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THE ROUTINE FLIGHT

FROM A SMALL AIRFIELD NOT FAR FROM THE RED CHINESE BORDER, AMERICAN PLANES TOOK OFF DAILY ON ROUTINE SURVEILLANCE AND RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHTS TO MAKE SURE OUR COUNTRY'S ENEMIES WERE NOT PLANNING ANY SURPRISES... THIS IS THE STRANGE STORY OF ONE OF THESE ROUTINE FLIGHTS AND ITS NOT-SO-ROUTINE EXPERIENCE!

HERE ARE YOUR FLIGHT PLANS, JOHN! NOTHING OUT OF THE ORDINARY! JUST A ROUTINE MISSION!

I REALLY SHOULDN'T COMPLAIN, BUT EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE I WISH SOMETHING WOULD HAPPEN! ONE OF THESE DAYS I'M LIABLE TO FALL ASLEEP ON THE JOB...



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ALL SET, COLONEL! ANYTHING SPECIAL ON TAP?

SURE, ED! THE GENERAL WANTS US TO STAY AWAKE THIS TRIP! THERE ARE A FEW MERMAIDS TRYING TO SINK THE FLEET!



A FEW MINUTES LATER THE PLANE WAS AIRBORNE...

EVERYTHING CHECKS OUT, SIR!

OKAY! FROM HERE ON IT'S CLEAR SAILING...



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THE TWO MEN WERE UNPREPARED FOR THE STRANGE WELCOMING COMMITTEE WHICH WAITED FOR THEM AS THEY LEFT THE WRECKAGE!

WHAT IN THE WORLD?--AM I SEEING THINGS?

I---I DON'T KNOW, COLONEL! I WAS ABOUT TO ASK YOU THE SAME THING!



YOU ARE NOT IN ANY DANGER! PLEASE DO NOT BE ALARMED..

DO NOT TRY TO RUN! YOU ARE SURROUNDED! YOU WILL NOT BE HARMED!

WHERE ARE WE? AND WHO ARE YOU???



YOU WILL LEARN SHORTLY! COME WITH ME...!



A SHORT TIME LATER THE TWO MEN WERE TAKEN TO A STRANGE, CIRCULAR ROOM!

IF I DIDN'T KNOW BETTER, I'D THINK WE LANDED ON ANOTHER PLANET!

THE EARTHINGS ARE HERE, COMMANDER!



SIT DOWN, GENTLEMEN!

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? WE HAPPEN TO BE OFFICERS OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE! I DEMAND TO KNOW...



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YOUR WORLD'S TRAVELS AND EXPLORATIONS IN SPACE ARE BECOMING DANGEROUS! WE HAVE BEEN WATCHING YOU CAREFULLY! IT WILL NOT BE LONG BEFORE MAN IS ABLE TO REACH OUR PLANET! WE ARE VERY FAMILIAR WITH THE WAY OF MAN! WE MARTIANS WILL NOT TOLERATE MAN'S INVASION OF OUR LAND!



BUT HOW CAN I--?

SAY NO MORE! IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY! THERE IS NOT MUCH TIME LEFT! YOU MUST RETURN NOW! TAKE THIS! IT MAY BE OF SOME HELP!



INSTANT BLACKNESS SEEMED TO ENGULF THE COLONEL... THEN...

WHERE AM I? GEN. BAILEY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

TAKE IT EASY, JOHN! YOU'VE BEEN BADLY SHAKEN UP...



I COULDN'T HAVE IMAGINED IT! ASK ED! HE'LL TELL YOU I'M...

I'M SORRY, JOHN! BUT ED DIDN'T MAKE IT! HE WAS KILLED INSTANTLY...



UNABLE TO CONTAIN HIMSELF, THE COLONEL EXPLAINED HIS STRANGE EXPERIENCE TO HIS SUPERIOR OFFICER!

THEN I SEEMED TO BLACK OUT! HOW DID I GET HERE?

YOU HAVE QUITE AN IMAGINATION, JOHN! YOUR PLANE HARDLY GOT OFF THE GROUND! YOU CRASHED ALMOST IMMEDIATELY!



OH, BY THE WAY! WHERE DID YOU GET THIS? IT WAS FOUND IN YOUR HAND AFTER THE CRASH!

WHY, THAT IS--- I--- I'M NOT SURE WHERE IT CAME FROM, GENERAL!