ant.

"What do we do now, Your Majesty?" One of the men in the group asked Minos.

Minos clenched his fists and said. "Let's go to Examire and get to know this place better. We'll get a taste of the city and then go to that group, the Armhands, to see if this proposal is really as good as it seems.

Depending on the conditions, I'm not against joining this group. Although it's not our goal to stay in Zocarro, we may be in this world for a few decades before we reach the point where we can return to our original plans."

With that settled, the group soon left the place, quickly completing the journey between that point and one of Examire's many entrances.

Examire was truly a large city. The city area covered dozens of square kilometers, and there were more than two million inhabitants from at least 10,000 different races.

There were five floating districts around the city, where some large local organizations were said to have their headquarters.

Apart from these floating areas, the place had many unique buildings in the center and more residential areas on the sides, where the local natives usually lived, more or less the same way Minos' group had seen in Littlemere.

The city center was where all the local diversity could be understood, where there were all kinds of businesses and opportunities for both native Zocarro beings and space explorers. This chapter is updated by nov(e)lbiin.co/m

Stores sold everything from basic information to complex materials useful to newly promoted Sovereigns or those who aspired to become Supremes.

Unlike places that sold items usually made for the natives of this world, this city had all kinds of shops where one could easily order resources and artifacts useful only to those of their race.

This place was huge, but soon Minos' party would learn the basics of the area!

Chapter 2229 Examire Possibilities (1)

As soon as Minos' group entered Examire, they headed toward the city center, where they would encounter a variety of living beings, businesses, and experts casually walking from one to the other.

Just as in the great, powerful cities of the Spiritual World, one could easily find Spiritual Sages walking the streets, one could easily find high-level Demigods and low-level Sovereigns circulating in the major areas of Examire.

The auras of some people at levels 109, 110, and even 111 could be noticed near some critical areas of the city, which was shocking to Minos' group.

They thought that when they arrived in Examire, they would encounter beings of levels close to that of the alien who had invited them to join a local force earlier. But the truth was that there were several beings in this city that were stronger than that level 106 being.

However, they didn't feel any aura stronger than that, and they didn't notice any beings in the areas they passed through at the end of the 11th stage or even at the beginning of the 12th stage.

Maybe there were no such beings in Examire, or maybe these were the strongest experts that could only be found in the headquarters of very powerful organizations.

The group didn't have access to any floating neighborhoods in this city, so they couldn't say for sure that the strongest people locally were people between levels 109 and 111.

In any case, that alone was many times stronger than they could handle, so the whole group became more cautious as they walked through the city center.

After a cursory observation of what Examire was like, the group soon began to visit some of the places where they could afford to spend their money and get a better understanding of the opportunities available locally.

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After passing three shops that sold and bought resources, Minos' group learned a few important things in this place before moving on to their next stop.

There was no point in buying information about how cultivation worked in Zocarro and what they could expect from levels higher than the 10th stage. They could learn about it for free if they were willing to join a local organization.

That also applied to basic knowledge of resources, basic techniques of professions, and even warrior skills. All of this could be learned for free if they joined one of the various local forces.

As for special artifacts, they learned that Divine Journey cultivators did not normally use ordinary items but rather absorbable weapons such as the wings of Minos.

Using an ordinary weapon at the 11th stage was like being a Spiritual Sage in the Spiritual World and using a black-grade technique. There was such a thing, but the people who did it were among the weakest of their stage.

As for more in-depth information about this world and the place in the universe they were in, they could also learn about it for free from any local force they joined. However, certain shops in the city sold not only information but also resources from outside Zocarro.

Thus, the group entered a place that looked very much like the mercenary guilds of their world, where one could sell one's time or strength to carry out missions of all kinds. Follow current novels on [nov/3lb\(\(in\).\(co/m\)](http://nov/3lb((in).(co/m))

As soon as they entered the huge building of this local organization, the group came across a giant entrance hall where several items with holograms showed different types of missions available.

These holograms did the job of presenting and explaining the missions. All one had to do there was look for what they were most interested in and then insert their ID into one of the holograms.

The group didn't understand some of the classifications of the missions they encountered along the way, but they did understand the purpose of some of them.

Some missions required a certain number of items to be collected. In contrast, others had posters of wanted people, alive or dead. Others were investigations, and there were even more specific missions to produce unique items.

Among these more specific missions, one in particular caught the attention of the group's alchemist, as it basically required the production of a special potion.

There was every kind of mission imaginable, from those asking for creatures to serve as guinea pigs in experiments to those asking for weaker cultivators to be instructed in something.

The group observed until they reached the information and registration area, where several holograms were available to serve groups like theirs.

"Welcome to Steelbeards. How can I help you?" An artificial voice asked from the hologram of a woman who looked very much like the women of the Minos race.

Everyone in the group looked at her with interest for a moment, some of them thinking there could be beings that looked like them.

But then the level 99 robot said. "Zocarro's level of technology is probably much higher than that of The Adamant Land. This hologram probably used the image of Ruth and Anne to create an appearance pleasing to most of our group."

Besides Ruth, there was only one other woman in the group, as the others who had come with them had died in the middle of their journey here.

They understood, and Minos quickly got to the point. "We're new to this place. What do we have to do to complete the missions here?"

The hologram looked at him and explained briefly. "Steelbeards doesn't have many requirements for registering new members. All you have to do is agree to our terms, and I'll give you your IDs.

Don't worry, you don't have to give me any information. These IDs are just for your mission registration and access to your possible rewards. All I need to do this is a drop of your blood.

With your IDs in hand, all you have to do is find a mission that interests you and sign up for it by placing your IDs on the holograms that speak about it.

An important point to note is that each mission has a main party and a reserve party. The main party is the one that has the chance to complete the mission first. However, if all of its members die or fail to complete the mission in time, the reserve team will become the main team, and someone else will get the chance to be on the reserve team... There are advantages to being the backup team, so don't give up on a mission just because there's already a main team.

Finally, mission payments will be credited to your ID as soon as our members meet the minimum requirements for their missions. You can collect your gains in the Prizes Hall."

Chapter 2230 Examire Possibilities (2)

After listening to the hologram's explanation, the group understood how this place worked.

It was easy and quick to join the guild and accept a mission. Not only that, from what they understood, they didn't have to stay in the guild building and wait for opportunities.

With the ability to become a backup group for specific missions, as soon as the opportunity arose for the group to take on a mission as the main team, their IDs would notify them of the change wherever they were.

The guild's terms also seemed interesting, and they wouldn't have to undergo any evaluation that might reveal their characteristics to others.

One would only have to accept the guild's terms and share genetic information so that only that person could receive their own rewards.

The hologram finished. "For team missions, the mission leader must register the mission on their ID and then link their ID to the IDs of their group members.

The leader can exclude group members or divide the mission reward as they see fit, so choose your leader wisely."

Maximilian then asked. "Do the Steelbeards have any kind of allegiance requirements? Are there other groups like you offering missions in Examire?"

"Steelbeards is the largest free group for foreigners and natives to post their missions or sell their services. However, several groups in Examire do the same thing, including forces in the city such as The Toads, Armhands, The Knives, Coldlaws, and others that accept missions even though that is not their main purpose.

However, only the Steelbeards don't demand loyalty from their members and accept members of any local group. As I said, we don't ask for information from new members."

Minos heard the name of the group that had invited them and asked. "Armhands? Do you know anything about that group?"

The hologram explained. "Armhands is a force based in Examire, basically made up of aliens. It is the third most powerful of the local organizations. Their next selection of members is open, and anyone interested who is at least at the Grandmaster stage can compete for this year's vacancies.

Armhands require partial loyalty from its members, i.e., members of this force cannot perform external services that compete with the group's services. However, its members are not prohibited from selling their services in areas in which Armhands is not involved.

Armhands members have a lot of freedom once they meet the group's minimum requirements regarding individual power and service to the organization. But until they meet the minimum requirements, they usually can't leave the city or perform outside services.

According to the data in my system, Armhands has an approval rating of 55% among members who have been in the force between 1 and 4 years but has an approval rating of over 85% among those who have been in the force for over 20 years. 28% of new members die in their first 2 years in the organization, and less than 1% of their members become high-ranking Sovereigns. Only 5 Armhands members have reached the 12th stage in the group's entire history..."

The artificial being summarized various public information about this group for Minos' staff, giving them a better understanding of what this force they had been invited to join was like.

Minos and his staff would soon agree to Steelbeard's terms and take their IDs from the hologram.

"What are we going to do? Are we really going to visit this Armhands group? The approval of new group members is pretty bad." Said one of the group's Sovereigns.

Maximilian then commented. "It's not that simple. According to what the hologram said, new members of this group must have Demigod cultivation. But some of us are already Sovereigns, and others are about to become Sovereigns. Our experience might differ from that of ordinary members who join such a group."

Ruth agreed, as she had been dealing with new soldiers joining the Black Plain Army for years. "Besides, it's normal for new members in any force to have a less than interesting start. We usually have to do ordinary, boring chores when we're new to any group. Only time will take us to better places and good opportunities."

This was the case. If you were to judge the experience of being part of a group by the opinion of new recruits, all the forces in the world would be bad.

Minos commented. "We will visit Armhands to better understand what it would be like for us to join the group. If the situation isn't bad for us, it might be interesting to join them so we can get the knowledge we're looking for for free".

With that, the group agreed to proceed to the Armhands' headquarters.

They then used the bone they had received from one of the Armhands, which, when one of them put energy into it, began to send a signal in the direction of the group's headquarters.

They followed this signal without prey as they walked through the local streets, learning a little more about the city where they would likely be living for the next few years.

After 40 minutes of walking, they arrived at a place below one of Examire's floating districts.

"What now?" Ruth asked as she looked around, while they all felt that there was no way they could reach this place by flying.

"I think we have to go over there." One of the two robots pointed toward a square building with a line of people in front of it. Updated from
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From the roof of this small building, there was a bright light beam that went up to the floating neighborhood above where they were standing.

Minos and Maximillian made their way to this place and asked the last person in line if this was the way to Armhands.

With the confirmation that this was indeed the way to go, they joined the line and waited for about 11 minutes until they finally entered the small square building.

Inside were three alien beings of different races and what looked like an elevator door.

"Who are you? What do you want?" One of them asked in one of the five languages Minos' group knew.

Maximillian then showed them the bone they had received earlier. "We were invited here to meet the Armhands. We'd like to continue if possible."

The level 104 being looked at the bone in Maximillian's hands and quickly recognized what it was.

"All right, you can pass." He said in a neutral tone, slightly different from the one he had spoken to the beings before Minos's group.

With that, they soon entered what seemed to be an elevator and headed for the Armhands' headquarters.