

Part 6:

They had kept away from the fields, for what seemed to be an eternity. Just as each of them thought they had made progress in reaching the command, more of the walls would appear to Kelly and they were on the run again. After several arns of running, they finally saw the entrance to the command area. When the three of them entered the room, they saw Grayza standing off to the right side and looking very angry.

Scorpius entered the room just as Officer Telka was making his report.

“The energy readings have entered the room Ma’am. According to this, they are just at the edge of the command.”

“Finish it. Now.” Grayza said.

Officer Telka relayed her message.

“Ah guys? They can frelling see us.” John said with surprise in his voice.

Shaking her head, Kelly said, “That’s impossible. No one can see us.”

Aeryn looked at her, “You thought the same thing until Chiana saw you.”

She nodded her head at Aeryn, “I’d forgotten about that.”

They stepped further into the room. Looking at the different consoles, all they found was the search for the mysterious ‘energy’ readings, but they were able to see how they had been tracking them and for how long.

“Kelly, we’ve been here for ten arns already. Have you been trying to get us back?”

“Time flies when your having fun. Of course I’ve been trying...” Before she could finish, Kelly grabbed her head and fell to the floor.

She could see the field walls were back, the walls and the buzzing in her head came just as suddenly as the first time. She could not hear anything that John and Aeryn were yelling at her. The walls had appeared too closely together for them to run between this time, they were mere denches apart. John was shaking her.

Kelly looked upwards to him, shaking her head. “It’s too close. We’re stuck this time. I can’t

hear you so don't waste your breath."

Just at that moment, something clicked in her head and she realized it was the way back home. She knew if they were closed off between the walls there was no way for them to be able to make it back.

With her eyes squeezed tightly shut, she concentrated. It was hard because the noise in her head was becoming too loud, it felt as if her thoughts were coming apart as soon as she formed them.

"GRAB ONTO ME! YOU HAVE TO HOLD ON!" Kelly screamed.

Without hesitation, both John and Aeryn took hold of Kelly's arms. There were tears in her eyes, and they could see she was in a great deal of pain.

"John, is there anything we can do to help?" Aeryn asked with concern in her voice.

"I don't... think so." John realized his eyes were open in another room, and he was lying down. He sat up, looking over, he saw Aeryn sitting up as well.

'She frelling did it.' Aeryn thought.

Looking around and seeing they were in the med bay; she said, "I take it the others are aware of our situation."

Sikozu walked into the room, "Good, you are finally awake. I'll inform the others."

"Don't bother, Pilot has already told us." Chiana said as she and D'Argo walked into the room, Rygel came up behind them.

John swung his legs over the edge of the table and smiled at Aeryn, "You okay?"

"Yes, it appears so. You?"

"I'm alright, but now no one can say we need to catch up on our sleep."

John turned around, "Kelly, how are you do..."

He saw that she hadn't woken up yet. Jumping off the table, he took the two steps to her side and shook her.

“Kelly wake up. Why in the hell isn’t she waking up?” He looked over to Sikozu.

“Probably because it was her body that took in the sedative, she should be waking momentarily.”

“That makes sense...unfortunately.” John stepped towards the other and looked at the little group around them, “You guys look like dren.”

Just then they all heard a small shout come from Kelly. They turned just as she rolled off of the exam table. She hit the floor before anyone could catch her.

She hooked her right arm on the side of the exam table and tried to stand up, “Could someone kind of help me up?”

“What’s wrong?” Chiana asked.

“I sort of can’t use my legs, they’re numb.” They could hear the worry creep into her voice as she said this. D’Argo walked over and helped her onto the table.

“Oh...I’d forgotten about that side effect.” Noranti said behind them.

“Old woman, if you don’t leave this room right now. I swear to God I will kill you where you stand.” Kelly said glaring at her.

“I only tried to help as you asked...” Noranti started.

“You said I wouldn’t travel! Not only did I end up on the Damn carrier again, I dragged John and Aeryn along. We were almost stuck there you old Bitch!”

Kelly reached for John’s pulse pistol on the table between the beds. John reached it first.

“Girl, you don’t want to go there.” John said softly.

He turned towards Noranti, “I suggest you leave now, before she can move her legs again.”

Noranti turned and walked out of the room.

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“What do you mean they have lost the signals?” Grayza demanded.

“Tech Mekkah informed me that just as the containment closed, the signals vanished.” Officer

Telka answered.

“This is unacceptable...” she began.

“We need to refocus our attention on the Leviathan and John Crichton. We are now only eight solar days away from them. Our Marauders are keeping a careful watch over them, but we do need to be prepared in case they starburst.” Scorpius stated.

Walking up to him Grayza said quietly, but also loud enough for all to hear, “If you ever interrupt me again, I will see you back in the Aurora Chair, with no reprieve from High Command this time. Now see to your preparations.”

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No one could exactly pinpoint when it happened, but they all realized that Kelly quit talking to them or even spending any time around any of them. Especially John and Chiana, if either of them wanted to speak to her, they had to use the comms. When she did respond it was in clipped sentences and she kept their conversations very short. Finally Pilot was relaying all messages for her.

“John this is ridiculous. No one even knows where she is. She’s always on the move. Pilot is covering for her too.” Chiana said, pacing back and forth.

John was working on replacing three-kay wire on the modules hetch drive. Pushing himself out from under the machine; he said, “I know. The only reason I can see is, she feels guilty over her fiasco with Noranti’s magical medicine. Give her a couple more days and she’ll come around. She use to do this when she was younger. Whenever she messed up something of DK’s she wouldn’t talk to him sometimes for a monen. Hand me those wire cutters.”

Looking at the tools laying around, she picked up the correct tool and handed it to him. “I’m just worried. It’s been a weeken, when I do see her, she doesn’t look too good.”

Putting down the cutters, John started cleaning his hands. “Alright. I’ll go talk to her, but I tell you she just feels bad because of what happened the other day.”

Pilot’s frantic voice came over the comms, “Peacekeeper Marauders have appeared on Moya’s sensors, coming in fast. Moya is attempting evasive maneuvers.”

John and Chiana began running down the corridors, “Damn! Pilot how many are there? We need to starburst out of here now!”

“Moya counts five Marauders. We are unable to starburst, Officer Sun was in the process of removing a clog in Moya’s annexus fluid. The Marauders will be here in eight hundred microts.”

“Aeryn, how long until you have that fixed?” John asked.

“Too long, I had only just begun when Pilot commed. Even if I put it back together, Moya still won’t be able to starburst with the blockage in place. I’m on my way to command now.”

“Frell...okay we’ll meet you there. D’Argo. Any ideas captain?”

D’Argo’s voice came over the comm, “Yeah, shoot anything that comes on the ship.”

“Good plan.” John said.

“I’ll go find Kelly and get her up to command, I don’t think she should be off by herself if we get boarded.” Chiana said.

“Go.”

Chiana took the corridor to her right to check Kelly’s quarters first. When she didn’t find her there, she started to comm her.

“Kelly, why won’t you answer me?” Chiana said angrily.

“Chiana, I believe she has her comms turned off. She is on tier 12.” Pilot answered instead.

She started running in that direction. When she reached tier 12, she began looking in each of the cells. She knew their time had run out, the Marauders would be on them any microt. Just at that moment, Moya shook and she was knocked onto her back. Standing up, she began running again. Just as she rounded another corner, Chiana spotted Kelly. She was lying crumpled on the floor. When she reached Kelly, Chiana saw blood running down the side of her neck. Looking around, Chiana saw blood on the lever for the heating vents. Searching for the injury, she found where Kelly had hit her head.

“John! I found Kelly, but she’s hurt. It looks as if she hit her head. She’s unconscious.”

“Okay, see what you can do to help her. I have my hands tied up here.” John answered.

“Chiana, try and wake her up. She didn’t want to fall asleep, she has not slept in the last eight

solar days. That is why she has been avoiding everyone. She asked that I help. She was afraid of taking someone back with her again.” Pilot urged.

‘Frelling humans and their ideas.’ Chiana thought as she lifted Kelly’s head up. She started smacking her on the face, attempting to wake her up.

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<Kelly, I need your help.>

‘Not again.’

<Shut up Kelly, Mother is in trouble. I need your help in saving her.>

‘Are you Talyn?’

<Yes, now please listen to me. I’m sorry for taking over before, I wasn’t expecting it myself, I was scared. I need your help. Marauders are attacking Mother.>

‘I know. I was on my way to command when I found myself back here. How do you expect to help?’

<It is very simple.>

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“Are the Marauders in position to board the Leviathan?” Scorpius questioned.

“Yes sir, they are moving into position now.” Captain Braca answered.

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Chiana noticed Kelly opening her eyes, “You had me worried there for a microt. We need to get to command, now. We’re fixin’ to be boarded by Peacekeepers.”

Kelly nodded her head and led the way towards command. Chiana noticed that Kelly still wasn’t speaking to her, and she also saw the blood was beginning to flow a little more as they walked on.

“Maybe we should stop and get something on your injury. It’s starting to bleed more.” Chiana

suggested.

Kelly only shook her head and continued walking. When they reached command, they met chaos. Everyone was trying to coordinate their actions, but to no avail. There was no way to stop the Peacekeepers this time.

Kelly walked up to the center console, next to John. Looking at Pilot's image, she said, "Krezna vol ze kena. Volka kien Talyna."

Everyone looked at her. John asked, "What did she just say? Please don't tell me Talyn is back, we do 'not' need this now."

"Yes, it is Talyn and he asks that you stand aside." Pilot said.

"What? I am not moving aside. Tell him to get the hell out of her, we are in too much trouble right now to handle this. Chiana why didn't you say anything?"

"I didn't know, she never said a word since she woke up." Chiana yelled back as another blast shook Moya.

Putting her hand on John's, Talyn spoke through Kelly, "Jene ke za. Metki nok vak."

Looking to Pilot for translation; John asked, "What did he say?"

"He says he is not going to hurt her."

"Ke ketha di pleko."

"He says, I have a plan." Pilot translated.

John stepped aside, "I hope like hell you do."

D'Argo yelled, "Have you gone fekkik? Why are you letting him have the controls?"

"Do you have a plan? Because I sure as hell don't!"

All of them looked out the front view screen, the Marauders were closing their positions. In the distance, they saw what they all knew was a sign of their death, they saw the command carrier.

"Okay, let him have it. Either way we are dead." D'Argo finally said.

“Vaki nothma salkani daz ni Thona nuil.”

“Everyone lie down on Moya’s floor.”

“Thum ze dakum vai.”

“Make sure all parts of your bodies are touching the floor.”

Everyone complied with what Talyn wanted. Lying flat on the floor, but where they could all see Kelly.

“This is insane. How do you expect this crazy tralk and this crippled ship to save us?” Siko zu demanded.

Before anyone could tell her to shut up, they looked in shock as Kelly closed her eyes and saw her hands on the consol begin to glow slightly, but it grew. Soon the light coming from her hands had grown in intensity. It began to hurt their eyes looking up at her. They had no choice but to close their eyes once it became too painful to look on it, but they could still see it through their closed eyes.

The power built up in Kelly and Moya until there was no choice but to release it. The release gave off a sound similar to a sonic boom, it shot outwards in all directions at once. Going through the walls of Moya and outwards into space. It hit the Marauders within microts of leaving the outer hull of Moya. The first ship exploded on impact with the light, the four that remained tried to flee the light but it soon caught them, each exploding in turn.

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Grayza and Scorpius stood side by side looking on as their ships exploded. Before either of them could issue orders for evasive maneuvers, Talyn’s light was upon them too.

Scorpius’ last words were, “John Crichton.”

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They could not see the light anymore, slowly in turn they each opened their eyes. Kelly was laying face down on the console.

John jumped up, “Kelly...Talyn, are you alright?”

Kelly picked herself up off of the console. Looking up towards Pilot, “Ketha Thona?”

Pilot responded with, “Zek Thona nilok.”

“What did he say?” John asked.

“Talyn wanted to know how Moya is doing. I told him she is doing well now.”

“What happened with the Marauders? How long until the command carrier is on us?”

Pilot hit several controls, “Moya’s sensors read the Marauders are destroyed and there are no power readings coming from the carrier. In fact there are no life signs at all coming from the carrier.”

They all stood in shock looking at Kelly.

Aeryn whispered, “He just destroyed thousands of Peacekeepers in ten microts.”

“Scorpy’s dead? I have to see it for myself.” John said.

Soon they were all shouting in celebration, hugging one another at the victory that Talyn had just brought them. Kelly was sitting on the floor, leaning against the console, with her eyes closed, exhaustion was taking its toll on her body.

“Now maybe we can make it to a commerce planet and I can get off of this dilapidated, frelling ship.” Sikozu said.

Kelly’s eyes opened and she stood up. She walked over to Sikozu, but it was Talyn who spoke, “Koza umit ke Thona valmi.”

Before anyone realized what was happening, Kelly (Talyn) hit Sikozu, knocking her to the floor.

“What in the hell did he just say?” John asked Sikozu.

“He said, don’t ever talk about Mother like that again.” Kelly answered and walked out of the room.

“How in the frell did she know what he said?” Chiana asked and followed her out of the room before anyone could answer.

“I told you she didn’t like you, now neither does Talyn.” John said smiling.

Looking over at Aeryn, he saw she was smiling too, “Do you want me to finish up the annex lines?”

“That’s alright, I’ll go finish it so we can starburst out of here. We don’t know if the command carrier was able to put out a distress signal before being destroyed.”

“I’ll help, and we can talk while we are at it.” John said

Together they walked out of the room.

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Chiana followed Kelly and saw she was heading towards Pilot’s Den. She figured that Talyn wanted a private talk with his mother and turned around.

Over the next several arns, Talyn, Pilot and Moya talked. Finally, Talyn realized it was time to say good-bye. This time Moya understood why he had to leave, but she shook in sadness, everyone felt it and knew what was going on. With tears in his eyes, Pilot said one last good-bye to Talyn as he walked out of the den.

“Chiana, Kelly has just left for her quarters, but she may need help. She has been awake for so long and her head injury also needs to be attended to. Could you help her?”

“Of course Pilot, I’m on my way.”

When she caught up with Kelly, she was already in her room. She was sitting on the side of her bed with a wet rag and trying to clean the blood off of her skin.

“Here, lay down and close your eyes. I’ll do that for you. Does it hurt badly?” Chiana said.

“Not right now, but it will.” Kelly answered slurring her words.

‘Talyn? Are you still here?’

<Yes, for now. I want to thank you for helping me. I can see why Mother loves you and the others so.>

'Are you coming back?'

<No. It is finally time for me to move on. I tried to find a way to lead you back to your home, but I was unable to.>

'That's okay, John will find a way to get us back home. He's got these wormholes figured out. Now he just needs to get us there.'

<Thank you again. Take care of Mother, she needs all the care she can get. Good-bye Kelly.>

'Good-bye Talyn and thank you too.'

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As they worked to unclog the tubing for the amnexus fluid, John and Aeryn talked about what had just happened. Both realized they now were free to go where they wanted without worry of Scorpius tracking them down. After they finished with the repair, they retired to Aeryn's quarters to continue talking. John took his hand and slowly rubbed the side of her face, putting her hand on his, both said the words that each wanted to hear.

"I love you."

The End.