THE SPACE WRITER

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CAMERA FLASHES AND CROWDS OF REPORTERS ARE GATHERED AROUND 6 ASTRONAUTS SITTING AT A CEREMONIAL TABLE - 2 WOMEN AND 4 MEN.

ONE OF THEM LOOKS LESS FIT THAN THE OTHERS AND HIS POSTURE IS LESS RIGID - DEAN STOCKWELL - M - 40.

REPORTER

Mr.Stockwell Sir, how does it feel to be the first civilian on an interplanetary mission?

DEAN

Quite overwhelming actually. All my life I wrote about space adventures and now I get to be in one.

REPORTER

Should we expect a new novel when you come back?

DEAN

Most definitely.

REPORTER

Do you consider yourselves expendables? Given the 4 missions before you have failed? Is that something on your minds? Something you are prepared for?

KIMI LU - FEMALE - 35 - BORDERLINE ATTRACTIVE, RIGID AND CAPTAIN OF THE SHIP.

KTMT

We all come from different backgrounds that tested our limits. I was isolated in the arctic for months, Viktor here was a submarine commander, Raj was a physician on an oil rig, and Kage cheated death more times that I can count so, I'd say we are prepared to live not to die.

REPORTER

Mr. Kage, what made you leave the world of Rally sport for outer space?

LUKE KAGE - MALE 35-40 - TYPICAL ALPHA MALE JOCK, WELL BUILT, MUSCULAR BUT NOT TOO HANDSOME.

KAGE

Hoping the roads will be less bumpy!

Everyone laughs.

REPORTER

Ana? You've been stationed on the lunar base for the last year and now you embark on a 5 year mission to Mars and back.

Do you hate Earth so much you do everything to avoid it?

Everyone laughs.

ANA JOLIE - FEMALE - 30 - THE PRETTIEST ONE OF THE GROUP.

ANA

No, but I can see Earth anytime I want. Mars on the other hand, doesn't give many opportunities.

REPORTER

Do you expect to get along through the mission?

RAJ MAHAL - MALE - 30'S - INDIAN DESCENT.

RAJ

I think we are all professional enough to put aside our differences when time comes.

KIMI

The mission has top priority. Everything else comes second. We will get to Mars and we will build that habitat for others to join us.
Nothing will distract us from it.

FADE TO:

EXT. DEEP SPACE

SUPERIMPOSED ON SCREEN: 4 MONTHS LATER

WE SEE A CYLINDRICAL SPACESHIP WITH A ROTATING RING AROUND IT'S ENGINES CALMLY FLYING THROUGH DEEP SPACE.

AS WE GET CLOSER, we hear MUFFLED TECHNO BEATS coming from the ship and the name written in large letters on its side - THE SAGAN-5.

INT. SAGAN-5 - KITCHEN - SAME TIME

A FULL BLOWN RAVE PARTY!

All the astronauts are in the kitchen jumping and dancing with raver outfits made out of space materials. The lights are strobing and the atmosphere is electrifying!

MUSIC - DJ HOOLIGAN - SYSTEM ECSTASY

Shame on me, I'm on XTC
But it makes me happy
The way that poison's got me
Like a fever burning,
I gotta keep on turning
Round and round like crazy,
Nothing's gonna stop me.

THE MUSIC FADES OUT AS THE CAMERA PANS TO BLACK AND PANS AGAIN TO THE SAME KITCHEN AREA, BUT THIS TIME LOOKING DESERTED, FOUL AND FULL OF TRASH, IN THE LONG AFTERMATH OF THE RAVE.

Kimi and Ana enter the kitchen wearing nothing but T-shirts and underwear.

ANA

Man this place smells.

KIMI

You'll get used to it in a minute.

Kimi goes to a coffee machine held together by ZIP-TIES while Ana takes a seat at the table which displays a pastel of beverage stains on its surface, and pushes al the rubbish aside before resting her elbows on it.

ANA

Who's on cleaning duty today?

KIMI

Raj.

BZZZZZ-GR-GR-BZZZZZZ-GRRRRR! - Kimi starts the coffee machine making a HORRIFYING GRINDING NOISE as if it tears itself apart.

Kimi and Ana don't react, clearly used to it.

ANA

Where is everyone? Did we wake up too early again?

The ceiling lights start flashing blue and yellow accompanied by a SOOTHING ALARM TONE - A SHIP-WIDE ALARM CLOCK.

Kimi and Ana both wave their hands unenthusiastically towards a sensor in the ceiling and the alarm stops.

KIMI

I say we did.

INT. SAGAN-5 - KAGE'S ROOM - SAME TIME

A poster depicting Samuel L Jackson in a white top embracing himself, and on the bottom the caption "MOTHERFAQUOEUR, NEW FRAGRANCE FROM SAMUEL L JACKSON"

CAMERA dollies back from the poster and WE REVEAL Kage waking up in his bunk.

His tiny 4x3 room is littered with clothes and electronics. A few pairs of underwear shorts lie on the floor.

He hawks a few times then spits a phlegm on the floor and sits on the edge of the bed rubbing his face.

INT. SAGAN-5 - CORRIDOR - MOMENTS LATER

Kage comes out of his room and walks down the corridor SWISH-SWASHING as his socks stick to the dirty floor.

He arrives in front of the toilet door and opens it. Immediately he is hit by a repugnant smell and takes a step back for a moment. WE see the inside of the toilet looking foul as if a fecal geyser had erupted from the toilet pump. Something went wrong a while back and no one thought of cleaning it.

The toilet funnel and the pump are held together by duct tape and zip-ties just like the coffee machine.

Kage walks in clearly used to the picture and while the door closes behind him he proceeds to masturbate ferociously.

INT. SAGAN-5 - KITCHEN - SAME TIME

Raj and Viktor enter the kitchen.

They find Ana and Kimi drinking coffee at the table.

VIKTOR

Morning you two.

Viktor walks to the coffee machine and starts it again making the same SCREECHING NOISE.

KTMT

Raj, weren't you supposed to clean yesterday?

RAJ

We were planning on doing it, but then Viktor here got frisky and, well...

ANA

Gross.

Dean enters. He looks more normal than the others both physically and mentally. He looks well groomed, calm and serene.

DEAN

Morning everyone!

KIMI

Hey Dean.

VIKTOR

Hey Dean.

Dean looks around him at the people queuing for the coffee machine, then starts picking stuff up from the floor and cleans the place.

DEAN

(to Viktor)

Make me one too please. Milk and 2 sugar.

VIKTOR

Sure, if you can find an empty mug anywhere.

Dean looks around. Not one in sight.

KIMI

Seriously guys, it's been two weeks since the party was over, can no one clean this place a bit?

VIKTOR

No. Everybody does it. At same time. Every time me and Raj are on cleaning duty, everybody throws garbage everywhere. We do the same, they do the same and it's vicious circle.

KIMI

Not everyone has the same time Viktor.

ANA

I have to be in the hydroponics for most of the day.

KIMI

She has to be in the hydroponics for most of the day. And I'm too busy running the ship so...

VIKTOR

Then we wait until you are not busy.

Kage enters with blushes on his cheeks, looking like he labored too much. He sits himself at the table next to Ana with caution as if his groins are in pain.

KIMI

You should slow down cowboy, give it a rest.

KAGE

Easy for you to say, you got someone to take care of you. And don't think I can't hear it.

Kimi and Ana exchange glances as well as Raj with Viktor.

KAGE (CONT'D)

(to Raj and Viktor)

What are you two laughing about? I got ears on both sides.

KIMI

Dean doesn't seem to need it.

ANA

At least he does a better job at hiding it.

KAGE

That's because he probably sucks his own dick Ha-Ha! Am I right Dean?

RAJ

Doubt it. Not that easy.

KAGE

You had to ruin it didn't you?

VIKTOR

What's your secret Dean?

DEAN

I just don't think about it. I have other things to occupy my mind.

KAGE

Like food.

WE focus on Dean's tight shirt around his belly.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Put on a few pounds there buddy?

DEAN

Well, I wouldn't like to create competition for Raj here.

Everyone laughs. Viktor puts his arm around Raj's shoulder.

VIKTOR

It will take more than that to keep this guy away from me.

KAGE

Hey! You know the rules. No public displays of affection.

Viktor and Raj separate. Dean keeps picking stuff up from the floor. He finds a small bag of sugar and pockets it without anyone noticing. He then gets up and fiddles with the items on the table, arranging them.

DEAN

Entertainment is a very powerful tool. And I was gifted with a mind that allows me to stay entertained at all times. I create my own world when the world around me is not...ideal.

KAGE

No offence bud, but when shit goes down, we're not gonna fix it with a poem.

DEAN

I doubt jerking off is gonna help much either.

Everyone spits their coffee bursting with laughter. Everyone but Kage who looks ready to pounce on Dean.

RAJ

Where did that come from?

VIKTOR

Poet-man. You have balls!

Kage turns towards Ana.

KAGE

This guy hurt my feelings. How's about you make me feel better. 'know what I mean?

Ana looks at Kage with dishonest fear in her eyes.

Kimi gets up from the table.

KIMI

Come on, breakfast is over, let`s
get back to our stations.

Kage stares at Ana while Kimi gets up.

KIMI (CONT'D)

You too Kage, come on. Earth might be calling any second.

Kage doesn't flinch. He remains seated staring intensely at Ana who now looks genuinely afraid.

Tension is rising in the air.

KAGE

What do you say Ana? Do you wanna make me feel better?

Ana looks at Kimi for help.

KIMI

Kage I'm not gonna ask you again!

Kage turns around and stares at Kimi. They lock eyes for a beat, then Kage slowly gets up from the table and stands in front of Kimi towering over her, keeping eye contact at all times.

KAGE

Yes captain.

(looks at Dean)

And you!

You're lucky I like you.

He then snarls at Kimi slightly as he walks out of the Kitchen.

VIKTOR

Tension! Good replacement for coffee!

Everyone follows suit and exits the kitchen.

INT. SAGAN-5 - CORRIDOR - CONTINUOUS

The astronauts walk in pairs through the narrow corridor.

Kimi is in the front, Dean behind her, Viktor and Raj behind him, and last are Kage and Ana.

RAJ

Can we just place a dummy in front of the cameras?

KIMI

We can't. Kage can't sit in one spot for too long.

KAGE

You think you're funny now huh?

ANA

Anyone gonna start cleaning?

RAJ

You mean anyone else but you.

KAGE

Well, I wouldn't mind being behind you while you scrub the floors.

Ana gives a hint of liking it but quickly changes when Kimi calls her. Like a teenager hiding from her overbearing parent.

KIMI

Ana! Come here please!

ANA

Yes captain.

Kage admires Ana's behind as she advances forward.

KAGE

(shouting)

Hey would it hurt to put on some pants every now and then?

(softly)

It's bad enough I can hear you all night.

KIMI

Sure. As soon as you fix the ventilation.

KAGE

I fixed the toilet and the coffee machine. Someone else can fix the AC.

ON ANA AND KIMI

KIMI

What is it with you?

ANA

What? What did I do?

KIMI

I told you to keep away from him!

ANA

All the time?

KIMI

Yes Ana, all the fucking time! Unless you wanna be his meat bag for the rest of the mission.

They arrive in front of a door and Kimi goes through. Ana stands while Viktor passes by.

VIKTOR

Master keep you on tight leash.

Viktor goes through the door and Raj comes by Ana mimicking a whiplash sound.

RAJ

Whiplash!

Ana shoves him aside and goes through the door.

ANA

Know your rank Raj.

INT. NASA - MISSION CONTROL - DAY

ROWS OF COMPUTER STATIONS FACING A GIANT SCREEN WITH MULTIPLE FEEDS FROM THE SAGAN-5. WE SEE THE FACES OF ALL 6 ASTRONAUTS ON SOME OF THE SCREENS ALONG WITH TELEMETRY DATA.

WE notice a schematic of the ship and on a far corner of the large screen, A COMPUTER RENDERING OF A CIRCULAR SPACE STATION WITH 6 SPOKES CONVERGING IN THE MIDDLE.

On another screen WE see a simulation of the ship's trajectory to Mars with an X just in front of the ship, but only half way to Mars.

Everyone is at their stations looking serious and professional.

Standing among them is JACK BRILL - M - 40-50 years old - MISSION COMMANDER.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Morning everyone to day 134 of your mission. I'm guessing you are as excited as the day you launched, are you?

A few moments of delay while nobody reacts then all astronauts start laughing unenthusiastically, trying to put on a good show.

KAGE

Yeah...

(looks to his left Viktor and Raj, to his
right - Ana and Kimi)
Especially when I'm sandwiched
between these two pairs of lov--

Everyone looks frightened at Kage as if he might give them away with something.

KAGE (CONT'D)

--ely people.

JACK BRILL

Glad to hear you're in good spirits big man. Now how we looking on the engineering side?

KAGE

Well Jack, so far the ship is holding up. We had slight cooling fluctuations and a couple of vibrations from the centrifuge, but nothing serious.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Copy that engineering we are seeing the same on our graphs, it looks like it`s gone now, but keep us posted.

Kage

We don't really have a choice now do we?

Jack chooses to ignore Kage.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

Flight?

VIKTOR

Trajectory fluctuation by 0.02 degrees corrected at 06:00 hours.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Copy that flight, you are looking straight as an arrow on our screens. Crops?

ANA

Production output at 80% with healthy vegetables all around.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

And our quest?

DEAN

Still here. Still alive.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

Keeping yourself busy?

DEAN

You have no idea. Is my wife there yet?

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

Ahm, not yet, we've been having trouble locating her.

DEAN

Right.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL I'm sorry Dean, things aren't always coming our way.

DEAN

Yeah...I know what you mean.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

Alright, let's go over the a-z's and start our day from there.

FADE TO:

OUTSIDE SHOT OF THE SAGAN-5 TRAVELING THROUGH SPACE

INT. SAGAN-5 - KIMI'S ROOM - LATER

Kimi is in her room dressed in her captain's overall, reading a book - SpaceLife by Dean Stockwell.

KNOCK-KNOCK!

KIMI

Come in!

Raj enters holding a laptop. He notices the book Kimi is reading.

RAJ

Really?

KIMI

It's more of a case study. I wanna know how he thinks. What's up?

Raj places the laptop in front of Kimi.

RAJ

It's Kage.

KIMI

What about him?

RAJ

I've done some bloodwork after he complained about another rash, and well, see for yourself.

Kimi looks at the laptop screen showing T-Cells graphs spiking.

KIMI

Are you sure this is accurate?

RAJ

Positive. His testosterone levels are through the roof. Not even bulls have this much buildup.

KIMI

Shit!

RAJ

I strongly suggest you and Ana stop parading in front of him.

KIMI

The idea was to get him used to seeing us like that. Make us part of the landscape.

RAJ

Who's idea was it?

KIMI

Ana's.

RAJ

Well according to this you're only making it worse.

KIMI

Do you have anything to give him?

RAJ

Aspirin. And even that one is running low.

KIMI

Find anymore drugs?

RAJ

No. Though there is still one place we haven't searched.

KIMI

We don't touch the Mars supplies.

RAJ

We may have to. We are 3 months short on rations and only half way there Kimi.

KIMI

My decision is final Raj. I made one careless mistake, I'm not gonna make another one.

RAJ

Don't say that. Most of us never partied like that in their lives. And you can't say nothing good came out of it.

I found love, you found someone for yourself.

KIMI

Do you remember much of that week?

RAJ

No, not really.

Kimi takes a deep sigh and looks away.

KIMI

Alright, keep me in the loop on Kage.

RAJ

Yes captain.

INT. SAGAN-5 - HYDROPONICS

A LARGE CHAMBER FULL OF HANGING VEGETABLES. P

OTATOES, TOMATOES, SALAD, PEPPERS. ALL LOOKING CRISP AND SHINY LIKE IN A COMMERCIAL.

Ana is measuring the PH on a sample of water. She hears the door being opened and hides the kit away.

Kimi arrives.

KIMI

How we lookin'?

ANA

So far so good. No bad apples in this one.

KIMI

Keep a close eye on it. We may need to rely on them more than we planned.

ANA

Yeah, will do.

Kimi timidly approaches Ana.

KIMI

Hey ahm, do you have anything left?

ANA

Molly?

Kimi nods. She's trying to mask her embarrassment.

Ana takes out a small metal box, half the size of a matchbox, opens it and we see a tiny MDMA crystal on a piece of cloth.

She takes the crystal between her fingers. Kimi stares at it overwhelmed with craving. She can barely control herself.

ANA (CONT'D)

Once in a while I find a grain here and there. We were so wasteful when we had those bags. I was gonna save this for tonight,

you know? To see that side of you

that I like.

Ana hands Kimi the crystal and while she turns to take a cup of water, Kimi gobbles the crystal and swallows it.

Ana freezes holding the cup.

ANA (CONT'D)

You don't need some water?

KIMI

No. I like the taste. I wish I wouldn't had to wait an hour for it to kick in.
Let me know if you find anymore please.

ANA

Yeah, sure.

Kimi looks at A SOLID CHARCOAL BLACK DOOR at the other end of the room with a large sign on it that says - MARS SUPPLIES.

Next to the sign, A TIMER LOCK.

She walks towards the door, stands in front of it for beat then rips the sticker sign off and walks back crumpling it in her hands.

KIMI

Becomes too tempting.

INT. SAGAN-5 - GYM ROOM

Kage is punching a bag trying different combos.

His t-shirt and towel are by the door as well as his bag of water.

A HAND HOLDING A SYRINGE IS HEADING TOWARDS HIS WATER BAG. It injects the contents of the syringe in the water bag and slowly retreats. Kage didn't see a thing.

A beat later, Kage throws the last punch at the bag then turns around and walks towards his items. He wipes himself with the towel then drinks from his water bag.

FADE TO BLACK.

ON BLACK - BANG-BANG-BANG-BANG-BANG-BANG-BANG!

INT. SAGAN-5 - CORRIDOR - NEXT MORNING

Kage walks up and down the corridor wearing nothing but shorts and frantically banging a pot with a spoon. He looks wired up, all muscles flexed on his body, his veins swelled.

KAGE

RISE AND SHINE EVERYONE! COME ON! BRAND NEW DAY! WELL, RISE `CAUSE THE SUN SURE AIN`T SHINING ALL THE WAY OUT HERE NOW IS IT?

Everyone comes out of their rooms abruptly woken from their sleep, still squinting their eyes mouthing what the hell?

KAGE (CONT'D)

I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'VE BEEN TOLD, OUTER SPACE IS MIGHT COLD! ATEN HUT!

Kage walks up and down the corridor banging the pot.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Come on! We be astronauts! In outer space! Pioneers!

KIMI

What do you want Kage?

RAJ

What the hell is wrong with you man?

KAGE

Nothing is wrong with me! But we have a mission! And we can't sleep on our mission, can we? Now up everyone! To your stations! Come on! Pappy feels good!

KIMI

(softly)

He's lost it.

Viktor scoffs and goes back in his room but Kage grabs him by the neck and slams him on the floor.

KAGE

You will do no such thing comrade Ivanov!

Raj jumps in and shoves Kage.

RAJ

What the fuck is your problem man?

Kage elbows Raj away.

KAGE

Back off Whimp!

Kimi looks set to do something.

Kimi

That's it, I had enough of this!

Kimi pulls out a syringe gun and walks towards Kage. She aims for his neck but he quickly turns towards her and grabs her arm twisting it. Kimi drops the syringe gun and groans in pain.

KAGE

And you! How's this for a dummy?

Dean witnesses the scene from the top of the corridor not far from the rest. He just stands there for a beat looking scared then quickly runs inside his room and comes back with his laptop.

Kage grabs Kimi and slams her against a bulkhead. Viktor gets up jumps on his back but Kage elbows him off, then Raj comes towards Kage and he kicks him hard in the chest knocking him out cold.

Viktor tries to get up but Kage wraps his leg around his neck choking him while twisting Kimi's arm to the breaking point.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Fix this! Fix that! Get this! Get that!

And what do I get in return? Dumb jokes and rug rash?!

Viktor almost blacks out. Kimi groans in pain as her bones crackle under pressure.

Kage starts squeezing them both harder.

KAGE (CONT'D)

I'm done with this shit! No one cares about your rank out here! It's time I take what I want!

ANA

I'll do it!

KIMI

Ana, no!

VIKTOR

God damn it man, all this for some pussy?

Kage leans on Viktor's face.

KAGE

And some ass!

He then lets go of everyone and gets up looking at Ana with animalistic desire.

KAGE (CONT'D)

What a coincidence!

Exactly what I wanted.

He grabs Ana by the arm and takes her away.

KAGE (CONT'D)

I know a place where you can scream all you want!

Everyone witnesses helpless as Kage takes Ana away.

Raj finally comes to his senses.

Kimi looks most hurt. She gets up looking angrily at the others.

KIMI

Fucking cowards, all of you!

Dean is typing frantically at his laptop but no one notices him.

A red light flashes on the ceiling.

RAJ

That's Earth calling.

KIMI

Suit up and man your stations.

RAJ

But what about--

Kimi goes in Raj's face and speaks through her teeth.

KIMI

Suit up and man your stations!

Viktor comes between Raj and Kimi.

KIMI (CONT'D)

We need to find good explanation first.

DEAN

I know how to distract them.

Kimi looks at Dean who sits on the floor with his laptop besides him now. No one noticed him typing.

She looks back at Raj and Viktor with the same angry face.

KIMI

Why are you still standing here?

Viktor and Raj scuttle and grab their suits from their rooms while Kimi starts walking along the corridor.

Raj and Viktor follow trying to put on their overalls followed by Dean who is last.

RAJ

Man this could get ugly.

VIKTOR

She is Captain. She is responsible.

RAJ

(to Dean)

Do you really know a way out of this?

DEAN

No.

INT. SAGAN-5 - GYM ROOM - SAME TIME

Kage has Ana pinned to a leg exerciser. Her arms grabbing the barbell while Kage admires her from behind.

Kage

I've been waiting a long time for this! The party never ended in my mind.

Ana cries, she doesn't want to do this, but she is slightly unconvincing.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Now come on! Get undressed!

Ana slowly takes her clothes off.

Kage slurps her with his eyes.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COMMS MODULE - SAME TIME

Raj, Viktor, Dean and Kimi are at their stations with their headsets on.

Mission control patches in.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Good morning Sagan-5, on day 135 of our mission. I trust you all slept well.

VIKTOR

Yes we did mission control--

DEAN

Where `s my wife?

INT. MISSION CONTROL - SAME TIME

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Ahm, Dean, we would appreciate if we could have this conversation in a more private setting.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COMMS MODULE - SAME TIME

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

(on screen)

Where is the crew by the way?

Kimi, Raj and Viktor look at each other with concern.

DEAN

Kage had to go help Ana in hydroponics.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

This early in the day? Did something happened?

DEAN

No. They just found some condensation on the nutrient pump and decided is best to investigate first thing.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Kimi, we would like a report on that one as soon as you can please. They should have their headsets on though, shouldn't they? Kimi?

Kimi looks a little lost, doesn't know what to say.

INT. SAGAN-5 - GYM ROOM - SAME TIME

Kage is slowly rubbing his fingers along Ana's naked body. Going down the spine towards the hips.

Ana trembles holding the barbell.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL (V.O.) Kimi, do you have an account on what your crew members are doing at the moment?

INT. SAGAN-5 - COMMS MODULE - SAME TIME

KIMI

No, not at this moment no. They went straight to the hydroponics to investigate.
Like Dean said.

INT. MISSION CONTROL - SAME TIME

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Like Dean said. The writer. The one person on that ship who doesn't need to answer this.

RAJ

Calm down Jack, I'm sure they're ok.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL You don't understand! That ship costs billions of dollars in taxpayers money and I need to make sure it reaches its destination! That may not happen if the crew can't follow basic protocols! Especially not now. RAJ

What's so special about now? We're only half way there.

Jack ignores Raj like he already said too much.

He looks at the screen then next to him at an operator. He covers his microphone while talking to him.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

(to operator)
How far are they?

OPERATOR 1

About 30 hours.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

(to operator)
Alright let's get them distracted
so they don't see that thing
coming.

INT. SAGAN-5 - GYM ROOM - SAME TIME

Kage bends Ana over, undoes his pants, spits in his hand and starts pleasuring himself.

Ana pretends to hate it.

Kage gets frustrated. He shakes his hand furiously trying to get an erection.

KAGE

Come on you bastard! We've been
waiting for this!
 (strokes intensify)
Come on!

Ana grows frustrated and turns around facing Kage with a bitchy look on her face.

ANA

What's wrong big boy? Too much pressure for you?

KAGE

Shut up!

BANG! - LIGHTS OUT.

Green emergency lights turn on.

EXT. THE SAGAN-5 - SAME TIME

WE SEE THE SHIP'S RING SLOWLY GRINDING TO A HALT.

INT. MISSION CONTROL - SAME TIME

All the screens show nothing but static.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

AV out?

OPERATOR 1

AV out.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

We're Still receiving data?

OPERATOR 2

Every last bit.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

Remote?

OPERATOR 3

At all times.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COMMS MODULE - SAME TIME

All screens go blank on their stations and Kimi jumps out of her seat as if on que and exits the comms module.

INT. SAGAN-5 - GYM ROOM - SAME TIME

Ana's clothes start floating next to her and Kage.

Kage looks at them almost mesmerized while Ana turns towards him and floats mid-air.

ANA

Maybe the lack of gravity will

help?

(looks at his penis and

mocks him)

Oh, poor wittle thing is all burn out...

KAGE

(continues stroking)

Stop laughing at me!

INTERCUT - KIMI FLOATING ALONG THE CORRIDOR IN A RUSH.

Ana mockingly roots for Kage raising her fists in the air.

ANA

Come-on-pe-nis!

Come-on-pe-nis!

Come-on-pe-nis!

Kage gives up.

KAGE

Fuck you! You heartless bitch!

ANA

You can't!

Ana starts dressing up and floats to the door.

ANA (CONT'D)

I guess it's back to the old candlestick for now.

KAGE

When I get my hand on you!

Ana stops and turns towards Kage.

ANA

You'll what? Cry on my ass again?

Kimi barges in expecting the worse. She freezes for a moment watching Kage pulling up his pants. She looks at Ana who now looks frightened and scared, trembling again.

KAGE

Oh come on! Don't tell me you're gonna fall for that!

KIMI

Engineering is requested on deck. In case you haven't noticed the fucking ship stopped working!

Kage slowly floats by Kimi and Ana snarling at both of them then disappears out the door.

ANA

Don't worry. Nothing happened.

KIMI

You ok?

ANA

Yeah, yeah I'm ok. The power cut before he could do anything so...

Kimi hugs Ana to her chest.

KIMI

Come here.

(kisses the top of her head)

I'm sorry! I really am, I was
supposed to protect you and I--

ANA

--Kimi really, it's ok. I had to face my daemon at some point. At least now he'll leave me alone for a while.

KIMI

What makes you say that?

ANA

We uhm, we had a good chat.

Kimi and Ana look up.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - MOMENTS LATER

Everyone is at their stations frantically flipping switches and pressing buttons.

KIMI

Viktor, are we still on track?

VIKTOR

For now.

KIMI

Raj?

RAJ

Life support on emergency backup. 48 hours.

KAGE

Ok, rotation sensors, zero, temperature inside the transmission dropping rapidly, oil pressure...zero?

KIMI

Pump failure. Trying to restart.

Kimi flips a switch on and off but nothing happens.

KIMI (CONT'D)

Failed.

No manual override.

KAGE

No remote access to control and I see a dead pump at the base of the ring.

KIMI

(watching her monitor)
Yeah I see it.

KAGE

Can only be fixed locally.

Kimi turns towards the crew.

KIMI

Who's up for EVA?

Everyone hesitates for a beat.

KAGE

Fine, I'll go. But only if pen boy here comes with.

KIMI

He's not even an astronaut, you're not taking him with you.

KAGE

Well then you can suck on my balls while I sit right here and you can go fix that thing yourself.

ANA

But why him?

KAGE

Because you two are useless out there and

(MORE)

KAGE (CONT'D)
(pointing at Raj and

Viktor)

These two are funny.

RAJ

Ah come on man seriously?

VIKTOR

I expect that from a child, not from you.

RAJ

What, we got cooties or something? You think being gay makes us less fit to work out there?

KAGF

No. But you talk too much.

RAJ

(to Viktor)

He does have a point there...

All eyes on Dean who looks just as surprised as everyone else.

DEAN

I guess a change in scenery would do me good.

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - LATER

Ana and Kimi help Dean suit up while Raj and Viktor help Kage suit.

KIMI

You watch yourself out there ok? All you have to do is hold the tools for him. And make sure your tagline is always hooked. We`re still doing 30 k per.

DEAN

Yeah, sure. No problem.

EXT. SAGAN-5 - MOMENTS LATER

The hatch opens in the middle of the ship and out comes Kage holding a white pouch followed by Dean, and they both clip on the guiderail that goes along the ship.

They take a moment to absorb the view. The sun barely shining, the many stars around them against the pitch black canvas of space.

WE see the sun glimmering through the back of the ship at the two astronauts, over the large ring that is now stationary.

DEAN

Isn't this magnificent?

Kage

Yeah, like a breath of fresh air. There's something I never thought I'd miss.

DEAN

Fresh air?

KAGE

Not seeing anyone. Come on, let's see about that fix.

Dean and Kage start floating towards the ring.

DEAN

You're an astronaut, you're supposed to like being here.

KAGE

Yeah, well, not really a dream this trip now is it?

DEAN

So why did you signed up?

KAGE

I didn't. I was recruited because I can fix anything with moving parts.

DEAN

That explains the zip-ties.

KAGE

Hey you can't say they don't work. I could probably knit a sweater with them. Anyway, everyone else blundered their exams for the most basic thing. And when they offered me a trip to Mars I was like "yeah sure, why not. Sounds cool enough".

Dean is a bit taken back by Kage's sudden change in attitude.

They reach the centrifuge transmission in the middle of the ring and land next to a panel then clip on.

Kage starts undoing an access hatch and presses a few locks to open but one is stuck.

Kage (CONT'D)

So are you gonna ask me?

DEAN

Can't really undo it now can you?

KAGE

It's just that—I can`t help it. It takes away your mind you know?
Being cooped up in that box just...sitting. And now I got this fucking rash—hand me the screw gun please.

Dean hands Kage the screw gun.

Kage starts undoing the panel.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Now I'm ok, see? Now I'm doing' something. I'm fine. I get to play with tools, undo a screw or two...

DEAN

Is that why you haven't fixed the ventilation?

KAGE

That is a matter of principle. The more you do for others the less they value you. Kimi knows how to fix the AC just as well as I do but she'd rather pull rank. And you know why? For the exact same principle.

Kage removes the panel and rests it on a magnetic plate.

They look inside - A LARGE FLYWHEEL PUSHED BETWEEN TWO GEARS. LOOKS JAMMED.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Well lookie here!

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - SAME TIME

Kim stares suspiciously at the screen.

The rest are at their stations looking at Kage's feed.

EXT. SAGAN-5 - KAGE AND DEAN - SAME TIME

KAGE

Yup, dry as a bone.

KIMI

Can it be fixed?

KAGE

Well...it should yeah. Lucky for us space is mighty cold and the metal shrank so once we squirt some oil on it, it should start spinning again.

KIMI

Alright, highlighting oil pump access panel now.

A light not far from them starts flashing amber yellow.

KAGE

I see it. On our way now. Come on Dean, follow me into the light.

DEAN

Don't really have a choice now do I?

KAGE

Isn't this the issue of the day? To choose not from a variety, but from a lack of options.

Dean and Kage arrive at the flashing beacon.

KAGE (CONT'D)

We reached the panel Kimi, you can turn off the beacon now.

The beacon stops flashing.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Alright Dean, you know the drill (reaches hand asking for a tool)

Get it? Know the drill?

DEAN

Is that an attempt of humor?

Kage

Yeah...gotta work on that.

Dean hands Kage the drill.

DEAN

If I knew spacewalk was so good for you, I would made you do it every day.

KAGE

You should take Raj's job, he ain't much of a doctor anyway.

KIMI

Those suits are for emergency Eva's not joyrides so you'll have to find yourself another hobby Kage!

KAGE

Ok new you're being a bitch again!

Kimi

Taste of your own medicine. And this bitch happens to be your captain so watch your mouth!

Kage opens the access panel and sees the pump frozen. Covered in coolant. Blue glittering crystals all over it.

KAGE

I thing we have a coolant leak. Captain.

KIMI

Any idea how it got there?

KAGE

Have you ever thought what that means?

DEAN

What?

KAGE

Not you, the captain.

Kimi

What?

Kage looks back at the Earth. A tiny spec of light.

KAGE

Your rank. Have you ever thought what that means out here?

Kimi shows concern.

KAGE

We are held together by a smoke screen. Nothing more.

DEAN

I think that smoke screen is called civilization Kage.

KAGE

Sure, you can call it that. But civilization formed out of fear. Punishment from a higher power. And out here, I don't see any power higher than us. You feel me?

DEAN

I feel you. I just find it hard to believe it comes from a guy named Kage.

KAGE

You have no idea how much shit I got because of it as a kid. Everyone thought I was punchy. End up a stunt driver or something. I had to study my ass off just to prove them wrong. And when I became a rally driver, all I did was prove them right.

KIMI

When you're done reminiscing, you could get back on fixing the ship Kage.

KAGE

Hand me the blowtorch please.

Dean hands him a blow torch and Kage starts melting the ice around the oil pump.

The flames reflect on his visor as the ice crystals from the melting liquid engulf him in a rising shower of rainbow colored twinkles.

KAGE (CONT'D)

You know the difference between evil and stupidity?

DEAN

You're about to tell me?

A muffled CLANG as the pump starts and they see the oil being pushed through the lines leading to the transmission.

The entire ship jitters as the massive ring resumes it's rotation.

KAGE

You`re about to find out. Fixed it.

KIMI

Congratulations. You earned your paycheck. Now hustle back to the airlock.

Kage and Dean start flying back to the airlock.

KAGE

See what I mean? I'm nothing but a Mr. Fix-it. Wham-bam thank you ma'am.

Kage and Dean are almost at the airlock.

KIMI

Kage, you forgot to put the flywheel cover back.

KAGE

Oh shit, see what happens when you break my rhythm?

Kage (CONT'D)

You ok by yourself Dean?

DEAN

Yeah...yeah, I'm ok.

KAGE

You sure? I can take you there and then come back

KIMI

He said he's fine.

Beat.

KAGE

Eye-Eye captain.

Kage goes to the panel and Dean to the airlock.

Dean enters the airlock. The outer door closes then the room fills with oxygen. Green light turns on and the inner door opens.

Ana and Kimi come to help him out of his suit.

KAGE (CONT'D)

(radio)

Panel secured. Returning to airlock now.

KIMI

Copy that.

(finger on the transmitter)

We're waiting.

Ana undoes Dean's suit.

ANA

How was it?

DEAN

I...honestly can't find the words to describe it.

KAGE

(radio)

Here's some words to describe it: dark and empty.

Kage enters the outer airlock. The air gets sucked out. He steps forward towards the door but Kimi quickly presses the locked button.

Kage is only half surprised.

Kimi

Listen here tech boy. Right now I don't see any reason why I shouldn't blow your ass out and leave you here to rot!

Everyone else is shocked.

KIMI (CONT'D)

If you ever lay a hand on anyone in this ship, I will make it my goal to end you!

(MORE)

KIMI (CONT'D)

I don't need a big body to take you down, and I am not afraid of you!

Kage smiles.

KIMI (CONT'D)

I want your word, that once I let you in, you will behave like the astronaut you are and leave Ana alone.

Are we clear?

KAGE

It's hard to get used to you like this. Not after I've seen your other side.

Kimi makes a grimace and presses her hand against the eject button.

KIMI

No one can hear you from out there.

KAGE

(Looks at Dean and points finger at Ana)

That's evil,

(points finger at Kimi)

And that's stupid.

(looks at Dean)

Know what I mean?

(to Kimi)

She's not who you think she is.

Kimi

None of us are.

KAGE

(scoffs)

Fine, I promise to behave, you have my word ok?

A beat - Kimi stares Kage in the eyes and for a moment it looks like she is going to relent, but suddenly - WOOOOSH!

She presses the eject button and Kage is sucked out of the ship in an instant.

VIKTOR RAJ

Jesus Christ Kimi! What the Are you insane?! hell are you doing?

Dean watches horrified, eyes bugged out. He takes out his

laptop and starts typing like a courtroom typist.

EXT. SAGAN-5 - SAME TIME

Kage is pushed out of the ship and suddenly stops yanked by his tether.

KAGE

Urgh! That moved a few ribs.

He hangs freely with the tether attached to his waist flapping his arms and legs. The tether is long, about 100 foot long.

VIKTOR

Kage! Are you ok?

KAGE

Yeah, yeah I'm fine. The tether got me.

VIKTOR

Just hang tight. You are still attached to the ship.

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - SAME TIME

VIKTOR

Let's reel him in.

Kimi looks outside and sees the reel. Next to it, Kage's tether clipped on a rail.

KIMI

He's not attached to the reel, he's clipped on the guard rail.

EXT. SAGAN-5 - ON KAGE

Kage is floating in space along with the ship.

KAGE

Ah screw this!

He starts tugging himself along the tether to get himself back to the ship.

VIKTOR

Ok, Kage, your tether is not attached to the reel, so you need to pull yourself back to the ship. Nice and easy ok?

Kage pulling himself along the tether.

KAGE

Way ahead of you.

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - SAME TIME

Raj and Viktor give Kimi a cold stare. Ana avoids lookin at her while Dean continues to type.

RAJ

That was uncalled for.

KIMI

Relax, I knew his tether was hooked.

RAJ

It could have snapped.

KIMI

But it didn't!

And he needed to be taught a lesson.

RAJ

What? Don't mess with the captain or she'll kill you?

Kimi goes in Raj's face.

KIMI

Yes.

BEEP-BEEP! - A BEEPING NOISE COMES FROM AN LCD PANEL ON THE WALL.

KIMI (CONT'D)

What's that?

ANA

Kage's oxygen level. Bellow 30%.

KIMI

Kage, you're burning o2.

KAGE

Fuck you! Since when do you care?

KIMI

If I wanted to kill you you'd be long dead now find your rhythm and slow down.

KAGE

Fuck you! I'll talk if I feel like it. Hell I'll even singWhen the moon hits the sky
like a big pizza pie
That's amoreeeeee!
When the jaws open wide
And there's more jaws inside
That's a moray!
la-la-la la-la-la hmm hmm hmmmmKimi Lu suuuuuuuucks!

Kimi looks at Kage's oxygen level going down fast. 27%-23%-22%-19%.

KIMI

Kage you're wasting oxygen--

KAGE

(stops tugging himself)
--AND IT'S MY GOD DAMN OXYGEN!
NOT YOURS!
I DO WHAT I WANT WITH IT!
IT'S MINE!

Kage resumes pulling himself on the tether.

KAGE (CONT'D)

A few weeks ago she was literally sniffing drugs out of my ass and now I'm supposed to follow her lead? Well Ana, now you know why her breath stinks so bad in the morning. It's all me!

KIMI

Kage stop talking!

KAGE

Hell Raj and Viktor didn't knew they were gay until they touched dicks in your mouth--

Up on the airlock module things look awkward between the astronauts.

Kage that's enough!

KAGE

That must do wonders to your self esteem Kimi eh? To suck 2 guys and see them kissing each other when you look up? That must sting a bit. That's one hell of a secret to keep when they get home.

Raj and Viktor give each other a naughty smile.

Oxygen level 9%.

Kage is about a quarter away from the ship. Laboring intensely as he speaks.

KAGE (CONT'D)

And what does she do next?
Comes into my room just as I was
enjoying Ana's sweet little ass and
goes all psycho screaming that I
wanted to rape them both and
snatches her away from me!

Oxygen level 7%.

VIKTOR

He will not make it.

Kage keeps on laboring.

KIMI

Kage you really need to save your oxygen.

KAGE

What, now you think about the good of the crew? What about the time you declared a ship wide party for a week huh?
AND WHO IN HIS RIGHT MIND BRINGS COKE AND MOLLY ON A FUCKING SPACE MISSION?!

Oxygen level 4%.

Kage is about 20 feet away.

KIMI

You all agreed to this.

KAGE

But you're the captain! You should know better! Instead you freebased that shit like a mad hoover! You want a democracy? How about we all vote you in charge of cleaning from now on?

Not once have I seen you pick up your shit. That's 4 out of 6 votes right there.

Captain dry tonsils!

Kimi stands there visibly scorn by Kage's words but tries to put on a brave face.

RAJ

Should we suit up to help?

KAGE

And now she suddenly wants to go back to normal. After I plugged her every hole for 3 days straight, she wants me to follow her orders and pretend nothing happened.

Make everything go away.

Kimi is silent. Watching Kage advance.

RAJ

Captain?

Oxygen level 1%.

Kage breaths heavily in his suit.

He got to the ship and climbs into the airlock.

BEEP-BEEP-BEEP-BEEP! - THE LCD PANEL FLASHES RED SHOWING OXYGEN LEVEL AT 0%.

Kage struggles to breathe but makes a point of standing up straight, goes to the screen door and stares Kimi in the face. He undoes the clip from his tether then holds it up so Kimi can see it being undone.

KAGE

You know what they say about your problems Kimi.

Kimi and Kage lock eyes. Kage tries to hide that he's about to collapse.

The others watch in awe.

Just as Kage is about to wobble, Kimi presses the button and the airlock fills with oxygen. Still standing, Kage takes his helmet off, then the inner door opens and Kage walks inside the ship.

He stops in front of Kimi.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Eventually they will come back to haunt you.

SLAP! - Kimi whacks Kage over the face with a sharp slap before storming out.

Ana follows silently.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Well if that ain't double standard I don't kno what is.

(shouting at Kimi)

So is that a *no* on the cleaning duty?

(looking at Raj and Viktor)

Are you two just gonna stand there or what?

Raj and Viktor rush to help Kage out of his suit.

He notices Dean sitting and typing.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Hey what are you writing about? It better not be some expose on what's going on here.

Dean stops and shrugs his shoulders slightly.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Actually you know what? Do that. Write about all the shit that's going on here. Let the world know what a bunch of fuckups they sent out here. Along with their leader.

Red beacon flashes on the ceiling again.

RAJ

Earth is calling.

KAGE

Well how about that. We gotta go out there and pretend we're best buddies again aren't we?

INT. SAGAN-5 - CORRIDOR - MOMENTS LATER

Kage and Dean walk side by side towards the comms module.

KAGE

You know I noticed something.

DEAN

What?

KAGE

You never got a message since we left. No a single hello or yay Dean! Nothing. You either must be the loneliest man on the planet or the most obnoxious.

DEAN

You were right.

They reach the comms module door.

KAGE

About what?

DEAN

People do misjudge you by your name.

Dean opens the door and signals Kage to go in first.

They lock eyes for a beat, then Kage goes through the door.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COMMS MODULE

Raj, Viktor, Kimi and Ana are at their stations with headsets on.

Kage and Dean take their seats.

Earth patches in.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Sagan-5 this is mission control, do you copy over!

KIMI

Loud and clear MC.

 $$\operatorname{JACK}-\operatorname{MISSION}$ CONTROL Is everyone ok? You seemed to be in the dark for a while.

Yes we had a coolant leak that jammed the gears of the centrifuge.

INT. MISSION CONTROL - SAME TIME

Jack is on the floor watching the large monitor screen. On the upper corner of the screen WE see a schematic of the space ship and highlighted the location of the oil pump they just serviced.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Copy that Sagan-5. Has the fault been dealt with?

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - SAME TIME

KIMI

(looking at Kage in the reflection of her monitor)

Yes...yes it has.

INT. SAGAN-5 - GYM ROOM - LATER

Kage is frantically punching a bag. 1-2, 1-2, 1-2, 1-2-3-4.

He is drenched in sweat.

INT. SAGAN-5 - KIM'S ROOM - SAME TIME

Ana and Kimi are on the floor side by side. Kimi looks high and rubs her back against the towel like a feline.

Ana watches her.

ANA

I so like seeing you like this.

INSERT SHOT OF KAGE PUNCHING THE BAG

KIMI

Well you keep feeding me that molly and you will.

ANA

Can I ask you something?

It depends if I can remember.

ANOTHER SHOT OF KAGE PUNCHING THE BAG, THIS TIME MORE FRANTIC.

ANA

Are you really gay or you just wanna keep me away from Kage?

KIMI

It's the best of both worlds, for both of us. You're better off with me than him. Trust me.

ANA

Do you trust me?

KIMI

You're messing with my trip Ana.

ANA

Do you trust me?

ANOTHER SHOT OF GAKE PUNCHING THE BAG

ANA (CONT'D)

Time may come when we may need to take action against Kage.
I just want to know if you will do what I ask, when time comes.

KAGE THROWS ONE MORE PUNCH THEN STOPS

Kimi gets up on her feet.

KIMI

I need some water. Do me a favor and take off your clothes while I'm gone. I'm gonna be in the mood when I come back.

ANA

Only if you keep me away from cleaning duties.

KIMI

I have.

Kimi exits the room.

INT. VIKTOR'S ROOM - SAME TIME

Viktor and Raj are on the bed talking.

RAJ

You know, I've been thinking about what Kage said.

VIKTOR

About what?

RAJ

About us, when we get home.

VIKTOR

That is at least 5 years away to worry about.

RAJ

Yeah, 5 years we'll have to pretend never happened.
Or...

(looking Viktor in the
 eyes)

We could come out. Both of us.

INT. SAGAN-5 - CORRIDOR - SAME TIME

Kimi struggles to keep her balance as she walks down the corridor.

INT. SAGAN-5 - VIKTOR'S ROOM - SAME TIME

VIKTOR

I cannot leave my family. Can you imagine how it looks for Russia if their national hero comes back gay? They would cancel the whole space program.

RAJ

Why did you take this mission?

VIKTOR

Money. For my family.

INT. SAGAN-5 - KITCHEN - SAME TIME

WE watch Kimi entering the kitchen area and fills a cup of water from the a water dispenser.

Raj and Viktor's dialogue on the background.

RAJ (V.O.)

They still get paid even if you're here?

VIKTOR (V.O.)

Yes.

RAJ (V.O.)

Well then, let's not go back.

As she drinks, Kimi looks out a small window and suddenly freezes, eyes fixated on something. She leans her head closer to the window, stands there for a beat then drops the cup of water and rushes out of the kitchen still stumbling.

INT. SAGAN-5 - VIKTOR'S ROOM - SAME TIME

VIKTOR

Are you serious?

RAJ

I was raised by idiot parents and forced into a marriage I hate. You stay hidden because of duty. Why go back?

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - SAME TIME

Kimi arrives at the airlock module and gasps as she stares out the large window with incredulity.

INT. SAGAN-5 - VIKTOR'S ROOM - SAME TIME

VIKTOR

We'll see how you feel after 5 years.

KIMI

(on speaker)

Everyone to the observation deck. Now!

Viktor jumps out of bed eager to end the conversation while Raj stays behind and laments for a beat.

Viktor sees Raj downbeat and leans towards him.

VIKTOR

Stop worrying about the future and learn to live the present for a change.

Viktor gives Raj a kiss on the lips, to which Raj barely reacts but manages to crack a smile.

VIKTOR (CONT'D)

Come, let's see what the captain wants from us.

RAJ

Probably making us clean.

VIKTOR

It's their mess, I am not cleaning it. We will drown in rubbish and I won't pick up a thing.

INT. SAGAN-5 - OBSERVATION MODULE - MOMENTS LATER

Kim and Ana stand in front of the observation port while the others join.

KAGE

What is it?

Kimi points out the window.

KIMI

See for yourselves.

All the astronauts gather in front of the port window and immediately freeze in awe.

KAGE

No way!

VIKTOR

How is that possible?

RAJ

Am I?-Is this real?

We finally see what they are looking at.

HOVERING IN DEEP SPACE, AN INCOMPLETE CIRCULAR SPACE STATION MISSING A SECTION. APPEARS TO BE MADE FROM 5 OUT OF 6 SEGMENTS, EACH SEGMENT WITH A STRIKING RESEMBLANCE TO THE SAGAN-5.

KAGE

What the hell is that?

KIMI

I've been staring at it for the last ten minutes and I still don't know.

VIKTOR

Unbelievable.

RAJ

It looks man made.

KAGE

Yeah, quite recent.

Kimi points at a section of the space station. One that says SAGAN-3.

KIMI

That segment, it says Sagan-3 on it.

VIKTOR

Impossible. The Sagan-3 was not circular.

KIMI

Looks like they never got to finish it.

KAGE

Missing a big chunk.

DEAN

Could someone explain to me what we are looking at?

WE get a closer view of the space station and we see the close resemblance between certain segments of it and the Sagan-5, with each segment having its own name - SAGAN-4, SAGAN-3, SAGAN-2, SAGAN-1.

THE SPACE STATION LOOKS MADE FROM BENT ROCKET SHIPS CONNECTED TO EACH OTHER NOSE TO TAIL TO FORM A CIRCLE AND BY THAT, THE SPACE STATION.

Kimi still struggles to stand up and leans against the glass for a moment.

Kage notices.

KIMI

That segment there, and that segment there, they have the names of the previous missions. The Sagan-3 and the Sagan-4.

ANA

The others are almost identical. Which means they are--

KAGE

Sagan 1 and 2.

ANA

But that middle part is different.

KIMI

That's the very first one. The C-Clarke. Older than the rest but full of computers.

RAJ

This doesn't make any sense. How did they even do that? Who?

KIMI

Each of those missions had a crew of 6 onboard.

KAGE

That place is dead in the water. There's no way anyone is alive in there.

VIKTOR

I think we stopped moving.

Everyone looks up and around them.

ANA

He's right.

KAGE

You better pull out that notebook of yours Dean, you may have something to write about.

Everyone to the cockpit. We need to see what the computer says about all this.

Kimi walks away followed by the others but she still struggles to keep her balance. Kage notices and goes to her.

KAGE

Hey are you high or something?

He grabs Kimi by the arm and looks at her. Kimi can barely keep a straight face and her head is heavy.

KAGE (CONT'D)

You are high!
Jesus Christ woman and we're
supposed to follow your lead?
(turns to Ana)
What did you give her?

ANA

Only what she asked.

KIMI

I'm fine Kage. Just because I took something to take the edge off doesn't mean I can't run this ship.

KAGE

You can't run by yourself Kimi let alone a whole crew!
(to Ana)

And you were behind all this?

Kage starts walking away.

KAGE (CONT'D)

That's it. I'm telling Earth what happened here, this shit is crazy.

Kimi panics and follows Kage.

KIMI

Kage! Don't do anything rash!

Ana follows Kimi and grabs her arm stopping her.

ANA

Do you trust me Kimi?

Viktor, Raj and Dean stop behind them. Kimi notices.

What are you all looking at? Haven't you heard of privacy? Move on!

All 3 crew pass them by and go up the corridor.

ANA

Let him say what he wants, but after that I want some alone time with him.

KIMI

Should I be worried?

ANA

You'll look good. That's all that matters.

Beat.

KIMI

Let's go. The others are waiting.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - MOMENTS LATER

Kimi and Ana enter the cockpit module. Inside, Kage, Viktor and Raj are frantically pressing buttons and flipping switches as all the screens are black.

KIMI

(going to her station) What's going on?

RAJ

All the computers are dead.

KIMI

(at her station pressing buttons and switches) What? Really? All your stations are dead?

RAJ

Yes.

VIKTOR

Yes.

Dean has his finger on the power button of his laptop.

DEAN

Yeah, same here.

Alright, let's check breakers and connections, maybe we got a power surge or something.

Kimi starts flicking switches everywhere.

KAGE

This ain't no power surge.

KIMI

How do you know?

KAGE

Because the computers are still on.
They just show black. Look.
(Kage points at his
computer monitor)

ANA

What?

Kimi leans towards her screen monitor.

KIMI

Oh yeah, he's right.

Kimi notices the black image flickering on the edges of the screen. The monitors are on, they just show black.

RAJ

Does anyone else have a bad feeling about this?

BANG-BANG! - two loud bangs shake the ship to its core and scare everyone in their seats.

KAGE

I got a bad feeling about this!

ANA

Everything looks normal on the screen. I-I don't understand.

Kimi looks out the window and sees the engine nozzle flying rapidly away from the ship, disappearing in the pitch blackness of space.

KIMI

Ana, give me a feed from the front and rear of the ship please. Do we still have internal comms? ANA

Yeah, pretty much the only thing still working.

RAJ

At least they let us talk to each other.

ANA

Most of it is one way, so, we can either watch or listen. Only the suit comms seem to work.

Ana connects the feeds and shows them on the screen.

REAR FEED - we see the engine nozzles being separates from the ship and drifting into space.

FRONT FEED - we see the nose of the ship being ejected and flying away from the ship.

Everyone is huddled around Ana's station watching in awe at the images from outside the ship.

KAGE

What in blazes is going on here?

RAJ

Did we just shot our engine nozzles into space?

KAGE

And the front.

ANA

Why would it do that.

KIMI

(subtle)

Because they are not needed anymore.

The ship starts jittering violently shacking everyone in their seats. LOUD CREAKS CROSS THE HULL THEN A THICK MOTORIZED HUM REVERBERATES THROUGH THE SHIP.

KAGE

I really got a bad feeling about this.

ANA

What is happening?

RAJ

(pointing out the window)
Hey guys! You might wanna look out
there.

Everyone looks out the window and they all gasp in horror.

WE see the back end of the rocket slowly arching in on itself.

KAGE

What the hell?

KIMI

Everyone to the airlock! Now!

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - MOMENTS LATER

The crew arrives in the airlock module in the middle of the ship and look out the windows.

They look left, they see the back end arching inwards.

They look right, they see the front end arching inwards.

Their ship is slowly turning into a boomerang.

KAGE

Tell me is not just me seeing this shit!

KIMI

The ship is arching in on itself.

RAJ

Why would it--

Then stops and stares out the window at the space station perfectly aligned with the ship, positioned with the gap right in front of them.

KAGE

How much you wanna bet that's our tinder match.

Everyone else looks at the space station and realizes that he's right.

VIKTOR

Is this good thing or bad.

KAGE

You know anything about this Kimi?

No.

ANA

This isn't right, this wasn't part of the mission.

RAJ

Who's commanding this? The computers are dead.

KIMI

The computers are not dead. We're just locked out.

The ship jitters again as it completes bending itself.

Everything is eerie silent and calm now.

Kimi takes a few steps forward looking intensely out the window.

KIMI (CONT'D)

(softly)

We're not going back.

RAJ

So do you know anything about this or not?

KIMI

No.

From outside, the Sagan-5 looks like the missing puzzle piece from the space station. It's size and shape matching the gap.

2 MORE MUFFLED BANGS AND THE SHIP STARTS SHAKING VIOLENTLY.

KAGE

What the hell is going on here?!

VIKTOR

We are moving again.

RETRO BOOSTERS FIRE AND PUSH THE SHIP TOWARDS THE SPACE STATION.

Out the window, everyone sees the space station getting closer, its immensity reflecting in the large window.

RAJ

How is this even possible? Who is doing this?

No one. The ship was programmed to do it by itself.

INT. MISSION CONTROL - SAME TIME

On the large screen there is a computer simulation of the now bent ship slowly gliding towards the space station.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL How we looking gentlemen?

OPERATOR 1

All green across the board. The ship executes every command.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Well, we had 5 practice runs, was about time we get it right. Let's hope they don't do anything stupid.

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - SAME TIME

Everyone is still looking out the window trying to process what they see.

Dean pulls out his laptop and starts typing.

KAGE

Seriously?

DEAN

It's what I do when I am nervous. It helps me calm down.

KIMI

We gotta stop the ship from docking.

RAJ

What why?

KIMI

Once we clamp we're stuck here.
We're gonna be part of the station
just like the other ships.
(walks over to Kage)
Kage, tell me you got an idea to
stop this.

Kage looks lost, doesn't have an answer.

VIKTOR

Clamp.

KIMI

What?

VIKTOR

You said we clamp. Clamps are hydraulic. We cut lines. Just Like the flange.

KIMI

Ok. I'll get suited. Anyone wanna come with me?

They all hesitate. Kimi looks around her somewhat taken back by this. She looks at Ana who begs her with her eyes not to pick her. She looks around her and stops on Viktor.

KIMI (CONT'D)

Alright then Viktor, you're coming with me.

Viktor has a hint of hesitation while he looks at the others, then sighs and nods.

Ana I need you to help me with the suit. Dean, Kage, you help Viktor.

KAGE

No.

KIMI

You got a problem Kage I suggest you write a report when we get back.

KAGE

You can't go out there high on molly Kimi. That's not a fucking joyride remember?

Everyone silently agrees with Kage.

KAGE (CONT'D)

I'll go with Viktor. You stay here and get some coffee in you.

(to Ana)

And you! Stop feeding her that shit. I don't know what your plan is but it stops now. When I come back we're gonna have a nice chat with Earth about all this.

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - MOMENTS LATER

Raj and Dean help Viktor with his suit while Ana and Kimi help Kage.

Kimi looks remorseful at Kage. Kage looks out the window at the incoming space station. It already fills the screen.

KIMI

Sorry I slapped you.

She places the helmet on Kage's head.

KAGE

You wouldn't say that if you were sober.

ON VIKTOR

RAJ

You take care of yourself out there ok?
Come back to me in one piece.

Raj starts putting the helmet on Viktor's head but Dean grabs it suddenly.

DEAN

Wait!

(he lets go of the helmet)
Ah no, I thought it was backwards.

Raj places the helmet on Viktor's head.

EXT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - LATER

Kage and Viktor come out of the airlock through the middle of the ship.

KAGE

Ok Viktor, you go left while I go right.

VIKTOR

Copy.

Kage and Viktor separate while the space station is overwhelming the background.

They can see the details of the ships that formed it.

Inside the airlock everyone is watching nervously as they are moments away from docking.

Kage arrives at the back end of the ship while Viktor arrives at the front.

ON KAGE

He sees 6 metal hitches that go around the edge of the ship.

KAGE

Talk about a curve ball. Hey Viktor how's it looking at your end? I got clamps all around the hull here.

ON VIKTOR

We see the font end of the ship with 6 similar clamps circling its inner edge.

VIKTOR

Same here.

VIKTOR POV - THE CLAMPS LOOK LIKE THEY ARE PULSATING

Viktor shakes his head and blinks a few times. As a reflex he wants to use his hand to rub his eyes but it stops on the visor.

KAGE

(radio)

Alright I think I found the hydraulic lines.

ON KAGE

The space station is only a few hundred feet away. Kage is shining a torch on the clamps. In between the clamps on the inner ring we notice metal tubing connecting them and on the very top, a larger tube feeding it.

KAGE (CONT'D)

The main one is at the very top of the ship in between the two upper clamps.

Kage uses his thrusters and flies towards the top of the ship.

VIKTOR

(sounds like he is laboring)

Yeah, I see it.

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - SAME TIME

The crew stand by the large airlock doors trying to see what Kage and Viktor are doing. They can't see much.

RAJ

Do you guys see anything?

KIMI

No. And without the computer we can't be in touch with them.

The atmosphere is filled by the frantic keyboard clattering coming from Dean. Everyone looks at him but disregards him quickly.

RAJ

What do you think he's writing over there?

KIMI

Judging by his last book I'd say nothing good.

KAGE

(on radio feed)
You ok there Viktor?

Raj gets nervous.

EXT. SAGAN-5 - SAME TIME

ON VIKTOR

Viktor flies towards the top of the ship slowly but the ship becomes warped in his POV.

VIKTOR

Yes, yes I am fine.

ON KAGE

Kage arrives at the top of the ship and anchors himself in position on his belly, then pulls out a small blow torch and starts cutting.

KAGE

Cutting the main line now.

Kage starts cutting and the sparks spray his helmet vizor while the space station continues to get closer, looking like it's about to hit.

KAGE (CONT'D)
Viktor please tell me you're close!

ON VIKTOR

Viktor struggles to keep hold of the hull and drunkenly searches through his utility belt for the blow torch.

VIKTOR POV - EVERYTHING IS WARPING AND COMING TO LIFE, LIKE A BAD ACID TRIP.

Viktor gulps. He is drenched in sweat overwhelmed with panic.

ON KAGE

Still cutting through the line, his visor under a large amber spray.

The space station only a few hundred feet away and coming fast.

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - SAME TIME

The crew are nervously waiting.

KIMI

Come on guys tell me you got something.

RAJ

Why aren't they saying anything? Is the radio still working?

EXT. SAGAN-5 - ON VIKTOR

He drops in front of the ship that's about to join with the space station, and grabs a railing in the last minute.

He stares at the clamps which morph into vicious mouths clasping their jaws at him.

Viktor is terrified, frozen.

ON KAGE

A loud POP! Kage stops cutting and a spray of hydraulic fluid rises in front of him which freezes instantly.

The space station approaches the ship, perfectly aligned. Kage struggles to get himself up - the station is only a few feet away - it looks like it's about to crush him - he lifts himself out of the way just as - BANG!

- the station's open clamps hit against the closed clamps of the Sagan-5 then slowly drift away.

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - SAME TIME

Inside the airlock people are shaken off their feet from the impact.

RAJ

Is this good?

ANA

Didn't sound good to me!

INT. MISSION CONTROL - SAME TIME

On the screen there is a computer simulation of the failed clamping attempt made by the Sagan-5.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

What happened?

OPERATOR 4

The clamps on the ship failed to open sir. Hydraulic leak.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL

You gotta be kidding me. Alright, who's the cowboy?

EXT. SAGAN-5 - ON KAGE

Kage rests on his back on top of the ship breathing heavily.

KAGE

Shit that was close. Alright, I managed to cut the lines on my side. Viktor? Tell me you got it done bud.

No answer.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Viktor? Do you copy?

ON VIKTOR

Viktor is frozen in his spot

VIKTOR POV - HE IS TRAPPED IN THE CLUTCHES OF A GIANT MONSTER.

KAGE (O.S.) (CONT'D)

(radio)

Viktor, tell me you managed to cut the line!

The monster continues to growl at Viktor.

KAGE (O.S.) (CONT'D)

(radio)

Viktor!

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - SAME

Raj grows inpatient.

RAJ

Come on man pick up!

EXT. SAGAN-5 - ON VIKTOR

Viktor looks back at the incoming station and-SPLAT! Gets squashed between the two colliding structures as they join together and the clamps latch on each other.

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - SAME TIME

The crew is shaken again and this time we hear the clamps working and connecting.

KIMI

That definitely didn't sound good.

INT. MISSION CONTROL - SAME TIME

On the screen - a computer simulation of the successful clamping done at the front of the ship.

OPERATOR 4

Left side clamp complete.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL Alright! Now we got something. We're pretty much home with this one so let's try a few more times on the other side. Once we're docked we cut the life support before they get anymore ideas.

EXT. SAGAN-5 - ON KAGE

Kage starts traveling along the top of the ship towards the front.

KAGE

That's not what I meant when I said I want you to be quiet you crazy Russian!

Kage arrives at the front of the ship and sees it connected to the space station. He notices a piece of his suit sticking out from the joint.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Oh man! That can't be good.

He hovers over to the spot and sees a small gap about 10mm wide between the Sagan-5 and the space station. And through it he can see 3 white glove fingers sticking out.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Shit Viktor. Why didn't you say anything?

He grabs them and they break like icepicks throwing blood crystals around them.

Kage pockets the fingers and looks at the large structure curving in front of him.

KAGE (CONT'D)

I sure hope you're worth dying for.

He turns around and starts flying towards the airlock module.

INT. AIRLOCK - MOMENTS LATER

RAJ

What's taking them so long?

KIMI

Maybe they found something.

Kage appears outside the airlock slowly hovering inside. The outer door closes and the chamber pressurizes.

The inner door opens and Kage walks in taking his helmet off.

KIMI (CONT'D)

How is it?

RAJ

Where's Viktor?

KIMI

Did you do it?

Kage pauses for a beat then sits himself.

KAGE

That pipe was stubborn as hell. Almost got crushed cutting it.

RAJ

And Viktor?

Kage slowly shakes his head. Raj's eyes start watering. Kage pulls out Viktor's finger gloves and hands them to Raj.

KAGE

He got caught between them when they clamped. I'm sorry.

Raj holds the finger-gloves and starts sobbing.

RAJ

Oh no! My Viktor!

KEYBOARD CLATTERING fills the somber atmosphere.

Everyone looks at Dean with contempt while Raj walks away sobbing uncontrollably.

KIMI

So are we docked to he station or not?

KAGE

Only at the front.

The lights flicker a few times then the whir of the engines resonates as all systems suddenly come alive.

ANA

What's that?

KIMI

The ship came back to life. The computer!

Everyone rushes out of the Airlock Module.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - MOMENTS LATER

Kimi, Ana and Kage enter the cockpit module. They go to their stations and the computers show an 8 bit schematic of the malfunctioning clamps on the screen along with a timer - RETRY IN 59 MINUTES.

KIMI

Most systems are back on but I still have no control over the ship.

ANA

Wait I got something here.

They all gather around Ana's station.

On the screen WE see 3d representation of the entire space station and schematics for each individual ship that forms it.

KIMI

Their computers must be on standby. We must have connected when we clamped.
The station is active!

ANA

(typing)

Not really. Only the mainframe is active for fusion reactor control and, clamping. No traces of life forms, no heat signatures.

KAGE

Anyone else tempted to go on that station?

Everyone looks at each other.

KIMI

Crew from those ships gotta be somewhere.

KAGE

The computer logs should tell us something.

Maybe we can release the clamps from there and go back home.

KIMI

(turns toward Kage)
We're a missing puzzle piece for
this thing.

(MORE)

KIMI (CONT'D)

You really think we're meant to go back?

KAGE

Well we're not meant to like, die out here are we? I mean why go through all that trouble putting a crew in?

KIMI

To make sure it arrives here. That would be my guess.

ANA

I can't contact Earth. All communications are down. We only have closed circuit radio working.

KIMI

Something blocking the signal?

ANA

According to this, we don't have any communication hardware. Everything is just, gone.

KIMI

God damn it.

This can't be random.

ANA

Why would they block us out?

KIMI

So they won't have to explain themselves.

KAGE

I guess you're off the hook now aren't you?

KIMI

Yes. I guess I am.

(to Ana)

Is there a way to board the station?

ANA

Yes. The ships form a corridor around the station. The doors are all airlocked.

Is there any pressure on the station?

ANA

No. It's all the same as outside.

Kage gets up on his feet.

KAGE

Well I for one rather see what's out there than be here with you so I'm gonna take Raj and the poet and go on a little field trip.

ANA

Where is Raj anyway?

DEAN

Most likely mourning.

KIMI

(takes a deep sigh)
Alright I'll go talk to him, you
two get suited.

INT. RAJ'S ROOM - LATER

Raj is in his bedroom sobbing over a picture of Viktor.

Kimi knocks gently as she enters.

KIMI

You ok Raj?

RAJ

No.

KIMI

Dean and Kage are getting ready to board the station. Wanna go?

RAJ

I don't believe it was an accident. Viktor was a good astronaut.

KIMI

Yeah, he was.

RAJ

Kage must've done something.

Even more reason to out there and keep an eye on him.

Raj looks up at Kimi. He looks determined to do that.

INT. SAGAN-5 - AIRLOCK MODULE - SAME TIME

Raj, Viktor, Dean and Kage are in the Airlock waiting for the pressure to equalize.

The light turns green and Kage opens the door.

Kage takes a step forward but they quickly stop and they all look upwards with a horrified expression on their faces.

PARTS OF VIKTOR'S MANGLED BODY still hanging from the joint as he was trapped between the two sections.

A FOOT AND SOME INTESTINES HANGING, STILL DRIPPING WITH BLOOD.

DEAN

Mother of god!

RAJ

Viktor!

KAGE

That's something I wasn't prepared for.

RAJ

What was he doing so far down? I thought his line was on top of the ship.

KAGE

It is. And only he knows. Now come on, there's nothing we can do for him now.

Kage and Dean cross over. Raj stops underneath Viktor's remains and touches his foot gently. He crosses to the other side and immediately Viktor's foot falls on the floor.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Sagan-5 we are on Sagan-4.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - SAME TIME

Kimi watches the feed from everyone's helmets.

TIME TO RETRY CLAMPING 43 MIN.

KIMI

Copy that.

INT. SAGAN-4 - CONTINUOUS

The astronauts slowly travel along a ghostlike version of the Sagan-5. Similar features, similar corridor and a cold and dark atmosphere.

KAGE

Any luck on their tracking locators?

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - SAME TIME

ANA

Still scanning.

INT. SAGAN-4 - CONTINUOUS

KAGE

This place is a ghost town.

Raj looks up and notices dim green lights along ceiling.

RAJ

The emergency lights are still on.

KAGE

So there is some power.

They arrive next to the kitchen and Kage takes a look inside. He shines the torch across the room for a beat.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Oh crud!

RAJ

What is it?

KAGE

They took the coffee machine.

RAJ

We just lost one of our crew and you care about a coffee machine?

KAGE

Right. Sorry.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - SAME TIME

Ana's screen flashes.

ANA

I got a lock on the crew trackers. They all seem grouped together - hold on, let me see where - according to this they are all in the observation deck of the C-Clarke.

RAJ

Or just their trackers.

KAGE

Alright, let's find our hosts gentlemen.

Kage starts floating along the narrow corridor followed by Raj and Dean.

ANA

It's the second ship as you go forward.

The crew crosses the tunnel connecting the Sagan-4 to Sagan-3. They open the door and enter the Sagan-3.

INT. SAGAN-3 - CONTINUOUS

As they enter they are greeted by A TROPICAL ATMOSPHERE. A thick fog floating in the air, walls and ceiling covered in thick moss dripping with water.

As soon as they enter their visors instantly fog and blind them.

They slowly land on the floor ankle deep in water.

DEAN

Whoa this is weird!

KAGE

We're closer to the center. Higher gravity pull.

Raj panics.

RAJ

What? Wha-wha what's happening?

A dark green sludge falls on Raj's helmet scaring him even more. He starts to panic and runs across the room making deep slushing noises.

RAJ (CONT'D)

NO! NO! WHA-AAAAAAAAA! GET IT OFF GET IT OFF!

KAGE

Raj calm down for Pete's sake! Hey Dean make yourself useful and see for Raj.

Dean goes to calm Raj down.

He grabs him and wipes his visor and he can see again.

DEAN

Hey it's ok, it's ok, it's just condensation, see?
Just condensation.

KAGE

Fucking softy.

Raj calms down but still breaths rapidly.

DEAN

What is this place?

KAGE

Out of control greenhouse.

I'm guessing the crew tried to divert the cooling ducts from the reactor to warm up.

And make some oxygen in the process.

KAGE (CONT'D)

This place is a sauna, hey how come heat sense didn't pick this one up?

ANA

I don't kno, everything looks cold on my monitors.

KAGE

So much for relying on that information.

Raj regains his composure.

RAJ

Hey man fuck you! Alright? Fuck you! Viktor probably died because of you!

KAGE

What? What are you talking about?

RAJ

You killed him!

KAGE

Are you nuts? I was nowhere near him when it happened. Now come on, we're wasting time here.

RAJ

No! I'm not going anywhere until you tell me what happened there! Why did he died? Why him and not you?!

Kage walks over to Raj.

KAGE

You saw him when you crossed the fucking threshold, what the fuck do you think happened?!

RAJ

You won't rest until we're all alone like you! Won't you? You hate that we all have someone and you don't!

KAGE

We have 2 hours worth of oxygen and these are the last tanks we have. We can talk about this bullshit when we get back to the ship but now I need you to move along Raj!

Kage shoves Raj from behind gently but Raj slips on something underwater and falls head first into a sharp metal spike impaling him through his eye socket and coming out through he back of his head.

Raj starts spasming and convulsing, splashing face down in the water.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Jesus Christ! Raj!

Kage leans down on Raj's body and sees the sharp metal spike coming out from the back of Raj's helmet, dripping with blood and pieces of brain.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Shiit!

KIMI

What happened Kage?

Dean rushes to them.

DEAN

Oh my god!

Raj stops convulsing and lays still in the water.

Dean and Kage exchange glances.

KAGE

Raj is dead. He uhm, he slipped on something and ...he's dead.

Dean stares down at Raj's body with a horrified expression on his face.

DEAN

Is he really--

KAGE

Yeah...

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - SAME TIME

Kimi and Ana are at their stations.

KIMI

We just lost 2 men in less than an hour.

ANA

And what did they both have in common?

INT. THE SAGAN - 3 - SAME TIME

Kage and Dean are still by Raj's body.

KAGE

Come on Dean, nothing we can do for him now.

Kage and Dean move along.

DEAN

I'm beginning to hear this a lot lately.

KAGE

Yeah well, welcome to space. And watch your step around here.

INT. THE C-CLARKE - MOMENTS LATER

Flickering lights and a more spartan version of the Sagan-4 with bare perforated aluminum floor and walls.

There is still trash everywhere and looks like this ship had more activity than the others.

Door opens and in comes Kage, followed by Dean.

Their fogged visors instantly freeze as soon as they step inside the frozen atmosphere of the Clark.

KAGE

Whoa!

DEAN

I can't see anything. What happened?

KAGE

We froze that's what. Wait a few seconds while the helmet does its job.

The frost on their vizors slowly starts to melt away and falls off, leaving their visors clean.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Can't say they don't make them well these suits.

DEAN

How cold is it you think?

Kage checks his forearm screen.

KAGE

I'd say about -200.

KAGE (CONT'D)

(to Kimi)

Sagan-5 we reached the C-Clarke.

KIMI

Copy that. Sending tracker coordinates now. It should plot a pathway to them.

Kage looks at his LCD screen on his forearm. He sees a map of the floor with a highlighted route towards a cluster of triangles all bundled together.

KAGE

Alright, follow me Dean.

Dean follows Kage.

INT. C-CLARKE OBSERVATION DECK - MOMENTS LATER

A medium sized room with a fully transparent wall and a view of the outer space. The twinkle of the stars reveal floating shadows in the room, gracefully gliding along the walls.

The door opens and in come Dean and Kage.

Kage shines his torch around the room.

KAGE

Well, we found them.

DEAN

Mother of god!

THE ROOM IS FILLED WITH FROZEN NAKED BODIES, AROUND 40 OF THEM, ALL LOOKING THIN, ANOREXIC, THIN LEATHER-LIKE SKIN STRETCHED OVER THEIR SKELETON BODIES. SOME ARE EMBRACING, OTHERS ARE KISSING, OTHERS ARE ALONE.

Everything is covered with a glistening layer of ice.

Kage notices two emergency portholes wide open.

KAGE

Mass suicide.

DEAN

What makes you say that?

KAGE

See them portholes? They're designed to equalize the pressure in this room in less than a second. When they popped, everything here froze in an instant.

DEAN

They were starving.

KAGE

They dragged it for as long as they could.

Then end it all in one go.

INTERCUT

SLOW MOTION

WE see the starving people in the same room, looking malnourished, but alive. They all have a mournful look on their faces, no hope left in their eyes, only darkness. Some are embracing each other, others are curled in a corner of the room, other just stand there in the middle of the crowd, looking at a countdown timer above the entrance door.

4,3,2,1 - THUD! - Portholes pop open and everything and everyone freezes in an instant!

All the bodies are now solid frozen statues floating around the room and colliding gently with each other in a morbid dance and the scene FADES INTO THE SAME SCENE WITNESSED BY DEAN AND KAGE AND WE ARE BACK TO THE PRESENT MOMENT.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Something doesn't add up.

DEAN

What?

KAGE

Why send us with 2 years worth of Mars supplies if they're just gonna leave us here?

DEAN

We should bring Raj's body in here.

KAGE

What? Why?

DEAN

He belongs with the rest who died for this mission.
You owe him this much.

Kage tries to hide the feeling of guilt growing inside him.

KAGE

Alright. As soon as we get the data.

INT. C-CLARKE MAIN DECK - LATER

Kage and Dean arrive on the deck. Here, they see a large circular console surrounded by a flat surface covered in ice crystals.

Kage wipes away the thick layer of ice and dust and stares at it disappointed.

KAGE

Oh no! Please tell me this isn't it.

He starts fumbling along the screen looking for something, but it's nothing but a large black glass panel.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Shit!

KIMI

What is it?

KAGE

It's a fucking touch screen that's what! They put that stupid thing on everything back in those days. It didn't work on cars it certainly doesn't work on spaceships!

DEAN

What exactly is the problem?

KAGE

We are in an atmosphere of about minus 200, and this thing can only operate on temperatures above zero! Whoever designed these certainly didn't factor in a decompression.

KIMI

We'll just have to get that info from the other ships then.

KAGE

The hard drives. Solid states. Where's the server room?

Ana looks for the schematics on her computer. She sends them to Kage.

ANA

Sending schematics now.

Kage receives the schematics and sees the highlighted route.

KAGE

Alright here's the plan, I'll go in the server room while you bring Raj's body over to the observation deck. The gravity is pretty light so you should be ok by yourself.

DEAN

(nodding)

Yes. Ok.

Dean turns around and exits. Kage checks his route on the wrist screen then starts walking.

INT. C-CLARKE - SERVER ROOM - LATER

Kage walks towards the entrance of the server room. He notices a sign next to the door - INSULATED CHAMBER. NO RADIO COMMUNICATION. USE HARDLINE ONLY.

He stands in front of the massive bulky door and starts operating the control pad which is also touch screen.

Kage wipes it a bit, bangs on it a few times without any response, then smashes it with his fist in a final vent of frustration.

KAGE

Stupid touch screens!

He pulls out a small toolbox from his pouch and starts fiddling with the access panel.

KAGE (CONT'D)
(as he fiddles with the
wires)

Now I wanna survive this just so I go back to whoever designed this and shove my foot so deep up his ass that he'll need my toe to unlock his phone!

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - SAME TIME

Kimi and Ana are at their stations.

ANA

We're gonna die out here aren't we?

KIMI

Do me a favor and check on the crops for me please. The hydroponics are controlled by the ship's computer.

ANA

Are we going to die out here?

KIMI

We got the Mars supplies. That should give us some time.

ANA

Are you sure we have them?

KIMI

Go check on the grow Ana. I'll come down in a bit and we'll have a look.

ANA

Ok.

Ana slowly gets up from her chair and walks out, leaving Kimi to monitor Kage and Dean.

INT. C-CLARKE - SERVER ROOM - SAME TIME

Kage has 2 probes fiddling with the circuit behind the access pad. A small spark and the broken pad comes to life.

KAGE

Alright. Now for the unlock.

He probes the electrodes along the circuit board when another spark flashes and the door opens.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Well that was easy enough.

Kage grabs his tools and walks into the server room.

He looks behind the door looking for something then stops the door from closing.

KAGE (CONT'D)
No inside lock? Really?

He looks up and sees a frozen motion sensor right above the door.

KAGE (CONT'D)
This thing has cheapest bidder written all over it.

He wedges a piece of plastic in the door to keep it open then proceeds to walk inside the room.

INSIDE - ROWS AFTER ROWS OF STORAGE UNITS FILLED WITH HARD DRIVES.

KAGE (CONT'D)
 (looking at the server
 towers)
One of you gets to tell me its
secrets.

INT. SAGAN-3 - SAME TIME

Dean carries Raj's body through the narrow corridor connecting the Sagan-3 to the C-Clarke.

As soon as the door opens, a frosty wave enters the tunnel and he gets covered in ice crystals again. He wipes his visor then lays Raj's body on the floor, puts him in a mummy position with his hands covering his mangled face just as the ice crystals overwhelm his body and stiffen it in that position.

INT. SERVER ROOM - SAME TIME

Kage stops in front of a server unit marked "Connections".

He opens a terminal with a small screen and a mini keyboard under it and starts searching through files.

TYPES "SEARCH BY DATE, ORDER - DESCENDING".

A corrupted video file appears on screen along with the message - CANNOT PLAYBACK RUN DEBUG Y/N.

Kage presses yes and the debugging process begins.

He then starts removing racks of hard drives from the other units.

INT. C-CLARKE OBSERVATION DECK - CONTINUOUS

Dean opens the door and gently pushes Raj's body into the chamber, and lets it float among the other frozen corpses.

An astronaut covering his face floating among dozens of skeletons.

Dean stands there for a moment admiring the picture. Looking at the frozen corpses dancing in the twinkle of the stars.

INT. C-CLARKE - SERVER ROOM - CONTINUOUS

Kage is fiddling with the server unit surrounded by 5 handheld square boxes.

He hears footsteps. He looks to his left and sees Dean at the door.

Dean walks slowly and menacingly towards Kage.

DEAN

Are these the hard drives?

KAGE

Yeah. I got 5 out, need to take one more.

Kage is focused on getting the last rack out when suddenly - CLUNK!

He freezes for a moment then looks to his left and his face is ashen with terror.

The door is shut. All the racks next to him are gone.

He quickly gets up on his feet, runs towards the door and starts banging on it.

KAGE (CONT'D)
NO-NO-NO! YOU MOTHERFUCKER!
HEEEEEEEEEEELP! HEY!

Kage is banging frantically on the solid door but beyond it, there is nothing but darkness and silence.

Inside he keeps on banging his fists frantically against the door when - PING! - A SOUND COMES FROM THE COMPUTER TERMINAL.

Kage stops banging on the door and slowly walks back to the terminal.

On the screen he sees the message - ANALYSE COMPLETE - OPEN VIDEO FILE Y/N_{\bullet}

Kage presses Y and a corrupted video starts playing.

A skeletal figure of a man barely alive appears on the screen, recording himself.

RECORDING

If you see this message, you are probably docked with the station, and you are doomed to end here.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - SAME TIME

Kage's feed stopped on Kimi's screens and show only static.

KIMI

What the hell happened? Kage? Kage can you hear me? Dean? Do you copy?

DEAN

Yes, yes I can hear you.

KIMI

I lost Kage on my monitors, is he with you?

DEAN

No, he is still in the server room. It's an insulated chamber.

KIMI

And you?

DEAN

Bringing back the first load of hard drives.

KIMI

Copy that.

DING!

Kimi turns around and sees a button flashing on Dean's station.

Kimi presses a button on Dean computer and the screen turns on - "PLEASE CONNECT TO A POWER SOURCE IN 5 MIN".

She notices an audio player with the tag "REPLAY AUDIO FILE/CLOSE"

Kimi presses play and the audio recording starts.

AUDIO RECORDING

Hey Dean, hopefully you get this in your privacy.

We have some news regarding your wife, ahm, the police found her body buried behind your house. Now this shouldn't alter the main objective, but uhm, you could of told us about this, because as you realize, this brings a lot of unwanted attention on the project and its success depends on its secrecy.

Not sure what this news was supposed to solve, but I just thought you should know. You will be going in a full blackout about 30 hours after you receive this so, just follow the steps and let the ship do its job. It will send a signal to Earth once the docking is complete and after that everything will shut down and you'll all be on your own. As promised, the life support will be on for an additional 2 weeks so you can complete your work. I wish I could send our gratitude to everyone for their sacrifice but maybe you can use your skills and do that for us. Congratulations. You literally got away with murder.

Kimi leans in her chair pondering.

ANA

(over the radio)
Hey Kimi? Could you come down to hydroponics please?

INT. SAGAN-5 - HYDROPONICS - MOMENTS LATER

Kimi and ana stare down at the direction of the crops both in shock. PULL BACK TO REVEAL - ALL THE CROPS ARE ROTTEN AND BLACK. LIQUIFYING.

KIMI

How did this happen? They were just fine the other day.

Ana looks up at the pump feeding the crops.

ANA

The nutrients come through that pump. If someone changes that with poison...

KIMI

Wouldn't the computer pick it up?

ANA

It should yes. Unless the computer is the one who did it.

KIMI

Those sadistic bastards wouldn't even give us chance. They'd have us starve to death.

Kimi looks at the Mars supply door, suddenly it catches her attention.

She goes towards it, and when she arrives she notices the timer lock blinking 0:00.

She grabs the side of the door and gently opens it.

FOCUS ON KIMI'S FACE AS HER JAW DROPS IN HORRIFYING REVELATION.

Behind the black door, nothing but a white bulkhead. Solid wall.

KIMI (CONT'D)
You've got to be kidding me!

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - KIMI'S STATION - SAME TIME
CLAMP RETRY TIMER ON SCREEN - 0:00

INT. SAGAN-5 - HYDROPONICS - SAME TIME

BANG - LIGHTS OUT THEN CLANG - CLANG - CLANG!

Muffled bangs and engine whir resonate through the ship. The noises are familiar.

ANA

What's what?

KIMI

The ship is trying to dock itself again. It's programmed to try it every hour.
The computer goes down so no one can interfere.

The banging noises stop and the lights flicker back on followed by the system whir.

INT. C-CLARKE - SERVER ROOM - SAME TIME

Kage watches the end of the video recording.

RECORDING

--look on the bright side. You are now the master of your own fate.

Kage punches the computer screen.

KAGE

Fuck this bullshit!

He gets up and starts looking around him for things he might use.

He looks up and notices the emergency lights still working.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Alright, so I have power, 12v, what else do I need?

He notices copper cooling ducts behind the servers.

KAGE (CONT'D)

Copper! Yes!

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - CONTINUOUS

Ana begins to cry.

Ceiling lights flash blue.

Kimi notices but ignores it. She looks at Ana crying.

ANA

I don't wanna die!

I really don't wanna die out here!

Kimi goes and hugs Ana.

KIMI

I'm sorry.
I really am.

ANA

Why would they do this to us? Why? What did we do to deserve this?

KIMI

We were better than the rest. Now I know why we finished our rations 3 months earlier. They were only supposed to last us until here.

INT. C-CLARKE - SERVER ROOM - SAME TIME

Kage built an induction coil and it's using it to melt through the door lock. He sees the metal glowing red and slowly melting away.

KAGE

A-ha-ha-ha! Come on baby! I'm getting outta this bitch!

INT. SAGAN-5 - HYDROPONICS - SAME TIME

Ana and Kimi separate.

ANA

Listen, you should know something.

KIMI

I know you stashed some of those drugs.

ANA

Not exactly.

It was Dean. He brought the drugs onboard.

KIMI

Dean?

Listen there's something you should know about him. The guy is a total psycho. I read his book and--

Dean appears out of nowhere.

DEAN

Is that what you think?

Ana and Kimi are startled.

ANA

Dean!

DEAN

The most composed and level person on this ship and I'm the psycho?

Kimi starts retreating away from him and walks backwards towards the fake Mars supplies door.

KIMI

Ana, keep away from him, that man is dangerous.

ANA

I know who he is Kimi.

DEAN

Normally I would ask you if you are high in making that statement, but I know for sure that to be true.

Dean comes from behind and puts his arms around Ana.

ANA

We've known each other quite well actually.

KIMI

Really? Did he tell you about his wife?
How her body was found buried in his backyard?

Ana looks distrustful at Dean.

ANA

Is that true?

She grabs his arm to get away but finds it rigid and immovable.

ANA (CONT'D)

What is this? Let me go Dean!

DEAN

(to Kimi)

You had to ruin it didn't you? I can't allow you to stand in my way.

(to Ana)

(MORE)

DEAN (CONT'D)

I'm afraid I have no more use for you.

With a swift move Dean slices Ana's throat with a knife and lets her body drop by his feet.

Kimi gasps in terror and covers her mouth.

KIMI

Oh my god!

DEAN

(cleaning the knife
 against his clothes)
We're all going to die out here
anyway and uhm, if this isn't the
place to get away with murder, I
don't know what is.

KIMI

You demented freak! You knew about all this?

DEAN

Yes. Yes I have.

KIMI

And you couldn't say anything?

DEAN

And you would believe me if I did.

KIMI

So what, you came on this mission just to get your kicks? To murder people?

DEAN

Oh no, not at all. I came here to have my name remembered for posterity. I came to write the most detailed guidebook on how to survive in outer space.

Once I finish, it will be in the hands of every future astronaut out there, a Space Bible if you like.

The ceiling flashes blue.

KIMI

Where's Kage?

DEAN

Now you see the mistake in letting people live more than they should?

Kage's muffled steps echo from behind the bulkhead.

KAGE

Hey yo Kimi! Ana!

KIMI

In here Kage!

Kimi eyes are now more confident and vengeful.

Dean gets a firm grip on the knife and points it at the door just as Kage walks in.

He stops and raises his hands.

KAGE

Whoa!

DEAN

Stay right there please.

Kage looks behind Dean and sees Ana's body. He looks at the far corner of the room where Kimi stands. He notices the fake door opened and the white bulkhead behind it.

KAGE

You ok there Kimi?

KIMI

Yeah. Yeah I'm ok.

DEAN

I'm sorry. But you really wasn't supposed to live that long.

Dean pushes the knife forward to stab Kage but Kage kicks him hard in the chest and sends him flying across the room against the wall and knocks him out.

The knife drops besides him on the floor.

Kimi runs into Kage's arms.

KIMI

Never thought I'd be happy to see you!

KAGE

What the hell happened here? Is that—is that Ana?

KIMI

Dean was behind all this. He knew about the mission.

KAGE

Dean? He was in on this? What did he say?

KIMI

Not much. He was babbling something about posterity when you came in. What did you find out?

KAGE

They're building a space station to speed up mars travel. 7 missions. Each with an expendable crew. Every 4 years.

(looking at Dean)

But I wanna hear what he has to say about all this.

They look at Ana's body still lying on the floor and lean next to her.

Kage closes her eyes. Kimi looks like she is forcing herself to show some emotion.

KAGE (CONT'D)

You never really loved her did you?

Kimi shakes her head gently.

KIMI

I only kept her around so you two wouldn't be together.

KAGE

Maybe it was better that way. She was dangerous.

KIMI

She was in on it with Dean.

KAGE

There's a shock.

Kage looks up at the fake Mars supplies door.

KAGE (CONT'D)

No Mars supplies huh?

KTMT

No. It was all a sham.

Kage looks down at Ana's body, then looks at Dean.

KAGE

We gotta get some answers out of him.

INT. SAGAN-5 - KITCHEN - LATER

Dean's sleepy face is being slapped by Kage to wake up.

PULL BACK TO REVEAL - DEAN TIED WITH A MULTITUDE OF ZIP-TIES TO A CHAIR.

KAGE

Wake up pen boy!

Dean comes to his senses and sees Kage and Kimi in front of him.

DEAN

Oh, it's you.

KIMI

Start talking.

DEAN

Just randomly or --

POW! - Kage punches Dean in the face.

KAGE

Not the best time to test my patience Dean!

DEAN

Right, I forgot how volatile you are.

KAGE

What was your part in all of this?

DEAN

I...entertained myself. And what better way to do it than to play...god. With you.

KAGE

What?

DEAN

(deep sigh)

Let's face it, the first 3 months of the journey were a mental torture for everyone. So I decided to liven things up a bit.

KIMI

You brought the drugs onboard.

DEAN

Yes I did.

KAGE

You drugged us? On purpose?

DEAN

It was planned yes.

KAGE

You son of a bitch!

KIMI

We were his lab rats. And this mission was his get out of jail card. He killed his own wife before we launched.

DEAN

She asked me to. She was terminally ill and knew I wouldn't accept the mission if she was still alive.

KIMI

Bullshit! You gutted Ana like a fucking ragdoll!
I wouldn't be surprised if they find more dead bodies under that house.

DEAN

You will never know. And I will never be held accountable. Now can you please let me out of these restraints?

KAGE

Heh, you are mad.

DEAN

I am no threat to you. The only reason I killed Ana was because I thought my work was jeopardized.

KAGE

Did you drug any of us without knowing it?

DEAN

(gulps)

Yes.

KAGE

What kind of drugs?

DEAN

Rohipnol, scopolamine, you know about the MDMA and Cocaine,

(looking at Kage)

Testosterone, scratching powder in your underwear...

KAGE

Oh that's low, that's just fucking low man.

DEAN

LSD.

KAGE

I don't remember tripping on acid.

KIMI

Me neither.

DEAN

I only put it in Viktor and Raj's helmet regulators. I was planning on studying their behavior but...things took a turn for the worse.

KIMI

You killed them too.

DEAN

Forgive me for being too cynical, but we will all end up as floating corpses on the C-Clarke at this point.

KAGE

Nah man, I'm shooting your ass into space. You don't get to be among us.

DEAN

I really don't care what happens to my body, but please, allow me to finish my work. Everything we've been through would've been for nothing. I must finish my book.

KAGE

What's so special about it?

KIMI

Judging by your last one I'd say nothing but a drunken gibberish.

DEAN

It's a more of a guide. On how to survive isolated in outer space. And your behavior gave me the insight for it. Believe me, this will be indispensable for anyone leaving our planet in the near future!

KIMI

Kage? A word.

Kage and Kimi leave the kitchen.

INT. SAGAN-5 - CORRIDOR - CONTINUOUS

KIMI

He's right you know. We're not getting out of here.

KAGE

Yeah...I know. But we gotta make this guy pay somehow. I just-- (sighs deeply)

KIMI

We'll all end up in the Clarke's observation room. Just like he said.

KAGE

So that's it? Game over? You and me the last ones standing?

KIMI

Who would have thought?

KAGE

I can't believe we're being sent here to just...die.

(looking at the space station)

For that.

KIMI

If it makes you feel better, more people died making the Hoover dam.

KAGE

No. It doesn't. Because I'm not one of them.

KIMI

No, you'll be one who died for this. And remembered as such.

KAGE

That was a wild party wasn't it? You think we're the first rave in outer space?

KIMI

At least now I'm not sorry for starting it.

I think it was the only time in my life when I was actually happy. All I knew since I was born was, study. All the time. Under constant pressure.

And in that week, I knew what it was like to actually, live. Best time of my life, and I can't remember most of it.

KAGE

Yeah, I know what you mean.

KIMI

I'm sorry I kept Ana away from you. I don't know if I could;'ve managed seeing everyone else happy around me.

KAGE

Yeah, Raj and Viktor were a surprise, didn't see that one coming.

KIMI

(smile)

None of us did.

KAGE

At least they were happy an honest with each other on the last weeks of their lives.
Thanks to you.

KIMI

And now it's just us.

KAGE

And Dean.

KIMI

And Dean.

What do you wanna do with him?

KAGE

I got an idea.

EXT. SAGAN-5 - LATER

Kage is on top of the ship where the clamping had failed, welding back the hydraulic line feeding the clamps.

The weld arc reflects in his visor.

Welding stops.

KAGE

Alright patching complete.

INT. SAGAN-5 - COCKPIT DECK - SAME TIME

Kimi watches the monitor.

COUNTDOWN TIMER TO CLAMP RETRY - 3 MIN.

KIMI

Congratulations, you earned your paycheck.

KAGE

Not yet, but I will once I get back!

Kimi smiles.

COUNTDOWN TIMER - 0:00

The retro boosters fire again and the ship gets close to the space station.

INT. MISSION CONTROL - SAME TIME

On the large screen they see a simulation of the ships attempt to clamp.

OPERATOR 1
Hydraulics are back online, we may just get lucky with this.

EXT. SAGAN-5 - SAME TIME

The Sagan-5 approaches the space station and the clamps immediately latch on together.

INT. MISSION CONTROL - SAME TIME

The computer simulation shows successful clamping.

Everyone rejoices.

JACK - MISSION CONTROL
 (clapping)
Great job everybody! Great job!

INT. SAGAN-5 - COMMS MODULE - MOMENTS LATER

Kimi is at her station when Kage comes in. She stands up and walks over to him. They stand facing each other, wanting each other. Him towering over her, just like in the beginning, only this time, they can't take their eyes off one another.

They suddenly embrace and kiss each other passionately.

SHORT MONTAGE OF KAGE AND KIMI MAKING PASSIONATE LOVE IN VARIOUS PLACES ON THE SHIP.

END MONTAGE

INT. C-CLARKE OBSERVATION DECK - LATER

Kage and Kimi are on the observation deck of the C-Clarke among the floating corpses. Kage is holding Kimi in his arms.

They each have a small black box with a blinking red light attached to their helmets.

KIMI

I'm scared.

KAGE

Me too.

BEEP--BEEP--BEP-BEP-BEP-BEP-BEP - BANG! - THE LITTLE BLACK BOXES DETONATE -

CUT TO BLACK.

ON BLACK - 20 YEARS LATER

EXT. SPACE

WE SEE THE SPACE STATION, NOW FULLY FUNCTIONAL, UPGRADED, WITH ADDED MODULES. LIGHTS FLICKERING ALL OVER ITS SURFACE AND 4 SPACE SHIPS DOCKED TO IT.

INT. SPACE STATION - SAME TIME

THE INSIDE OF THE SPACE STATION LOOKS UPGRADED - CLEAN, BRIGHT, WITH WHITE AND GREEN AS PREDOMINANT COLORS.

The inside is clamoring with various astronauts walking up and down the corridor.

WE focus on a group of astronauts, led by a female of higher rank.

TOUR GUIDE

Please remember to keep the KIMI-KAGE book with you at all times. In it you will have all the information on how to make the best of your space experience.

The group arrives in a small atrium and WE see the base of a shiny metallic pedestal and the feet of a statue.

The group stops.

TOUR GUIDE (CONT'D)
And here they are. The authors of
the famous Kimi-Kage survival book.
Luke Kage and Kimi Lu.

WE REVEAL to see the statue representing Luke and Kimi in their astronaut suits, lovingly embracing each other.

TOUR GUIDE (CONT'D)
This is an exact replica of how
their bodies were found on this
station, 20 years ago. Their
sacrifice, along with that of
others allowed for this station to
be built. They are forever
immortalized as a symbol of unity,
hope, and eternal love.

WE FOCUS on the statue and WE FADE INTO the image of Kage and Kimi IN THE OBSERVATION DECK OF THE C-CLARKE.

Their helmets shattered by an explosive device. Embraced just like the statue, floating among the other corpses.

WE see Raj's body floating around, hands covering his face, then Ana's body crosses the frame, she has a bandage covering her neck wound and her hands are resting on her chest.

Then we see Viktor's boot, spinning across freely.

And last but not least, we notice something round spinning around itself among the multitude of corpses.

CAMERA dollies forward and as the corpses clear our view, we finally realize what the round object is.

It's Dean. Completely naked, curled up in a ball and with his erect penis inserted in his mouth as if he was pleasuring himself.

On his back, a note which says - TO REMAIN UNKNOWN.

FADE TO BLACK.

END