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After the group agreed to continue on to the location indicated by Minos, they would follow the route to the ancient ruin surrounded by spatial and temporal distortions.

This area was not far from the entrance to The Obsidian Shore. After just two hours of cautious travel from the time of the previous conversation in which this had been decided, the group arrived in the vicinity of this ruin.

When they stopped in front of a lake, where its shores were walls of old buildings covered in lichen and undergrowth, the group looked at their surroundings, with the strongest ones there forming strange expressions on their faces.

They could sense that the passage of time in that area was a little different from normal for Zocarro.

In fact, the area was strange. At certain points, time passed more quickly than normal for Zocarro, while at others, it passed more slowly.

What was wrong with that? Well, if one wasn't careful, they could go very wrong, lose contact with the rest of the group, or even spend too much time where it would be advisable to stay too little, and vice versa. Updated from n0velbln.(c)o/m

However, there were also several areas of spatial distortion in addition to temporal distortions.

Each spatial distortion could either destroy the bodies of those who passed through them or even send them to different places inside and outside The Obsidian Shore.

Without the right skills, exploring this place could easily lead a group like Minos' team to failure or even extermination.

That is precisely why few would venture into such a place of their own free will, which is why it is considered a high-value area but also one to avoid.

Faced with this submerged ruin, the leader of Minos' allied group asked, "Well? Are you in the mood to risk it? We'll follow you there as long as you do as you promised."

Minos smiled at the man before taking a few steps forward and beckoning his group to get ready.

The place was a little different from what Armhands had said, but he didn't think it would be impossible for him to get in.

Under the expectant gazes of his allies, he borrowed the cultivation of one of his guildmates, raising his cultivation to level 99 in the blink of an eye.

Those who didn't know Minos' unique ability were naturally surprised to feel the change in his aura.

His aura at level 97 already looked very much like that of a level 99 cultivator. The moment he stole the cultivation base of one of the peak Grandmasters in his group, his cultivation became so high that he no longer seemed to be a Mortal Journey cultivator.

He couldn't be said to be a Divine Journey cultivator, either. He still lacked something to buy himself from Sovereigns.

Yet the moment he demonstrated his seer abilities using his Space and Time Domain, everyone, even Ruth, was even more surprised.

'His abilities already look a lot like Sovereign's.' Ruth thought to herself.

Being able to fight Sovereigns and displaying Sovereign-like powers were very different things. In the past, Minos had never been able to do this. But by demonstrating this new proficiency, he was exposing just how strong he had become in recent years!

His companions from the Spiritual World couldn't help but be thrilled to feel Minos' power, while the others there merely felt more confident in this guy.

Meanwhile, Minos used his power of clairvoyance, which still needed to improve before he could be considered a seer, but which was already useful to him in situations like the one he was in today.

His eyes went completely white, and he felt glimpses of the future flashing through his mind, showing him places and dangers that could only be found in that water-covered ruin.

He sensed deaths coming if they followed certain paths or choices within that area.

As he did this, he gradually stabilized the temporal and spatial distortions in the path they would take to enter that place.

After a minute of doing this, he started walking towards the lake. "Follow me, but don't stay far from me. I can't control more than 30 meters away from me."

The spatial and temporal distortions in the surroundings were extremely strong. As much as the Space and Time Avatar's domain had a much greater range than that, he really couldn't manipulate a space larger than what he said.

Ruth and her guildmates obeyed him immediately, while their allies took longer to decide.

But sensing Minos' powers, that group soon followed behind him, quickly adapting their bodies to breathe underwater.

In less than five minutes, the whole group was in the submerged part of that ruin, where the remnants of an ancient civilization that had been based in this area a long, long time ago were.

As soon as they entered that grandiose lake, they could easily see the outlines of the city that had once stood there, noticing algae here and there, as well as many strange underwater creatures.

The group remained in combat position, with the support members ready to help the fighters if necessary.

Meanwhile, Minos continued to use his skill to lead the group to what had once been the surface of this city.

They swam for a few moments under the water-covered and distorted area, but soon Minos and they reached the bottom of the lake, where there weren't so many spatial and temporal distortions to get in their way.

By stopping using his domain so actively, Minos would see his surroundings normally, while his cultivation would gradually return to normal.

He stopped and said to his staff. "There are some opportunities here that will advance some of us to the start of the Divine Journey in a few weeks of cultivation. However, the variables here will kill half the group if we act disorderly."

The level 99 beings narrowed their eyes, interested in Minos' words.

"Have you seen a bit of the future? What is our best alternative?" asked the other group leader.

"I have. We have to stick together. We must collect our opportunities and leave them for us to take advantage of in a specific place in this ruin. If we don't do as I say, I assure you, half the group will perish.

Traps, strange phenomena, and dangerous creatures are hidden in various parts of this place. One wrong step will be enough for one of us to die." Minos said, looking at those he had seen perishing.

Gulp!

"There are 16 of us now. If we do as I plan, we can leave with 16 members in our large group, and 3 of them will have advanced to become Sovereigns. But if you don't do as I plan, we'll leave here with 7 or 8 people and only 2 Sovereigns."

"Let's do as you say. Lead the way, Minos." Said the alien leader of the group allied to the Armhands team.

Chapter 2292 Abandoning Opportunities

The group followed in Minos' footsteps, listening to his recommendations to watch their step and not do anything without a very good reason.

They weren't supposed to touch anything without sensible reasons. A mere underwater plant floating in the water could change and become a danger to their group if someone tried something they shouldn't have.

There were beings who would only act against other individuals if they felt threatened, which was standard in the wild. So, as long as they were careful, they could avoid much trouble.

After a few minutes walking cautiously along what had once been one of the main avenues of that ancient city, the group would come across valuable items in the vicinity.

"Minos "

"No!" Minos shouted when he heard his name being called, aware that someone in his group had taken an interest in the items in the rubble of what appeared to be the remains of a wrecked vehicle.

Someone there would soon see a suit of armor that matched his body and show interest in it.

"On the right leg of this armor is a special parasite. Anyone who tries to take over this parasite's home will be infected by it and become an enemy to us all." Minos said as he warned the individual that he would die and even cause the death of one of them if he went ahead with his plan to collect that compatible item for himself. Updated from n0velbln.(c)o/m

Minos didn't just speak. He used his mental technique to make that individual see the terrible vision that showed how his body would be used to give rise to a monster from that parasite.

Gulp!

That being swallowed his saliva as he quickly saw the scenes of a fate that Minos was trying to avoid.

The others saw the change in that level 99 individual's expression, imagining that they had better give up some opportunities on their way, as Minos seemed to suggest.

They kept walking until they came to what looked like a square.

Once there, Minos stopped and pointed to the other side of the square, where there was a building that led underground.

"That's where some of the opportunities we can access are. But we can't go there directly. That square in our way is like a minefield. There are various dangers around it."

"Which way can we go?" asked one of the individuals allied to Minos' group.

Minos indicated. "Let's go around. There's a level 102 underwater snake on the path I want to take, but we can beat it without too much trouble."

"A low-level Sovereign? Isn't that risky?"

Most of them couldn't fight Sovereigns, nor did they know how strong Minos was at fighting. He seemed to have useful skills for avoiding trouble, but was that synonymous with him being a good warrior?

"It won't be as risky as going through that square," Minos said, not wanting to expose his powers too much to these individuals since, at some point in the future, they might turn against his group.

Their allies saw how confident Minos' guild mates looked and looked at each other, thinking it was worth the risk.

"I hope you're right." Said one of those eight level 99 beings allied to Armhands' group.

The leader of these aliens asked Minos. "How much longer do we have to ignore opportunities? There are certain things worth risking, Minos. Dodging all the dangers won't make us stronger."

"I'm not avoiding all dangers. There are opportunities we can access, but that doesn't mean it won't be dangerous or there won't be challenges to overcome. I'm just deflecting the possibilities that will lead to our deaths." Minos thoughtfully said as he walked ahead of his group.

"That..."

Ruth asked him. "Is there an opportunity for our group in this place?"

"Yes, one of us could advance a level if we put in the effort and have some luck."

Minos could not guarantee the group's absolute success in this place, that fate in which everyone would survive.

Two of the possibilities he had seen were very similar to the best possibility, the one in which everyone survived. The difference was that in those situations, the men in the group would fail at specific moments, and those moments could lead to between 0 and 3 deaths for the group.

Just because he was leading this journey didn't mean that there were no dangers in their way, and these individuals wouldn't have to give their best in the exploration!

"There are also things in that place that are interesting for us to take back to our organizations." He commented as he looked at one of their temporary allies. "Let's divide this information equally. It's cataloged in books, charts, and parchments. We'll choose what we take and keep it in our spatial storage devices until we leave this place.

We'll only check what we get out of The Obsidian Shore."

There were no tags with information on these items, so if they chose without looking at what they were choosing, they could ward off the chance of one being interested in stealing from the other.

"What kind of information is that?" The alien asked curiously.

"All I know is that they have value and are associated with the time when the civilization that lived in this place still existed. We'll divide up the materials as follows: you choose one material, and then I'll choose another, and then we'll repeat the cycle until we've finished with everything in the area."

"All right."

That said, they would soon turn a corner of that lost city and see the level 102 snake that Minos had warned them about.

When they came face to face with the apparently sleeping creature, the whole group would stop, with Minos' allies raising their guards and preparing to defend themselves.

They would have to overcome this being to get to their place of interest, which would require Minos to expose more of his powers.

He didn't want to show everything he could, so he didn't intend to use his wings or fusions. He had already shown his innate ability, so he intended to keep at it.

Before moving against that golden-red-scaled serpent, he said to the group, "I need the strongest combatants among you to help me. The others will lend me their energy."

Three level 99 individuals put themselves at his disposal before Minos quickly used his ability again, raising his powers to level 99 while making those individuals feel their strength increasing as well.

They were amazed to feel their cultivations being taken to the peak. Even though they didn't reach level 100, they all felt their strength improving three to four times!

With this increase in power, those most worried quickly became more confident, understanding why Minos had chosen to come all this way and risk a fight against a level 102 being.

With these three individuals feeling practically on the same level as Minos, they smiled as they moved together, no longer hesitating to act against the level 102 creature!

Chapter 2293 Fighting Before the Opportunity

In the blink of an eye, Minos and the three aliens he had used his ability to make stronger began to fight the level 102 snake.

The rest of their companions stayed to the rear, where they could help their allies with support skills or even attack the creature they intended to face.

The three alongside Minos acted together in attacking the vital points of the snake, which appeared to be asleep, but was in fact very attentive to the beings in its vicinity.

If these individuals made the mistake of thinking they could pass by without attracting its attention, it would devour them!

Fortunately for this group, Minos had seen a future in which two of them would die to the snake before he could kill it if they behaved as the snake wanted.

Minos then used his Chaotic Gravity technique to press the creature to the ground while a black ring appeared around it, sucking out its energy.

At the same time, Minos' eyes lit up, and he immediately attacked the creature with the Infinite Dream, using several of his techniques simultaneously to push the opponent out of its comfort zone. Updated from n0velbln.(c)o/m

Minos was at level 99 at this point, but his normal techniques could at most bother a being with the power of that snake. He would never beat it using just that!

However, he wasn't alone!

The beings next to him weren't weak either and naturally had the ability to fight beings one or two levels above their own.

With Minos' help, they became even more powerful, enough so that when they began to attack the snake along with him, they immediately made the huge creature in their path exclaim in pain.

The snake suddenly left its previous state, moving its large mouth and showing its vicious fangs.

A jet of purple poison shot out from the creature's two gigantic front teeth, spewing poisonous gas toward Minos' companions.

Minos moved in the direction of the poison while telling those people to go ahead with the attack.

They did as they were supposed to, while Minos used his 10th technique to make a deadly poison even for level 102 Sovereigns dissipate when he got close to it, as if it were nothing.

Meanwhile, Minos was already in his best form, with his Space and Time Avatar active, while the Indestructible Body made a semi-transparent layer of energy envelop his entire body.

That snake realized he was the great opponent among all the beings attacking it and moved its tail towards Minos, making that part of its body move like a whip.

However, as its tail flew rapidly towards Minos, a sword appeared in one of his hands, and soon afterward, the surrounding space was shattered by a mixture of the powers of the Space and Time Domain and the Spatial Sword.

Swooish!

Several powerful blades of energy emerged from space, slashing toward the body of the golden-red scaled snake.

Simultaneously with Minos' action, the three aliens brutally attacked the body of this opponent, not paying much attention to them.

One leaped into the air, making his claws grow as he moved his muscles to slice through his opponent's body.

Another of them made a gigantic energy hammer appear in the air just before using it to try and smash the head of that level 102 creature.

"Die!" This individual holding the hammer said as he made his large monkey muscles tremble, using a force capable of crushing mountains.

The third of them made golden feathers emerge from his back, flying at high speed toward his opponent's body as if each feather were a different rocket programmed to destroy that body.

The combined attacks of these men quickly took effect, with the level 102 creature's defenses failing and various wounds beginning to appear around its body.

Minos took advantage of the enemy's pain to corrupt its mind, causing it to fall into a nightmare in which it found itself facing the enemy it feared most.

Part of the creature's mind couldn't resist the pressure and gave way, soon opening gaps for its opponents to attack it even more efficiently, causing its wounds to grow in size and numbers.

After two minutes of combat, Minos' group achieved enough dominance in the battle for their companions to realize that victory was within their grasp.

The group's support members sprang into action to help those four main combatants finish off the enemy and help them recover from energy exhaustion.

Meanwhile, the others remained careful, watching their surroundings to avoid any unexpected surprises that could lead to significant losses.

At this rate, Minos and his three companions would soon finish off the level 102 creature, killing it after another minute and a half.

By the end of the fight, the ground in that area had been partially destroyed, but not by much. Fighting in the water was different from fighting on the surface, which meant that attacks and counter-attacks by fighting warriors caused less damage to the surroundings.

Even so, the spot where the snake's brutalized body had fallen bore many signs of combat, with cracks in the ground and craters here and there.

When he finally calmed down a bit, Minos said. "Quick, get the essence of this creature, and let's go."

"What about its body? A being of that size and level has magical properties for those who use its flesh and body parts." Said one of the men who had fought directly against the level 102 snake.

"The value of its corpse is magnificent. But only if we're alive to take advantage of it." Minos said. "Unfortunately, monsters of all kinds are probably already on their way here to devour that body. We only have time to take its essence and run.

We'll soon be unable to leave the building I intend to enter because of this battle for months."

"Months?" Ruth swallowed her saliva, not imagining that the situation would become so serious after just one battle.

The others took Minos' words to heart, and in less than a minute, the less worn-out ones had collected the snake's brain, which was the essence of this monster, the most valuable item from its corpse.

With it in hand, they set off towards the place Minos wanted to reach, arriving there just seconds before the first monster stronger than that snake appeared where the battle had taken place.

They had narrowly escaped a being of level 104!

Minos closed the entrance he had just passed and looked meaningfully at his group while they all saw the same thing he had seen outside the building.

Chapter 2294 Moving On

"I saw a fucking level 105 Sovereign coming from a distance! Did anyone else see that?" Said one of the level 99 Grandmasters in the group after the door they had passed had closed completely, ensuring their safety temporarily.

"Yes, I saw it too."

"Me too."

"You said we'll have to stay in this place for a while... Is it because of those creatures?" The leader of the alien group allied to Minos asked.

The young brown-haired human nodded in the affirmative. "That's the case. Those creatures will fight each other, and the winners will devour the bodies of that snake and those who die in the dispute.

After eating, they will digest the food in that place, which will make it dangerous for us to pass through then... So we had to stay here for a few months."

"What about this place we're in? Is it safe?" Ruth asked.

"There's nowhere safe in this region," Minos sighed. "But there aren't as many dangers here as there are outside. There are some opportunities for our group to collect in this building."

"What about the level 102 snake brain?" One of Minos' guild mates asked.

Minos looked at the alien who had taken that giant organ and stored such essence in his own storage device.

"Let's split it up. Half the brain for my group and the other half for yours." Minos said, looking at that individual and the leader of the group allied to his.

There wasn't much to talk about. That creature's brain was valuable to both sides, but not to the point of making them fight each other over it.

In a few minutes, the group split the snake's brain in half, with the leaders of each team taking what belonged to them.

There were no alchemists around, but the creature's brain could only be used in favor of the majority of them if some alchemy professional cooked up a pill or potion based on it.

With that settled, the group was faced with another situation. What to do in this place?

Minos took the lead after consuming a recovery potion that would act in time for him to be ready for the next challenge.

The aliens who had spent their energy helping him deal with the level 102 snake did the same as he did when they saw him stand in front of the group.

Minos then explained. "This building we've entered must have been an important part of the city that existed here a long time ago. Most of its levels are underground, while the levels above the floor we're on have blocked access.

Landslides, accidents, or living beings intent on blocking the alternative entrances to this place have blocked all access beyond the entrance we passed. So there's no point in exploring the upper floors; there's no way of getting to them.

As for the lower floors, there are several levels, and each one has its own threats and opportunities. The first one will be the one where I said we'd divide up the books, scrolls, and other historical materials that might be here."

"All right. Then we have to head down." One of the aliens from their allied group commented.

"What about the fact that we couldn't absorb what we found here outside the right place?" Another individual asked.

"That's right, this location is not where we are. There must be a neutral area inside this gigantic submerged ruin. We'll find our way there, but if we try to absorb any resources before we get there, we'll have problems and some of us will die."

One of the aliens who was more skeptical of Minos asked. "You keep saying that we'll die if we do anything. Are you sure that's true? From what you say, it seems that more deaths than people from our group are going to come our way."

Minos looked at the alien, who looked like a hybrid of a human and a fly and explained, "I foresaw several possibilities. In the event that we crossed that square instead of going the way we came, some of us would die, and none of us would risk absorbing resources from inside this building here.

But among the possibilities that we passed through that snake, the ones that we all survived, there was the possibility of deaths inside this place because some of us would consume what we shouldn't."

"In short, we avoided deaths by not crossing that square and surviving the snake, but there are still dangers in our path that could cause different deaths," Ruth commented.

"Yes, that's it. Several of us could still die from now on." Minos stated. "The fact that we've overcome some dangers doesn't mean everything will be smooth sailing from now on."

"Then we can't absorb the resources we get here for the time being." Said the leader of the aliens allied to Armhands' group.

"That's the case. But we'll have a chance to do that before we leave this ruin and get back out of this lake." Minos confidently said as he began to swim down the long, dark corridor ahead of their group.

The 15 individuals there followed behind Minos carefully and quietly, each aware of the possible dangers in their surroundings. They couldn't help but feel that every move they made could be activating natural or artificial mechanisms that would act against them.

They followed that long corridor until they swam down three flights of stairs to the basement of that area. Updated from n0velbln.(c)o/m

They could all see very well in the dark, so they would soon see the number of real levels below them.

There were a total of 10 underground floors in this place!

For the moment, they didn't think too much about what they would find swimming deep in this place, as they would soon reach the area where there seemed to be a grand library. When they arrived at the entrance to this submerged area, the group encountered a space of more than 3,000 square meters, where shelves decorated a large part of the room, many of them crammed with items.

The area was 4.5 meters high, but the shelves went all the way to the ceiling, and some of them had items stacked even at their highest points.

The external markings of the books and scrolls there had long since been lost. The group wasn't even sure if they would be able to read anything from those materials when they left. However, they followed Minos' proposal not to read what was in those materials, and they divided them up at random.

So Minos and the group leader allied to his would spend the next two hours dividing up the many materials in that place, each of them storing those items in their spatial rings.

At the end of this time, they would clean out the library and then leave the area, which they would later discover was the last level of this place where they would face no danger.

Returning to the previous staircase, they would continue into the depths of that area until they reach the first point, where they would encounter more obvious opportunities but also more significant dangers!

Chapter 2295 Last Target Before Peace

After two days of entering that building and making their way to its underground area, Minos' group faced several dangerous situations in this place.

After leaving the place that seemed to be a library, they came across several strange creatures on their way, but also traps and terrible phenomena in their path.

In one situation, they were attacked by spears stuck in the wall mechanisms they had to pass through to reach the lower levels. In another, a parasitic plant tried to attack them and take over their bodies on the way to a valuable resource for the group.

Amid these dangers, the group also found opportunities. The first was the chance to collect the blood of an underwater creature known for its healing

powers. On another occasion, they came across fantastic items that, when used, could confer special characteristics on their users.

There was everything in this world. There were even artifacts that could make ordinary people much stronger when in possession of one. In the Spiritual World, there was nothing like this. But in Zocarro, one could even threaten the lives of Supreme beings while they were only low-level Sovereigns in possession of something like this.

Obviously, there weren't many such fantastic artifacts in the world. But there were weaker variations of these things, like some of the items the group had found in this place, and could be compared to the wings on Minos' back.

The group had also found absorbable cultivation resources, which they had already divided up according to their combination. Still, no one had tried to use them, of course.

They were now on the last level of this place, where the building's most valuable resource was, but also where the most problematic creature in the whole area was to protect said resource.

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After leaving the penultimate level and arriving at the entrance to the last part of this grand underground building, the members of Minos' group looked tired and stressed.

As much as they had all survived by following Minos' advice and trying as hard as possible, they had suffered a lot to get there.

That could be seen not only in their expressions but also in their clothing, which was dirty and partially damaged, showing some of the wounds of those who had suffered the most among them.

Ruth and the doctor from their allied group had been helping the whole team a lot. Even so, specific injuries took longer to heal, so some weren't in their best condition.

It wasn't underwater monsters from this place that had done such a thing to them. It was a strange phenomenon related to the spatial and temporal distortions of this ruin. As much as Minos was in the group and constantly acted to protect his people, spatial distortions would occasionally appear near them, causing problems for the group.

Earlier, they were just finishing off a monster in their path when, suddenly, powerful jets of hot water shot through a spatial distortion and hit four of them.

The force and speed of that phenomenon were so ridiculous that even the thick skins of level 99 Grandmasters were pierced by it before Minos could move and prevent the situation from getting worse.

Luckily, nothing worse happened, and even without Minos using his best, he brought his group entire to the top level of the building.

"The place ahead is a little more dangerous for us. There's a level 105 creature there protecting a special crystal." He warned his people as they stopped in front of a large metal door, the only thing standing in their way of the creature. "If we can beat it, we'll get something of great value for our cultivation and security in this place over the next few months."

"What exactly is this crystal?" One of the aliens there asked.

It wasn't just anything that would justify them risking themselves against a level 105 being!

They were confident of dealing with a level 103 being. Still, level 105 was two steps too high, and some of them didn't want to risk that much, even if they had some methods for dealing with such strong beings after some of their successes in this underground construction.

Minos explained. "I don't know exactly what to call this crystal. But near it, these spatial and temporal distortions won't affect us. Then, we'll be able to stay safely in this area until the monsters on the surface depart from the area in our path and allow us to move on in this ruin.

Moreover, this crystal seems to be an interesting one to cultivate near it. As much as we can't absorb the resources we've obtained so far, we can meditate while we wait for our moment to move again."

Minos looked at the individuals who had been left with the special artifacts they had found in the last 48 hours of exploration and said. "If we fight

together, we might be able to eliminate that creature and stay in this place safely for a few months."

Those beings who had been left with the artifacts that could make them stronger looked at each other, aware that their artifacts were powerful but that they could be damaged if exposed to their limits.

These artifacts and the other resources the group had found so far had been divided up in a simple way. They were divided according to the affinity of the beings there.

Three of the four artifacts they had found were compatible with two of Minos' allies and one of his guildmates.

The last item was incompatible with anyone and was in Minos' spatial ring.

They had obtained three absorbable resources, one of which could be shared between several people and two of the individual type. One was with Minos' allies, and the other with his group, in the space ring of the only one compatible with such a thing. The source of this content no/v(el)bi((n))

The three individuals looked at each other thoughtfully. Their items were precious and could help them a lot. So they didn't want to risk a fight against a level 105 being. But on the other hand, the strange phenomena of this place could threaten the lives of all of them. Their items weren't defensive, so these things wouldn't protect them.

"All right, let's do it." One of them said after hesitating for a minute about what to do.

The others agreed soon after, and Minos said. "Let's wait for our recovery potions to take effect. Once we're in our ideal state, we'll attack."

After saying this, Minos looked through the side gaps of the large door in front of him. From there, he could see a purple glow inside that area, but also a strange creature that looked like a mixture of root and slime and could create body parts at will.

As long as they managed to beat that being, the next few months in this place would be guaranteed!

Chapter 2296 In Search of Victory

Just as Minos' group was ready to go ahead with their last fight in that underground building, he raised his own cultivation and that of five aliens.

By strengthening two of his guildmates and three of his group's allies, Minos advanced alongside those five individuals into the large area at the deepest point of that building.

Upon entering what looked like a huge crypt, the group was immediately attacked by the brown creature there.

The creature there formed several snake-like body parts. It used them to attack the vital organs of the six individuals who had first invaded its home.

But simultaneously with its merciless attack, the three individuals with special artifacts used their belongings, making the special powers of those devices show their differences in battle.

Even though they were only Grandmasters and that one was a mid-level Sovereign, the three aliens immediately managed to counterbalance their opponent's powers.

The first of them used what looked like a staff, throwing a beam of golden light at the brown creature. Immediately, it dodged for fear of having its body burned by it.

The second of them used what looked like a 60-centimeter-long chain, manipulating it while a giant stream of energy appeared around the creature's body.

Simultaneously with the actions of these two trying to hurt the creature, the third, armed with special artifacts, used the power of his device to counter the creature's attacks.

The ability of that item was to mimic the power being counterattacked. Then after that individual began infusing his energies into his device, an energy being with a body similar to that of the creature in that place appeared near that alien, before attacking against the enemy's snake-like body parts.

Minos and the two remaining individuals, the strongest in combat power in the group, excluding the existence of those special artifacts, moved using their natural powers and techniques.

Minos tried to help his companions by protecting them while using Chaotic Gravity and Infinite Dream to help the others immobilize that level 105 being.

But the difference in cultivation between him and that creature was immense!

His techniques had practically no effect when used in the normal way!

'Shit!' Minos thought to himself as he felt the creature's aura push him in the opposite direction. 'If I don't use more of my strength, we won't be able to deal with this threat without losses!'

That was only the beginning of his group's journey on The Obsidian Shore. Their target was far away, so if he took losses there, his chances of eventually succeeding in his mission would diminish.

With this in mind, Minos was forced to go one step further and show off his powers.

He looked at the creature, and his eyes glowed a golden hue. A cry and the aura of a dragon emerged from his body.

But this was no ordinary dragon, but something similar to the Ancestral God of Dragons, a creature that, like Fah'um of Dunov, had gone much further than level 100!

Dragon's Gaze!

Minos used the evolution of this skill, causing a huge golden energy dragon to emerge from his eyes. The dragon took shape while already flying towards the group's enemy.

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After leaving the submerged ruin that the group had entered on their first day on The Obsidian Shore, Minos' group traveled to an area further from the exit of this territory.

They had been through a series of challenges over the last few weeks, having had to deal with a storm that had almost caused their group to split up. After overcoming this challenge, they faced some Sovereigns native to the area, creatures who were uncomfortable with the presence of Sovereigns from outside this region.

Luckily, the enemies they faced during these days were low-level Sovereigns. After some effort on the part of the group, they managed to overcome these adversities.

They then reached an area of opportunity in the region, where there was a hot spring with great benefits for those who managed to enter it.

This area had several challenges capable of killing warriors like them, but once someone managed to get past its challenges and entered inside it, majestic cultivation opportunities would become available to them.

This was one of the best places for a high-level Grandmaster to enter in the whole of The Obsidian Shore. The downside of the place was that, after a week inside, the laws behind the area would throw anyone entering their eighth day there out of it.

That had happened to Minos' last companion, who was in the place, this afternoon!

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After their last companion had finished his exploration of the hot spring he was in, the group of 16 was reunited again.

This time, they were stronger than ever!

Over the past two weeks, another level 99 Grandmaster has advanced to level 100, while Minos has advanced to level 98!

Ruth was at the peak of level 96 and should reach level 97 in the next few weeks at this place.

But depending on their luck, she might even return to Armhands at level 98 while Minos would have the chance to reach level 99!

With their improvements so far, the group now intended to set off from where they were to get closer to their mission targets in this place.

Both groups were relatively close to their targets despite the short time since they entered the area.

The Obsidian Shore had been stable for around 10 years. The area had been fit for Grandmasters to enter for about a year and a half, but even so, the group could reach their target in the next few weeks.

However, that didn't mean that all their problems were over and things would be easier from now on. The most difficult point of their mission was where they had to go!

As soon as the group had gathered and discussed their plans with the individual who had just left the hot spring, they set off with their goals!

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The objectives of Minos' allies were not identical to those of his people. They were on The Obsidian Shore to complete something that old groups from their sect hadn't finished doing, but they weren't there for the same reason as those sent from Armhands.

That obviously didn't mean they couldn't turn against Minos' group at the end of this journey. However, the purpose of their mission was not the same as that of Emperor Stuart's group.

Between the point at which they would complete their objective and the location of Armhands' interest, the location of Minos' allies was closer. So, over the next few weeks, the group would travel to such a place where this allied group intended to complete their objectives before helping Minos' people.

They had agreed to help each other beyond the promises made by their leaders outside this territory. Minos didn't trust the word of men, but he did believe in the agreements he had made with the aliens traveling alongside him.

So, nearing the 1-year and 9-month anniversary since they entered The Obsidian Shore, they would arrive at the target of Armhands' allies on this journey!

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When they arrived near a large crater obviously caused by a fight, the group stopped not far from the slope in that area, where they could see bare rocks and several skeletons in the surroundings.

Worms and parasites as big as human children were in the vicinity of these bodies, even though there was apparently nothing else to be degraded there.

Facing this place, Minos narrowed his eyes as he saw more than some of his companions could.

At the deepest point of that crater, a four-meter-high body of a humanoid creature, with two legs and two arms, a dragon's tail, and ox horns on its head, was lying lifeless there, where the worms and parasites were gathered.

This body was obviously dead. But apart from anything else, its appearance seemed somewhat preserved.

Considering that this place had been inaccessible for a long time and that this body appeared to be that of a high-level Sovereign, Minos quickly understood that the mission of his allies was related to this ancient body.

"What are you going to do in this place?" He asked without informing those individuals that he was seeing the body of that being.

"We have to collect some things in the area. Old members of the sect have passed through here and left items to be collected. Can you help us keep an eye on the surroundings?" the leader of the group allied to Minos' group asked.

"Hmm, all right." Minos nodded as he motioned for his companions to spread out and pay attention to their surroundings.

Meanwhile, the group allied to them descended that slope, going to the vicinity of that body, where the 11th-stage worms were.

They would fight these disgusting creatures for some time, using special items from their organization, which they had been given to deal exclusively with dangers around their target.

After fighting for a few minutes, they would manage to drive away or kill the parasites and worms trying to eat that grandiose body that only through their devices could they see it.

Minos observed these individuals discreetly, curious to know if this was an old member of these people's sect who had stayed in this place, what they were about to do and what they would do when they left The Obsidian Shore.

'I'll just watch. When I leave this place, I'll pass on everything they do here to the General. Maybe that will earn me some merit points.' Minos secretly thought.

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After a week of observing the surroundings of the crater that the group of aliens had started working on earlier, they had finished their mission there.

Unlike Minos' group's mission, which was very difficult to carry out and which many of the Armhands had failed in the past, this group's mission was simpler. They weren't there to take something shocking that would even influence the lives of Supreme beings.

Their goal was to take advantage of The Obsidian Shore's opportunities and then take the corpse and belongings of that ox-horned being.

Minos paid attention to everything and kept what had happened in mind, eager to leave this place and show his superiors what had happened. Through his mental technique, Infinite Dream, doing so would be easy.

So Minos said nothing, nor did he ask any questions to those aliens allied to his group. He merely stood in position, ordering his men to protect that crater, without letting their curiosity make the group allied to them realize that he knew something or that they would be a problem.

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"Are you finished?" One of the aliens from Minos' group asked their allies, who had finally returned from the large crater they had spent the last few days surrounded by.

"Yes, we had to dig something out, but it wasn't difficult to access our target here." Said one of the aliens.

"Was your mission just that? Our leaders said that our target was risking the lives of everyone here." Said that a member of the group of envoys from Armhands.

"We didn't have such a difficult mission... But if your group hadn't helped us deal with the threats in the surrounding area over the last few days, we would have had some problems." Said the leader of Minos' allies.

What he said was the truth. Minos' group hadn't just stood around in the surroundings over the last few days. They had fought three times while that allied group of theirs collected what they wanted in the area.

Minos then changed the subject. "Well, now that you've finished, it's time to move on to the Black Heart site. Do you intend to honor your words?"

The leader of Minos' alien allies nodded in the affirmative. "Don't worry, friend. We're not liars. We said we would help you, so we will.

However, it's like your companion said. Your mission is much more difficult than ours. So we'll help you as far as we can accept the dangers."

"That's good enough," Minos said as he started walking away from the crater.

That level 100 alien looked at Minos with interest before following with his group behind Emperor Stuart's people.

But he couldn't help wondering. 'Isn't he interested in what we've done here? Did he do this expecting the same level of discretion from us at the Black Heart mission site?'

Their group had been sent there to collect that huge corpse from earlier. However, when their supervisor made an alliance with the General behind Minos' group, they gained a new objective.

They were to help each other on their journey to The Obsidian Shore by exploring things not required by their organizations or carrying out their respective missions there. But if Minos' group were to be as successful as the level 114 Sovereign was confident it would be, that group would have to take over the target from Emperor Stuart's group!

Because of this, that level 100 alien was curious to know if Minos hadn't asked any questions because he wanted them not to get involved in matters relating to Black Heart.

'That alone is not enough. You need more to make me break my superior's orders.' This individual thought as he followed behind Minos.

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Two months later, the group faced yet another variety of dangers on their way to Minos' point of interest.

After the advance of another alien to level 100 and Ruth's advance to level 97, the group remained firm, with no casualties even after almost two years in this very dangerous area.

Part of this was due to the progress and resources the group had made in that submerged area. Still, it was mainly due to Minos' ability to analyze glimpses of the future. Because of their awareness of future possibilities and an unparalleled instinct for danger, they avoided many calamities that could have killed several of them.

They took advantage of several opportunities to collect resources and spatial rings from experts who had fallen in the past through the places they passed through during this period.

After weeks of leaving the area of the previous crater, the group finally arrived in a gloomy area of The Obsidian Shore, where grandiose trees prevented light from reaching the surface.

In this shady place full of trees and plant creatures, Minos and his group were camping at the moment, having stopped to rest after a recent battle.

While part of the group was meditating, another part was surveying the surroundings of their temporary camp.

Minos was in an individual hut, sitting on a cultivation cushion in the lotus position. He was meditating as usual, but at this moment he was sweating profusely, while his eyes rolled back as if he were having a nightmare.

In his deep consciousness, he saw himself walking alone in this forest as he heard a muffled sound repeating at a specific frequency.

As he felt this, he couldn't help but feel as if something was calling him, something he had sensed before.

"Hah... Hah..." He suddenly opened his eyes, breathing heavily, somewhat puzzled.

He hadn't tried to predict the future, but apparently, he had just predicted his fate.

'Is this what the level 110 Sovereign showed me?' He remembered the day he had been stopped by the brother of an old opponent of his.

But while he was thinking about this, Minos suddenly heard a distinct sound and stopped thinking. He left his tent and looked around.

Thump-thump!

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"Do you hear that?" He asked his companions on the outskirts of the camp.

Those on guard in the surroundings immediately turned their eyes to Minos, not understanding what he was talking about.

"Hearing what?" Someone asked.

"Don't you hear that heartbeat sound?" Minos asked as he looked in the direction from which he felt it.

"I don't hear anything." Several people said the same thing, as Minos made his armor appear around his body, with him already walking towards what he was hearing. "Minos! Where are you going?" One of these men asked, but Minos didn't hear him.

"Shit!" This man exclaimed as he left his position and alerted the others to move.