BBC SCREENPLAY FORMAT

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DESTINY, LIGHT WINGS

EXT. SPACE - URANUS ORBIT - DAY

The Shell, ship of DAKKAR NEMO and HITOMI SATO, cruises through space towards the distant blue planet of Uranus.

NEMO (V.O.)

Guardian Log One Seventeen. Long range patrol craft The Shell. Current destination is Warsat 419.

The ship flies past a derelict Ketch.

NEMO (V.O.)

We've identified several wrecks originating from the House of Wolves rebellions from years ago.

INT. SPACE - THE SHELL - DAY

Nemo, male, Titan, sits at the helm with his hands on the controls. Just behind him sits Hitomi, female, bags under eyes, Hunter, who mans the sensor station.

NEMO

Still no sign of any Darkness Pyramids thankfully. With any luck, we'll be wrapping up and back to the city shortly.

HITOMI

If we get lucky. We might just stumble across a Fallen crew and end up hunting them for the next week.

NEMO

One can certainly hope we don't.

CYRUS, Nemo's Ghost, appears over his shoulder.

CYRUS

We're in the Darkness' territory now. Anything can happen.

NEMO

Too true. Too true.

He looks back at Hitomi.

NEMO (CONT'D)

What's the heading on that Warsat?

IMOTIH

It's still in Uranus' orbit. I'll need a better read on it first before we get a heading.

NEMO

Understood.

A debris field comes into Nemo's view and he watches it as it flies by.

CYRUS

Wonder if that field has any good salvage in there...

A stray piece of debris glances off the hull. The occupants of the cockpit are thrown around.

HITOMI

Damn it, Nemo, watch where you're going!

END INTRO CINEMATIC. BEGIN TUTORIAL. SEE DIALOGUE (MISSION 0-TUTORIAL) EXCEL FILE.

EXT. SPACE - OBERON ORBIT - DAY

The Shell boosts through Oberon's thin atmosphere and passes through a series of thin blue clouds.

HITOMI

Signal is still strong. Keep us moving in that direction.

END LEVEL.

MISSION 1 INTRO

MONTAGE - FLASHBACKS/EXPOSITION

--The Last City during the Red War. Cabal ships fill the sky and the Cage surrounds the Traveler.

NEMO

It has been nearly five years since the Red War...

--Nemo lies against a piece of rubble while Cyrus heals him. Hitomi stands beside him, shotgun raised in dutiful watch.

NEMO (CONT'D)

Five years since I met Hitomi and became a pilot after the Cabal stole our Light.

--Hitomi crouches in the shadows of a cave, her Ghost cradled in her hands.

NEMO (CONT'D)

Five years since she lost her Ghost...

-- The Last City as the Traveler explodes free from the Cage.

NEMO (CONT'D)

And five years since the Traveler woke up, bringing with it a whole slew of other problems.

-- A swarm of Pyramids flow from the shadows of deep space.

NEMO (CONT'D)

Problems that I fear only our silent god may be capable of dealing with.

FADE TO BLACK.

END MONTAGE.

EXT. OBERON - MOMMUR CHASMA - DAY

The Shell flies down into a canyon from it's reentry.

INT. THE SHELL - DAY

Hitomi types at her station as data flows across the screen.

HITOMI

Signal's still going. We're going to have to get closer in order to get any accurate source.

NEMO

Right. It's probably best that we--

HITOMI

Incoming!

Missiles fly down on them from above. The Shell rolls through the barrage and dives down into a cave system.

NEMO

How many enemies? Is it Fallen?

Hitomi's fingers fly accross the keyboard.

HITOMI

Not Fallen. I'm reading multiple Cabal craft inbound.

NEMO

Any motherships?

HITOMI

Negative. Threshers and Harvesters only.

NEMO

They're probably on patrol.

IMOTIH

Or ambush. Even the most desperate Legion can devolve into dishonorable tactics if pushed.

NEMO

Indeed. Let's get to taking them out one by one.

END OF INTRO. REFER TO DLW MISSION 1 EXCEL SHEET.

OUTRO

EXT. OBERON - MOMMUR CHASMA - DAY

The Shell flies away from the canyon and into Mommur Chasma proper.

IMOTIH

I'm picking up that Cabal Warship ahead. Looks like it's attacking the colony.

NEMO

We'd best get to work clearing the skies for them.

MISSION 2 INTRO

MONTAGE - FLASHBACK

--A Martian skybox with Phobos looming overhead. A Cabal base lies below the moon's shadow.

HITOMI (V.O.)

Back during the Red War and even after it, Dakkar and I ran missions just like this one we're on now.

-- The base explodes in blasts as The Shell rockets over.

HITOMI (V.O.)

We'd hit them and then disappear into space again.

- -- The Shell drifts in space.
- --Dakkar sits beside Hitomi in the ship's bunks as they eat.

HITOMI (V.O.)

Such distance and time away from everything practically necessitated our trust in each other.

--Hitomi leans forward in her chair as tears flow from her eyes, her Ghost's shell sat on the table before her. Dakkar rests his hand on her shoulder.

HITOMI (V.O.)

The big lug is like a block of ice sometimes, but he was there for me.

--Hitomi's lifeless Ghost sits abandoned on the desk.

HITOMI (V.O.)

Even at my darkest.

END INTRO. REFER TO DIALOGUE MISSION 2 SCRIPT.

Mission 3

INTRO - INTERLUDE 1

INT. THE SYLVESTER - BRIDGE - DAY

The heavy Cabal doors slide open and Hitomi and Dakkar enter the bridge. A baffled expression covers their faces when they see the crew of mixed Eliksni and Cabal.

CABAL 1 (0.S.)

Colony ship Fortuna has docked in Bay 19.

ELIKSNI 1 (O.S.)

Coordinating with forge deck to fabricate fuel for Guardian ship and Colony Ship.

A'TREN (O.S.)

Hold!

Hitomi and Dakkar turn to the center command station where the tall form of Captain A'tren stands beside She'ren, his quartermaster. A'tren turns to Hitomi and Dakkar.

A'TREN (CONT'D)

I believe that our esteemed guests this day are very particular to who touches their ship.

Hitomi shakes herself and closes her mouth as she starts toward the Captain. Dakkar follows.

HITOMI

You would be correct. I don't like it when someone I don't know touches my ship.

She glances at She'ren.

HITOMI (CONT'D)

Especially when someone might be Cabal.

She'ren sniffs and turns back to the datapad in his hand. A'tren growls and straightens.

A'TREN

My quartermaster may not mind such things, but if you insult my crew, you will have--

His lower arms rest on dagger hilts on his belt.

A'TREN (CONT'D)

--issues with me. (pause) Will we have issues?

JAY TEN (O.S.)

I would certainly hope not.

The four turn or look up at the arrival of the colony representative as he walks toward them, arms clasped behind his back.

JAY TEN (CONT'D)

It would not do for both of our defenders to be at each others throats over the slightest insults.

DAKKAR

Representative.

JAY TEN

Guardian.

The Titan and Awoken shake hands.

JAY TEN (CONT'D)

Your work today is appreciated.

Jay Ten approaches the center console to stand at A'tren's side opposite She'ren.

JAY TEN (CONT'D)

(to A'tren)

I assume that your mission was successful, Captain?

A'tren shrugs and turns back to the main console. He works the controls and an image appears overhead.

A'TREN

Ma'at has started to set up his operations outside the Chasma. We were in the middle of surveying it, but--

SHE'REN

We were interrupted by your distress call.

Jay Ten nods.

JAY TEN

And it's likely that that Bracus won't forget this humiliation so soon.

He looks at A'tren.

JAY TEN (CONT'D)

We'll need you to stay here and continue defense. Can you provide a crew with the means to infiltrate Ma'at's operation?

A'tren shakes his head.

A'TREN

No. My crew is needed to maintain our defenses here.

Hitomi scoffs.

HITOMI

Can't spare any of the shellheads to do your dirty work?

DAKKAR

Hitomi!

She glances at him, shock spread across her features before she scowls.

HITOMI

I'll be in the hanger.

She turns and walks away.

Frustration is evident on Dakkar's face as he sighs.

END OF INTRO. BEGIN GAMEPLAY. REFER TO DIALOGUE - INTERLUDE 1

OUTRO

INT. THE SYLVESTER - HANGER - DAY

Dakkar approaches The Shell where a Fallen crew detach a fuel pump and retreat under Hitomi's watch from atop the ship. She jumps down when he gets near.

HITOMI

Done negotiating with the bastards?

DAKKAR

Where's this coming from?

She looks at him with a raised brow.

IMOTIH

You're really playing dumb?

She shakes her head as she lifts a datapad. A feed of the bridge is live on the screen.

HITOMI (CONT'D)

I heard what that Shellhead next to that Captain said. He's a Red and you know what that means. What he did.

DAKKAR

He's not a Red anymore and not all Cabal are terrible. Just look at the cease fire with Caiatl.

Hitomi scoffs.

HITOMI

Why are you defending him? The last remnants of the Red Legion now are criminals. I don't care what that Empress above Nessus says, they're all the same to me.

DAKKAR

Is this going to get in the way of our mission of protecting the Colony?

Hitomi paces along the length of The Shell for a moment before she turns back to him.

IMOTIH

For now, for the people down there? I'll put up with it. But if any of these bastards step out of line...

She rolls her fingers over the hilt of her knife.

HITOMI (CONT'D)

I'll kill them myself.

FADE TO BLACK.

END OF OUTRO