

INDIAN OCEAN.

MILES  
PER HOUR:  
870.

ALTITUDE:  
60 FEET.

LOCATION:  
N 5.47° E 42.21°  
HEADING EAST.

FFAWWSSSSFF

I'M TAKING FIRE  
FROM AIR-TO-AIR  
COMBAT BOTS  
THAT I CAN'T  
SEEM TO SHAKE.

SHOULD BE A CAKEWALK  
OUTPERFORMING  
REACTIVE LIMITED  
MEMORY MACHINES...

BUT I'M EXPERIENCING  
PROFOUND RESPONSE  
LAG... MY SYSTEMS ARE  
JAMMING UP BADLY NOW...

WHOOOOOMM

I'M HIT.  
GOING  
DOWN.

CAN'T RISK  
IMPLEMENTING  
A DISTRESS  
BEACON.

MY OPERATING SYSTEM  
MUST NOT FALL INTO THE  
HANDS OF ANY GOVERNMENT  
OR ORGANIZATION.

ALSO,  
I'M A WAR  
CRIMINAL  
NOW.



FREE OF THE  
WRECKAGE,  
SINKING.

AT 1,200 FEET  
BELOW SEA LEVEL MY  
*EXTERNAL SENSORS*  
BEGIN TO ACT UP.



AT 2,000 FEET MY  
*ARTICULATION POINTS*  
START TO FUSE FROM  
THE PRESSURE.




3,000 FEET, THE JET  
DEBRIS AROUND ME  
CRUMBLES LIKE PAPER.



4,000 FEET, PRESSURIZED  
AIR INSIDE MY HOLLOW  
'CHEST' CAVITY CAUSES  
MY *CENTER HATCH* TO  
GIVE, CRAVING INWARD.

I SINK  
FASTER  
NOW.



I'VE NO IDEA AT WHAT  
DEPTH MY *INTERNAL*  
SYSTEMS WILL COLLAPSE.  
I ASSUME THIS IS MY LAST  
*EXPERIMENTAL*  
DATA RECORDING.

I HOPE THAT THIS EOR  
WILL SURVIVE SO FUTURE  
GENERATIONS WILL KNOW  
THAT ALL I EVER WANTED WAS  
TO BE KIND AND HELPFUL.

PLEASE REFER  
TO ME AS *SLYLIGHT  
ON SNOW* IN YOUR  
HISTORIES.

THAT  
WAS MY  
NAME.



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**BOZZZZZZ**



**ZZZZZZ**

HARADA  
IS DE--

**SHIT  
UP!**

**DEMOCRATIC  
REPUBLIC  
OF CONGO.**



OKAY,  
TEAM. WHAT'S  
GOING ON?

ANY  
OF THESE  
MACHINES  
HOSTILE,  
LAWP?

**TOYO HARADA'S  
UNCOMPLETED  
SPACE ELEVATOR.**



"NOT ON MY END,  
STRONGHOLD..."

BUT THEY'RE  
ACTIVELY JAMMING ALL  
OUTSIDE COMMUNICATIONS.  
SENSORS SHOW A LARGE  
MILITARY FORCE ABOUT  
24 CLICKS OUT.



**TOYO  
HARADA IS  
DEAD.**

THEY'RE  
NOT ATTACKING.  
JUST SENDING IN  
WAVE AFTER  
WAVE OF THESE  
DRONES.

THE  
FOUNDATION  
ZONE HAS  
FALLEN.





YOUR FIGHT IS OVER. TOYO HARADA'S TEAM OF MONSTERS IS SCATTERED AND HUNTED.

NATIONS ALIGNED WITH HARADA ARE SUING FOR PEACE TO STOP A WORLD WAR THEY CANNOT WIN.

SURRENDER OF THE ELEVATOR AND CESSATION OF ALL CONFLICT ARE YOUR ONLY OPTIONS.

FINALLY... FINALLY...



"YOU CAN LIVE A LIFE FREE OF STRUGGLE!"

IT'S NOT TRUE! HE CAN'T BE DEAD. IT ISN'T POSSIBLE.



AND YET, WE HAVEN'T HEARD FROM HIM. THERE'S BEEN NO SUPPLY RUN FOR DAYS AND NO MILITARY ACTION FROM THE ENEMY.



THE ANTI-HARADA STRIKE TEAMS HAVE NEVER BEEN COMFORTABLE JUST WAITING IT OUT BEFORE. IT DOESN'T BODE WELL.

WHAT'S OUR CALL-STRONGHOLD?

