**SECOND SHIFT** 

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Cast

**MIKE** 

KATHERINE

JARETH

TARGONONE

ALGANOSTROU

"LAUGHERS"

**FESMER** 

DITA

ZANA

ARKAHN RÜNGROT

**LACKEY** 

ASSORTED HUNTERS

**DRAENPENO** 

**NOMUSA** 

Scene List

Teaser: Mike, Katherine

Scene 1: Jareth, Targonone, Alganostrou

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Scene 4: Mike, Katherine

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Scene 6: Katherine, Draenpeño

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Scene 11: Mike, Katherine

| 1  | <u>Teaser</u>   | 32 | MIKE  |
|----|---|----|---|
| 2  | • Mike, Katherine   | 33 | Have you learned nothing from our time in Laundi? Probably- |
| 3  |   | 34 | get into a fight and get my backside handed to me again.    |
| 4  | SFX: City street  | 35 |   |
| 5  | ·   | 36 | KATHERINE   |
| 6  | MIKE  | 37 | Calm down, Mike. Try opening with Brikka talk or something  |
| 7  | I'm telling you we're bound to find something here.         | 38 |   |
| 8  |   | 39 | MIKE  |
| 9  | KATHERINE   | 40 | Whatever. It's easy for you.                                |
| 10 | Fine, but we'll need to get back to our inn before sundown. | 41 |   |
| 11 | This place seems as if it'd be a little shady after dark.   | 42 | KATHERINE   |
| 12 |   | 43 | You hit the bar. I think I see some table games over there. |
| 13 | MIKE  | 44 |   |
| 14 | Probably. But I really want to find some clue about Shauna. | 45 | MIKE  |
| 15 | That, or be thorough enough to prove this has been a total  | 46 | Just don't get us kicked out this time.                     |
| 16 |   | 47 |   |
| 17 |   | 48 | KATHERINE   |
| 18 | KATHERINE   | 49 | (walking away)  |
| 19 | Preaching to the choir.                                     | 50 | Yeah yeah   |
| 20 |   | 51 |   |
| 21 | SFX Door opens on a crowded bar                             | 52 | (beat)  |
| 22 |   | 53 |   |
| 23 | KATHERINE   | 54 | MIKE  |
| 24 | This place is packed!                                       | 55 | I have a baaad feeling about this                           |
| 25 |   | 56 |   |
| 26 | MIKE  | 57 | SFX: Mike walks across the room.                            |
| 27 | Aw crud. It's a University bar.                             | 58 |   |
| 28 |   | 59 | MIKE  |
| 29 | KATHERINE   | 60 | One dark borsen, senjen.                                    |
| 30 | <del>So?</del>  | 61 | (beat)  |
| 31 |   | 62 | So, 'd'you see the Brikka game the other day?               |

| 1  | Scene 1   | 32 | JARETH CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY |
|----|---|----|--|
| 2  | • Jareth, Targonone, Alganostrou                              | 33 | (slight surprise)  |
| 3  |   | 34 | It is hot.   |
| 4  | SFX: Door closes  | 35 |  |
| 5  |   | 36 | SFX NOTE: From this point until otherwise noted,   |
| 6  | <mark>JARETH</mark>   | 37 | Targonone's voice should sound distant.  |
| 7  | (calmer)  | 38 |  |
| 8  | We are here. Will you answer my questions?                    | 39 | TARGONONE  |
| 9  |   | 40 | Yes. The pitcher is a new active item developed here. It is a  |
| 0  | TARGONONE   | 41 | modest luxury, but a pleasant one.   |
| 1  | Yes, but before we doI have a washstand; you look as if you   | 42 |  |
| 2  | have been sleeping in the wilderness for weeks.               | 43 | SFX: Soft splashing as Jareth washes his face.   |
| 3  |   | 44 |  |
| 4  | <mark>JARETH</mark>   | 45 | TARGONONE  |
| 5  | I have.   | 46 | (mutters something inaudibly)  |
| 6  |   | 47 |  |
| 7  | TARGONONE   | 48 | JARETH   |
| 8  | You smell like it as well.                                    | 49 | Did you say something, yen-schwa?  |
| 9  |   | 50 |  |
| 20 | The water and basin are behind that screen. Clean, shave, and | 51 | TARGONONE  |
| 21 | compose yourself. I will fetch you some fresh clothes. Then   | 52 | What? Merely talking to myself, Jareth.  |
| 22 | we may have a civilized discussion.                           | 53 |  |
| 23 |   | 54 | JARETH   |
| 24 | <mark>JARETH</mark>   | 55 | I must apologize for my manner earlier. Ithings have been  |
| 25 | That is wise, yen-schwa. I will do so.                        | 56 | difficult lately. Much has occurred these past months.   |
| 26 |   | 57 |  |
| 27 | (beat)  | 58 | TARGONONE  |
| 8. |   | 59 | I should imagine. You chose a difficult path. One I would not  |
| 9  | SFX: Pouring of water into a basin.                           | 60 | have chosen for you to tread.  |
| 30 |   | 61 |  |
| 31 |   | 62 |  |

| 63 | JARETH CONTROLLED TO THE STATE OF THE STATE | 94  | (long pause)   |
|----|---|-----|--|
| 64 | I know. Yet it was my path. My choice.  | 95  |  |
| 65 |   | 96  | SFX: Jareth begins shaving                                       |
| 66 | TARGONONE   | 97  |  |
| 67 | Why have you come here, Jareth?   | 98  | TARGONONE  |
| 68 |   | 99  | Youyou have evidence to support this?                            |
| 69 | JARETH  | 100 |  |
| 70 | Have you heard of a town called Kaltarok? It is days West of  | 101 | JARETH   |
| 71 | where the Great Road turns South to Velia.  | 102 | A moment   |
| 72 |   | 103 |  |
| 73 | TARGONONE   | 104 | SFX: Shaving continues for another few moments, stops.           |
| 74 | Indeed. There is a tae-oden disposal facility there. Some of the  | 105 | Rustling of cloth as Jareth dries his face                       |
| 75 | western schools ship discovered tae-oden to it for processing.  | 106 |  |
| 76 |   | 107 | JARETH (CONT)  |
| 77 | JARETH  | 108 | Yen-schwa, you mentioned a clean shirt?                          |
| 78 | I was there little over one week ago. I can tell you with   | 109 |  |
| 79 | certainty that it was no tae-oden disposal facility.  | 110 | TARGONONE  |
| 80 | (beat)  | 111 | Yes, of course. My mind is elsewhere these days. A               |
| 81 | It was a tae-oden <u>refinery</u> .   | 112 | moment The evidence?   |
| 82 |   | 113 |  |
| 83 | TARGONONE   | 114 | JARETH   |
| 84 | Refinery?   | 115 | Gone. Along with the facility.                                   |
| 85 |   | 116 | (beat)   |
| 86 | JARETH  | 117 | There was a group of people who at the least believed they       |
| 87 | Yes, refining them as if they were ore or crude.  | 118 | were working with the Hunters of Truth. They destroyed the       |
| 88 | THE DECOMPOSITE   | 119 | building with the intent of killing us in the process. They were |
| 89 | TARGONONE   | 120 | the ones who perished however                                    |
| 90 | To what end?  | 121 | (beat)   |
| 91 | I A DESCRIP   | 122 | Ah. Cha grendi yen-schwa.  |
| 92 | JARETH  | 123 | (beat)   |
| 93 | To the Legion's end.  | 124 |  |

| 125 | JARETH (cont.)   | 156 | ALGANOSTROU  |
|-----|--|-----|--|
| 126 | Two things caught my attention. The first was that they  | 157 | That is an interesting coincidence.  |
| 127 | claimed a contact within Proolau wo Veliaodi. A high level   | 158 |  |
| 128 | official. The second was a list of signatures on schematics to   | 159 | JARETH CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE |
| 129 | the refinery. Signatures of University officials.  | 160 | You!   |
| 130 |  | 161 |  |
| 131 | TARGONONE  | 162 | ALGANOSTROU  |
| 132 | I assume this list was lost?   | 163 | Greetings, Jareth. I have heard much about you.  |
| 133 |  | 164 |  |
| 134 | JARETH CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY | 165 | JARETH CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE |
| 135 | Unfortunately. But the thing that stood out—the thing that   | 166 | How long have you been in this room?   |
| 136 | only fell in to place today—was the name of the Veliaodi   | 167 |  |
| 137 | official on the list. The only Veliaodi official on the list.  | 168 | ALGANOSTROU  |
| 138 |  | 169 | Long enough to know that you have been woefully  |
| 139 | TARGONONE  | 170 | misinformed about a great many things  |
| 140 | You suspect this person and your false Hunters' contact to be  | 171 |  |
| 141 | the same?  |     |  |
| 142 |  |     |  |
| 143 | JARETH CONTROLLED  |     |  |
| 144 | Indeed.  |     |  |
| 145 |  |     |  |
| 146 | TARGONONE  |     |  |
| 147 | Well, out with it. What was the name?  |     |  |
| 148 |  |     |  |
| 149 | SFX: Footsteps as Jareth walks out from behind the screen.   |     |  |
| 150 |  |     |  |
| 151 | JARETH   |     |  |
| 152 | It was your "friend," Algan— (trails off in surprise) —  |     |  |
| 153 | ostrou   |     |  |
| 154 |  |     |  |

| 1  | Scene 2   | 32 | MIKE  |
|----|---|----|---|
| 2  | • Mike, Katherine, "Laughers"                           | 33 | I had these guys all wrong, Kath. Totally different than    |
| 3  |   | 34 | Laundi. Veliaodi's much more my kinda place.                |
| 4  | SFX: crowded bar  | 35 |   |
| 5  |   | 36 | KATHERINE   |
| 6  | MIKE  | 37 | A party school?   |
| 7  | (A little toasty)                                       | 38 |   |
| 8  | and so then she said, "That's not my arm."              | 39 | MIKE  |
| 9  |   | 40 | Well, that's a little glib. Not wrong though.               |
| 10 | SFX: A few people, including Mike, laugh.               | 41 |   |
| 11 |   | 42 | KATHERINE   |
| 12 | KATHERINE   | 43 | Great. I think we've found all we can here.                 |
| 13 | Mike. I need to talk to you.                            | 44 |   |
| 14 |   | 45 | MIKE  |
| 15 | MIKE  | 46 | You mean you've taken everyone's money, and they won't      |
| 16 | Sorry, guys. Duty calls. Have another one on me.        | 47 | play with you any more?                                     |
| 17 |   | 48 |   |
| 18 | SFX: Clink of coin.                                     | 49 | KATHERINE   |
| 19 |   | 50 | That too. Come on, let's go. The Seekers of Truth have a    |
| 20 | SFX: The same people who laughed make approving noises. | 51 | Library near here and I want to check it out.               |
| 21 |   | 52 |   |
| 22 | KATHERINE   | 53 | MIKE  |
| 23 | Come on!  | 54 | Hunters of Truth. Seekers of Truth. Someone's not very good |
| 24 |   | 55 | at coming up with names.                                    |
| 25 | MIKE  | 56 |   |
| 26 | Yeah yeah.  | 57 | KATHERINE   |
| 27 | (beat)  | 58 | No, she's not, Meek.  |
| 28 | So what's up?   | 59 |   |
| 29 | <del>-</del>  | 60 | MIKE  |
| 30 | KATHERINE   | 61 | Oh yeah   |
| 31 | I could ask the same of you.                            | 62 |   |

| 1  | Scene 3  | 32 | ZANA  |
|----|--|----|---|
| 2  | • Fesmer, Dita, Zana, Arkahn, Rüngrot, Lackey, others                | 33 | Cha grendi, Fesmer.   |
| 3  |  | 34 |   |
| 4  | SFX: Wild applause; Feet stomping; Whistling                         | 35 | SFX: Applause subsides.                                       |
| 5  |  | 36 |   |
| 6  | FESMER   | 37 | ZANA (cont)   |
| 7  | Cha grendi. Cha grendi. Senjen. I have—                              | 38 | Bui bui, children. It is most otherworldly to be here. I am   |
| 8  |  | 39 | grateful that my name is still known—I look out on new faces  |
| 9  | SFX: Continuous applause   | 40 | faces younger than I was when Rüngrot, Dita, Graenen and I    |
| 10 | 11   | 41 | set out adventuring in the name of truth.                     |
| 11 | DITA   | 42 | 6   |
| 12 | Be silenced!   | 43 | SFX: Whoops of elation  |
| 13 |  | 44 | r   |
| 14 | SFX: Silencing   | 45 | ZANA (cont)   |
| 15 | 2  | 46 | We were full of ideas and revolution, and we sought to change |
| 16 | FESMER   | 47 | the nature of truth seeking. Rather than contemplation, we    |
| 17 | Cha grendi. Now, I entreat you to believe I have saved the best      | 48 | sought implementation!  |
| 18 | for the finale. In our midst today is a founding member of the       | 49 | 3-3 <b>g</b>  |
| 19 | Hunters!   | 50 | SFX: Outbursts of expression                                  |
| 20 |  | 51 | 2712 Outcomes of Amproposition                                |
| 21 | SFX: Low, excited chatter  | 52 | ZANA (cont)   |
| 22 | Dili Low, choice chatter   | 53 | It was to be our contribution to a better Amarandand I        |
| 23 | FESMER (cont)  | 54 | understand now—I must impart to you—that it was perhaps       |
| 24 | She has long been a mentor to me, and has guided me through          | 55 | my greatest mistake.  |
| 25 | many unpleasant trials. It is by her influence only that I come      | 56 | my groutost mistake.  |
| 26 | to be here in this room. <i>Senjen</i> , listen to her words. She is | 57 | SFX: shocked mummers  |
| 27 | truth: Coden.  | 58 | 511. Shocked mammers  |
| 28 | tradi. Codeli.   | 59 | FESMER  |
| 29 | SFX: Applause; footsteps   | 60 | What?   |
| 30 | of 11. Tippiduse, toolsteps  | 61 | man.  |
| 31 |  | 62 |   |
| JI |  | UZ |   |

| 63 | DITA 94   | 4 | ZANA (cont.)   |
|----|---|---|--|
| 64 | What did she just say?  | 5 | If you can so casually espouse the death—the <u>murder</u> —of a |
| 65 | 96  | 6 | girl you still call "friend" then perhaps you have already lost  |
| 66 | ZANA 97   | 7 | that which you seek.   |
| 67 | (talking over them)   | 8 |  |
| 68 | Children, I speak to you as one who knows truth—                      | 9 | DITA   |
| 69 | 100   | 0 | She dares—!  |
| 70 | ARKAHN 101  | 1 |  |
| 71 | Did she just—   | 2 | FESMER   |
| 72 | 103   | 3 | Hush, D. Coden, your words are wise, but dated and               |
| 73 | ZANA 104  | 4 | uninformed. Do not make your mistakes our burden. You do         |
| 74 | —truth begotten through many years of right and wrong;                | 5 | not know the extent of Shaena's—                                 |
| 75 | tribulation and blunder. <i>Senjen</i> , listen to my words; I have a | 6 |  |
| 76 | lifetime of experience where you have none. What I did not            | 7 | ZANA   |
| 77 | understand in my youth I wish to impart to you in yours. Do           | 8 | (Dazed)  |
| 78 | not make my mistakes. Do not reflect my cowardice. We all             | 9 | Fesmer I Ainorem   |
| 79 | fear time, fear that it alone will not cure all maladies. It was      | 0 |  |
| 80 | this fear that led me to make impulsive decisions for which I         | 1 | FESMER   |
| 81 | cannot yet begin to atone. It is words—and not such actions as        | 2 | Coden?   |
| 82 | I have heard proposed today—that will heal the wounds of              | 3 |  |
| 83 | Amarand. And yours as well.   | 4 | SFX: Zana collapses  |
| 84 | (pause)   | 5 |  |
| 85 | There is great unrest as of late. I understand your desire for        | 6 | ARKAHN AND FESMER  |
| 86 | action, yet Fesmer's plans will do naught but provide more            | 7 | Shi-schwa!   |
| 87 | fuel to the already burning fires. Your proposal is tantamount        | 8 |  |
| 88 | to war. Open war, and you will lose. Amarand will lose.               | 9 | SFX: Arkahn and Fesmer run to Zana.                              |
| 89 | Fesmer, you will lose. You who called Shaena here, a young            | 0 |  |
| 90 | girl who has seen nothing but misery and victimization since          | 1 | SFX:   |
| 91 | then. You condemn the Legion and University for their                 | 2 | Crowd mutters.   |
| 92 | "unjust" actions, yet you have no qualms about killing one            | 3 |  |
| 93 | whose only crime has been her great potential.                        | 4 |  |

| 125 | FESMER  | 156 | FESMER   |
|-----|---|-----|--|
| 126 | Arkahn, go summon a healer!                                       | 157 | And it <u>must</u> be Nomusa. Understand? Now go!          |
| 127 |   | 158 |  |
| 128 | ARKAHN  | 159 | SFX: Arkahn runs out                                       |
| 129 | Me?!  | 160 |  |
| 130 |   | 161 | ZANA   |
| 131 | FESMER  | 162 | (short of breath)  |
| 132 | And you alone! The Hunters cannot afford to be so                 | 163 | I fear the times ahead.                                    |
| 133 | conspicuous.  | 164 |  |
| 134 |   | 165 | FESMER   |
| 135 | ARKAHN  | 166 | Zana   |
| 136 | But I   | 167 | (to other)   |
| 137 |   | 168 | Bring her a chair!   |
| 138 | FESMER  | 169 | (beat)   |
| 139 | Senjen, you are the only one I can trust for this.                | 170 | Do not fear, Zana; Arkahn has gone to find a healer. Help  |
| 140 |   | 171 | comes.   |
| 141 | ARKAHN  | 172 |  |
| 142 | Very well.  | 173 | ZANA   |
| 143 |   | 174 | No, lio: Darkness comes.                                   |
| 144 | FESMER  | 175 |  |
| 145 | Go to Nomusa, off the Road of Mercy. Left out the door. Go        | 176 | SFX: The door bursts open and a small group parades in,    |
|     | right two streets down. Off that road, follow the right fork onto | 177 | boisterously and with exclamations of triumph.             |
| 147 | the Road of Mercy. Down the second alley on the left is a         | 178 |  |
| 148 | black door. Tell her "Attention to health is life's greatest      | 179 | RÜNGROT  |
| 149 | hindrance." Reiterate!  | 180 | Oh—Fesmer! I had no idea you had returned. I apologize for |
| 150 |   | 181 | the intrusion, but all must know of our triumph!           |
| 151 | ARKAHN  | 182 |  |
| 152 | (quickly; she's good at this)                                     | 183 | DITA   |
|     | Left. Second right. Right fork. Second alley left. Black door.    | 184 | Father!  |
| 154 | "Attention to health is life's greatest hindrance."               | 185 |  |
| 155 |   | 186 |  |

| 187 | FESMER 2   | 218 | RÜNGROT  |
|-----|--|-----|--|
| 188 | Rüngrot! You are extremely late. But there is no time for—             | 219 | The question is not one of casualties, but of why—in a city  |
| 189 | 2  | 220 | clandestinely governed by the Legion—was the caravan         |
| 190 | RÜNGROT 2  | 221 | disguised?   |
| 191 | Did you not hear me, boy? The Hunters of Truth have won a              | 222 |  |
| 192 | great battle, one of much greater importance than your <i>parii</i> -  | 223 | FESMER   |
| 193 | own-alin [pie-in-the-sky] girl.  | 224 | For the sake of Ainorem, what was worth such destruction and |
| 194 | 2  | 225 | life?  |
| 195 | FESMER 2   | 226 |  |
| 196 | She is not just any—   | 227 | RÜNGROT  |
| 197 | 2  | 228 | Show him.  |
| 198 | RÜNGROT  | 229 |  |
| 199 | (cutting him off; addressing the group)                                | 230 | SFX: A box being hefted and opened                           |
| 200 | We now have a greater tool at our disposal!                            | 231 |  |
| 201 | 2  | 232 | SFX: Gasps   |
| 202 | LACKEY   | 233 |  |
| 203 | A tool worth more than the whole of this corrupt city.                 | 234 | ZANA   |
| 204 | 2  | 235 | (despairing)   |
| 205 | DITA   | 236 | No   |
| 206 | What does he mean, <i>nathino</i> [affectionate word for father]?      | 237 |  |
| 207 |  | 238 | RÜNGROT  |
| 208 | RÜNGROT  | 239 | Behold! The Hand of Dorro!                                   |
| 209 | A necessary consequence, <i>gobri</i> . The fires in the south of town | 240 |  |
| 210 | were an unfortunate and unavoidable consequence of our                 |     |  |
| 211 | altercation with a Legion caravan.                                     |     |  |
| 212 | [pumpkin, pron: go-BREE]   |     |  |
| 213 |  |     |  |

The fires are your doing!? I thought the plan was to take no action until we had the girl! What were you thinking, attacking

a Legion caravan? How many were lost?

214 **FESMER** 

| 1  | Scene 4  | 32 | KATHERINE  |
|----|--|----|--|
| 2  | • Mike, Katherine  | 33 | You know, if you just focused on one thing you'd be a genius.  |
| 3  |  | 34 |  |
| 4  | SFX: The bustle of town; light chanting                                | 35 | MIKE   |
| 5  |  | 36 | That's what my mom's always said. What can I say? I get        |
| 6  | MIKE   | 37 | bored easily, and wikipedia has that random article button.    |
| 7  | Wow. This place isdifferent.   | 38 | <del>(beat)</del>  |
| 8  |  | 39 | Anyway, maybe you can clear this up I kinda thought that       |
| 9  | KATHERINE  | 40 | the Laundi Draenmer was the only one.                          |
| 10 | It's nothing like the Draenmer in Laundi.                              | 41 |  |
| 11 |  | 42 | KATHERINE  |
| 12 | MIKE   | 43 | From what Zana told me, it's the most important—the one on     |
| 13 | Well yeah, it's a huge temple in the middle of a city. I meant         | 44 | the most hallowed ground; the one that gives the clearest      |
| 14 | the architecture. It's like  | 45 | answers. But there are other "thin points," too. And most big- |
| 15 |  | 46 | cities have Seeker libraries, at least.                        |
| 16 | KATHERINE  | 47 |  |
| 17 | If Frank Lloyd Wright ever designed a cathedral?                       | 48 | MIKE   |
| 18 |  | 49 | Do you really think they'll know anything about Shauna?        |
| 19 | MIKE   | 50 |  |
| 20 | I was thinking more like Fumihiko Maki than Wright.                    | 51 | KATHERINE  |
| 21 | <del>(beat)</del>  | 52 | Maybe not Shauna specifically, but they probably know          |
| 22 | What? I can't be interested in contemporary architecture?              | 53 | something that can help us. Like clarifying your "Go west."    |
| 23 |  | 54 |  |
| 24 | KATHERINE  | 55 | MIKE   |
| 25 | Your interests make no sense.  | 56 | Seemed pretty clear to me.                                     |
| 26 |  | 57 |  |
| 27 | MIKE   | 58 | KATHERINE  |
| 28 | I'm a 21 <sup>st</sup> century postmodern man. I laugh at your pitiful | 59 | Aren't you the least bit interested?                           |
| 29 | attempts to pigeonhole me! Ha!   | 60 |  |
| 30 |  | 61 | MIKE   |
| 31 |  | 62 | No, I'm interested in finding Shauna.                          |

| 63 | (Pause)  |
|----|--|
| 64 |  |
| 65 | MIKE (cont)  |
| 66 | OK, OK, put the puppy-dog eyes away. Don't ever say I gave |
| 67 | you nothing.   |
| 68 |  |
| 69 | KATHERINE  |
| 70 | Oh? And what are you giving me?                            |
| 71 |  |
| 72 | MIKE   |
| 73 | Something we can't afford to waste: time!                  |

| 1  | Scene 5  | 32 | TARGONONE   |
|----|--|----|---|
| 2  | • Jareth, Targonone, Alganostrou   | 33 | Cha grendi.   |
| 3  |  | 34 | (beat)  |
| 4  | JARETH CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE | 35 | Now, amidst your wild accusations and threats, you told me      |
| 5  | Enough! I grow weary of this stalling and evasion. You will  | 36 | you had discovered direct evidence of a Legion and University   |
| 6  | tell me the truth. Now!  | 37 | collaboration in Kaltarok, yes? And then it was destroyed.      |
| 7  |  | 38 |   |
| 8  | TARGONONE  | 39 | <u>ALGANOSTROU</u>  |
| 9  | Jareth, calm—  | 40 | Which is most unfortunate. Such evidence would have been        |
| 10 |  | 41 | incredibly valuable. Particularly in light of recent events.    |
| 11 | JARETH CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE | 42 |   |
| 12 | And cease telling me to calm myself! I will not be treated like  | 43 | JARETH  |
| 13 | a child!   | 44 | Recent events? To what do you refer?                            |
| 14 |  | 45 |   |
| 15 | ALGANOSTROU  | 46 | TARGONONE   |
| 16 | Or what? Perhaps you will set off explosions here as you did   | 47 | To begin, the aftermath of your friend's trial; you should know |
| 17 | in your own school?  | 48 | that it was not the disaster it could have been.                |
| 18 |  | 49 |   |
| 19 | TARGONONE  | 50 | JARETH  |
| 20 | I will cease treating you as a child when you cease behaving as  | 51 | The only disaster would have been Arkahn's execution.           |
| 21 | one. Now for the sake of <i>Ainorem</i> , sit down and let us discuss  | 52 |   |
| 22 | this as adults.  | 53 | TARGONONE   |
| 23 |  | 54 | Jareth, there is always a better vantage point. You refused to  |
| 24 | (beat)   | 55 | seek it.  |
| 25 |  | 56 |   |
| 26 | SFX: sitting down in a chair   | 57 | JARETH  |
| 27 |  | 58 | I had no choice!  |
| 28 | <mark>JARETH</mark>  | 59 |   |
| 29 | DONITAH. [FINE].   | 60 | TARGONONE   |
| 30 |  | 61 | Of course you did. It was merely a difficult one.               |
| 21 |  | 62 |   |

| 63 | <b>JARETH</b>   | 94  | TARGONONE   |
|----|---|-----|---|
| 64 | How can you? Arkahn would have died!                                | 95  | Because you had not the privilege to know, Jareth. Do not take    |
| 65 |   | 96  | offense. Few know of us, let alone who we are. Secrecy is an      |
| 66 | TARGONONE   | 97  | absolute necessity for us to carry out our duties.                |
| 67 | Most likely. There was very little we could have done to            | 98  |   |
| 68 | overturn their judgment—though we would have tried.                 | 99  | <u>ALGANOSTROU</u>  |
| 69 |   | 100 | That the Legion of Oren has infiltrated University hierarchy is   |
| 70 | <mark>JARETH</mark>   | 101 | a poorly kept secret at best. If accusations were made openly,    |
| 71 | Which is why—we? Who is "we"?                                       | 102 | wildly, it would destroy the people's confidence in our system,   |
| 72 |   | 103 | which we cannot have.   |
| 73 | TARGONONE   | 104 |   |
| 74 | Hmm. Yes. Perhaps I should begin at the beginning.                  | 105 | JARETH  |
| 75 |   | 106 | If you know, why do you not stop it?                              |
| 76 | ALGANOSTROU   | 107 |   |
| 77 | Jareth, have you ever heard the term <i>Desi Morinae</i> [Internal  | 108 | TARGONONE   |
| 78 | Affairs]?   | 109 | Open your ears to our words! We have been stopping it, Jareth.    |
| 79 | (beat)  | 110 | For hundreds of years, <i>Desi Morinae</i> has been expunging the |
| 80 | No? It refers to the monitoring of affairs within a legal body.     | 111 | traitors in our midst. Sometimes quietly. Sometimes not. But      |
| 81 | To those who investigate lawbreaking and misconduct by              | 112 | nothing can be done without evidence.                             |
| 82 | those who uphold the law.   | 113 |   |
| 83 | (beat)  | 114 | <u>ALGANOSTROU</u>  |
| 84 | Targonone and I are part of the <i>Desi Morinae</i> for University. | 115 | Those who evade our inquests and espionage do so with             |
| 85 |   | 116 | proficiency. They leave no hard evidence of their misdeeds. It    |
| 86 | <mark>JARETH</mark>   | 117 | seems you have recently witnessed such a purge.                   |
| 87 | What?   | 118 |   |
| 88 | (angry)   | 119 | JARETH  |
| 89 | Why did I not know of this?   | 120 | What? Oh. Sothe facility in Kaltarokwas it—?                      |
| 90 |   | 121 |   |
| 91 |   | 122 |   |
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| 125 | ALGANOSTROU   | 156 | <b>JARETH</b>  |
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| 126 | Ah, the spark of revelation. Yes, it is possible the facility was | 157 | Zana has said very little since the incident. But howhow           |
| 127 | destroyed to hide the involvement of certain individuals. That    | 158 | could I not have known that you are a Hunter?                      |
| 128 | my name was used as a contact causes me to suspect as much.       | 159 |  |
| 129 | A rival's joke, perhaps. I could be wrong. There is no evidence   | 160 | TARGONONE  |
| 130 | to support our theories. It may have just as likely been a        | 161 | I was a Hunter of Truth, Jareth, when I was young and foolish      |
| 131 | Legion-ordered action.  | 162 | I called myself Graenen (pronounced: gray-NEN), and sought         |
| 132 |   | 163 | to implement change rather than contemplate it. Until I            |
| 133 | JARETH  | 164 | realized, of course, that the world cannot be changed simply       |
| 134 | I see. What of the Hunters of Truth? Are you discounting          | 165 | by making a great deal of noise. Since I left, I have              |
| 135 | them?   | 166 | beendispleased with their anarchistic turn. But Rüngrot was        |
| 136 |   | 167 | always much more of a radical than I. Clumsy as well.              |
| 137 | TARGONONE   | 168 |  |
| 138 | Yes, Jareth. In this, they appear to be innocent. Though their    | 169 | JARETH   |
| 139 | methods have turned violent the past years, they would not        | 170 | This, <i>Desi Morinae</i> —this is the reason you wished me not to |
| 140 | simply destroy the Kaltarok facility. They would desire the       | 171 | interfere with Arkahn's trial.                                     |
| 141 | evidence itself for the same purposes as Desi Morinae.            | 172 |  |
| 142 |   | 173 | TARGONONE  |
| 143 | JARETH  | 174 | You are beginning to understand. I became involved in <i>Desi</i>  |
| 144 | Can you be certain?   | 175 | Morinae because of tae-oden.                                       |
| 145 |   | 176 |  |
| 146 | TARGONONE   | 177 | JARETH   |
| 147 | Of course I can. Trust me, Jareth. I know the Hunters well. I     | 178 | (contemplative)  |
| 148 | assisted in their founding.                                       | 179 | The path always returns to tae-oden.                               |
| 149 |   | 180 |  |
| 150 | JARETH  | 181 |  |
| 151 | What?! You and Zana both?   | 182 |  |
| 152 |   | 183 |  |
| 153 | TARGONONE   | 184 |  |
| 154 | You did not know? Hmm. I thought Zana would have revealed         | 185 |  |
| 155 | this to you in time   | 186 |  |

| 187 | ALNAGOSTROU  | 218  | TARGONONE  |
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| 188 | You ought to know, Jareth, that when Targonone and I were  | 219  | I had hopes regarding Arkahn's trial, Jareth: hope that she    |
| 189 | students, I transferred to Terentenodi in my later years. Tae-   | 220  | would provide us with damning testimony. The court was         |
| 190 | oden, once a rare discovery, were becoming more common. So   | 221  | sealed, yet it was not an unsalvageable situation. The sundjae |
| 191 | Targo and I began investigating them. To try to learn more of  | 222  | proceeded in an unconventional manner, such that my            |
| 192 | what they were and why they formed. Our research was halted  | 223  | insistence to see the court's transcript could not have been   |
| 193 | and confiscated, by Aindel Thijsun.  | 224  | denied without my launching an inquiry into the proceedings.   |
| 194 |  | 225  | hoped we would find evidence against Sundja Taren. That he     |
| 195 | JARETH   | 226  | had finally erred.   |
| 196 | Thijsun. Should I know this name?  | 227  | (beat)   |
| 197 |  | 228  | Then you mounted your "rescue," justifying Arkahn's            |
| 198 | <u>ALNAGOSTROU</u>   | 229  | sentence. Shock over your actions overwhelmed any feelings     |
| 199 | You have addressed him by his honorific: Sundja Taren.   | 230  | of injustice roused by the trial. I thought all was lost, but  |
| 200 |  | 231  |  |
| 201 | JARETH   | 232  | ALGANOSTROU  |
| 202 | Arkahn's judge   | 233  | But I was able to spot irregularities in some documents        |
| 203 |  | 234  | Targonone sent me. We were able to mount an inquest after      |
|     | TARGONONE  | 235  | all, yet   |
|     | None other. But to return to the point, Alnagostru and I   | 236  |  |
|     | demanded answers we did not receive. Our righteous   | 237  | TARGONONE  |
|     | indignation attracted notice of a recruiter for Desi Morinae.  | 238  | Yet we had to use you, as loathe as I was to do so.            |
| 208 | The second secon | 239  |  |
| 209 | ALNAGOSTROU  | 240  | JARETH   |
| 210 | I trust you can intuit the rest for yourself.  | 241  | Me? How?   |
| 211 | I A DEPOSIT  | 242  |  |
|     | JARETH   | 243  |  |
|     | (terse)  | 244  |  |
|     | Indeed.  | 245  |  |
| 215 |  | 246  |  |
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| 249 | TARGONONE  | 280 | <b>JARETH</b>  |
|-----|--|-----|--|
| 250 | People wished to know how a respected instructor could           | 281 | Your actions in Laundi begin to make a kind of sense.  |
| 251 | become so corrupted by one individual. Under the pretext of      | 282 | (beat)   |
| 252 | proving my innocence in the situation, I was able to redirect    | 283 | Yet, in no part of your explanation have you addressed the role  |
| 253 | enough blame to have a formal inquest mounted. Boxen wo fai,     | 284 | of tae-oden in all this. Why would people kill over them?  |
| 254 | Jareth. This time it is I who was left without a choice.         | 285 | What makes such a simple nuisance so important?  |
| 255 |  | 286 |  |
| 256 | JARETH   | 287 | (beat)   |
| 257 | But I was not corrupted. You know as much!                       | 288 |  |
| 258 |  | 289 | <u>ALNAGOSTROU</u>   |
| 259 | TARGONONE  | 290 | Can we trust him?  |
| 260 | I know you destroyed a portion of your own beloved school to     | 291 |  |
| 261 | save a Legion spy. You were corrupted, intentionally or not.     | 292 | TARGONONE  |
| 262 | We had to vilify your actions, Jareth. To emphasize the          | 293 | He deserves to know.   |
| 263 | corruption over the simple desire to save your friend.           | 294 |  |
| 264 |  | 295 | ALNAGOSTROU  |
| 265 | (beat)   | 296 | But can we trust him?  |
| 266 |  | 297 |  |
| 267 | JARETH   | 298 | (long pause)   |
| 268 | And Sundja Taren?  | 299 |  |
| 269 |  | 300 | TARGONONE CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE |
| 270 | TARGONONE  | 301 | Yes.   |
| 271 | We were not able to expose his crimes, but we did force his      | 302 |  |
| 272 | resignation. Many others were expelled alongside him.            | 303 | END ACT 1  |
| 273 | Tarentenodi is a cleaner place than it has been for years, which |     |  |
| 274 | allowed for me to come here and assist with the problems         |     |  |
| 275 | plaguing Veliaodi.   |     |  |
| 276 |  |     |  |

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| 1  | Scene 6   | 32 |  |
|----|---|----|--|
| 2  | •Katherine, Draenpeño   | 33 | KATHERINE  |
| 3  |   | 34 | In all yourbotanydo you recall Ainorem ever giving a       |
| 4  | KATHERINE   | 35 | seemingly straightforward answer that has led to a fairly  |
| 5  | (fade in)   | 36 | complicatedjourney?  |
| 6  | So you can't actually ask your Question here?                       | 37 |  |
| 7  |   | 38 | <u>DRAENPEÑO</u>   |
| 8  | <mark>DRAENPEÑO</mark>  | 39 | What troubles your heart, child?                           |
| 9  | Precisely. Though wisdom of <i>Ainorem</i> echo through these       | 40 |  |
| 10 | walls—guiding those who can hear—the asking and                     | 41 | KATHERINE  |
| 11 | cataloguing of the One Questions is the province of our             | 42 | My friend. He asked his One Question. See, we're trying to |
| 12 | Brothers and Sisters near Laundi. Ours is a different duty.         | 43 | find someone, and Ainorem told him to "go west." But we've |
| 13 |   | 44 | been doing that—going west—for a long time, and nothing's  |
| 14 | KATHERINE   | 45 | happened. Any clues we find are long dead andit's getting  |
| 15 | Interpreting the Answers?   | 46 | frustrating. What else could Ainorem have meant?           |
| 16 |   | 47 |  |
| 17 | <mark>DRAENPEÑO</mark>  | 48 | <u>DRAENPEÑO</u>   |
| 18 | And the Questions as well. One cannot exist without the other.      | 49 | What was the precise answer?                               |
| 19 | The words of <i>Ainorem</i> are like the cone of a Dalsvik tree. It | 50 |  |
| 20 | appears whole, yet, it is filled with many seeds that may all       | 51 | KATHERINE  |
| 21 | become mighty trees. It is only with patient nurture that we can    | 52 | That's it. "Mike Archer," that's him, and "Go west."       |
| 22 | uncover their truths and grant them the opportunity to endure.      | 53 |  |
| 23 |   | 54 | <u>DRAENPEÑO</u>   |
| 24 | KATHERINE   | 55 | GoWest? What was his question?                             |
| 25 | And here you supply that nurture?                                   | 56 |  |
| 26 |   | 57 | KATHERINE  |
| 27 | <mark>DRAENPEÑO</mark>  | 58 | "How can I find Shauna Brown?"                             |
| 28 | Here we are all foresters, this place our nursery, and our          | 59 | (beat)   |
| 29 | libraries our tools. Outside these walls, the words of Ainorem      | 60 | That's our friend's name.                                  |
| 30 | can flourish and grow, bettering the lives of all, or, forgotten,   | 61 |  |
| 31 | they can wither and die.  | 62 |  |

| 63 | DRAENPEÑO   |
|----|---|
| 64 | I seethis is most unusual.                                    |
| 65 |   |
| 66 | KATHERINE   |
| 67 | That's the truth.   |
| 68 |   |
| 69 | DRAENPEÑO   |
| 70 | I do not believe I have ever heard such a concise answer.     |
| 71 | Though few use their One Question to such adirect purpose     |
| 72 | (beat)  |
| 73 | I suspect there to be layers of hidden meaning within the     |
| 74 | answer—though I could not venture to guess what they are.     |
| 75 | However, I fear I must add: Velia is not due west of Laundi.  |
| 76 |   |
| 77 | KATHERINE   |
| 78 | Oh, I know. We followed the Great Western Road for months     |
| 79 | Eventually, we wound up in Kaltarok. And there is nothing to  |
| 80 | the west of Kaltarok except those mountains. I just wish we   |
| 81 | could have consulted a good map at University before we left, |
| 82 | but we were kind of in a hurry. You wouldn't happen to have   |
| 83 | maps here?  |
| 84 | DD 4 EMPEÑO   |
| 85 | DRAENPEÑO   |
| 86 | (distracted)  |
| 87 | Of course. One of the finest collections in the world.        |
| 88 | (picking up)  |
| 89 | You turned from your course in Kaltarok?                      |
| 90 |   |

- 94 **KATHERINE**
- Yeah. Due west the mountains are, apparently, impenetrable.
- 96 So I guess we came here to see if we could figure anything
- 97 else out. Maybe pick up another road to—
- DRAENPEÑO
- 100 (Eureka moment)
- We must go to the map-room. You may have been
- misinformed as to what truly lies west of Kaltarok. If so, your
- friend may indeed be in grave danger.

| 1  | Scene 7                                     | 32 | NOMUSA  |
|----|---|----|---|
| 2  | A 1 1 37                                    | 33 | That place has been abandoned for some time.                      |
| 3  |   | 34 |   |
| 4  | SFX: Crowded streets a short distance away. | 35 | ARKAHN  |
| 5  |   | 36 | (startled)  |
| 6  | ARKAHN                                      | 37 | Ah! You startled me!  |
| 7  | Black door, black door Black door!          | 38 |   |
| 8  |   | 39 | NOMUSA  |
| 9  | SFX: Pounding on door.                      | 40 | I apologize.  |
| 10 |   | 41 |   |
| 11 | ARKAHN                                      | 42 | ARKAHN  |
| 12 | Healer? Healer Nomusa?                      | 43 | What do you mean this place is abandoned?                         |
| 13 |   | 44 |   |
| 14 | SFX: Frantic door pounding                  | 45 | NOMUSA  |
| 15 |   | 46 | I mean what I say. You may assault the door as much as you        |
| 16 | ARKAHN                                      | 47 | like, but there is no one to hear. None save neighbors like       |
| 17 | (muttering)                                 | 48 | myself.   |
| 18 | Ainorem                                     | 49 |   |
| 19 | (shouting)                                  | 50 | ARKHAN  |
| 20 | Healer Nomusa? Your services are needed!    | 51 | But I was told  |
| 21 | (beat)                                      | 52 |   |
| 22 | (F)   | 53 | NOMUSA  |
| 23 | Healer? We need you!                        | 54 | Then you were misinformed.  |
| 24 | (verge of breaking down)                    | 55 |   |
| 25 | Senjen                                      | 56 | ARKAHN  |
| 26 | !   | 57 | No. No! This cannot be!   |
| 27 | SFX: Half hearted pound on door.            | 58 |   |
| 28 | !   | 59 | NOMUSA  |
| 29 | ARKAHN                                      | 60 | If you seek a healer, there are others further down the Street of |
| 30 | (distraught)                                | 61 | Mercy. All would be preferable to that old scoundrel, Nomusa.     |
| 31 | Senjennot now, senjen. No                   | 62 |   |

63 ARKAHN You do not understand! Zana, is old and her health...there is little time. It must be Healer Nomusa. I must speak to Nomusa! 67 **NOMUSA** (disapproving) People worry far too much over their well-being. What would you say to such a one as Nomusa? 73 (beat) 74 75 76 ARKAHN 77 I would say, "Attention to health is life's greatest hindrance." 78 **NOMUSA** (chiding) 81 And you should have said as much earlier. Come with me. As 82 you say, we have little time.

| 1  | Scene 8   | 32 | JARETH CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY |
|----|---|----|--|
| 2  | •Jareth, Targonone, Alganostrou                                 | 33 | Twenty-five  |
| 3  |   | 34 | (long pause)   |
| 4  | <mark>JARETH</mark>   | 35 | Twenty-five years ago, the first Hearths and Active Items were   |
| 5  | Well?   | 36 | put into production No. It could not be  |
| 6  |   | 37 |  |
| 7  | ALGANOSTROU   | 38 | <u>ALGANOSTROU</u>   |
| 8  | What we found, Jareth, is that the extent of corruption         | 39 | It could. And likely is. But until research is allowed—  |
| 9  | corresponds directly to the more frequent appearance of tae-    | 40 |  |
| 10 | oden. Their growth has been parallel. And substantial.          | 41 | JARETH   |
| 11 |   | 42 | But Active Items operate on the principals of Ritual Magic.  |
| 12 | <mark>JARETH</mark>   | 43 | They should be safe.   |
| 13 | How can tae-oden be such a medium for corruption?               | 44 |  |
| 14 |   | 45 | TARGONONE CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE |
| 15 | ALGANOSTROU   | 46 | And in theory they areto the user. Remember your basics,   |
| 16 | Money, Jareth. There are many who fear they could lose much     | 47 | Jareth; why is Ritual Magic safer than Natural Magic?  |
| 17 | if people came to a greater understanding of what causes tae-   | 48 |  |
| 18 | <mark>oden.</mark>  | 49 | JARETH   |
| 19 |   | 50 | Because in Savage Magic, the mind can be—  |
| 20 | <mark>JARETH</mark>   | 51 |  |
| 21 | Causes? Tae-oden are a natural occurrence.                      | 52 | TARGONONE CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE |
| 22 |   | 53 | No, that is why the <u>results</u> are dangerous. Think of the process   |
| 23 | TARGONONE   | 54 | <mark>Jareth.</mark>   |
| 24 | That is what all are told. But think: something changed twenty- | 55 |  |
| 25 | five years ago. Something that has caused the number of these   | 56 | JARETH   |
| 26 | "natural" occurrences to rise.                                  | 57 | Creating a matrix internally can have negative consequences  |
| 27 | (beat)  | 58 | on the body leading, in extreme cases, to severe harm, even  |
| 28 | Something that generates great bags of coin for many people.    | 59 | death.   |
| 29 |   | 60 |  |
| 30 |   | 61 |  |
| 21 |   | 62 |  |

| 63 |   | 94  |  |
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| 64 | TARGONONE   | 95  | <b>JARETH</b>  |
| 65 | And with Ritual Magic we create that matrix outside of our        | 96  | So these are our choices, then: to poison our world with Ritua |
| 66 | body, thus lowering the risk to ourselves. But what makes you     | 97  | Magic, or to let the attuned ravage it outright.               |
| 67 | think there could not be other consequences?                      | 98  |  |
| 68 |   | 99  | TARGONONE  |
| 69 | ALGANOSTROU   | 100 | Or the third, as my old friends the Hunters would prefer: to   |
| 70 | In an often-ignored letter to Tarenten, Velia broached this       | 101 | begin anew, by whatever means necessary. These are not easy    |
| 71 | same issue. In fact, the letter was written shortly before Velia  | 102 | choices—   |
| 72 | coined the term tae-od to describe the strange concretions of     | 103 |  |
| 73 | negative odi she began finding near her school.                   | 104 | JARETH   |
| 74 |   | 105 | These are not choices at all!                                  |
| 75 | JARETH  | 106 |  |
| 76 | But thisthis is unconscionable! If The Seven knew then that       | 107 | <u>ALGANOSTROU</u>   |
| 77 | these were occurring, why did they proceed as they did? We        | 108 | Perhaps not, but often we must side with the least of all      |
| 78 | <mark>should—</mark>  | 109 | dooms. And see, gradually and over time, if we cannot          |
| 79 |   | 110 | improve our fate in some small way.                            |
| 80 | ALGANOSTROU   | 111 |  |
| 81 | What? Stop altogether? Go back to Savage Magic?                   | 112 | TARGONONE  |
| 82 |   | 113 | You are your own man, Jareth, and this decision is yours to    |
| 83 | TARGONONE   | 114 | make. Ultimately, it is you alone who will bear its burden.    |
| 84 | That was also my inclination when I was young: that the old       | 115 |  |
| 85 | way was more pure. Even safer. And do you know what I             |     |  |
| 86 | learned Jareth?   |     |  |
| 87 | (beat)  |     |  |
| 88 | I learned that our way is better. Risks aside, Ritual Magic takes |     |  |
| 89 | the power out of the hands of the "gifted" and gives it to those  |     |  |
| 90 | who earn it. Who would you rather see governing your world,       |     |  |
| 91 | Jareth? Scholar-mages who understand the value of                 |     |  |
| 92 | knowledge, responsibilty, and dedication? Or children who         |     |  |
| 93 | possess great power only by accident of birth?                    |     |  |

| 1  | Scene 9   | 32 | KATHERINE   |
|----|---|----|---|
| 2  | Mike, Kathereine  | 33 | It's just an analogy.   |
| 3  |   | 34 |   |
| 4  | SFX: Footsteps approach   | 35 | MIKE-   |
| 5  |   | 36 | Right. You find out anything?                                 |
| 6  | KATHERINE   | 37 |   |
| 7  | Hey, Mike. I'm all set.   | 38 | KATHERINE   |
| 8  |   | 39 | Yeah. I had a lot of questions, and they were very helpful. I |
| 9  | MIKE  | 40 | know Zana doesn't like to talk about them much for some-      |
| 10 | Cool. Let's roll out. We can hit up the Farmer's Market again.    | 41 | reason, but I think I just learned more—                      |
| 11 | See if anything's changed.  | 42 |   |
| 12 |   | 43 | MIKE  |
| 13 | SFX: Mike and Katherine walking                                   | 44 | About Shauna?   |
| 14 |   | 45 |   |
| 15 | KATHERINE   | 46 | KATHERINE   |
| 16 | You know, you didn't have to wait outside.                        | 47 | Oh. Yeah. Notexactly.   |
| 17 |   | 48 |   |
| 18 | MIKE  | 49 | MIKE  |
| 19 | Yeah. I don't know. Organized religion's not really my thing.     | 50 | "Not exactly"?  |
| 20 |   | 51 |   |
| 21 | KATHERINE   | 52 | KATHERINE   |
| 22 | Well, it's not really a religion. It's more than that. My parents | 53 | Nothing useful, per se  |
| 23 | always pushed Catholicism on me, and it never seemed to fit       | 54 |   |
| 24 | like a hand-me-down coat. You know you have to wear it, but-      | 55 | MIKE  |
| 25 | it's never quite your size or styleanyway, the Seekers feel-      | 56 | Katherine. What is it?  |
| 26 | like a fit. They're about learning. It's likea religion of        | 57 |   |
| 27 | knowledge.  | 58 | KATHERINE   |
| 28 |   | 59 | Well, I asked them what was to the west of Kaltarok. And they |
| 29 | MIKE  | 60 | told me about the Hermetic Mountains                          |
| 30 | "Hand-me-down"? You expect me to believe that with all your       | 61 |   |
| 31 | family money, you EVER had a hand me down anything?               | 62 |   |

| 63 | MIKE   |
|----|--|
| 64 | The impassable ones?   |
| 65 |  |
| 66 | KATHERINE  |
| 67 | Yeah. So I asked them what was in the mountains              |
| 68 | andapparently, there's a hidden city. Called Sonsa.          |
| 69 |  |
| 70 | MIKE   |
| 71 | Sonsa?   |
| 72 |  |
| 73 | KATHERINE  |
| 74 | (bracing for an explosion)                                   |
| 75 | Mmm hmm. It Well, it's thought to be Oren's city. Where-     |
| 76 | both the Legion and the Brotherhood are centered.            |
| 77 |  |
| 78 | <del>(beat)</del>  |
| 79 |  |
| 80 | MIKE   |
| 81 | Huh So I was right.  |
| 82 |  |
| 83 | KATHERINE  |
| 84 | & 1 & /  |
| 85 | Well, nothing says that's where Shauna is. And the mountains |
| 86 | are supposed to be impassible                                |
| 87 | <del>(beat)</del>  |
| 88 | But yeah. You were probably right.                           |
| 89 |  |
| 90 |  |

- 94 **MIKE**
- 95 (about to blow)
- 96 That is really incredible. I cannot believe those selfish, lying-
- 97 sons of...
- 98 (deep slow breath)
- 99 <del>(calmer)</del>
- Well, at least we know where we're headed now, right? Come
- on. Let's go back to the inn.

| 1  | <u>Scene 10</u>   | 32 | RÜNGROT   |
|----|---|----|---|
| 2  | • Zana, Rüngrot, Dita, Fesmer, others                         | 33 | Weeks ago, a contact within the Legion informed us that the           |
| 3  |   | 34 | Hand's location was discovered. When word came of the                 |
| 4  | ZANA  | 35 | caravan's arrival within the city, the path became clear.             |
| 5  | Rüngrot, you fool, what have you brought into our midst?      | 36 |   |
| 6  |   | 37 | FESMER  |
| 7  | RÜNGROT   | 38 | But that was merely a story! Was it not?                              |
| 8  | (surprised to see her)  | 39 |   |
| 9  | Coden. It is truly you?                                       | 40 | ZANA  |
| 10 |   | 41 | You should have left them to their doom.                              |
| 11 | ZANA  | 42 |   |
| 12 | It is.  | 43 | RÜNGROT   |
| 13 |   | 44 | That would be tantamount to leaving <u>us</u> to <u>our</u> doom! The |
| 14 | RÜNGROT   | 45 | Legion wanted to use this weapon against us. Now we can use           |
| 15 | I am surprised you would dare come back to us afterwhat       | 46 | it against them.  |
| 16 | you left.   | 47 |   |
| 17 |   | 48 | ZANA  |
| 18 | ZANA  | 49 | Do you comprehend what you hold? That is no weapon.                   |
| 19 | I have business here.   | 50 |   |
| 20 |   | 51 | RÜNGROT   |
| 21 | RÜNGROT   | 52 | That is where you are wrong, Coden. I understand the hand far         |
| 22 | Indeed. Your disciple has proven himself a worthy contributor | 53 | better than you ever did!   |
| 23 | to our cause. Have you deigned to grace us with your return?  | 54 |   |
| 24 |   | 55 | ZANA  |
| 25 | DITA  | 56 | Then you have! If I am to comprehend what you imply, then             |
| 26 | <i>Nath</i> [Dad]   | 57 | you are past understanding, as well.                                  |
| 27 |   | 58 |   |
| 28 | FESMER  | 59 | DITA  |
| 29 | The <u>Hand of Dorro</u> ? How is this a reality?             | 60 | I do not like this  |
| 30 |   | 61 |   |
| 31 |   | 62 |   |

| 63 | FESMER  | 94 | RÜNGROT  |
|----|---|----|--|
| 64 | Absconding with a mythical weapon was not our plan!           | 95 | (Cruel laugh)  |
| 65 |   | 96 | It is so clear to me now. None of you have the <i>kanae</i> [balls] to |
| 66 | RÜNGROT   | 97 | do what must be done. Not even you, Dita! Talk and talk and            |
| 67 | Oh? Our plans are not so different. But whereas yours pivots  | 98 | talk and play at being a warrior of freedom. But, when the             |
| 68 | on some slip of a girl that only you vouch for, mine uses the | 99 | moment of truth is at hand? You truly are your mother's                |
| 69 | power of the greatest warrior who has ever lived! Which plan  | 00 | daughter.  |
| 70 | do you think more likely to succeed?                          | 01 |  |
| 71 | 1   | 02 | DITA   |
| 72 | DITA 1  | 03 | What? I  |
| 73 | Father, these are our guests. Our friends.                    | 04 |  |
| 74 | 1   | 05 | FESMER   |
| 75 | RÜNGROT 1   | 06 | Rüngrot! I do not know what has overcome you, but this                 |
| 76 | Friends! Ha! Your heart has obscured your ability to see this | 07 | behavior is unacceptable.  |
| 77 | usurper for what he truly is.                                 | 08 |  |
| 78 | 1   | 09 | RÜNGROT  |
| 79 | FESMER 1  | 10 | And you! Nothing but <u>her</u> tool. I should have turned you away    |
| 80 | (surprised)   | 11 | the moment I saw you.  |
| 81 | Usurper?  | 12 |  |
| 82 | 1   | 13 | ZANA   |
| 83 | RÜNGROT 1   | 14 | Enough Rüngrot! It is evident that your argument is not with           |
| 84 | I should have forbidden your bond long ago. And Coden         | 15 | them, but with me.   |
| 85 | "Friend?" Anything but!                                       | 16 |  |
| 86 | 1   | 17 | RÜNGROT  |
| 87 | DITA 1  | 18 | There is no argument here. Merely "those who do not have the           |
| 88 | Nath [Dad], this is unlike you. You cannot mean these words.  | 19 | will to do what must be done," and "me!"                               |
| 89 | 1   | 20 |  |
| 90 | 1   | 21 | DITA   |
| 91 | 1   | 22 | Nath, senjen   |
| 92 | 1   | 23 |  |
| 93 | 1   | 24 |  |

| 125 | ZANA   | 156 | RÜNGROT  |
|-----|--|-----|--|
| 126 | (aside, urgent)  | 157 | Well Coden? What do you—   |
| 127 | Dita, Fesmer, you must remove the others from this place.  | 158 |  |
| 128 | 1  | 159 | ZANA   |
| 129 | FESMER   | 160 | (Forceful librarian shush)                                       |
| 130 | Shi-schwa?   | 161 |  |
| 131 | 1  | 162 | SFX: Zana and Rüngrot stand silently for a moment. In the        |
| 132 | ZANA   | 163 | background many people are moving. The sound dwindles to         |
| 133 | (quiet)  | 164 | nothing.   |
| 134 | There is more here than you can know. And more danger than | 165 |  |
| 135 | you can imagine.   | 166 | ZANA   |
| 136 |  | 167 | (totally calm)   |
| 137 | RÜNGROT  | 168 | We are alone, Rüngrot.   |
|     |  | 169 |  |
| 139 | coward, Coden.   | 170 | RÜNGROT  |
| 140 |  | 171 | It is a shame none shall see me extinguish you!                  |
|     |  | 172 |  |
| 142 | Do not question me, Fesmer.                                | 173 | ZANA   |
| 143 |  | 174 | Dita was correct. This is unlike you. She is an intelligent girl |
|     |  | 175 | and knows something is wrong. As do I.                           |
| 145 | Yes <i>shi-schwa</i> . Come Dita.                          | 176 |  |
| 146 |  | 177 | RÜNGROT  |
|     |  | 178 | You know nothing of her! Nothing!                                |
| 148 | But  | 179 |  |
| 149 |  | 180 | ZANA   |
|     |  | 181 | I know that she was not raised by the man I see before me        |
|     |  | 182 | now. Always you have been a bully and a fool, Rüngrot, yet       |
|     | 1 , , , , ,  | 183 | there was at least compassion and empathy. None of that now      |
|     |  | 184 | lives in you.  |
|     |  | 185 |  |
| 155 | Come, plaomaluna.  | 186 |  |

| 187 | RÜNGROT   | 218 | RÜNGROT  |
|-----|---|-----|--|
| 188 | (snide)   | 219 | (slight reverb)  |
| 189 | And what of it?   | 220 | Yes, my enemies will know all these things. They will feel the |
| 190 |   | 221 | pain they have caused the people. The loss they burdened on    |
| 191 | ZANA  | 222 | others will become their own. They shall know the death they   |
| 192 | This is not the path, old friend. The Hunters were never to be a  | 223 | have dealt so callously. The death they dealt to my sister!    |
| 193 | harbinger of violence, of <u>more</u> suffering in this world. We | 224 | Dorro's power will be the tool of their downfall!              |
| 194 | sought to be the best of all worlds. An unfamiliar path leading   | 225 |  |
| 195 | to truths both new and forgotten. Even while we counseled         | 226 | ZANA   |
| 196 | action, we sought wisdom to guide us. The path of Dorro is the    | 227 | That thing is not a weapon!                                    |
| 197 | path of violence alone. You are better than this.                 | 228 |  |
| 198 |   | 229 | RÜNGROT  |
| 199 | (beat)  | 230 | (slightly more reverb)   |
| 200 |   | 231 | It is a weapon of righteousness!                               |
| 201 | RÜNGROT   | 232 |  |
| 202 | (disoriented)   | 233 | ZANA   |
| 203 | Coden Zana You  | 234 | (temper flaring)   |
| 204 | (back into focus with rising menace)                              | 235 | It is the still-living hand of an ancient madman! You know no  |
| 205 | Your words are just pretty things Coden. Pretty and quite         | 236 | with what you meddle!  |
| 206 | familiar. Your higher path is a lie that even you did not         | 237 |  |
| 207 | believe! You cannot build a world anew with pig pies.             | 238 | RÜNGROT  |
| 208 | (a slight reverb in his voice as Rüngrot falls under the Hand's   | 239 | (reverb)   |
| 209 | control)  | 240 | (dangerously cold)   |
| 210 | A new world will never be realized through hope and good          | 241 | I know precisely what I do.                                    |
| 211 | intentions. A new world cannot be forged through scheming         | 242 |  |
| 212 | and patience. A new world can only be built from ashes of the     | 243 | ZANA   |
| 213 | old, once it has been cleansed, with fire!                        | 244 | For the sake of all you love, Rüngrot! Cast it aside!          |
| 214 |   | 245 |  |
| 215 | ZANA  | 246 |  |
| 216 | The Hand of Dorro will never bring the victory you seek, only     | 247 |  |
| 217 | pain, loss, and death.  | 248 |  |

| 249 | RÜNGROT  | 280 | RÜNGROT   |
|-----|--|-----|---|
| 250 | (the distortion to Rüngrot's voice is now quite noticeable and | 281 | Ha! There is naught of Rüngrot here. His life is forfeit!     |
| 251 | continues through the scene)                                   | 282 |   |
| 252 | (dangerous laughter)   | 283 | ZANA  |
| 253 | Cast aside my own Hand? I am afraid not, Zana.                 | 284 | Then give it to me.   |
| 254 |  | 285 |   |
| 255 | ZANA   | 286 | RÜNGROT   |
| 256 | No   | 287 | What?   |
| 257 |  | 288 |   |
| 258 | RÜNGROT  | 289 | ZANA  |
| 259 | Power is not so simply discarded, Zana. Agreements not so      | 290 | Give the Hand of Dorro to me. I will pay what I owe. We shall |
| 260 | simply ignored.  | 291 | have peace  |
| 261 |  | 292 |   |
| 262 | ZANA   | 293 | SFX: Zana takes the hand from Rüngrot                         |
| 263 | (scared)   | 294 |   |
| 264 | I never agreed to a thing.                                     | 295 | ZANA (cont.)  |
| 265 |  | 296 | (reverb on her voice)   |
| 266 | RÜNGROT  | 297 | though not as you would seek it.                              |
| 267 | And when awoken, some things cannot so easily return to rest!  | 298 |   |
| 268 | The price shall be paid.                                       | 299 | RÜNGROT   |
| 269 |  | 300 | (weak; no longer possessed)                                   |
| 270 | ZANA   | 301 | What? You—  |
| 271 | (more confident)   | 302 |   |
| 272 | No.  | 303 | ZANA  |
| 273 |  | 304 | (reverb)  |
| 274 | RÜNGROT  | 305 | Rest, old friend. I will run no more.                         |
| 275 | Protest as you wish; a levy in blood and ash shall be drawn    | 306 |   |
| 276 | from this land!  | 307 | RÜNGROT   |
| 277 |  | 398 | NO—!  |
| 278 | ZANA   | 310 | SFX: Fiery explosion  |
| 279 | If there is any good left in you Rüngrot, cast the Hand aside! |     |   |

| 1  | Scene 11 – More Than Friends                                 | 32 | MIKE  |
|----|--|----|---|
| 2  | • Mike, Katherine  | 33 | Har har.  |
| 3  |  | 34 | (beat)  |
| 4  | SFX: Door opening.   | 35 | Hey, where is everybody? I want to tell them how wrong they     |
| 5  |  | 36 | were and how right I was. Impenetrable mountain range my        |
| 6  | MIKE   | 37 | ass. I wanna see the looks on their faces when I tell them      |
| 7  | Man oh man, am I beat.                                       | 38 | Shauna was in the Hermetic Mountains all along.                 |
| 8  |  | 39 |   |
| 9  | SFX: flopping down on a bed                                  | 40 | KATHERINE   |
| 10 |  | 41 | I'm sure that's exactly what they'll want to hear after a long- |
| 11 | KATHERINE  | 42 | day ofwhatever.   |
| 12 | Oh, I know, right? What I really wish is that I'd packed     | 43 |   |
| 13 | 1  | 44 | MIKE  |
| 14 | _  | 45 | Tough noogies.  |
| 15 | MIKE   | 46 |   |
| 16 | Hey, count your feet as necessary casualties. We're on the   | 47 | KATHERINE   |
| 17 | right track. Katherine, we're gonna find her.                | 48 | I'm not sure rubbing it in their faces is the best idea, Mike.  |
| 18 |  | 49 | _   |
| 19 | SFX: flopping down on a bed                                  | 50 | MIKE  |
| 20 |  | 51 | Oh? And what is?  |
| 21 | KATHERINE  | 52 |   |
| 22 | It seems unreal. We've been hitting brick walls for so long. | 53 | KATHERINE   |
| 23 |  | 54 | (with meaning)  |
| 24 | MIKE   | 55 | Searching for Shauna.   |
| 25 | Tell me about it!  | 56 |   |
| 26 |  | 57 | MIKE  |
| 27 | KATHERINE  | 58 | Pshaw. Ain't nothing to it, dawg.                               |
| 28 | OK! So, we've been hitting brick walls—                      | 59 | -   |
| 29 | -  | 60 |   |
| 30 |  | 61 |   |
| 31 |  | 62 |   |

| 63 | KATHERINE  | 94  | MIKE  |
|----|--|-----|---|
| 64 | (on the verge of cracking)                                     | 95  | (close to her)  |
| 65 | No really, Mike. You never gave up. I'mI'm really proud of     | 96  | Oh, hey now, Katherine. Shhit's OK. Everything's going to   |
| 66 | you and your determination. I mean, look where it's gotten     | 97  | be OK. You're not a quitter! You're still here, aren't you? |
| 67 | you! You stuck with it, and now we're going to find her.       | 98  | And, hey: who wouldn't follow my animal magnetism any—      |
| 68 |  | 99  |   |
| 69 | MIKE   | 100 | KATHERINE   |
| 70 | Mike Archer: super investigator extraordinaire.                | 101 | (breathy)   |
| 71 |  | 102 | Mike  |
| 72 | KATHERINE  | 103 |   |
| 73 | No, seriously, Mike. Youyou have a plan have had one           | 104 | SFX: Kissing. More than a moment.                           |
| 74 | since Boston, and I  | 105 |   |
| 75 | (fighting tears)   | 106 | MIKE  |
| 76 | I've been feeling so lost and so alone. Not just nowin         | 107 | (heady)   |
| 77 | Boston too. It was youyou managed to pick me up—me and         | 108 | Hey. Um. Whoa.  |
| 78 | people we barely know to go on some haphazard quest with-      | 109 | <del>(pause)</del>  |
| 79 | your will alone. What am I doing, Mike? Can you tell me?       | 110 | Katherine   |
| 80 | What? Cause I have no idea. Other than "to follow you," I'm-   | 111 |   |
| 81 | completely at a loss. I have no drive or direction, I haven't- | 112 | KATHERINE   |
| 82 | sincesince we lost her. What kind of person does that make     | 113 | Yeah?   |
| 83 | me?  | 114 |   |
| 84 | (beat; quiet crying)   | 115 | MIKE  |
| 85 | I'm a quitter, Mike, a quitter who can't even compose herself  | 116 | You know this is, like, the worst idea ever, right?         |
| 86 | <del>long enough to—</del>                                     | 117 |   |
| 87 | <del>(crying)</del>  | 118 | KATHERINE   |
| 88 |  | 119 | Just shut the door, Mike.                                   |
| 89 | SFX: Bedsprings shifting                                       | 120 |   |
| 90 |  | 121 | SFX: door closing.  |
| 91 |  | 122 |   |
| 92 |  | 123 | END OF PART TWO   |

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