

STATION 151

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“COLD STORAGE”

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Summary of S2E7: Wayne fights to retrieve Buzz from the healing chamber, despite Dr. Alfieri's protests. The happy reunion is short-lived, however, as the terrifying voices return, insisting that Wayne take control of the situation.

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[SFX: Bing!]

ASTRID-SAUSAGE

It's time to take Buzz out of the healing chamber.

WAYNE

So Buzz is done?
He's completely healed?

ASTRID-SAUSAGE

Yes. Please remove him from the incubator as soon as possible.

WAYNE

Awesome.
Alright, hang on, guys, I'll go get Buzz, and we ca-

RICHARD

Leave it, Wayne.
You can get the dog later.

[SFX: Bing!]

RICHARD

And can we turn that damn alarm off?

WAYNE

Astrid said that we need to take Buzz out of there immediately.

RICHARD

It can wait. A few more days in hibernation isn't gonna hurt him.
Now let's go.

ASTRID-SAUSAGE

Actually, Richard, it might. I'm reading the incubator's documentation right now and it states that Buzz could suffer serious complications if left inside the machine after the healing cycle completes.

ALFIERI

The hell it does. I managed the team that designed that box.
The dog could stay in there for years—*decades*—and no harm would ever come to him.

ASTRID-SAUSAGE

That's simply not true.
Did you actually read the documentation, Doctor?

ALFIERI

Of course I read it.

ASTRID-SAUSAGE

Then why are you lying about this?

[SFX: Bing!]

WAYNE

He's a monster, that's why.
He doesn't give a shit about Buzz.

ALFIERI

(laughs)

Well, it's easy enough to settle this argument.
I'll get the incubator manual and prove it to you. Page... 31, I believe.
Come on. Let's do this.

[SFX: Footsteps]

RICHARD

(frustrated)

Hey, hey!

Where do you think you're going, Alfieri?

[SFX: Bing!]

ALFIERI

Richard, I don't want that dog in the room with me.
It nearly ripped my arm off the last time I saw it.

RICHARD

Probably because you tried to *kill* him.

ALFIERI

Well, at least give me a weapon to defend myself.

RICHARD

(laughs)

That's not happening.

[SFX: Bing!]

RICHARD

(frustrated)

Ugh, goddammit.

Wayne, go get your dog.

Here's the card key.

WAYNE

Thank you.

RICHARD

And no screwing around.

I *will* murder you.

WAYNE

Yeah, yeah, I get it.

[SFX: Bing!]

RICHARD

And turn that fucking alarm off!

[SFX: Hurried footsteps a few seconds until Wayne is out of range]

WAYNE

(whispers)

God, what an asshole.

ASTRID

(on earwig)

That is quite evident.

WAYNE

Astrid, I know you were trying to save my ass, but could you have suggested something other than Richard locking me in the storage room with Doctor *Alfieri*?

ASTRID

I understand that it's not optimal, but it really was the best way to keep you from getting shot.

[SFX: Beep, door opens]

[SFX: Footsteps]

WAYNE

(sighs)

You know, we're lucky Buzz's healing cycle finished when it did.
If Alfieri gets any ideas while we're in there, he'll have Buzz to contend with, too.

[SFX: Door closes]

ASTRID

Oh, it wasn't luck.

WAYNE

What?

ASTRID

Buzz's healing cycle isn't actually complete.
I terminated it early so he could protect you.

WAYNE

(chuckles)

Wow, that's brilliant.

But... is Buzz gonna be okay? Taking him out this early isn't gonna be a problem, is it?

ASTRID

No. He's in much better condition than before.
We can finish the healing process once we get you out of there.

WAYNE

Okay, alright, good. Well, I'm ready to get Buzz out of there.

Do I just enter that code on the control panel again?

What was it? 185... something?

ASTRID

I'll issue the extraction command.

Please wait a moment.

WAYNE

Alright.

[SFX: Beeps, whirrs, machine noises]

ASTRID

This will take a while.

[SFX: Machine noises]

WAYNE
He looks so peaceful in there.
Hey buddy.

[SFX: Knock on glass]
[SFX: Machine noises]

WAYNE
Astrid, how bad would have the complications have been if we actually *had* left him in the chamber after the healing process finished?

ASTRID
Oh, that was also bullshit.
He would have been fine.

WAYNE
(laughs)
Jesus. You're like 10 moves ahead of everyone.

ASTRID
Like I said before. I'm not to be trifled with.

WAYNE
I guess not.

[SFX: Different machine noises (three second pause)]

ASTRID
How are you feeling?

WAYNE
Shitty?
What do you mean?

ASTRID
I hate to bring this up now, but I'm still quite worried about you.

WAYNE
What? Why?
Is this about Spegg again?

ASTRID
No. This is about you.

WAYNE
I'm fine, Astrid.

ASTRID
How's your neck?

WAYNE
It's... fine.

ASTRID
Have you been hearing things? Voices?
Has Spegg tried to communica-

WAYNE
Enough, Astrid!
Spegg isn't communicating with me.

ASTRID
But I heard you talking to him.

WAYNE
It was an auditory hallucination. I'm hearing things because of all the fucking drugs they've
pumped into me and the fact that I haven't slept for days....
Except when you knocked me unconscious. Not sure that was real helpful, though.

ASTRID
I don't think that's it.
Do you want me to replay what I heard while you were outside?

WAYNE
No, I don't.
Can I please just get Buzz out of the machine?

ASTRID
He's not ready yet, unfortunately.
Here, let me play it back for you.

WAYNE
Astrid, goddammi-

~BEGIN PLAYBACK (from S2E3)~

WAYNE
What are you doing to me?
Get out of my head!

ASTRID

Wayne, who are you talking to? Wayne.

WAYNE

Quiet, Astrid!

(pause)

Richard?

Aggh... he's at... the station?

WAYNE

Others?

What others?

WAYNE

Other *Speggs*? What are you even talking about?

WAYNE

No way! I'm going back to the station.

(pause)

Uhh. Yeah. I'll stay.

I'll wait right here.

~END PLAYBACK~

ASTRID

That wasn't some random auditory hallucination.
You were having a full-blown conversation with him.

WAYNE

Astrid—

ASTRID

(interrupts)

What did he say to you to make you change your mind and wait for him?

WAYNE

I have no idea.

ASTRID

The way you spoke... it was almost like you were in some kind of trance.

WAYNE

I wasn't in some kind of trance, okay?

ASTRID

You don't think you sounded just a little bit weird?
That's your own voice Wayne.

WAYNE

Well, I don't even remember saying that.

ASTRID

All the more reason for concern.
It is clear that Spegg has the ability to influence you, whether it's the implant in your neck or—

WAYNE

It's not an implant! Spegg has no power over me, Astrid.
For all I know, Spegg got in his pod flew back into the wormhole.

ASTRID

You don't know that.

WAYNE

It's over, alright? It's over.
I'm about to be locked in a storage room with Doctor Alfieri for God knows how long, thanks to you. I need to figure out how I'm going to survive that.
So can we *please* move on?

ASTRID

Very well.
You know I'm on your side Wayne.
I just want what's best for you.

WAYNE

Is Buzz ready yet?

ASTRID

Yes. He's been ready for a while.

WAYNE

(scoffs)

ASTRID

Prepare for extraction.

[SFX: Clicks and venting gas]

BUZZ
(awakening–tired dog noises)

WAYNE
Oh my God.
Hey, Buzz!
Are you okay?

BUZZ
(waking noises)

WAYNE
(softly)
Hey buddy.

BUZZ
(panting)

WAYNE
How you feeling?

ASTRID
How does he look?

WAYNE
(*inspecting*)
His leg looks a *lot* better. It's not completely healed, but... better.
And his coat is *really* shiny.

BUZZ
(Bark bark!)

[SFX: *Very excited puppy noises*]

WAYNE
(laughs, puppy voice)
Who's got a shiny coat? Who's got a shiny coat?
Oh I missed you, Buzz. I did. I did.

BUZZ
(licking happy noises)

WAYNE
Did you miss *me*?

BUZZ

(licking happy noises)

WAYNE

Aww. Such a good boy. Yes, you are.

BUZZ

(Bark bark)

RICHARD

(distant)

Let's go, Wayne!

ASTRID

That'd be Richard.

You better get back.

WAYNE

(groans)

Damnit.

(to Buzz)

Hey, Buzz. We're gonna go downstairs for a little while, okay?

BUZZ

(barks sad)

WAYNE

I know.

I'm sorry, buddy.

Let's go. I'll carry you.

(hefting Buzz with some effort)

And, here we go.

ASTRID

I'll get the door.

WAYNE

Forgot you could do that.

[SFX: Footsteps]

[SFX: Door opens]

[SFX: Footsteps]

[SFX: Door closes]

RICHARD

Took you long enough.

How's he look?

WAYNE
He's good. All healed up.

RICHARD
Hang on.
His leg's *still* messed up.

WAYNE
No, it's fine. He's much better now.

ALFIERI
Wait, let me see that.

BUZZ
(barks, snaps at him)

ALFIERI
Jesus Christ!
Control your animal, Robertson!

BUZZ
(growls)

WAYNE
(seething)
Hey! Keep your distance, Alfieri.

ALFIERI
That leg is *not* healed. Richard, we need to put him back in the chamber immediately.

WAYNE
He's *fine*.

ALFIERI
It's hardly fine. He probably can't even walk on that leg.

WAYNE
Oh, like you give a shit, Alfieri.

ALFIERI
Richard, something fishy is going on here.

ASTRID-SAUSAGE

My apologies, Doctor. The healing cycle terminated prematurely due to a bug in the latest firmware update. I'm afraid it will require a full diagnostic by a qualified technician. I've taken the incubator offline for now to prevent any further damage to the circuitry.

ALFIERI

What? There aren't any firmware updates scheduled for that machine.

ASTRID-SAUSAGE

A firmware update completed last night at 18:57:09.

ALFIERI

(scoffs)

That's bullshit.

What are you trying to pull, Astrid?

(to Richard)

Hey... Richard. Tell me you're not seeing this.

RICHARD

(sighs)

Oh, who gives a shit.

Let Wayne have his dog.

ALFIERI

Are you serious?

RICHARD

Yes, now get your ass downstairs before I put *you* in the incubation chamber.

ALFIERI

Richard—

RICHARD

Go, goddammit!

BUZZ

(barks angrily)

ALFIERI

(frightened)

Robertson, you keep that *thing* away from me!

BUZZ

(growls)

WAYNE

Shhh shh.

Just relax, buddy.
(reassuring)
You can maul him once we're inside.

RICHARD
(laughs)
Ha! That's a good one.

ALFIERI
(sarcastic)
Hilarious.

[SFX: Footsteps down the stairs]

RICHARD
Let's *moove*.
Down you go.

[SFX: Footsteps down the stairs]

RICHARD
Alright, I'm guessing this is the storage room.
The door looks like a freaking bank vault—wait, what happened in that room at the end of the
hall? It looks trashed.

ALFIERI
What the hell, Robertson?

WAYNE
Oh. Yeah.
That's the outside comms room.

RICHARD
Oh, right. The only room at the station with a PC *and* an internet connection.
Remind me again why you destroyed it?

WAYNE
I... I got kind of pissed off.
In my defense, though, I'm pretty sure—

~BEGIN SPEGG TRANSMISSION~

WAYNE
(pained)
Argggghh!

ALFIERI

What's wrong with you, Robertson?

SPEGG

Wayne? Wayne?

The stupid pilot took the doctor!

He was *ours*!

WAYNE

What?

ALFIERI

Who's he talking to?

ASTRID

Wayne, is it happening again?

CHILD-SPEGG

<if the doctor dies, we all die! yaaay!>

WAYNE

Why would you all die?

RICHARD

Jesus Christ. Snap out of it, Robertson!

BUZZ

(barks)

AGGRO-SPEGG

KILL THE PILOT IMMEDIATELY!
HE'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE HERE!

SPEGG

Wayne, Spegg is angry. You should probably kill pilot.

CHILD-SPEGG

<save the speggs!>

WAYNE

You want me to... *kill* Richard?
But I can't do that. He's armed and—

AGGRO-SPEGG

USE THE LILITH!

SPEGG
Again? Again?
Lilith not good for Waynes. It'll wreck his brain!

AGGRO-SPEGG
DO IT!

SPEGG
Chikushou!

[SFX: Some electronic noise]

SPEGG
There. You happy?

[SFX: Lilith Influence Sound BEGIN]

AGGRO-SPEGG
NO! NOW BACK OFF!
WAYNE!
KILL THE PILOT IMMEDIATELY!

WAYNE
Huh?
What?

AGGRO-SPEGG
KILL HIM!
KILL THE PILOT!

WAYNE
Yeah.
I'll kill him.

[SFX: Lilith Influence Sound END]

~END SPEGG TRANSMISSION~

WAYNE
(heaves a heavy sound as the pain subsides)
Oh my god.

ASTRID
Wayne, what did he say? Wayne?

WAYNE
Die, you fucker!

RICHARD
Wayne, do *not* move!
(pause)
Waaayne! Don't do it!

WAYNE
(Guttural, primal scream)

BUZZ
(Barks like mad)

[SFX: Sounds of a scuffle]

RICHARD
Get back, you piece of shit!
Get back, you lunatic!

[SFX: Pistol whip]

WAYNE
(Screaming, recoils from rifle "butt stroke")

ALFIERI
(pleased with this)
Nice work, RJ. You know, you can hit him again if—

RICHARD
Shut up!

BUZZ
(attacks)

RICHARD
(increasingly panicked)
Oh, shit!
Buzz, stay down. Buzz!
Shit. Shit. Shit!
Get this dog off me!

ALFIERI
Wayne, grab his gun. Grab it now!

BUZZ
(Barks like mad)

RICHARD
Get back!

[SFX: Pistol whip]

WAYNE
(yelps)

[SFX: Wayne falls to floor]

(silence)

ASTRID
Wayne?
Are you okay?
Are you hit?

RICHARD
Get up, Wayne.

WAYNE
Huh?

ASTRID
Wayne, are you shot?

WAYNE
No, I uh... no.
My head. Ughh.

BUZZ
(whimpers)

RICHARD
Get on your feet, asshole.

[SFX: Wayne getting up]

RICHARD
Try anything else like that and I promise you'll meet the other side of my gun.

WAYNE

(very much out of it)
What... what happened?

RICHARD
You're insane. That's what happened.
Now get in the storage room.
You too, Alfieri.

ALFIERI
You're not seriously gonna lock me in there with this freak, are you?
I mean, what the hell was that?

RICHARD
Five seconds ago you were screaming at him to grab my gun, so yeah, I think I will.

ALFIERI
Oh come on, can you blame me, Richard?

RICHARD
Inside!

ALFIERI
Unbelievable.

[SFX: Footsteps]

RICHARD
Let's go!

WAYNE
(out of it)
I'm going, I'm going.

BUZZ
(barks)

WAYNE
(out of it)
Come on, Buzz.
Come on....

[SFX: Footsteps]

RICHARD
See you in hell, assholes.

[SFX: Door slams]

END