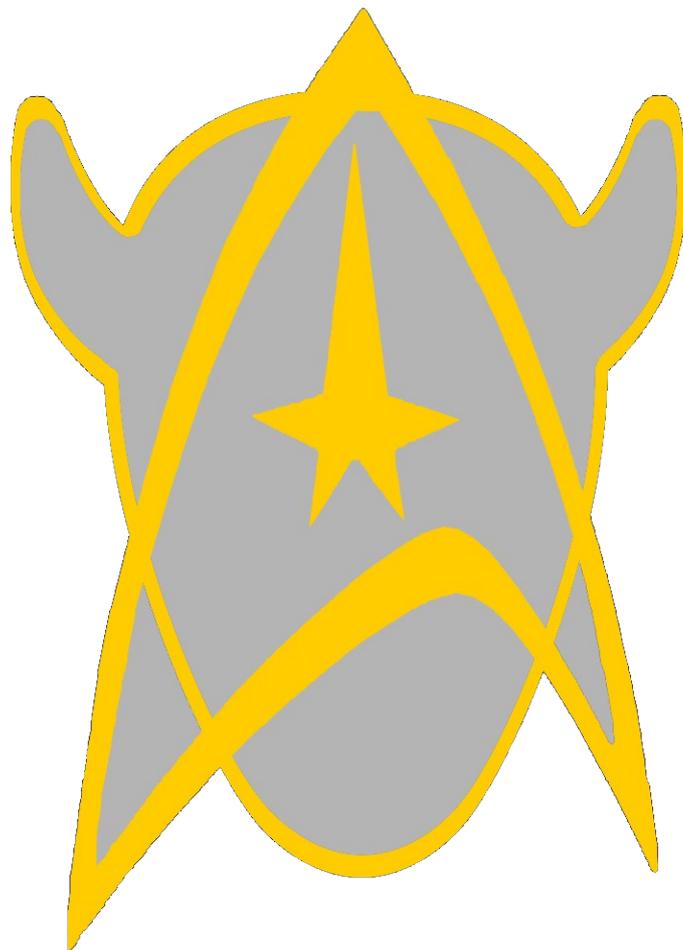


**STARFLEET COMMAND'S  
SEVENTH FLEET**



**USS WHITE BUFFALO  
MISSIONS DECLASSIFIED**

## WILDERNESS OF MIRRORS

"Zharaina Belar, Aki Chandra, Bakna, Toven Drey, please report to cargo bay 2." A strange voice announced. Aki was swimming when in walked two Jem'Hadar officers in Starfleet security uniforms. They pointed their Phaser Rifles at Aki and announced, "You were ordered to report to Cargo Bay 1. You will come with us, Aki Chandra. Aki looked stunned but she complied and followed the armed soldiers.

Zaharaina, Bakna, and Toven were already in the bay when the three walked in. Each of them turned when another Jem'hadar started, "Finally you all are here we can proceed. Your assignment is to proceed to Vulcan to recover an artifact." "What kind of artifact?" Bakna asked. "The Romulans are after the same artifact, and your time is limited." The Jem'Hadar stated as he ignored the question. "Since when do we work with the Jem'Hadar?" Aki asked. "You don't, but this mission will go a long ways to make sure that you do." He replied. "What kind of Artifact is it?" Bakna asked again. "It is classified until you accept the mission, and we are en rout to recover it." He stated, "Why are you wearing so little? Is this a new form of vulgar Starfleet uniforms?" The man asked. "I was swimming." Aki replied. Zharaina asked "Where do these orders originate" "They originate with me." He stated arrogantly. "And who are you?" Toven asked. "I am General Relos' Mirar, and the only thing else that you need to know for now is that your Captain has authorized this mission." And shows them a PADD with the orders displayed on it. "If any of you decided you don't want to proceed you may leave now." Mirar bellowed. His patience had clearly run out. "Well, I'm out." Toven replied, and promptly left. Relos' Mirar just growled, but turned away. "Anyone else?" He asked. "May I change into a uniform first?" Aki asked. "Yes yes, go get dressed. But make it quick. Aki departed and a Romulan Shuttle appeared out of nowhere. The two soldiers proceeded inside, and tossed two little triangle things into the back, as they continued to the front of the craft. Zharaina, and Bakna proceeded inside after them. They noticed that the two had taken seats at Tactical, and Helm, but all of the other consoles were inactive. Mirar proceeded in after them.

Aki sends out a message from her quarters to the rest of the crew to see if anyone else has a modified tricorder, but only the Exocomp, 315 responded saying it was a modified tricorder, then asked why. Aki asked the Exocomp to meet her so she could explain, and only moments later the Exocomp arrived. After Aki explained 315 took her to Cargo Bay 1 where Toven was already waiting. "I thought you would come here before the mission." Toven said as he smiled. "Yes, well I need some modified equipment." Aki responded, without humor. "Right, Lets see here." Toven stated as he grabbed an Extra Phaser, three modified White Buffalo combadges, a phaser rifle, a personal cloaking device, and a personal shield. "All Section 31 equiptment from our little visit to their hidden base last month." Toven laughed. Aki smiled as she left to join the other two on the mission. She tripped on something on the way into the shuttlebay, mostly because she was suprised to see a Romulan scout sitting in the middle of the bay. As she tripped the Intruder alert started to sound. Quickly the two Jem'Hadar soldiers came out and dragged her inside before she could get her phaser or the phaser rifle raised to react. She noticed the other two of her fellow crew members were unconscious on the floor as she herself lost consciousness.

"Computer, activate Toven-omega-one." Toven ordered. A Type 11 Shuttle decloaked next to him as the White Buffalo's intruder alert sounded. Toven ran to cargo bay two and found the Jem'Hadar forcing Aki inside a Romulan scout. The scout transported outside the bay. Three officers arrived and asked Toven what was going on. Toven explained what he'd seen, then ordered them to follow him. As they entered cargo bay one they noticed that all of the Section 31 containers were gone. Everyone entered the Type 11 Shuttle and the vessel quickly transported out of the ship. Garev Vetra quickly sat at engineering, Vera Tivan sat at Security, and Vol Arock sat at Operations, as Toven hurried to the Conn console. "Computer activate Toven Omega-two." Toven ordered. The Type 11 shuttle transported outside the White Buffalo. Vol quicly did a full scan for the Romulan scout and picked up on thier direction, and transferred the data to Conn. Toven plotted the course and engaged. Still outside the Romulans sensor range Toven ordered the vessel to engage cloak. The Romulan Scout appears on the screen for only a moment as the vessel disappears into some strange vortex. The shuttle proceeds through as well, and soon manages to catch up with the Romulan scout on the other side, but something else is wrong. The Romulans appear to be on a heading to a destination that Vol reports as being New Vulcan. "New Vulcan?" Toven asks. "Yes, It appears we've entered into a parellel universe where Vulcan had been destroyed by an insane Romulan from the future. "We need to stop them before they arrive, we don't know if they intend to destroy New Vulcan. Vol hails the Romulans but gets no response. Vara locked on weapons as Toven disengages the cloak, and orders her to fire. Her shots were expert as she disabled the Romulan ship. Garav transports their crew over but finds them unconscious. He attempts to lock onto the Jem'Hadar but cannot. Vol reports several Romulan ships on an intercept course. "Sir, the Romulan ship appears to have armed weapons, and shields. They are turning to fight." Vara reported. "Disable them." Toven ordered. Vara locked on weapons and fired. Unfortunately with the Romulan vessels weakened condition it buckled under the attack and then exploded. Toven quickly turned the shuttle and headed back through the vortex. Moments later it closed before the Vulcans could arrive.

After passing through the Vortex the crew on the shuttle noticed that the White Buffalo was surrounded by four Ferengi vessels. All of the vessels shields were down including the White Buffalo. Aki, being the senior officer took command and ordered Zharaina to hail the Ferengi, but thier was no rponse. Aki quickly ran an energy scan and found that the White Buffalo was running at half power, while the Ferengi's ships were lowering theirs but still running in overdrive. One of the Ferengi ships noticed the shuttle, and turned to face it. The others stayed locked onto the White Buffalo. Using the White Buffalo's prefix code Aki tapped into the White Buffalo and had it raise its shields. The Ferengi took a similar stance and raised their shields, unfortunately they also raised weapons, and began to open fire on the White Buffalo. Being at half power already the White Buffalo couldn't take the stress for long. Aki then made the White Buffalo take evasive manuevers. All of the ships began to move also except for the one Ferengi who was still heading for the shuttle. Aki activates the shuttles phase cloaking device but it failed.

"Lieutenant Arock, please get that cloaking device working again." Aki requested. Only after a few minutes Vol succeeds just in time the shuttle cloaks as the Ferengi ship starts to fire. The blasts go right through the shuttle as does the Ferengi. The shuttle moves into the White Buffalo's shuttle bay, and decloaks. "White Buffalo's shields are at seventy five percent Lieutenant Chandra." Zharaina reported. "Good, keep me apprised of any changes." Aki Started. " Hail the Buffalo, lets see what thier status is." Aki finished. Zharaina hurriedly worked the controls, and was amazed when she got a quick response back. "Lieutenant, the White Buffalo reports several injured, and the Ferengi have boarded. They are trying to lock out the Prefix Code, and retake the ship." She reported. Aki quickly scanned, and found eight Ferengi in engineering. "Bakna transport us over to engineering, and try to get the ships internal shields up around engineering." Aki ordered. Bakna, under a lot of stress at this point tried to do both but ended up transporting the Ferengi in Engineering into the ships internal shield grid killing the eight Ferengi and knocking out the internal grid all together. Her report to Aki was grim, and everyone winced. "Lieutenant Chandra, White Buffalo's structural integrity is holding at ninety seven percent, and twenty one EPS conduits have blown. also their are eighteen Ferengi on board the White Buffalo at this time." Zharaina reported. "Lets try to get as many of them that we can as we head to engineering. Zharaina, Bakna, your with me." Aki ordered as they all started to engineering. Aki, and Bakna activated thier personal shield grids as they went on but Zharaina gets hit by phaser fire from a Ferengi in the corridor. She falls to the floor. Bakna returned fire and hit the Ferengi. "Zarharina, are your alright?" Aki asked concerned that she didn't have a personal shield but came anyway. "Yes, I'm fine, it just grazed me. Lets proceed." She replied as she tried to shrug off the blast. Vol sent a message to the group stating that the Ferengi have reported the loss of eight of their crew, and are requesting reinforcements. Aki,

Zharaina, and Bakna enter engineering, and activate the ships emergency security holographic intruder response team. But the programing is set to attack everyone so Aki had to hurry to reprogram them. The quick programing is almost too much as it had never been done before but it seems to work as the ESH Team comes to a stop before firing on the three. "IRT, Report through the rest of the ship. The Ferengi are the Intruders." Aki ordered. "Understood. Move out!" The IRT leader ordered. Vol reports over the groups commbadges again that the IRT have taken out ten of the Ferengi but that ten more have transported over. Aki activates the ships cloaking device, and the Ferengi begin firing wildly. Several shots hit, and destabilize the cloak as Aki brings the phase inverter online. The whole system fails and causes the White Buffalo to decloak. "Vol Arock to Lieutenant Chandra, The White Buffalo's structural integrity field is at eighty four percent, and more Ferengi are beaming over." Four Ferengi materialize in engineering. All three activate thier own personal section thirty one phase devices, but they are not calibrated for the ship. All three fall through the floor, and just barely manage to successfully reprogram the devices before falling into space. Each make thier way back to engineering while being shot at. One phaser strike goes right through Aki, and she laughs. The other two look at her quizzically and she reports, "It kinda tickles."

Once back in engineering they deactivate the phase devices and fire on the Ferengi. All four Ferengi get hit, but so does the core. "Warp Core breach, warning, warning, warp core breach." The computer warns. Garav Vetra who'd gotten sick of waiting in the shuttle reports to engineering in time to seal the breach, but is knocked unconscious from the event. Vera reports that the bridge is clear of hostiles, and that the Ferengi are beaming back to their ships. The holographic systems fail as the computer reports that engineering reserves are at forty percent, EPS conduits one through nine have exploded, and that structural integrity is now down to seventy eight percent.

Toven and Vera report on the bridge. Aki orders Toven to jump to warp after the Ferengi fire, but before they hit. Toven states that it will be almost impossible timing, but that he will do his best. Aki tries to balance the ships power but as the ship jumps to warp several systems blow. Error, and damage reports start to be called out by the computer as it tries to lock down breaches. "Power levels at thirty two percent, EPS conduits fourteen and nineteen have blown." Aki quickly tries to re-distribute the power flow. "Warning plasma fire in Jeffries tube seven." The computer announces. Aki gets the power systems settled as the Ferengi figure out what happened.

Each of the Ferengi vessels surround the White Buffalo again, but this time they coordinate their attack on the vessels port nacel. Aki restores the ships holomatrix and activates the Emergency Engineering Holographic systems. Engineers start appearing all over the ship, and immediately coordinate repairs. The port nacel buckles and several systems blow out. The cargo bay blows out and the shuttle is destroyed. "Lieutenant Chandra, the Ferengi are hailing." Toven reports. "On screen down here." Aki orders. "Federation vessel, surrender to us now." A rather ugly fat Ferengi demands. "Who may I ask am I speaking with?" Aki asks. "I am Damon Ek, and you have no time to stall. Surrender now." The Damon ordered. "Damon Ek, you have fired on a Federation vessel, and act of war." Aki started. "Enough stalling! Surrender!" The Damon bellowed. "I'd rather die then surrender!" Bakna screamed. "Youd rather die, than to be a slave hu'mon?" The Damon asked incredulously. "Absolutely!" Bakna replied. "That can be arranged. Fire on the Hu'mon vessel." The Damon ordered. "No wait. We surrender." Aki replied quickly. "Good, I like it when things go my way." The Damon replied. We will start transporting over. Do not interfere. The screen went blank and the Damon was gone. "Lieutenant Chandra, three of the Ferengi vessels are moving off." Toven reported. The computer announces the port nacel buckling has caused a breach in the Medical bay. Aki orders the Exocomp 315 to repair it. Engineering teams report in that they have fixed the EPS conduits, and are now working on the power systems. Aki calles to 315 but gets no response. "Ensign Bakna, fire four torpedos at the Ferengi, lets see how they handle a barrage with thier shields down." Aki orders. Toven plays around with the ships holo emmitters on the hull, and get them working as Bakna fires on the Ferengi ship. The Ferengi drop shields to transport as the torpedos hit. Toven speculate that someone on the Ferengi ship wasn't paying much attention to thier sensors. The Ferengi vessels hull buckles and they cry out for help. Aki orders Bakna to fire again. Another torpedo launches and hits the Ferengi as they try desperately to get their shields back up. But the torpedo is faster and hits the Ferengi's bridge. The entire vessel blows as thier reinforcements arrive. Toven gets the holomatrix to display several Federation vessels appear to come out of warp, and the Ferengi quickly turn tail and run. Aki gets the final report from the computer. "Structural integrity twenty percent, power output seventy percent, shield grid destroyed, transporters destroyed, sensor arrays destroyed, hull breaches deck one through four, port nacelle destroyed, deck one hull breach

deuterium tank, deck two breach bridge, deck three medical lab breach, deck four cargo bay one breach, type eleven shuttle destroyed, replicators destroyed." During the extremely disturbing report Aki finds 315 and brings him in, tries to repair him but the exocomp is too badly damaged.

What is real, and what is fake? Where are we supposed to turn when there is nowhere to go. Over half of the crew injured, and taken to a Starbase, we are left with no shuttles to help assist us with repairs. Toven pondered while sifting through debris in the corridors. "Chandra to Lieutenant Karu, we need you in engineering, we have to get the holomatrix working again." Chandra ordered over Toven's Combadge. Even the ship's intercom system was damaged. Toven tapped his combadge. "Lieutenant Chandra, I'm looking at the Holo projectors in the corridors, and they all look like they will have to be replaced. I can't do that from engineering." Toven reported back. "Understood, do what you can." Chandra replied. Aki stood in engineering muttering to herself "Doesn't anything on this useless civilian ship ever work right?" No one was around to hear her though, and she really didn't expect an answer. She reached over and continued working on stabilizing the structural integrity fields. She had to get the ship fixed before the Captain, Executive Officer, and the rest of the main crew got back, but she wasn't sure how she could get it done when suddenly she noticed a hail coming in over a patchworked console. She hurried over and activated the comm systems. "Uss Matrix to the White Buffalo, we are delivering supplies and personnel, we will rendezvous with you at the following coordinates in two days time. Uss Matrix out." Aki sat with a grim look on her face. 'How were they supposed to turn the ship back over to the Captain in two days time in its current condition.' She thought. Bakna completed work on one of the Holo projectors and hurriedly went on to the next when she noticed Toven already finishing it. "Hey, this isn't your rough." She joked. Toven laughed, "Yes, But I thought if we could get the Hologrid on this deck working again first we could save a lot of time with repairs." Toven replied. "Well, I can't complain if you want to postpone your repairs to help me with mine." She joked again.

Zharaina fought with the hull breach on the bridge. Her EV suit didn't want to cooperate as she finished sealing the breach. Everything settled down and Zharaina sat down for a moment exhausted from the work. 'This should not have been this difficult a task. There must be an air pressure leak somewhere else in here.' She thought as she started looking for the leak.

In a dark room two dark men stand near a window. "We have setup the White Buffalo twice, and twice they have beaten us, we are going to have to pull out the big Gunn now and strike at them once and for all. No one breaks into a Section Thirty One facility and lives! Launch the Gunn!" One says in a rough voice that could almost make the very deck shake slightly. A massive ship, Olympic Class Dreadnaught launches from a secret dark station fully armed and capable. The vessel ten times the size of a standard Olympic class manages to dwarf a Galaxy Class vessel as it passes close by. "Now that's what I call power!" the other man stated as he watched on in awe. "You haven't seen power yet." The other man replied. "Destroy the test ship." He then ordered. The Olympic Class Dreadnaught powered up its phasers, and with one quick blast the Galaxy class ship was completely destroyed. "That was with the test ship's shields and everything at full power." The man with the booming voices stated with obvious satisfaction. "Wow." Was all the other man could say.

Aki finished working on the structural integrity fields as the computer reported that they will be back to full efficiency as soon as the hull breaches were repaired. Aki grabbed her tools and quickly left engineering. At the same time Toven entered engineering from another entry and scanned the holo projectors. "Hmnn," He mumbled. "Looks like these work, but they're not getting any power." Toven went over to an EPS conduit. "OUCH!" Toven cried out. Aki who had walked back in asked, "What happened?" "This conduit is about to blow, it's way too hot." Toven replied as he got away from it. Aki quickly went to a console and shut down power to the conduit. "Wait awhile before working on it, let it cool." Aki ordered as she picked up another set of tools and left again.

Zharaina finished sealing the pressure leak, and quickly worked her way to the Medical lab. Once inside she noticed that the breach had already been fixed. She sighed a breath of relief then worked her way to the cargo bay. Zharaina entered the cargo bay minutes later and noticed Bakna working on the breach. She almost got sucked out into space as air from the doorway entered through came rushing out into space. The door hatch closed and Bakna pulled herself back into the ship. "I'm so sorry." Zharaina stated as she hurried over to make sure Bakna was alright. "It's ok, you didn't know I was working in here." Bakna replied generously. "Why are you in here, and not working on the Holo Projectors?" Zharaina asked. "You can only work on so many of those before you want to start breaking them all." Bakna stated with absolutely no humor in her voice. "I understand. Here, let me help." Zharaina said as she started to help seal the breach.

Toven finished working on the EPS conduit in engineering as a proximity alert started to go off. Toven hurried over to see what was approaching and muttered "Oooh, my. We're dead." Outside the White Buffalo a massive Olympic Class vessel exited warp, raised shields, and armed weapons. The vessel took a tactical posture just off the starboard side of the White Buffalo. Toven's mind raced at what options the White Buffalo had as he turned and slunk to the floor, but was at a total loss for what. Then he noticed the cloaking device. They might not have warp, but they could hide. Aki finished sealing the deuterium tanks and started back to engineering as she noticed the lights dim. "Another power failure?" She thought to herself as she quickened her pace.

Zharaina helped Bakna with getting the first of the holo projectors on deck 2 done. Zharaina now understood what Bakna was so annoyed with. The Holo Projectors were clumsy and awkward little devices that were a pain to have to fix by hand. With only one replicator working for spare parts the Projectors had to be done one by one. They were both about to toss their hands up into the air and say they'd had enough with this when an Exocomp came flying past. "315!" Both said at once. The exocomp didn't stop but flew onto the next of the projectors and started working on it. A quick moment later it moved onto the next. Then lights in the corridor dimmed, "I think it's time we got answers." Bakna stated. Zharaina nodded as they headed down to engineering.

Toven piloted the ship around the dreadnaught as it headed closer to their last position. The ship fully cloaked, and no longer leaking atmosphere from any breaches, was now able to maneuver slightly considering they were still missing the port nacell. Toven had found the broken exocomp laying on the floor in engineering and had quickly gathered spare parts to build a new one. With not much time he'd built a new one, and had sent it off to build more, and to start repairing the holo projectors. As the excomp left engineering the dreadnaught turned slightly and started to fire weapons in a pattern. 'They're searching for us' Toven thought as he quickly piloted the vessel to be ready to fly into a section of space the vessel had already searched.

Aki entered engineering in time to notice Toven piloting the ship around phaser blasts, and to park the ship in an area of space some unknown vessel wasn't firing at. "What is going on here?" Aki demanded to know. As Toven explained what had happened Aki looked as if she was going to be sick. "Are we ever going to get out of this nightmare?" She asked. "If we do it'll be a hell of a story." Toven replied as he continued to move the ship. "I just don't believe it! How can they just dissappear like that and we are compleatly unable to detect them!" The Captain of the Dreadnaught bellowed. "Sir, It appears they have a cloaking device." A skinny pale faced Ensign replied. "Don't you think I know that already!" The Captain bellowed as he pushed the ensign out of his way. The Captain walked over to the Tactical console. "Find them already!" He yelled.

Zharaina, and Bakna walked into engineering and started to pick up on what was going on as Toven explained it to Aki. The two hurried over to two additional make shift stations and quickly started to run scans, and prepare the ship for combat. "I don't think we'll be needing that just yet." Aki stated. "I need you two to keep working on getting all of this ships systems repaired." Aki ordered. "Holo Projector's on all decks have been repaired." The computer announced. Toven quickly typed something into the console. "New project started, Repair all replicators." The computer announced. "Do you mind explaining that to me please." Aki demanded. "I was able to build a new Exocomp, and start it working on building more, and get them to work on the Holo Projectors. Now that they are done I have them working on the Replicators." Toven replied matter-of-factly. "I see. Can we now activate the Emergancy Engineering team again?" Aki asked. "I don't see why not." Toven replied. "Computer, activate the Emergancy Engineering Holographic program, and assign them to repair, and clean up everything else on the White Buffalo." Aki ordered. "Program loaded and ready. Activating now." The room filled with engineers who immediately started working on all of the systems. Everyone smiled but not for long as a vessel started to hail them.

"Intercept that hail!" The Captain of the Dreadnaught demanded. "I can't sir, the White Buffalo hasn't accepted the transmission." The pale faced ensign replied. "Where is the transmission coming from?" The Captain asked frustrated. "It's coming from the Uss Matrix. They are about two days away at the speed they are traveling. Eleven hours if they punch it to warp nine." The ensign replied. "Are they in sensor range?" The Captain asked. "Not yet sir." The ensign said. "Fine, increase the fire rate, lets find them now!" The Captain yelled.

Toven swerved, and tried several maneuvers to keep the Dreadnaught from finding them. "Lieutenant Karu, I appreciate that your trying to protect the ship, but you seem to have forgotten, we have a phase cloaking device on this vessel. Aki stated. Toven looked sheepish as he stopped moving the ship. "Shall we try to rendezvous with the Uss Matrix then?" Toven asked. "Yes, proceed." Aki replied.

When no one responded to the hail the Uss Matrix sent out Captain Dellborg Ganloso was understandably worried. He asked the captain of the Matrix to increase speed to meet early at the rendezvous point. Generously the captain of the Matrix agreed.

Back on the White Buffalo the crew was sitting trying to figure out what to do. They couldn't do anything to alert the Matrix about the Dreadnaught that was firing all around them, trying to find them, and they couldn't outrun or fight the Dreadnaught. "Ensign Zharaina, scan for anything in range we could use as a tactical advantage." Aki asked. "Sir, their is a diverse asteroid field nearby." Zharaina replied. "Good, take us in Lieutenant Karu." Aki ordered. Toven flew the ship right into the field. "Ensign Belar I have an Idea, come with me." Aki ordered.

Almost two hours later the captain of the dreadnaught was clearly not pleased as his vessels weapons fire seemed to have no effect "You will find them commander, or the next vessel you step foot on is a mining shuttle!" The captain bellowed at his first officer. The commander just looked over the grid they were focusing on and realized that their was nothing else he could do. His face went pale white as he realized what had happened. "Sir, they seem to be not only using a cloaking device, but a phase cloak, in fact probably the one they stole from our facility." The commander stated. The captain smiled at this and started "Operations, scan for our phase modulation variance." "Found it sir, The White Buffalo seems to have piloted into the asteroid field." "Very good, lock in and..." He started but was cut off. "Sir the White Buffalo is moving off, out of the other side of the field." "Take us in, don't lose them now." The captain ordered.

On the White Buffalo aki and Ensign Belar returned onto the bridge. "Is the dreadnaught in persuit?" Aki asked. "Yes sir, they are." "Good, full speed away from the field as soon as we are clear." Aki ordered. The White Buffalo left the field moments later at about the same time the dreadnaught started taking damage. "Sir, what is going on?" Toven asked. "Well, it seems that the dreadnaught has hit a cloaked gravametric mine." Aki replied grinning. The dreadnaught started taking minor damage to its shields as mine after mine started hitting, but it wasn't the mines causing all the trouble but the fact that they were replicating, jumping around, and causing the asteroids to hit the shields as well. The gravametric field of a massive Olympic Class Dreadnaught didn't exactly help matters either as soon all of the asteroids were hitting the ship, and the gravity field started to become a massive gravity well like that of an entire planet. Soon it was a lot worse and even at full power the dreadnaught couldn't escape. Aki tried to hail the dreadnaught and offer assistance, but at this point no assistance could be offered as the well was too strong for transporters, tractor beams, or even the White Buffalo herself.

The dreadnaught broke up due to all the damage caused, but the gravity kept getting stronger until it was so dense it looked as though it would start to implode. "Commander, the Matrix has dropped out of warp." Zharaina reported. "Hail them and tell them to meet us at about an hour's distance closer to home, full speed, and our ships are both in danger." Aki ordered. Zharaina sent the transmission and both ships warped away just before the gravity well imploded. Both vessels met an hour later and Captain Ganloso demanded a full report. The Matrix had scanned the massive Olympic Class vessel but then it entered the field and they quickly lost understanding of what was going on. Aki reported, and the Captain of the Matrix had to be read into the mission, and then ordered to stay out of it by the Admiral of Starfleet Intelligence, who then demanded that Lieutenant Karu report back to Starfleet by way of the Matrix, and that he may not be returning. No one could say if this was the end, but they knew it wouldn't be the end for Section 31.

