

INFINITE WHONIVERSES- The Warriors of Peladon

(A WORLD WITHOUT THE DOCTOR ADVENTURE)



*“Harm one of us, you harm us all”-
Ancient Martian Code*

She sighed, nervous but confident of her skills and professionalism. This was it, this report would change everything. She looked into the red eye of the Cambot and began her report.

“This is Jana Mace-Zowolski of the Federal News Service, live from the besieged world of Peladon on the fourth day of Nova-Martian occupation.

When Peladon applied for membership of the Galactic Federation, no-one could have foreseen the tragedy that was to occur, when an accident killed the Delegate of New Mars. This sparked a ruthless retaliation as The Empress of New Mars declared it is now a ‘protectorate’ of the Empire.”

She stopped, holding her finger to her earpiece as an update came through from FNS ComHub.

“I am told that Warlord Zuton of the Zygonian Armada is about to make an announcement.”

A reddish/brown-orange puckered Alien appeared.

“Hear uss,” his hissing voice rasped. “The New Zygos Conclave will not stand by while the Martians flagrantly disregard Federation law. Draconia and Arcturus have agreed to combine our fleets into a taskforce to halt NeoMartian aggression. Our first objective is the Liberation of Peladon!”

Jana gasped, shocked by this development but composed herself for her report.

“This development is unnerving. The Zygons interpretation of Federation law, which forbids Political conflict without mediation, is a shocking move.” She paused. “I’m sorry, but Mars is now issuing a new statement.”

The scene shifted to the Ice Palace of New Mars, where troop transports were launching from the Ice fields up to Strike Cruisers waiting in orbit. Grand Ice Marshall Mizaxy, chair of all Military forces addressed the camera.

“Mars rejects the Zygon assertion. We are the injured party. The loss of our Ambassador is unacceptable. This is our ultimatum- Harm one of us, you harm us all! Lord Izlyr will be remembered and avenged!”

The transmission ceased, leaving Jana floundering. The Martians had declared war, what could the Federation council do to mediate a peaceful solution? She said as much to the Cambot, though she did not get far as several Martians approached her. These were different from the normal Warriors. A new type- leaner, lithe and flexible with lighter armour, but with an elongated helmet and three pincer-like gloves that reminded her of a Ninja from Earth history.

“This world is under martial law, you must leave!” The Lead Warrior hissed.

She shook her head. “But I’m with the Fed..” It hissed at her. “No matter, the Zygons and Draconians are coming, all civilians must be evacuated.”

She acquiesced, allowing herself to be shepherded aboard a waiting shuttle, along with other Federation personnel. She noticed Warriors arrest the Delegate from Arcturus as the Alpha Centauri Delegate bobbed up and down in agitation, but that was not her problem. Her problem was covering the situation from a colony twenty light years away, especially when she learned second-hand that the Arcturan Delegate had conspired

with the High Priest to frighten away the Delegates using the myth of Aggedor and that Delegate Izlyr had in fact been murdered.

The Federation Council was in an uproar, split down the middle over this issue. The Martians had deployed their entire warfleet. Earth, the Klinzai, Atraxi, Judoon, Silurians, Kraal and others siding with them. The Opposition formed a Coalition Alliance against 'Martian aggression'. It comprised the Zygons, Arcturans, Draconians, Androzanians, the Warlords of Dronid, Rehansu, Delta Magnons, Chelonians and the Foamasi. Worlds like Trion, the Sense-Sphere, Marinus and Alpha Centauri had declared themselves Neutral and were urging both sides to hold mediation talks.

She grimaced, she could have reported all that, but was side-lined. That turned to relief as all-out war broke out in the Peladon system.

FEDERAL NEWS SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT-

The Battle for Peladon is over. Earthshock bombs were deployed by the Arcturans over the objections of their Allies. The Martian 2nd fleet were wiped out, as were ships from Draconia, Earth and Klinzai.

When Federation Council reassembled, Zygonian Infiltrators assassinated the President and The Guardian of the Solar System and detonated Sontaran Frag grenades, destroying the Council chambers. This revealed a secret alliance with the Sontaran Imperium. The Warlords of Dronid have switched sides as they have

faced Sontaran incursions in the Second Zone several times.

The Trionians have made a surprising Alliance with the CyberRemnant to create a new Cyberlegion, but on the proviso minds are not converted, leaving people's emotions and personalities untouched. It is unclear why as the Trions declared themselves Neutral in the current conflict.

Jana had found herself re-assigned to the Sense-Sphere, somewhere safe- and boring. Most of her duties were made up of passing reports along to ComHub, or commenting on the latest efforts of the Diplomats to try to get a cease-fire between the two sides. The New Confederacy had replaced the loyalist side and battles were taking place across the galaxy.

She had a couple of reports to pass on, so addressed the Cambot.

“The Allied forces launched a devastating assault on Confederacy forces, wiping out the Atraxi fleet. All is not lost, a Rill/Dravin alliance from Galaxy 4 has promised aid and Federation High Command have begun talks with the Rutan Host.

In other news, Dalek ships have been sighted near Kembel in the Miran sector and the 9th Galactic system, on the far edge of the Milky Way. They have not been active in the 1st Galaxy for nearly 500 years, so why are they returning now?”

Over the next few days she was relieved that she had passed on that news. The Fear of the return of the Daleks had created a pause, Draconia and Earth in particular had already disengaged their ships from active combat and it was said that the Thal Exiles and even Movellans were advocating restraint, even calling for peace talks, which would be held here on the Sense-Sphere of all places! She hoped something would happen to make them all see some sense.

FEDERAL NEWS SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT-

Sunshock bombs were deployed against New Mars, despite being outlawed by the Apocalypse Convention and Shadow Proclamation. The Ice fields have melted and the Ice Palace obliterated. The Empress is dead. In retaliation, the Martian Fleet have launched a bio plague offensive against several Allied Homeworlds. New Zygus, Kaldoria, Draconia and Chelonia have been quarantined, while the fate of Arcturus is uncertain. The assault on Sontar Prime was utterly wiped out.

Peace talks on the Sense-sphere were sabotaged by Zephonian terrorists from Galaxy 5.

A fleet of Dominator conquest-cruisers were detected entering the Milky Way.

The 10th Galaxy has formed a Coalition of Outer Galaxies to resist the Dominator incursions of the Local Group.

Aidships from Andromeda have suffered a devastating sneak attack from the Kroton Hive. In response, the 1st, 3rd and 7th fleets have launched offensives against a dozen slaveworlds and Dynotropion facilities. The Krotons are believed to be supported by the Triunity of the Sculptor group of galaxies.

EMERGENCY BROADCAST- MEDUSOID SWARMS ARE REPORTED MOVING AGAINST THE CENTRAL GALAXIES.
A truce has been declared to counter this new threat.

In an historic move, both Sontaran and Rutan forces will halt all aggression in order to counter the Medusoid swarm.

Jana looked at her appearance in the mirror. She needed a haircut, and a wash. But things were spiralling out of control. Even here aboard Marinus Station, Voord troopers kept order and Martial Law had been enacted throughout the Quadrant. She wanted to get back to Earth, as a New Treaty was being signed. Not too soon to stop this madness.

FEDERAL NEWS SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT-
BREAKING NEWS- *An explosion at the Sontaran military academy has been reported. Details Are as yet unspecified.*

Reports are circulating of more explosions across the Throneworld of the Sontarans. Details are vague, but it

seems that Energon Generators are suffering massive feedback.

It has been revealed that the Rutan Host is behind the sabotage on Sontar Prime. Its Delegate informed Confederacy Council as Rutan forces either turned on the Sontarans or left them to fight Medusoids alone to strike at colonies and outposts. As shocking as this betrayal is, especially with the looming threat of the Swarm, most analysts agree it was inevitable that both sides would eventually turn against each other again.

The Rutans claimed they had discovered an instability within the Energon matrices and used the Martian attack as a cover to send in their own strike force.

Elsewhere, conflict has engulfed the Third Zone as Ogron pirates have raided shipping lanes and supply lines.

Other non-aligned Races, such as the Vinvocci, Sentreal and Selachians have also been drawn into smaller wars. The question that we must ask ourselves is- how will all this e....”

END OF TRANSMISSION.

Jana wiped her eye, struggling to keep her emotions in check. The Federation News Service was no more. As far as she was aware, she was the only Correspondent still broadcasting.

The Arcturan Remnant and the Zygons had launched thermonucleoid strikes across the Solar System. Every world, outpost and colony had been hit. Billions wiped

out, including all her friends and colleagues at ComHub, all lost, especially Colmin. How she had wept.

Now she had to stow those feelings away, she had a job to do. She had to pass this information on. She composed herself and activated the transmitter on the Cambot.

“This is Jana Mace-Zowolski, probably one of the few Reporters for the Federal News Service still alive. Chaos reigns. What began as an accident on Peladon has spiralled out of control into a mess of wars and conflicts not seen before. With the destruction of ComHub, I am hoping that whoever receives this report will pass it on. I have reason to believe that the Dalek Empire is behind this senseless war. There have been other reports from the Council of Giants- that romanticized name given by ancient Earth Astronomers, that galaxies like Malpha, Celation and Beaus are allies of the Daleks. There was also a report linking them to the Zephon. In the past, they have used the Ogrons as a screen for their machinations. I think they have manipulated this war to once again invade the Milky Way and other galaxies.” She carried on explain her reasoning, passing on the rumours she had heard, hoping that someone out there would believe her, that something would be done to stop this madness before it was too late.

Mavic Chen had intercepted Jana’s last broadcast, although he was not sure how far it had been disseminated. Not that it mattered anymore anyway. The Major Powers were in disarray, those that remained

and every galaxy within twenty million light years were in some kind of conflict. Those galaxies and outposts held by the Daleks had remained Neutral for a purpose. He reported this, expecting to be rewarded for his efforts.

Instead, he was looking at a Ray gun pointed at him. "YOU-HAVE-SERVED-YOUR-PURPOSE." The Black Dalek informed him.

"EXTERMINATE!" Chen paled as he regretted his error; his own ambition had cost him everything. He wished he had warned Zephon, Trantis, Malphan and the others. They would all be betrayed and conquered by these insane metallic monsters.

Blue fire engulfed him like lightning as the Daleks fired their death rays.

"NO-FORCE-IN-THE-UNIVERSE-WILL-BE-ABLE-TO-STOP-THE-DALEKS-MASTERPLAN. EVERY-GALAXY-WITHIN-TWENTY-MILLION-LIGHT-YEARS-WILL-BE-CONQUERED. THE-DALEKS-WILL-REIGN-SUPREME!" The Black Dalek stated.

The other Daleks echoed the chant as the Dalek Fleets emerged from their hiding places and joined to form an Armada to strike their enemies down and dominate the galaxies.

THE END.

"THE UNIVERSE WITHOUT THE DOCTOR- THERE WILL BE CONSEQUENCES"- MADAME VASHTRA- THE NAME OF THE DOCTOR.

“A WORLD WITHOUT THE DOCTOR SCARCE BEARS THINKING ABOUT.”- THE MASTER- THE FIVE DOCTORS.

THERE ARE A NUMBER OF STORIES WHERE THE DOCTOR'S INTERVENTION IS CRITICAL TO THE EVIL BEING STOPPED OR PROBLEM OVERCOME.

BUT **WHAT IF** HE HAD NOT BEEN THERE? HOW DIFFERENT WOULD THE OUTCOME BE?

IT'S A SCARY THOUGHT, BUT A BRILLIANT PREMISE-

WELCOME TO A WORLD **WITHOUT** THE DOCTOR!!!



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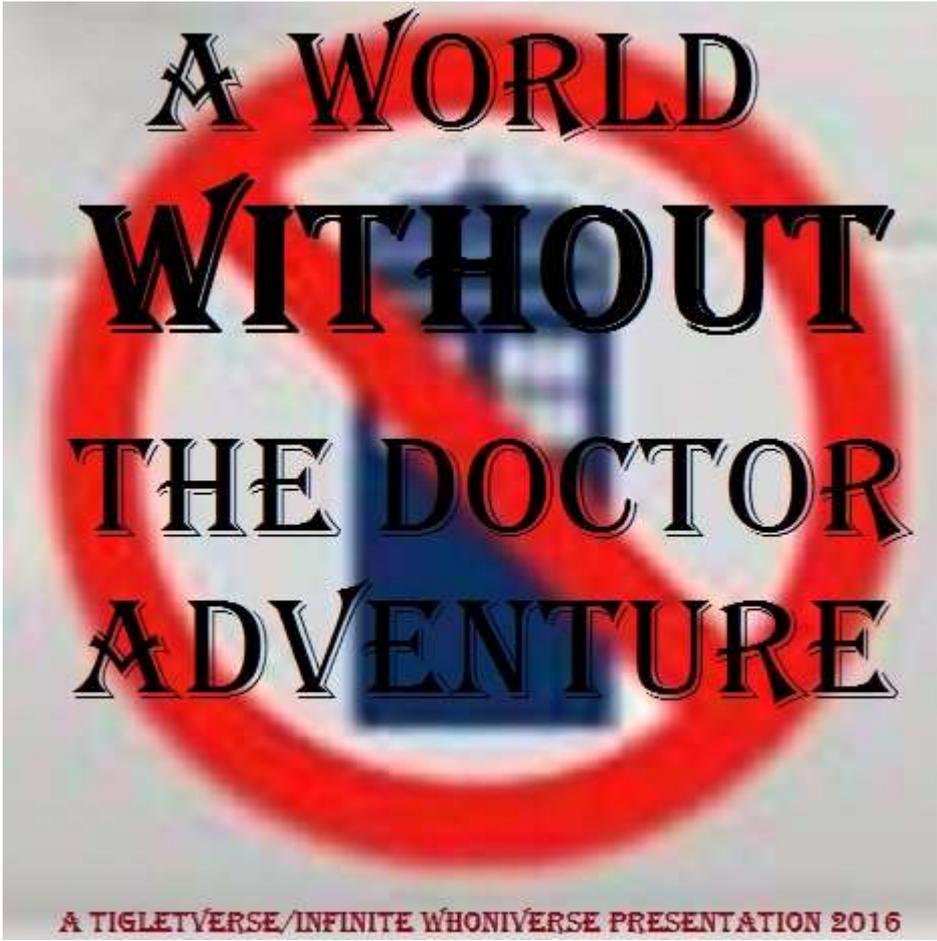
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