Operation Starfall: Take Over the Colony

Chapter 1: Insertion

Delak stood aboard the Lambda Type II Shuttle, The Ravager. He and his fellow clan mates were heading for the planet Aesirus. The planet had recently come into the Emperor’s wealth of knowledge as a suitable planet for crystal mining and other valuable resources. These resources could help Scholae Palatinae gain more power in the Brotherhood. The mission was not their usual get in, blow stuff up, and get out type of outing. This time they would try something a bit different, diplomacy.

Sorosuub Corporation controlled the planet and was interested in it only for its mining value. The Kyber Crystals alone were worth their weight in credits. The miners numbered in the thousands. The Emperor saw fit to send only a handful of Sith to the planet surface to begin their peaceful transition. There would be those who would reject the offer of Scholae Palatinae’s leader. Those people would need to be shown the error of their ways.

“Sir, we will be landing on the planet shortly. Prepare to disembark.” The pilot advised Delak quickly and with respect.

“Very well pilot. Put us near the outpost’s outskirts. We don’t want to be caught in the middle of the camp upon setting down.” Delak ordered.

The pilot nodded in agreement and began the landing procedures to set the Lambda shuttle down on the planet’s surface. It was a pretty smooth ride all in all. There were no unforeseen issues with the trip. The landing ramp dropped from the nose of the shuttle and the Sith from Scholae Palatinae walked down onto the surface. The winds whipped up dirt and sand from all around and it hit Delak in the face like little needles. They drew their hoods up around their faces and headed for the mining camp that had been set up outside of the main Sorosuub Mining Complex. They were greeted by about one hundred miners who were trying to make sure none of the Sith made it past them.

“This must be the welcoming committee men.” Delak stated in confidence.

Chapter 2: Welcoming Committee

“Sir! There is a contingent of Sith Warriors in the main camp.” One of the security guards shouted from across the room from the security station. “They are demanding an audience with the leader of the mine.”

“Sith? Here? Where are they from?” Administrator Golam asked.

“They are from Scholae Palatinae according to their leader.” The security head said.

“What do they want?” Golam inquired.

“They want us to join the Imperial Forces of Scholae Palatinae. They say their Emperor will protect us and reward us with greater wealth than SoroSuub Corporation will.” The security guard finished.

“Very well, we shall go out and meet them.” Golam Finished.

Golam and his head of security left the mining complex control room and headed towards the entrance to the mine. There were many mine shafts and tunnels that they had to walk through to get to the surface. Sorosuub had made it very difficult to take the mining complex without getting caught in a choke point. The complex had two defensive turrets facing the main entrance tunnel which offered a lot of support to defend against anyone who would make their way this far.

The duo made it to the entrance of the mining cavern just as the sun began to set. The orange, red, and purple hues began to shine through the clouds in the sky. It was a sight to behold indeed on this barren world. It was full of minerals and crystals but not much on the life side. Everything the miners had was shuttled in. It was how SoroSuub kept their workers reliant on them.

“Greetings Administrator.” Delak bowed as he spoke.

“Greetings to you representative of the mighty Clan Scholae Palatinae. How may we help you?” Golam inquired politely.

Chapter 3: The Deal

“A very fascinating deal indeed sir. May I ask how you plan to ensure that SoroSuub will not retaliate?” Golam asked,

“We plan to leave a garrison of troopers and Sith here on the planet. We will also commit one of our Imperial Star Destroyer Deuces here with various support craft. As long as you continue supplying us with steady streams of minerals and kyber crystals we will defend this world and you. The Emperor promises his support in full.” Lexiconus explained to the administrator. “The Emperor considers this planet of the utmost importance to building our fleet and our forces.”

“I understand completely Master Sith. We will comply with the wishes of Scholae Palatinae. However you should be aware that SoroSuub is supposed to be resupplying us shortly. I hope you have forces in orbit ready to defend the world.” Golam said.

“We will be ready for a supply transport Golam. Thank you for the heads up. We will begin the preparations now.” Lexiconus finished.

Lexiconus jumped onto his personal holo and communicated with the Indomitable sitting in orbit. The Imp Star Deuce would stand up for the planet. Its compliment of TIE Fighters and Interceptors would decimate a transport ship and send a message to SoroSuub to stay out of the system. This would be a day well won for the Empire. The expansion had begun and everyone in the Empire will benefit from it. The Emperor would be notified of the successful negotiations with the miners and they would have the resources they need to fight the other clans.

Chapter 4: Defense

The Indomitable had been notified and the fighter squadrons had been deployed. Sparky had returned to the ship to join the air defense. He was a fighter jock by nature and found it more satisfying than ground combat. He always loved watching the fireballs of his enemy in space as the oxygen from their cockpits caught a brief fire and then burnt out.

“Sparky to Indomitable, we are ready for a fight Captain.” Sparky radioed in.

“Excellent sir. The support should be here shortly… Correction it’s here. A transport ship and a Corellian Blockade Runner. They are scrambling fighters. All wings attack.” The Indomitable’s Captain radioed back.

All wings broke into attack formation and headed for the fighters that were approaching the planet. He watched as a few fighters flew between him and the other ships. They started to fire left and right TIE’s were blowing up and so were Z-95 headhunters that had accompanied the support ship. Bombers had been scrambled from the Indomitable to take out the Corvette and the Support vessel. They headed straight for their targets and fired their torpedoes at the ships. Some of the fighters flew into the torps but ultimately most of them got through. The corvette blew up into a ball of flame. The support ship turned and headed out of the system but didn’t get very far before Sparky and his comrades fired and blew it up. The remaining fighters were easily dispatched. Some of the fighters surrendered. The day had been won and a new planet was in the Scholae control.