KAP Xantros (Krath) / PROF / Battle Team Acclivis Draco of House Scholae Palatinae [GMRG: I] [SA: VIII] [ACC: Q] SC-SoA / AC-ToDS / DC-GP / SN-AgL / BN-BL / Cr:3R-7A-13S-32E-22T-7Q / CI-SC / SoF-PL / LS / SoL-BE / S:1De-4Ret-12Dec-12Rn-23Cr {SA: MVC - MVF - MVH - MVL - MVPH - MVS - MVW - DPE - DPV - SVLC - SVS - SVWP}

Defense of the ancient (knowledge) KAP Xantros 11518

Knowledge is the key to the ultimate victory. Know your weaknesses and you shall find a way to get rid of them. Know your enemies and you shall find a way to defeat them. Gather knowledge and make sure that it is safe from hostile parties. The knowledge leads to power. The power leads to victory. The victory leads to the eternal life.

Xantros' personal comments

"How dare they!" shouted Xantros in anger, when he learnt the news about the attack on the Royal Library.

The complex housed the most precious holobooks and documents of House Scholae Palatinae. Despite the fact that it was not as vast as the archives of the Dark Jedi Brotherhood, members of the Imperial House were proud of their treasurehouse of knowledge. Now, XI Laren Shmno, a leader of a mercenary group hired by the rebels to launch an attack against the rightful leaders of the Empire, dared to take over the complex. The forces under his command to overcome the defenders of the library and to take the building over, but someone managed to send a distress call before it was too late. It was definitely a fortunate circumstance for the Dark Jedi of the Imperial House, particularly Acclivis Draco battleteam, which was stationed on Antenora.

Being second highest ranked member of the battleteam, Xantros volunteered to go for a mission, which was aimed to regain the control over the complex, as a sole operative. He assumed that the hostile forces could not be too numerous, as they would have been noticed long before they entered the buildings of the library. He treated the attack on the library like if it was a personal insult towards him, as he had done his best in the quest of gathering as many pieces of knowledge as it had only been possible. Some of the holodocuments and manuscripts stored in the complex had either been intercepted or written by him. The attack on the library was the attack on him and the years of his hard work. He had taken part in too many missions, which had been aimed to expand the knowledge of the Imperial House, to let Xi Laren Shmno get away without getting a suitable punishment for his crimes.

The Krath Archpriest took nothing more than his lightsaber with him. It had served him well during various missions and he was sure that it was not going to fail him in that on one. Angered with the insolance of the rebels, he became death incarnate. The last thing that they were going to see in their pathetic lives. It was definitely going to be a view that they were going to remember it till their death.

Xantros entered the complex via a secret door, about the existence of which he had learnt, when he was the Aedile of the Imperial House. It was a secret known to very few members of House Scholae Palatinae, particularly current and former leaders of the House, as they were granted the knowledge about various matters, which remained unknown to most of the members of the unit. However, it provided a safe passage to the central room of the library, where the most precious documents were

kept. No one would expect him to be there, as no one from the outside of the House was aware of the secret corridors in the complex.

Before reaching the central room of the building, the Krath Archpriest entered as small command room, which allowed its visitors to use the security cameras to see other rooms of the complex. Thanks to that he learnt that there were five soldiers present in the central room and few more patrolling the corridors.

"Piece of cake," whispered Xantros to himself, as he observed the hostile troopers. They seemed to be relaxed and not worried about a possible attack. It seemed like, if they were expecting quick pick up by their comrades. There was nothing easier than to strike them from surprise and watch them die. The plan was nice and easy.

Few minutes later, the Duro opened secret door and run into the room with the activated lightsaber. The purple blade cut through necks of two humans like a knife cut through the butter, before they were even able to react. Xantros pushed the closest enemy on the other one and stubbed both of them. The last man still alive was Xi Laren Shmno, but he stood without a move, like if he was paralysed by strong fear.

The Krath Archpriest moved closer towards the man. He made step by step, enjoying the feeling of helplessness felt by his enemy. He probed the man's mind through the Force, in order to learn the most terrible fears of Xi Laren Smno. He smiled, as he sensed it after a short moment and use the Mind Trick to instill even stronger feeling of fear. He observed the man, who trembled on the ground, as his mind tried to come over the overwhelming visions of horrifying events that were completely untrue. However, Shmno's mind did not recognize the fact that the visions were not true.

Few minutes later, tthe visions finished, but the man was still lying on the ground. Xantros walked towards him and spoke, "Now, do you understand that your attack was a mistake?"

"Yes..."

"Fine. Then, you may die now. I will show you mercy and kill you without any further delay."

Xantros decapitated him with a gentle strike. Then, the hunt begun. Like a spectre, the Krath Archpriest walked silently through the corridors and killed all of the intruders, one by one. Without special training, they were no match for the Dark Jedi, who was strong in the Force and armed with a lightsaber. Though Xantros was not as skilled warrior as the representants of the Obelisk Order, his enemies were helpess against him. They had no chance of defending themselsves against the purple blade, which was brought death on everyone, whom it touched.

An hour later, the Krath Archpriest reported through the comlink back to the Battleteam Leader, Dark Jedi Knight Lucyeth. "The library has been secured. All hostile forces have been eliminated and they no longer pose threat to the valuable books and holodocuments, which we have been gathering for so many years."