The Heist

 My life turned completely upside down after what I had found out yesterday that ultimately decided my plan of action to precede any further. I came across a coded message within the network of the Shadow Academy. I was in the archives as just another protector, studying some interesting knowledge and minding my own with at first, no desire to see this message.

 The message was intended for the headmaster however, I had somehow stumbled across it and began to decipher. The message disclosed the location of a vault of the personal contents of Grand Admiral Zaarin. The message described the vault which contained important contents from the Dark Crusades. I knew that the Grand Admiral was a key leader in the Crusades but, found it hard to swallow that he had possessions from the Crusades for his own personal gain. This made me furious as many of our comrades of the Crusades died in the conflict including some of my friends before I could even join to even give a helping hand. Many superiors are always criticized for reaping all the benefits while the warriors endure all of the suffering with no gratitude. That is going to change from now on when I expose the Grand Admiral for the corrupt thieve he really is. I am going to make sure this time, that the warriors are the ones that reap the benefits rather than leaders and politicians. I headed towards my personal quarters to get some things and proceeded to the hangar to prepare my ship for departure.

 I attached my blaster holster to my leg and walked up the ramp to my ship. I began to plug in the coordinates of Etti IV; the location disclosed in the message and took off. I made the decision to land in the political sector of the city as I would need something that was very important to the success of my plan.

 I gazed up at the naval headquarters; I realized that it will not be easy to sneak into an officer’s personal study, let alone; the Grand Admiral. I gained entry to a small service lift used for maintenance and headed up to the top level where the Grand Admiral’s office was located. I proceeded to his office with no problems and found the numerous bank codes in the desk drawer. All the admirals were busy with a meeting in the conference room, so this made my job even easier because I was able to take the service elevator back down and sneak out of the building with no trouble. I managed to grab an admiral’s uniform in the supplies room as it could be a useful asset to prevent any unwanted attention. Since I had what I needed, I proceeded to my next target which was the bank vault in the corporate sector of the city.

 In a dead end alley two buildings away, I threw the admiral uniform over my robes and walked into the bank. The admiral uniform was perfect to get into the bank due to the fact that it was a corporate bank so it would draw the least amount of suspicion however; I needed a different disguise to get near the vault because security would know immediately that I was not the Grand Admiral. I walked over to a service room and found some cleaning employees. I silenced the two that were in the room and took a size uniform that fit me nicely. This worked out nice because most of the public would suspect a cleaning employee at first, which should give me time to escape. Approaching the vault, I pulled out a bank code that fit the amount of digits required for this vault and plugged it in the keyboard. The vault creaked open and I walked inside to discover a vast amount of glorious riches that I could not even imagine from the coded message. The vault had armor, heavy weapons, and an enormous sum of credits that would make an organization rich for a lifetime. Although, I closed the vault behind me to cover my tracks, getting out of the vault would be the most challenging factor of my mission.

 Thinking over my options of escape is important right now being that it appears that I have only two options to choose from to make an escape. Both options will attract attention and engaging in battle will be inevitable. My first option is to use a cloaking device to keep myself hidden while I shuttle a cart full of the contents of the vault out of the bank and to my ship. This plan will avoid conflict with the security droids but, will attract attention from the public once I get out of the bank. My second option is to fight my way out of the bank and use the cloaking device when I exit the bank. Both plans have to utilize the cloaking device from the vault either way because I will not be able to fight everything that gets in my way.

 I had gone with the second option of the plan because it was better to attract the attention locally with the bank rather than the public when I escaped, which anyone in the public could be watching and I was unaware of their influence in the system. I put on the armor and placed the various weapons and credits on the hover cart that was in every vault for transportation. I set the cloaking device to the cart so I could operate the cart while under the cloaking technology. I picked up a repeating blaster and headed over to the security terminal. I thought to myself; “I can slice into the security terminal to deactivate the security cameras so I will not be seen when the battle erupts. I will end up shooting out cameras anyway just for safe measures that my face will not be tracked”.

 With the security cameras down, I moved toward the vault door and checked my weapon as the security droids between the vault and the exit had to be dispatched effectively. I advanced toward the elevator where two droids were on patrol and I made no hesitation to fire towards their direction. I made quick work of them with the repeater and pushed the cart into the elevator lift. I shot the camera that was in the elevator for safe measure and headed towards the exit. I opened my wrist gadget to start up my ship on autopilot just in case I needed to take off right away when I made it to the landing platform. I was met by a swarm of security droids in the main atrium to prevent my escape. The droids that I destroyed on the vault level must have sent out a distress signal but, I knew this would not be avoided. I took a rifle off the cart that had a projectile launcher on it and shoved a few thermal detonators into the barrel. I charged it up and began to fire towards the droids. The droids fell to the floor in piles of fire and I pushed towards my exit. The bank security system alerted the corporate sector security forces that there is a break and I knew that I do not have much time to act. I activated the cloaking device and proceeded out the door towards the landing platform. I watched as security detail walked right past me and into the bank as I was hidden under the cloaking technology.

 I walked up the ramp of my ship at the perfect time when the cloaking device shuttered for a little and then shutdown.

 I took off with a feeling of excitement for a good cause that I stole credits and weapons for people who rightfully deserved it. Excitement would be short lived as orbital security fighters came behind me out of orbit. I knew there was no way in hell that I was going to stop for questioning with everything that I had on my ship. I increased power to the engines as the fighters tried to keep up. I increased shield deflectors to the rear and brought up the firing controls. My ship may not be a fighter but, I installed quad laser turret batteries for this kind of situation. I began maneuvering between fighters to get a shot. I easily shot one in the wing where it sputtered away into orbit which left only two remaining. I went behind a fighter to get a shot when the other fighter flew behind me, forcing me to maneuver from getting blasted out of the sky. I then proceeded to fly behind the fighter to finish off what I intended. I got a target lock and started to fire which resulted in the fighter being blown apart moments later. The lone fighter was left to be taken out however; he was a fairly skilled pilot. I decided that I could increase the rear deflectors and simply outrun this fighter pilot rather than waste my time.

 Just when I thought that I could just outrun one fighter and escape, a small cruiser came out of hyperspace. There was no way that I would be able to attack a cruiser without dying in the process so, I took an initiative to pull back around a small asteroid in space in an attempt to try and take out the fighter. The fighter failed to take the bait of the asteroid as he was able to easily maneuver around it. I circled back around into attack position and locked on to the fighter and took a shot. The fighter blew apart from the repeating blasts from my laser batteries. I switched deflectors from the rear to the front and moved toward the cruiser. The cruiser began to fire its various laser batteries in my direction as I moved around to avoid being hit. I flew directly under the belly of the cruiser so it is unable to fire as many batteries towards my ship. With the ship rotating its batteries to my new position, I realized it was my best opportunity to escape alive. I powered up the hyper drive and quickly put all power to the engines to gain some distance from the cruiser. I plugged in coordinates into the navicomp and made the jump to light speed.

I made my trip for Brotherhood controlled space as I had to get back to my house to discuss what I have achieved for the good of every one of us. I traveled to my house first which was better so I could deal with discussion among my fellow house members and keep the dark council in the dark for the time being. I brought the various weapons and credits into the house assembly area and put everything on the floor, awaiting the leadership. I could not even bear to wait and see what they thought when they saw all these credits that could benefit the good of the house and be distributed among all the warriors who rightfully deserve it.