

The New Arrival

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Set up: This takes place after Promises but the difference is Scorpy did not rescue Aeryn and come to Moya.

It has been quiet on Moya for several days, everyone is taking advantage of the quiet by catching up on minor repairs and cleaning that has been needed around the ship.

“Commander, Moya’s sensors indicate an anomaly that is similar to a wormhole. It has already disbursed, but we also detect a small craft that has exited the wormhole.”

“ What! Where is it Pilot? I didn’t feel anything, are you sure?”

John began running down the hall when Pilot commed, he met up with Aeryn and Chiana on the way.

“John, did I hear Pilot right? A craft has come out of another wormhole?” Aeryn asked him.

“ Yah, I sure as heck didn’t feel one coming on, it’s unexpected.

They entered the Command room, went to the monitor to see the craft. At first they didn’t see anything, then to their surprise they saw the Farscape module floating as if a toy in the bathtub.

“Furlow, what the hell, we cannot seem to get away from her even out here in Tormented Space.” John was not looking forward to seeing the confrontation between Aeryn and the woman who caused the death of the other Crichton.

“Commander, I do not believe it is Furlow’s copy of your module. This one is an almost exact replica of the Farscape 1, except it’s symbols.” With that Pilot brought the image closer. It showed the writing on the side of the module.

“Oh my God, it says Farscape 2.”

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“Why do you insist on going out to this other module. Pilot is about to start the docking web. It is useless to go out there. You will see its pilot shortly.”

D’Argo was trying to get John to see reason. But as soon as he saw the symbols on the ship, he began running out to the docking bay.

“I know, I just got ahead of myself there. You’re right, I should wait, but who could be in there, no one else was ready to fly the Farscape module except for myself. Do me a favor, I don’t mean to sound like a jerk, but if you guys could just stay in Command while I find out and prepare him for what he is about to see, I would really appreciate it. Remember my sticker shock when I first saw you? No one on my planet has really been prepared for you guys.”

“I understand, we’ll be waiting with Pilot” D’Argo walked out of the bay.

John was more than a little excited about seeing someone from Earth, it had been so long. Would he even know the guy they sent, IASA must of started the experiments again for someone to just appear out of a wormhole like they did. But the odds of the wormhole popping up in his back yard, they were just mind blowing.

At last the ship was pulled into the docking bay, when it came to a stop John didn’t know if he should open it up or let ‘whoever’ do it themselves. He walked up to the ship and looked inside the window. It was a girl, she was unconscious, he didn’t recognize her, but that didn’t mean anything. She could have been in the training program when he disappeared. He decided to pull the canopy off and see if she was alright. As he was doing this, the girl started to wake up.

“Good God, my head!” Looking up she saw Crichton, and passed out again.

“Damn, didn’t think I was that ugly,” then he pulled her out of the module.

“D’Argo, I think its okay for you guys to come down. She took one look at me and passed out. She must think she died or something for that reaction. If she can handle that without screaming she’ll be okay.

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“John, she’s waking up. I’m heading out of here before she gets a look at me.” Chiana went out to the hall before the new girl could see her. ‘ I hope she isn’t as irritating as Sikosu and Jool.’

“Thanks Chiana. I appreciate it.” John sat up and walked to the bed. “Hi, how are you feeling? I have a few things to explain to you when you are up to it. For starters, my name is John Crichton....” “ I know who you are,” She interrupted. “ I can’t believe you do not remember me, it’s only been 5 years since you died, I mean....when you left. You use to tell my boyfriends that I had an extra toe on my feet.”

“Kelly? Oh my God! When did you get into the program? How long has it been since I’ve been gone?” His mind reeling over the idea that the girl sitting in front of him was DK’s little sister.

“First of all give me a damn aspirin. Are you sure I’m not dead too? Because I sure as hell feel dead. I hurt all over, the last thing I remember was trying recreate your and DK’s experiment. Then there was this bright blue light and I couldn’t avoid it”

“Sounds familiar. First things first. One, you are not dead, you are on the other side of the universe. How’s that for a kick in the pants. Two, you traveled through a wormhole. Three, there is life on other planets.”

Sitting up on the bed, Kelly tried to digest what John had just told her. Ok, this isn’t happening.

I'm having a really weird dream brought on by the fact I am fixing to do an experiment that killed my brother's best friend. I'm going to wake up and I'm going to go the shuttle and we're going to do pre-flight.

"Kelly, open your eyes. KELLY!!" John had to scream at her because he saw she was about to freak out on him. More calmly he knelt down in front of her and took her hand. "Let me tell you what has happened to over the last few cycles...years. I'll tell you what has happened and you get me up to date on Earth. Deal?" She nodded, ready for anything he had to say.

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She thought she was ready anyway.

"There was two of you? How did anyone put up with that?"

John laughed. "It wasn't easy girl, but we dealt with it."

"This Aeryn, she sounds pretty cool, but kind of a tight ass." Kelly was dealing with everything he had told her but still felt like someone was playing a joke on her.

"Give me a microt...second, okay. While I have Moya bring in a DRD with the translator microbs." John walked out of the room.

She heard voices outside, she only understood John. The other voices were grunts, clicks and other noises she couldn't understand. She supposed these were the 'crew' that he had spoken of just a little while ago. At that moment what looked like a girl popped her head in the door. She was gray, with white hair. 'Which one is this I suppose.' Then she heard, "Chiana! I told you to stay out of there until I could get the DRDs there. Give me a few microts, then I will introduce you all. Okay, we got a deal?" She heard some more clicks then John walked in with a little robot under his arm. It was painted red, white and blue with 1812 on the side of it.

"You ready? It only hurts like hell for the first couple of minutes. This is a DRD, his name is obviously 1812. Give me your arm."

She held out her arm, the DRD injected a solution into her arm and he wasn't lying. It hurt like hell.

"Hey, you'll be okay, I promise you. You ready to meet the others. They are anxious to meet someone else from Earth."

More than a little scared, Kelly said. "Okay, let her rip."

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It had taken a few days, but Kelly was starting to adjust to life on Moya. For some reason, Chiana automatically took to her and they became inseparable. John thought a lot of his free time would be used up with showing her how things worked around the ship, but Chi took over that job of playing big sister and seemed to be enjoying it. No one really minded having her on the ship, everyone figured John would be happy having someone from his past on the ship; plus the fact that she brought good news from home appeared to have put him in a good mood for a while.

Aeryn was walking down the hall when she saw Kelly hide inside one of the air ducts, 'what in the...?', she then saw John come walking up. Aeryn ducked out of sight herself to see what was going on. All of a sudden, Kelly popped out the airshaft and screamed. Automatically John reached for Winona, then saw it just Kelly, laughing he pulled her down.

"Sorry man, I just couldn't resist. Chiana says she has pulled the same stunt on you a few times and I missed it myself from when we were kids."

John smiled. "Yeah, I didn't realize how much I missed it myself, it's been a long time. Just do me a favor and don't pull that on anybody else, especially Aeryn. She would probably space you for it." Still smiling, John walked off towards the center chamber.

Yelling after him. "Really? John? Shit, I do not want to get on her bad side."

Putting the front back on the air duct, Kelly was starting to worry about how she would really fit in here. Aeryn decided to make herself known at that time.

"Kelly, could we talk?" It was Kelly's turn to jump this time. Aeryn smiled

"Hi, you scared the crap out of me. I guess you saw me do it to John." Feeling a little silly, she went over to where Aeryn was. "Could we talk? I have been wanting to speak to you for a few solar days now, but haven't had a chance. I would like to speak to you in private, in my quarters."

"Sure, about what?" She was trying to figure this woman out. Everyone has been saying, 'don't mess with Aeryn, don't get in her way right now'. Kelly thought she was going to be some military hard ass, but she has seen nothing like that. Sure Aeryn Sun was military, you could tell that by every breath she took. But the difference is, her attitude was that of someone who has been hurt. A lot. She followed her to her quarters.

“Please sit down. I want to speak to youabout John.”

Aeryn started pacing around the room as Kelly sat down and waited for Aeryn to start speaking, and waited.

“Uh Aeryn, you wanted to talk about John?”

“Yes, I really don’t know how to go about this. You’ve known him for many cycles and I was hoping you could help me.” Aeryn sat across from her.

“I really don’t know how I could help you, he was my brother’s best friend. I don’t know how your society is towards younger siblings; but on Earth, usually the older brother and sister and their friends, ignore the younger ones. Consider themselves better and like to be total jerks to us. Not all of the time, but most of the time. I’m not saying John did it a lot, but I was just his friend’s younger sister. He never really paid attention to me or me to him. I had my own set of friends.”

Aeryn was confused. “But you went into the same program as John. Didn’t you find that in common?”

“Yes, I went into the program, but it was something I went into after he left for the IASA, no one knew I was in the Air force Academy. I was in the accelerated program, on scholarship; that is where the government pays for the classes. Anyway, when John disappeared, everyone wanted to give up on DK’s and his dream. Jack, his father wouldn’t let them. He pushed until the IASA released the funding again. This was about a year....cycle ago. They were looking for a pilot when I stepped up.”

“So you did this for John’s father.”

“Yes, also for DK and myself. I loved John, it was the least I could do in his memory.”

Aeryn admired her and John’s father for doing that. It was not something seen with Peacekeepers. But that is not what she wanted to speak to her about. She wanted to know how to best approach him. To tell him that; yes, she did love him, but there were some things she not able to tell him just yet. She didn’t know exactly how to go about beginning this conversation with this stranger.

“Aeryn....there was something in particular you wanted to speak to me about, about John.”

Aeryn just nodded. “Look, Chiana kind of gave me the basics of what has been going on. She didn’t go into too much detail, but I can pretty much figure out what is going on. Every time you

walk into the room, John does a real good impression of a stone wall. Like I was saying I don't really know how he is with women. I wasn't someone who actually saw his relationships, except for his friendship with DK. I can tell you one thing, he will never anyone get away with hurting a friend." Kelly walked over to Aeryn. " Now I don't know everything that went on with you two, but I can tell you this. Give him time. I'll see what I can find out from him, now I'm not saying I'll tell you what he says to me, but I will give you the best advice that I can."

"I never wanted you to tell me his private thoughts, but I appreciate your candor. You are from his world and know him from before he went through all this hell." She started walking towards the door. "Aeryn, that's the thing. He is a different person than I knew. He's harder, haunted. Like I said, give him a little time."

Walking down the hall, Aeryn realized that those were the words that the other John had passed on from the Stark's mask.

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"John, when are you going down to the commerce planet? I was wanting to check it out with you." Running up to John, Kelly was looking forward to going down to Treani to see everything. Since coming to Moya, she had taken to living in space as she had been born to it. Chiana would spend hours telling her about her adventures with the others and on her own, on different worlds. Aeryn and John took turns showing her how to take care of herself, she already knew how to fight from attending the Air Force Academy, but it was not the same. She could do the moves, but when it came to an actual fight she froze. Chiana found this out on Kelly's first outing to a planet. She didn't understand one of the customs and they both found themselves facing two very angry men who screamed of insults and demanding that they had the right to beat Kelly for this. Chiana stepped up after using the coms to get John to help out. Before he could get there, one of the merchants grabbed Kelly's arm, which she proceeded to flip him and that just made everything worse. The other man came up behind her and spun her around, before she was able to get her bearings, she was slapped to the ground. Bleeding, she went after the guy who hit her, all she was able to do was get hit again. Chiana was unable to help because her arms were pinned behind her back.

Just then John walked up, "I can not leave you two alone for a microt!" Grabbing the guy that Kelly had flipped, he lifted him up.

"What the frell is going on here. Why are you messing with these two?"

The merchant sputtered, pointing at Kelly, "She touched our Silnak and had the nerve to ask to buy it. It is an insult to purchase an object of worship!"

Shaking his head; walking over to Kelly, he leaned his arm onto her shoulder. "Do you notice anything different about her, us? We're off worlders, we don't know all of the customs of this world." Pointing at Kelly, "This one especially, she's not too swift. I apologize for anything she may have said or did. We just came for supplies then we are leaving." The men seemingly

soothed allowed them to leave.

“Chiana, I thought you were keeping an eye out for her.” John asked as they walked off.

“I was! How the frell was I to know they would get pissed over that little trinket. One microt we were looking at their stuff, Kelly saw a pretty necklace hanging from a peg and asked how much it was? Dren-face over there, started huffing and puffing. Next thing we know they are wanting to beat her for insulting them...” “Okay, sorry Pip, I didn’t mean to accuse you of not watching out for her. I know you wouldn’t let anything happen to her. Lets catch up to the others and load our stuff and get back up to Moya, these guys are too damn edgy.” Looking at Kelly. “You’re not going anywhere until you learn how to fight better.”

Mad as hell, Kelly was wiping the blood off of her mouth. “Ooo...look at me, I’m John Crichton. Frelling expert on alien species! How long were you here before the others would let you go down to a planet with them? Huh? You can be a asshole, you know that.” She spit out a little blood and stalked off.

“Where do you get off telling her that? That is so full of dren. Give her a break...she’s not doing too badly. I didn’t know that necklace was their Silnak.”

“Yeah, yeah. Old habits die hard, the last time I saw her she was going off to a private school, she was a kid to me. Now three cycles later, here she is with me, getting her ass kicked by an alien. I still think it is some sort of cosmic joke on me or her, can’t tell which.”

Looking down the aisle, they saw Kelly talking to D’Argo and Aeryn. She was still wiping the blood from her lip, obviously still mad. After they all went back to Moya, John went to her quarters to apologize. The next day she began her training.

While John and Aeryn were helping to improve Kelly’s fighting skills, D’Argo was giving her the hands-on approach to learning the mechanics of Leviathan. In her free time, Kelly was began going to Pilot’s den and talking to him and Moya. Actually, not really conversations, but talking about one another’s experience. Like old friends sitting on the front porch. She began calling Moya “Mother”. When Pilot asked her why, all she would say was, “Without her, we would not be alive right now. She gives us shelter, warmth, and guidance. Like a mother does.” All Pilot could say was, “Oh.”

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Chiana was on her way to the center chamber when saw Kelly walking up ahead of her. “Hey you little tralk, wait up,” laughing; she ran up to her. But Kelly just kept walking until she came up to wall of the tier, then continued walking through it.

“What the Frell!!! John! Get down to tier 12 now!” She just looked at the wall again, waiting on Crichton.

“Pip! What’s going on?” Running up to Chiana, he was preparing himself for anything.

“Have you seen Kelly? She just walked through this wall!”

“What?!” You had me run all the way down here for that. Just walk down to her quarters if you want to see her, I just saw her asleep....Wait, did you just say you saw her go through the wall?”

“Yeah. She was walking down the hall, I called out to her. She didn’t seem to hear me, then she walked right through that wall there.” Pointing at the wall that Kelly had just entered.

“Let’s go.” Thinking she was pulling a joke on him, he wasn’t falling for it.

A few microts later, they were walking into Kelly’s room. When they saw she was asleep, John laughed. “I guess you were still a little asleep yourself.”

“I know what I saw. She walked right through that damn wall.” Chiana walked over to Kelly sleeping, “Hey, wake up. I want to talk to you.” She didn’t move. “She’s faking. Hey! Get up.” Finally, she started moving. Looking up at Chiana and John, “What in the frell do you want, I’m asleep.”

“I know your messing with us, how did you do it?”

“Huh? Do what?” Sitting up, she rubbed her eyes to wake up more.

“Walk through that wall. I saw you not more than 10 microts ago, walking down the hall, then you walked through a wall.”

Hearing that, Kelly jumped up fully awake. “You saw me go through a wall, no one has ever seen that before, how did you?” Rubbing her fingers through her hair, she starting pacing. ‘How can she see me? Oh, my god, that is so cool.’ The other two couldn’t figure out what she was talking about and why she was reacting this way. She just kept walking back and forth in her own world thinking. John walked over to her, “Kelly...”, no response. He waved his hand in front of her face. “Yoohoo...earth to Kelly,” she looked up. “Yeah.”

“Are you saying Chiana actually saw you go through a wall?”

“Kind of, yeah. Not really me, I guess it was me. It’s hard to explain.”

“Try us...we have seen some weird ass dren.”

“Not right now. Give me a couple arns to figure out how to explain so you guys don’t think I’m freaking nuts. I’ll explain it to everyone at the same time if you want. I don’t care about people knowing, it’s just...I have always been scared of people thinking I was a freak if they found out.”

“No problem. When ever you are ready. Just comm us when you are ready. Come on Chiana, let’s get something to eat.” John walked to the door.

“Give me a microt...I’ll be right there.” She went over Kelly and put her hand on the back of her head. “Are you okay with this? You just scared the hell out of me. I didn’t know what to think seeing you go through that wall.”

Smiling, “I’m cool. Just...it was totally unexpected. I can go ahead and tell you right now. It’s John and the others I’m worried about.” She began telling Chiana about this little game she began playing when she was a little girl.

Walking into the command chamber, Kelly and Chiana saw everyone sitting around the table eating. John, Aeryn and D’Argo looked up from their conversation, giving their attention to them. Rygel on the other hand continued to eat, not even realizing that they had walked into the room.

“What is this dren about you going through a wall earlier. Or has John decided, as he calls it ‘pull a leg’.” D’Argo asked.

Looking at Chiana, Kelly was worried. “Go ahead, it’ll be alright. No one is going to shove you out a hatch for telling the truth.”

“This is weird, I’ve never told anyone about this before. Hell, I didn’t think I would ever have to tell anyone. No one saw me before.”

“Just start at the beginning Kelly.” Chiana sat down with the others and faced her.

“Okay, I know how to do a little trick where I can go outside of myself if I concentrate. I’ve been doing it for years. I was going through a bad time, I didn’t have any friends. John, this is when you first met DK and me. I have always been into unusual things. I found a book on how you can go out of your body and tried it out. It was a rush! Figured out how to go to parties and listened to how I could make friends with the kids at school. It was a sneaky way to do it, but at the time it was the only way to do it.”

Everyone sat in silence. Kelly just looked at them, wanting go crawl out of the room. Chiana stood up and walked next to her.

“Well...”

Aeryn looked her in the eye, “How long have you been doing it here?”

“This was my second time since coming here. I’ve been wanting to see how far out I can go. But I need to kind of build it up, it has been a few years since I even tried it. I never went more than a few miles from my house when I did it before. I don’t know my range, I don’t want to go out and not be able to come back. That part terrifies me.”

Turning back to the others, “You know this could be very beneficial to us. If she can do this, she could scout out an area for us and no one would get hurt.”

“You forget, Chiana saw me. It could be just her, but what if most of the species out here can see me. Which I am still trying to figure out. John, you are been awfully quiet.”

Walking over to him, she put her hand on John’s shoulder. He looked up and busted out laughing. “That explains sooo much. Me and DK tried for the longest time to figure out how in the hell you knew the things we did, when no one else was around.”

Kelly smiled, “At least you guys aren’t going kick me to the curb.”

D’Argo patted the chair next to him, “Sit down and eat something. Why were you so scared to tell us about this ability? You should of realized, if we didn’t kick out John and his wormhole technology, we wouldn’t send you away either.” Laughing, he passed her some food cubes.