

Bloodline 961

Chapter 961: Travelling To The Bureau

"But?"

"I can connect you to someone who might be able to assist," Gustav stated.

Through the mask, Red Shadow's face lit up with a hopeful look as he asked, "Who?"

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A few minutes later Gustav had gotten off the call with Red Shadow after giving him the contact details of who he wanted to link him up with.

It turned out that Red Shadow had been in contact with Gustav for the past week about a particular situation.

The agency Red Shadow worked with had a mission for him where someone had asked them to investigate the increasing numbers of ashy-infected people lately in a particular city.

According to the reports it had been taken care of by the MBO at the time but then the infected mindless people kept coming back.

At first, they came in groups of ten and then it kept increasing even though the MBO would usually take care of the situation quickly before it got out of hand.

However, it was starting to look like a pattern and the person who gave the mission to the agency Red Shadow worked with felt they weren't safe anymore within the city walls because these infected people kept coming back.

Red Shadow inspected several and it was proven that the city had been neutralized of ashy infected people several times and they had ways of scanning across the city for any infected people before it graduated to a stage of insanity.

This meant the infected ones that had already gone insane were coming from somewhere else.

Red Shadow upon investigating for some time needed backup and informed the MBO that there might be a conspiracy somewhere.

The infected would usually turn mindless after some time which would in turn make it look like they were brain dead.

However after it graduated to a stage where their infection could no longer be contained, the infected would turn bloodlust. They would still be mindless and unreasonable but they would be out for blood.

These were usually the ones that appeared in that particular city and it had been happening for some time.

Red Shadow was sure that something was up somewhere but he needed to work with others.

After seeing how unreasonable the MBO was, he asked Gustav for help with it but Gustav was busy trying to make plans to complete his quest.

Gustav just sent him to some officers with a plea and they didn't join him in investigating as he expected.

They still doubted that Red Shadow was on to something. If Gustav was directly involved it wouldn't be that way but because Red Shadow was from a private Mixedblood agency, they didn't take him seriously.

Gustav wanted to focus on completing his quest before he gave this situation a thought.

Right now Red Shadow had called to complain again and this time Gustav connected him with Gradier Xanatus who was now a Major Gradier.

Gradier Xanatus was now higher in rank so definitely he could use his power to pull some strings and assist Red Shadow.

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Two hours went by in a flash and Gustav stood to his feet and moved to the mirror.

Currently, he was clad in a brownish uniform with the MBO emblem on his right chest pocket.

Wriggling sounds rang out as his face changed colour and his body turned a bit slimmer with slightly pale skin.

Gustav now looked like a completely different person. He smiled as he tapped on his dimensional bracelet.

'Time to go,' Gustav said internally as he picked a location.

Zing!

He appeared within private airspace in the next few moments.

His sudden appearance was a bit eye-catching as some of the other officers waiting around here stared in his direction.

This private airspace was secluded from the other parts of this airport. Right in front of it, one could see an MBO emblem.

In this air space, about six other officers were waiting by the side and it looked like Gustav was the last to arrive.

They were all clad in brown uniforms like him but they all looked older than he was.

"Yo, looks like this young officer is also being added to the ranks," One of them voiced to the person beside him.

Gustav moved to the side and stood a few feet away from the aircraft that was currently booting.

They all waited by the side for about two minutes before a high-ranking MBO officer arrived in their midst.

"Officers, we will be leaving now. I'm sure you all know the drill but introductions will be needed for better cooperation at the Bureau," This high-ranking female officer voiced out as she turned to stare at the first person on the left.

"You start first," She stated.

"I am Officer Gonzales,"

She turned towards the next person who in turn voiced out his name next.

"...Officer Shepherd,"

"...Officer Noah,"

"...Officer Nicole,"

"...Officer Uzumaki,"

"...Officer Cheng,"

When it was finally Gustav's turn, he voiced out his fake name as well, "Officer Tantrum,"

"Pfffftt,"

Some of them burst into laughter as they heard that.

"Did you throw tantrums as a kid or what? Hahaha," One of them voiced out while laughing loudly.

The high-ranking female officer gave them a stern glare that caused the place to quieten in the next instant.

Their smiles faded as they took on a look of respect.

"I am Officer Mila and to make things easier I'll just call you all by numbers," She said while raising her hand to point.

"Number one,"

"Number two..."

She gave them numbers according to how they had introduced themselves and Gustav ended up with the number seven.

Afterwards they moved into the plane, strapping themselves in as they prepared for flight.

Some of the officers were already making connections and talking to each other.

Amongst all seven, only one was a female officer while the others were just males.

- "I think we still get the chance to use gadgets right?"

- "No, this is our last chance to use gadgets since we will be busy with surveillance and security when we arrive there,"

Chapter 962: Arriving At The Bureau

- "Ahh let me savor the picture of my savior one last time then,"

This was the dialogue of two male officers chatting opposite Gustav.

Gustav saw the other officer open a picture file on his gadget and surprisingly Gustav picture appeared on the screen of the gadget.

His next action nearly made Gustav puke.

"Muaaah!"

The officer planted a saliva filled kiss on the screen of the gadget right on Gustav's lips on the picture.

"Number two, what the hell are you doing?" Number three yelled from the side.

"What? I'm in love with officer Crimson, or am I not allowed to?" Number two said with a slightly girly voice.

Gustav felt the urge to throw up once more but he held it in.

"Number seven you want some?" Number two asked while showing Gustav a picture of Gustav.

"Nah I'm good," Gustav responded.

"I was never gonna share him with you anyways," Number two stated with a hmph.

'...oookkaayy,' Gustav said internally with a slightly awkward look.

"Don't mind Number two he's been that way since he arrived here," Number five voiced out with a feminine tone from the side.

The person sitting beside Gustav was the only lady on the team.

"Hmm I see," Gustav responded.

"Seven this is your first time serving at the Bureau right?" She asked.

"Yeah it is," Gustav responded.

"Then you can always come to me for help," She said with a smile.

Everyone here was older than Gustav so he could tell Number five was trying to play the role of a big sister at this moment.

"Sure, I'll bother you when I need help," Gustav responded.

The flight was scheduled to be around two hours since they were in quite a speedy aircraft.

It turned out a team of MBO mixedbloods were being swapped out for this particular team. Usually there were around ten teams of officers tasked with the security of the bureau and now that a team was being swapped out, this team would be taking care of the previous team duties.

These rounds were usually swapped every six months so it would take another six months before this team would be swapped again.

Gustav had stole the identity of another officer he currently held in captive unbeknownst to them.

This officer had been in the MBO for about a year so he was still relatively new compared to the others but then his rank was the same as the others because he had climber up pretty fast even though it couldn't be compared to Gustav's speed.

Everyone here was a Kilo ranked except for the officer whose identity was stolen by Gustav so it was convenient enough for Gustav to use his identity.

The original Officer Tantrum was out cold and Gustav knew he only had limited time before he regained consciousness.

He had to be done and out of here before the time came for him to regain consciousness.

A timer was set in Gustav's dimensional bracelet that would instantly teleport him out of there when it was time for Officer Tantrum to regain consciousness.

The main objective was to retrieve Scientist Zil's files without any suspicions.

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About two hours later they an area within the ocean was spotted where waves were not being generated. This part of the ocean was quite calm and in a few they had spotted a massive cave in within the ocean with an outstanding circular shaped structure in the middle.

The structure at the top resembled ice that was shaped like an onion. It was really large and the airplane slowly descended as it arrived in that area.

Mixedbloods could be seen flying around the place and one of them paused in mid air a few feet away from the aircraft.

~"Confirming Aircraft Serial code,"~

A call was coming in from the Mixedblood in front and the pilot answered with the expected Aircraft code.

They were given clearance for landing and an invisible opening appeared on the forcefield surrounding the structure.

Zhisshhh!

They landed on the west side where a small private hanger was exposed. Two MBO officers were already awaiting them and stood in place as they got off the aircraft.

"Officer Mila," Both officers saluted with a look of respect the moment they all filed out of the aircraft.

It turned out that Officer Mila was the main officer in charge of the MBO officers securing the bureau. She nodded at the officers and they led them to the small stairway that led to the top floor on the bureau.

Gustav and the others arrived at a hallway top floor and followed the officers who were initially waiting for them at the roof.

The entire place was made of icy like walls so even the walls were translucent along with the floors. They passed by some people working here who were clad in whitish outfit.

Every person working in the Bureau of Cities Reseach Centre was a scientist or relayed with science and technology in one way or the other.

The white uniform was their outfit so besides people in white the only other color that could be seen in the bureau was that of the MBO.

The two officers lead all seven of them to a particular place within the top floor that was exclusive to the MBO officers only.

When they got into this place, the found out it was the operating room for cameras all across the bureau.

There were lots of holographic screen lined up in mid air that displayed scenes from every single floor within the bureau. The bureau apparently was as big as as an MBO tower.

There were over a thousand floors and there were other screens displaying different angles outside the structure which also showed how the waves outside were falling in without making contact with the building.

The only reason the Bureau wasn't reaching the space like any of the MBO towers despite being as large was because it was erected in the middle of the ocean.

The ocean was quite deep itself.

Chapter 963: Difficulty Level Increased

Lots of people moving about in white outfits could be seen with some placing some information into holographic computers.

Multiple libraries made some information available in general. They had books on paper and also some circular objects that stored information.

These floated in mid-air with tons of different categories all visible and outlined to make things easier.

There were also lots of laboratories within the bureau.

Different scientific research was being put to test because one of the works of the Bureau was to test out some new inventions they found suspicious and make sure it was safe before they would be allowed for public distribution or get access to be shown to the world.

The guards began explaining to the seven which area their team would have to cover for the next week before they swapped with another team.

It had been explained initially before they were brought here how despite the bureau having up to a thousand floors, they still managed to keep the place secure with just seventy MBO officers.

The MBO didn't want to send too many here which was why they sent officers who had reached this rank in the MBO because they knew they were more effective.

Gustav already knew about the bureau being this massive which was why he took so much time to make plans.

With it having over a thousand floors, Scientist Zil's research could be hidden anywhere.

He had spent his time trying to find out exactly where it was located but there was barely any information coming out of this place so Gustav didn't know much.

He only knew the floor which he had to go to find research that was confiscated during the same time frame as Sir Zil's.

This was the highest he was able to figure out without drawing suspicions to himself and he had decided he would use it to the best of his capabilities.

He had successfully infiltrated, the next step was getting the research without arousing any suspicions or anyone figuring it out.

Gustav wasn't really listening to the Officers who were giving the brief info about the bureau, instead, he was looking around at the thousands of holographic screens in mid-air and the number of MBO officers seated in this control room.

However, even with this, Gustav could hear them clearly and still focus on the other places his eyes were searching at the same time.

His eyes closed in on one of the screens at the left corner, 'That's the west side of floor 627...' Gustav said internally.

'The other screens show the different areas on floor 627...' Gustav thought as he looked at the other screens lined up.

'There's a conference room on that same floor so I guess it's one of the labelled no-go areas in the bureau,'

The Guards had mentioned that some places were off limits for them and it was particularly the floors that had conference rooms.

It looked like the government didn't want the MBO or anyone snooping in on their confidential scientific-related plans.

They used the conference room every week and there were times when a higher-up from the government would have important meetings with them relating to some new plans that would affect the public.

The entire building was government property after all.

'Things might get a little tougher since I have to infiltrate a building off access to the officers,' Gustav thought.

After some time, they were shown the area they were meant to cover as the new team.

Number five was given team leader and she held onto the device that could be used to contact all ten teams simultaneous if anything ever happened.

The others were given communication access within the team so they would be able to report any suspicious findings in their own area where they were supposed to watch.

After a few more minutes the team headed to the teleportation elevator that took them down to the 246th floor.

They were meant to cover from the 246th floor down to the 257th floor.

Five of them would be covering two floors and one person would be covering the last floor while the last person would have to cover the outer perimeter of the number of floors they were given.

Number five went on to give each person their assigned floors and when it got to Gustav's turn, he was given the 257th floor.

He was the only given one floor to cover while Number 25 herself covered the outer perimeter.

Her bloodline didn't grant her the power to fly but the MBO had given them gadgets that made them capable of flight so it wasn't a problem.

Everyone moved to their assigned places and began their duties.

When Gustav arrived on this floor he moved about like he was supposed to watch every nook and cranny of the floor with multiple workers in white moving about the place.

However while this was going on, Gustav was making plans to infiltrate the floor he needed to.

One would wonder how they would ever get a chance to take a break with the entire number of floors they were supposed to survey but amongst the number of teams, there was a backup team that would step in after a week for each team.

MBO officers at this rank and level of strength could stay up to a month without taking food so they were required to be watchful for a week.

However, they were still allowed breakfast, lunch and dinner along with toilet breaks during the one week and someone from the control room would be substituted until they were done.

The MBO officers in the control room weren't amongst the team of seven.

They were a separate force and they were never swapped like the others.

The only thing they weren't allowed during that timeframe was sleep. Mixedbloods were quite powerful at this level so all of these things weren't a problem.

Even if they didn't get to sleep it wouldn't be a problem.

Chapter 964: Red Shadow And Gradier Xanatus Collaboration

They only needed to bear this for around six months before they were swapped with a new team so they didn't see it as a problem.

Their pay was astronomically increased during this time frame as well. Even though they didn't like getting transferred here, they appreciated the high pay.

Hours into the whole thing, Gustav had already scanned every single floor in the bureau with God Eyes.

He had taken note of every vent, pipe and intricate workings of the bureau. The next step was to put his plans into motion.

'The files are in data not in papers,' Gustav said internally.

("Well we already prepared for this didn't we?") The system replied in his mind.

'Yeah, are you ready to fill it with different data?' Gustav asked.

("This makes things easier, I only need to do an exchange of data. Nothing will be suspected in the slightest, you just need to get me close enough without making contact,") The system voiced.

'How close?' Gustav asked.

("One foot,") The system responded.

Gustav; "... 'Practically the same as making contact,'

("Just get there...") The system stated.

'Yeah, the problem isn't getting there... It's leaving here to there without anyone noticing I'm gone or seeing me on the floor that is restricted to MBO officers,' Gustav voiced internally.

("Make use of those intelligent points Gustav,") The system said with a tone of ridicule.

Gustav; "... 'Put a,'

'I know what to do, it's just going to take some time,'

("Well we still have around five days before he regains consciousness so chop chop be quick,")

-Luchas City

"This was the last scene it went down," A masked man voiced out to a man in Red Colored MBO uniform.

"It's been too long, I can't use my Rewind to see where they came from," The man in the MBO uniform voiced out in response as they looked around.

Currently, they were on the outskirts of a small forest area. Behind them was a small forest while in front of them was the shore of a river.

The sun was already setting and the beautiful river displayed the reflection of its wonderful glow.

There was a big spot up ahead with an ash-coloured stain but besides that, the entire area looked okay.

"I suspected it was from Gildian City but now I'm not so sure," The masked man voiced out.

"Gildian ruined City? Why would you think so?" The man in a Red-coloured uniform with an MBO emblem asked.

"Initially the infected were coming from the west but now I don't think so anymore because this is the south... they came in from the south with borders with Xianting City," The masked man explained.

"Red Shadow, you might be onto something," The officer stated with a contemplative look.

"What do you mean, Officer Xanatus?" Red Shadow asked.

"Gildian is a ruined and unpopulated city with some toxic gases in the air but it's still possible to stay there for some time. If one has the right equipment or... if they are powerful enough," Gradier Xanatus began to speak while furrowing his eyebrows.

Gildian City was located on the west side of the city they were currently in. Which was Luchan City.

"If this is a kind of conspiracy whoever is involved might have noticed that things were starting to get suspicious and change their mode of doing things," Gradier Xanatus added.

"But a lot of things still don't make sense... what is the end game with this?" Red Shadow said with a look of confusion.

"That's what we need to find out... but one thing we can be sure of is, it's nothing good so we have to stop it before it actually comes to fruition," Gradier Xanatus responded.

"So we're going to Gildian City again then?" Red Shadow asked.

"Again?" Gradier Xanatus questioned.

"Last time it was with the young miss when we were on that last operation," Red Shadow explained.

"Oh the young miss," A smile appeared on Gradier Xanatus's face as he voiced out.

It turned out Red Shadow and Miss Aimee had gone there in the last year since it was linked to their previous mission together.

"I hope she's okay wherever she is," Red Shadow's face could not be seen at the moment but he was smiling under the mask as well.

"She'll be fine. It's her after all," Gradier Xanatus said as he turned to move towards the hover car behind.

"Yeah I'm sure," Red Shadow responded as he followed after him.

-The Bureau Of Cities Research Center

-"I'll wait for sure if you want me to,"

"No don't worry I still need to work,"

- "You could just take a toilet break and join me,"

"Maybe next time,"

- "Oh come on don't be like this. You won't die if you go out with me you know?"

"...Okay then I'll take a break,"

- "Yes, I'll be waiting in the centre cafeteria,"

Gustav's discussion with a young female scientist ended this way.

It had already been three days and during his time here Gustav had been getting friendly with some scientists.

Three of them in particular just to fish for information he might have missed and due to the information he had received, he made friends with one more...

Amira Tabitha...

This young scientist happened to be the daughter of a well-known female scientist who worked in the bureau. She was amongst the top researchers here, high up the hierarchy.

Of course, Gustav's reason for getting close to her was related to his plans.

Gustav didn't have to really act while using Tantrum's identity because no one here knew him in the first place so he couldn't arouse suspicions with his personality unless he did something out of hand.

Amira Tabitha who was obviously swooned by Tantrum's charms mixed with Gustav's suaveness had been getting really friendly with him.

They would occasionally have brief discussions every time Gustav walked by the area she was walking. From there she had taken a liking to him despite the short period they had known each other.

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Chapter 965: Marry Me!

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They all had their rooms but unlike the officers, the scientists had resting time and could even leave the bureau whenever they wanted to.

She was disheartened seeing that Tantrum was on this floor every time she came by in the last three days even though he had told her not to worry about it.

Gustav eventually took a break and decided to join her for lunch.

- "Ah seven is taking a break?"

- "He only surveys one floor why does he get to take a break?"

Some of the other teammates were not so satisfied after hearing Number seven was given access to take a thirty minutes break.

Someone from the control room would be taking his place in the meantime.

Some of them had taken one break or the other during the last three days but they felt it was justified since they had to surveil two floors meanwhile Gustav only had to surveil one.

Number five didn't care about their tantrums and gave seven the break regardless.

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"Tell me, what do you enjoy doing in your free time?" Amira questioned as they had lunch.

"Mostly reading," Gustav responded before taking a bite at the dish before them.

"You read? What types of books?" She seemed quite surprised as Gustav mentioned this.

"Novels, science, history, martial arts, astronomy... practically everything," Gustav answered.

Amira usually knew the MBO as a combatant force so she had a kind of mentality that they only cared about strength. She didn't believe Gustav was into knowledge so she began to ask him questions.

"Who is the most decorated fictional author to date?" She questioned.

"21st Century, TimVic,"

"Who created a cure for cancer?"

"Scientist Nevaland Chase,"

"Complete this scientific term 'An acting body can only be...'

She kept throwing questions at Gustav from all fields, ranging from science to literature to history and others.

Gustav answered every single question with ease making her look more astonished by the second.

"Don't forget your meal," Gustav reminded her after noticing she had stopped eating and kept staring at him with a look of disbelief.

"Marry me," She voiced out subconsciously.

"Huh?" Gustav exclaimed.

"*cough cough* sorry about that," Her face turned beet red as she coughed repeatedly before grabbing a glass of juice by the side and downing it.

"Hmmm," Gustav nodded and continued eating.

"I'm just so shocked that you're so knowledgeable... And not just a muscle head with a handsome look," She said with a fawning look.

Gustav looked unmoved in reality but internally he was smiling because things were going exactly as planned.

"I know a lot more than you think. If my family wasn't led by a Commander from the MBO I would be a scientist by now," Gustav voiced out as he drank from a cup with a calm look.

"Looks like you're not in the MBO by choice, I know how that feels. I also wanted to be something different myself but my mother dragged me into this line of work because of my high intelligence," Amira voiced out with a relatable tone.

"So what did you wanna be then?" Gustav asked.

"I actually wanted to join the MBO but I was born with a C grade bloodline and my parents love competition. They didn't think I could become the best with a C grade bloodline so I should have been a scientist since with my IQ I could do pretty well in the science world so long as I was taught properly," Amira voiced out lengthily.

"Don't be mistaken I do love my job as a scientist and already have a few accolades to show for it but sometimes I wonder how things would have become if I had joined the MBO," She added.

"I wonder how things would have become if I had been a scientist too," Gustav voiced out with a tone of defeat.

Both of them kept eating in silence for a bit before Gustav suddenly spoke...

"I have an idea," He voiced out.

"Huh, what is it?" Amira asked with a look of curiosity.

"We could..." Gustav suddenly stopped talking at this point.

"We could what?" She asked.

"Time's up, I need to get back to my post," Gustav voiced out while standing to his feet.

"Oh, when can we do this again?" She asked.

"I don't know when I'll be given the chance to take a break again so I'm not sure," Gustav said while walking away.

Amira had a look of longing on her face as she watched Officer Tantrum walk away.

'Maybe I could ask mum to pull some strings so I can steal him away again,' She said internally.

"Take over watching outside in the meantime. The others are not satisfied so they want you to get a bigger duty post,"

Number five said as she arrived on the floor Gustav was patrolling.

"Oh, you want me to scour the perimeter?" Gustav asked.

"Yeah," She confirmed.

"For how long?" He questioned.

"For the rest of the week. Don't worry I'll give you a smaller area to survey when our team surveillance area changes next week," She said with an expression of reassurance thinking Number seven was asking this because he didn't want to be given a larger area to survey.

She had no idea Gustav was wailing internally as this switch potentially could ruin his plans.

Gustav had no choice but to accept the switch and exited the floor.

In a few minutes, Gustav was flying outside the building.

Some thrusters were shooting out of his back and his feet, giving him the ability to fly without having to make use of his powers.

The area outside he was meant to cover was from the 246th to the 257th floor which was a little over a hundred feet in height but a radius covering over three thousand feet.

Each floor was just that large. There were other Officers a hundred feet higher and below also surveying their own area.

Chapter 966: Dimensional Travel Unavailable

This whole situation had caught Gustav off guard since he was supposed to remain on the 257th floor and keep in contact with Amira to achieve his objective.

If he was made to stay here till the end of the week it would be messing with the plan since the real officer Tantrum would have regained consciousness by then.

Gustav had kept him in a spatial prison but eventually, the spatial prison would lose power if he wasn't there to enforce it which would lead to Tantrum breaking out.

He could access it from anywhere but he couldn't just disappear at any time he wanted to for a long period of time.

He just knew he had to find a way to maneuver this whole situation in his favour.

While Gustav flew around the premises of the bureau he inspected the entire environment. The outside was dimly lit and the oceanic waves falling in were only a few feet away from making contact with the structure. With this amount of depth, the waves should be making contact but when Gustav moved closer to the waves to inspect the weird phenomenon he noticed something.

He tried to touch the waves and noticed that his palm was being repelled by an invisible force.

This force was responsible for not making the waves collide with the structure.

Gustav activated God Eyes and looked down. At the bottom as well there was not a single drop of water to be seen.

The ground was dry, it was like the waves were being led somewhere else and couldn't penetrate the circle where the bureau was erected.

'This is quite amazing,' Gustav said internally.

'But this energy seems familiar... isn't it...'

("Dimensional and anti-Dimensional energy mixed together,") The system completed his sentence.

'Yeah... that's why it felt so strange and I couldn't identify it at first... how are they able to make use of both of them in the same place?' Gustav was astounded.

("There are brilliant minds here exposed to scientific research not available to the public so it's to be expected that you will see confusing things here,") The system stated.

It turns out the bureau was gatekeeping not only scientific research but technology as well.

'This might also be a problem...' Gustav said internally while still placing his hand on the force that separate their area from the waves falling in.

("Why?")

'This is the purest and highest form of these opposite energies I have ever encountered...' As Gustav got to this point the system could already tell what he was thinking about.

("The level seven Dimensional bracelet has never been affected by Dimensional disruptors... you think it would affect now?") The system asked.

'Only one way to find out,' Gustav said internally as he prepared to make use of it.

- "Hey Newbie, you're not supposed to be there,"

A voice came in from the communication channel.

"Huh?" Gustav exclaimed.

- "The sensors in the control room go off whenever there is contact with the Dimensional barrier... It has been going off repeatedly. We understand you're new but stay away from the barrier,"

"Yes, sire,"

The call ended at this point and Gustav moved away from the barrier.

He continued flying around the building as he came up with different plans.

Turned out the officers in the control room didn't think it could have been an intruder since they were immediately able to tell that the person assigned there was causing the issue.

This made Gustav wonder just how long it had been since the bureau actually had any issue of infiltration or getting attacked.

- "Man this is always boring. Nobody ever attacks the bureau,"

- "It's been centuries since the last attack which failed woefully because at the time Sir Jack was the one assigned to protect the bureau,"

- "I read about that too, daum he overpowered all the opponents who were aliens that had sneaked into earth with one of our spacecraft,"

- "Since then no one had ever tried it which makes things awfully boring,"

- "You all, that doesn't mean you should slack off,"

These were the responses of the others when Gustav asked his question through the team channel.

Even though the Officers were still on the alert, Gustav could tell that they were still pretty laid back. Which meant they wouldn't notice if he disappeared for a little bit.

A few seconds of disappearance was okay but Gustav wouldn't risk anything beyond that.

As this thought came to mind, Gustav activated the dimensional bracelet. He needed to be sure, that dimensional travel was possible at this moment.

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Gustav stared at the notification on the dimensional bracelet with an 'I knew it' look.

He thought this might happen from the moment he figured out about the dimensional and anti dimensional field surrounding the entire vicinity.

This was the first time the dimensional bracelet was inefficient under the coverage of a dimensional disruptor.

If the dimensional bracelet had worked he would have returned here in the next instant but atlas the situation had taken a turn for the worse.

'Leaving here might be a bit of a hassle but it turns out I can still mark this location as a checkpoint,' Gustav was a bit surprised after he noticed this but he deciphered it in the next instant.

'So that's it... Then I just need to make changes to the plans,' Gustav said internally.

'Getting out of here might be cumbersome without bringing about suspicions but it's definitely possible... Might have to cause a ruckus tho,' Gustav thought as multiple plans began to formulate in his head.

("Not a bad plan but don't forget, our main issue is still getting close enough to where the files are stored,") The system reminded.

'Hmm, being outside might not be as bad as I thought... A few seconds' disappearance might go unnoticed so I can do this,' Gustav thought as he brought out a thumb nail-sized circular item.

Gustav proceeded to place this item on his forehead and in the next instant he disappeared.

[Cognitive Concealment Has Been Activated]

Chapter 967: The Situation In Gildian City

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[Cognitive Concealment Has Been Activated]

His presence also completely disappeared in the next instant completing masking his existence.

[Hover Has Been Activated]

Thwosssshh!

Gustav flew upwards with intense speed, crossing more than two hundred floors in an instant.

Besides the winds that were generated from his flight speed, there was nothing else in the vicinity to be seen since he was currently invisible.

Thwwwiih!

Gustav arrived at the west area, outside the 627th floor and paused his ascent.

[God Eyes Has Been Activated]

God Eyes was so so high level at the moment that even the preventive measures put in place to stop anyone from snooping, was unable to stop God Eyes.

Gustav's sight phased through the icy like walls, peering right through multiple walls and hallways within.

He arrived at a particular part of the floor and began looking around. There were a few workers moving about but none of them were aware of the invisible eyes watching.

'Time Jumps confiscated research area...'

'DNA separation...'

'Bloodline implantation...'

'Multiple sex organ creation...'

Gustav said internally as he looked across some rooms on this floor where research had been confiscated.

There were so many categories and he wanted to find the one related to Scientist Zil's research so it would make it easier to find when he finally managed to infiltrate this floor.

("Ten seconds left,")

The system reminded him that he only had ten seconds left of invisibility.

Gustav didn't want to make use of another invisibility tool since he had them in limited amount right now so he had to make sure he found what he was looking for within these ten seconds.

Gustav's eyes finally closed in on an area that was labelled 'Interdimensional travel/Displacement'.

There was no need for a more obvious sign than that for him to figure out that this was the area he was looking for.

'There's at six hundred and thirty two confiscated research research in this category,' Gustav was instantly able to calculate the number of confiscated research in this vicinity.

There were floating tabloid looking items everywhere with labels on them. Gustav just had to look at the labels to find out which one exactly contained scientist Zil's research.

-"Number Seven report,"

Gustav could hear a call from their team leader the same moment he found the area.

("5")

("4")

The system was also counting down in his mind the amount of time left till the visibility deactivated.

'Found it,' Gustav also said internally at the same time.

'Southwest corner... 123th section...' Gustav took note of these things before he turned around.

Fwwhiiii!

He flew down with immense speed and arrived back at the same spot he was earlier.

("2")

("1")

The countdown reached zero and Gustav reappeared. He also deactivated Cognitive Concealment at this point causing his presence to return.

-"Number Seven report,"

He heard Number five call in once again after not receiving a response for about five seconds.

"Number seven reporting... clear. The entire environment is cool and calm,"

They would have to report every one hour about the situation of the area they were surveiling. So it was Gustav turn to give his report after the others had given theirs.

There was usually nothing so this had been the same repeated response for a very long time.

- "I wish something would just happen,"

Number one voiced out with a bored tone on their communication channel with a bored tone causing everyone to start laughing.

'Be careful of what you wish for,' Gustav said internally.

-Gildian City

Bang! Bang! Bang!

The sounds of flesh ripping and multiple collisions rang out as a battle played out in a particular area.

A massive blue illumination surrounded the right arm of a man in uniform as he threw his fist forward causing a shockwaves to spread across the vicinity.

Boom!

Tens of ash skinned looking humans got blasted backwards as the ground caved in and the demolished building behind got even more wrecked than earlier.

On the other side a star shaped glowing red opening swept forward with intense speed and energy, clearing a wave of the ash skinned looking humans in front.

Red footprints appeared all over the place as the man who was masked dashed forward and grabbed hold of a normal looking man who was trying to escape with a box like item in his grasp.

The entire vicinity was filled with a purplish fog and desecrated buildings. Tons and tons of collapsed buildings could be seen and it was obvious that this city was no longer in use.

"Let's go!" Red Shadow yelled out as he turned around and dashed forward again.

Fwhiiii!

A bunch of these ashy skinned humans, landed exactly where he was standing initially as an ashy fog spread out.

Gradier Xanatus who was about a hundred feet towards the left, leapt away from his position towards Red Shadow.

Bunch of massive ashy hands slammed upon the place he was standing earlier and hundreds of ashy skinned humans could be seen charging towards the direction he leapt in.

Red Shadow opened a flower shaped portal in front and jumped in. Gradier Xanatus jumped in after him and it closed up before any of the ash skinned humans got to it.

Screeehhhhh~

Sounds of screeching rang out as they arrived at the initial position of the assailants and were unable to spot them again.

They all had bloodshot eyes as they charged forward with intensity all having one unique look or the other.

Some were massive, others were slim and had differences in abilities except for their skin color which happened to be the same.

Hundreds of these creatures with similar skin color could be seen teeming across the vicinity.

They all stared in one direction within this purplish fog enshrouded decimated city and began to charge forward in unison.

Bang!

"Now you have nowhere to run," Red Shadow voiced out as he slammed the man in his grasp against the ground the instant the appeared in another location.

Chapter 969: Emergency In Luchas City

"Tell us what is going on?" Gradier Xanatus instantly began questioning as he stood in front of this man.

During the last three days Gradier Xanatus and Red Shadow had spent this time scouring Gildian City that had been destroyed a long time ago. The city was not conducive for anyone to stay within so it took quite the time for them to spot a particular area that was suspicious.

Before this they had been tracking numerous footprints that they had spotted across the grounds of different areas in the decimated city. After getting to the area where the footprints were headed, they spotted hundreds of ashy infected people gathered together.

It was unknown how such a situation came to be but it was obvious that the infected were gathered together in this place for a reason. There was definitely a motive but Gradier Xanatus and Red Shadow had enough knowledge about the ashy infected to understand that they couldn't question them.

The ashy infected people were incapable of holding a conversation so they had to figure out why they were gathered here another way.

They inspected the area subtly without letting the infected sight them and found out that there was a normal person somewhere around that place.

When the infection had gotten to this stage, they knew the infected would attack anything living so they didn't understand why the person within was alive and well.

It took another time of inspection and contemplation before they decided to go on the offensive.

They tried infiltrating the area and were attacked from all sides by the infected.

While they were trying to fend off the attacks they spotted this man coming out from an underground shelter with a box.

The man still wasn't affected by all the ruckus and the infected didn't try to attack him. They even tried to protect him as mindless as they were.

Now they had managed to catch him and bring him here.

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The man laying on the ground had a rabbit ear and a short scar on his chin area. However even though he looked a little different from a normal human, he didn't have a bloodline.

Gradier Xanatus and Red Shadow couldn't sense a bloodline from him.

"There's no point even if I tell you anything now," The man voiced out with a terrified but ominous tone.

"You're too late. The plans are already in motion," He added.

"We don't have time for this, tell us what you did," Gradier Xanatus stated as he moved closer to the man with his eyes glowing a strange blue color.

"What I did? Pfft it's not comparable to what the others did... You all are getting what is coming to you,"
The man voiced out before tapping on his breast pocket area.

Boom!

His head exploded in the next instant dying the entire place in blood and gore. The technological nose mask he was putting on earlier also got blasted into pieces

Gradier Xanatus and Red Shadow had not expected this development. They weren't able to do anything about this which brought a look of frustration to their faces.

"He was a pure Slarkov," Gradier Xanatus voiced out with a look of concern.

"Whatever is happening, it looks like he wasn't alone in this," Red Shadow voiced out.

"I just made an emergency call to the MBO, the hoarde of infected we just battled must be wiped out before they spread out to the cities," Gradier Xanatus stated before turning to the side to stare at the brownish box like item on the ground.

"Let's check out this box, we might be able to get a clue from there," He added as he moved towards the box to open it.

Red Shadow squatted in front as the box opened up and they spotted a massive conical flask like object sealed at the top.

"Is this what I think it is?" Red Shadow voiced out as Gradier Xanatus brought the tool out of the box.

At the same time they were inspecting the contents of this box a loud alarm rang out in this part of the city along with the winds blowing across ominous screams.

Gradier Xanatus and Red Shadow stared at each other with looks of wariness before they both leapt across the sky towards the source of the alarm with the box in Gradier Xanatus hands.

- "Number seven, they asked for you to come man the 257th floor,"

"Huh? Who did?" Gustav asked with a confused expression.

- "Someone with status in the Bureau I guess... They must have their eyes on you cos they specifically asked for you to be the one to man floor 257 in the meantime,"

Numbed five voiced through the team channel.

- "Ooouu looks like Number seven has been pulling chicks during our few days here,"

- "Number seven the woman slayer,"

- "Do link us up when you get a sugar mummy,"

The other teammates voiced out through the channel with sarcastic tones.

Gustav was a little surprised about this development but he already knew who was behind this.

"Alright," Gustav answered through the communication channel and got ready to switch with Number five again.

This new situation made things easier for Gustav as he felt he could still make the earlier plan work instead of going through extreme measures for the new one.

It was already the fourth day and Gustav knew only tomorrow was left for him before the real officer Tantrum regained consciousness.

He didn't want to waste any more time in getting the research.

Few Minutes later Gustav was on the 257th floor on surveillance once more. He had only been here for a short time when he bumped into Amira.

Amira smiled at him as she spotted him while walking through a corridor.

"Did you...?" Gustav was about to ask when she cut him off.

"Yes, I pulled some strings to have them bring you back to this floor," She stated.

"Why?" Gustav asked.

"Because..." Amira's face turned beet red as a thought appeared in her mind.

"We didn't get to finish our previous conversation... Can you join me for lunch again today?" She asked.

Chapter 970: Switching Identities

"We didn't get to finish our previous conversation... Can you join me for lunch again today?" She asked.

"I have to work... but maybe in an hour," Gustav responded.

"That will be great. I'll be expecting you on this floor cafeteria in an hour," She said before walking away with a face full of smiles.

Gustav could tell that Amira was already starting to crush on Officer Tantrum since she went this far just to get him here.

This was the best outcome for Gustav as he could push his next plan forward and get this over with.

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"So you were saying something the other time," Amira voiced out with a cutlery in her grasp.

"Hmm? Remind me," Gustav said before taking a small bite of food.

"You said you had an idea..." She responded with a look of curiosity.

"I don't recall," Gustav stated before gobbling on another piece of meat.

"Oh come on don't play dumb now," She said with a look of curiosity and desire.

She was hoping whatever Gustav had in mind would help them get closer because she was really starting to like him.

This made her curiosity even more heightened.

"Oh that? It's nothing pfft," Gustav laughed a little as he took a glass of juice.

"Please don't hold back, tell me what you had in mind," She didn't seem like she was ready to back down anytime soon.

Internally Gustav was glad but on the surface he acted like it was gonna be bothersome.

"Okay okay," He finally gave in while putting down the cutleries in his hands.

"Remember we talked about how I wished to be a scientist and how you wished to be a part of the MBO but we both didn't get what we wanted because of our family?" Gustav asked.

"Yes I do," She replied.

"Good... what if I told you that there was a way for us to make that happen temporarily," Gustav voiced with a low tone while moving his face forward for her to hear him clearly.

"A way for me to become a part of the MBO or a way for you to become a scientist?" She questioned.

"Both... but only temporarily though," Gustav clarified.

"How is that even possible?" Amira was starting to think Gustav was joking or something.

"It is... There is a way we can switch roles for a brief period of time. You get to experience life as an MBO officer during this time and I get to experience life as a Scientist. Its a win win for both of us and when we're had our fun we can switch back. No one will ever know," Gustav explained in a low tone.

"I'm still missing the part of how this is even going to be a possibility in the first place," Amira voiced out with a disbelieving look.

Gustav smiled before responding, "Just meet me in my room at 12 midnight if you're interested. I'll explain more if you show up,"

After saying this, he stood to his feet and headed out of the cafeteria.

Amira sat in place with a bewildered and contemplative look as she digested everything Gustav had said here today.

'Can he truly make it happen?' This was the thought that mostly ran through her mind as she sat there.

Gustav went on to continue his work, surveiling the floor for the rest of the day.

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In a flash midnight had arrived and Gustav took another break saying he was headed for the bathroom to clean himself up. He just gave a little excuse about someone spilling something on him.

Instead Gustav headed to his room which was on the 724th floor. Half of this particular floor was the area of accommodation for MBO officers.

Gustav was able to avoid the eyed of the officers around here and head for his room. Since it was his room, he got instant access once he arrived before it and went in to sit.

All he had to do now was wait. He was hoping Amira would take the bait but if she didn't, he would have to initiate plan b since only tomorrow was left.

Kom! Kom! Kom!

Gustav heaved a sigh of relief as he heard the knock on his door. He opened it and a beautiful slim lady walked in.

"I'm interested," Amira voiced out the instant she got in.

"Obviously, if not you wouldn't be here," Gustav said with a smile.

"How exactly how we even going to make this work? What if we get figured out? My mom would really be disappointed and you might get fired," She began prancing about the room as she voiced out.

"Relax okay," Gustav said as he placed his hands on her shoulders to stop her from moving about.

"Listen to me..." He began explaining.

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About thirty minutes later, Amira was questioning Gustav about a few things with a relatively calmer expression.

"So I don't have to do much?"

"Nothing ever happens around here and you should know since you've been here for way longer than I have,"

"Hmm, that's quite easy,"

"Of course, you get to move about in an MBO uniform possess technological tools you can use on a whim and radio communication with a team. You could even fly while surveiling outside a perk unavailable to scientists,"

"If this works, it's gonna be fun,"

Amira and Gustav conversed with excited expressions.

"Do I get access to every floor with your identity?' Gustav asked.

"Of course you do. But most times I'm seen on the 257th floor and you also gotta avoid my mother because I already avoid her a lot so it would be suspicious if you didn't," She advised Gustav on things not to do while using her identity.

"Alright it's time," Gustav said after they had both given each other enough advice about the new identity they would be taking.

Amira placed her hand on the hem of her tank top, trying to pull it off.

"What are you doing?" Gustav asked her.

"We don't need to get naked for it to work?" She inquired.