



SFIC MISSION SUMMARY:

Operation Starling



Mission Codename: OPERATION STARLING

SECLAR: 3

Case/Contact Officer: Commander Regis Kedder, Station Chief

Mission Classification: Investigation

Intelligence Sector/Base: Sector 3 Intelligence/Argelius

Case Briefing Summary:

Star Fleet Intelligence agent Lieutenant Commander Lyn Kane, having just transferred to the Argelius Field Station within the last month, was taking a routine four-day R&R leave (on Argelius) when he missed his planetary flight to return to duty. Shad, a local artist/informant, reported to SFIC that Kane made a highly irregular and hastily-arranged contact with him, probably just a few hours before Kane was last seen. Kane told Shad that "someone 'real bad' was searching for a priceless gemstone" and believed that Kane had gotten it. Kane denied having any such gemstone and promised to contact Shad in another few hours if possible, but failed to make the second rendezvous. Less than 24 hours later (as per his standing instructions), Shad contacted the local Field Station and reported Kane's disappearance.

The task group's assignment is to learn the whereabouts of Lieutenant Commander Kane, and find out as much as possible about the 'gemstone' and its pursuer.

Other Data:

As his rank would indicate, Kane was an experienced agent and currently between assignments. His skill specialties were Monitor and Field Technician. Kane also maintained a deep-cover identity as a copywriter with the Minour Entertainment Division of the Alphosan Productions Company. Even while operating from his previous duty station on Alphosa, Kane knew Shad and had used him as an informant for a number of months. Kane has no known personal background or skill in gems or gemology, and has never been involved on an SFIC assignment involving crystals or precious stones. His transfer from Alphosa to Argelius was routine in nature.

Shad is a native Argelian artist of some small talent and an alcoholic of great talent. Nevertheless, he has been a fairly reliable informant to date and has little apparent motive to pull anything now.

As usual, should they be contacted directly, the local Argelian authorities will be courteous but not very helpful. (They have little appreciation for SFIC's methods or objectives.) Kane's former Contact Officer, Commander Shisar Thon (the Alphosa Station Chief), may be of some assistance.

The gamemaster will need to prepare suitable background information, and generate character statistics for Kane, Commanders Kedder and Thon (the Station Chiefs), the informant, and other NPCs as necessary. The gamemaster must also determine Kane's actual fate, the existence and nature of the 'gemstone' and its pursuer (if any), and related maps and/or materials for any encounters that might be appropriate.

Current Status:

Available for task group assignment.

