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Prologue:

before the land of Equestria, before the unification of the 3 nations, before the existence of unicorns or pegasi; there was the existence of a great empire built upon the use of technology. The empire divided into 2 factions the Brotherhood who use technology to protect the world and the MAL who fused themselves with technology to gain power. The MAL created a weapon of unspeakable power to finally defeat the Brotherhood, in a last attempt to defeat the MAL they asserted all their force to attack them at their main production facility. The battle lasted for 13 weeks 4days with casualties to vast to count, during which time the Brotherhood has reached the center of the facility. Before they are able to retrieve the device something happens that will change the world forever, in an act of desperation the MAL activated the device not knowing its full extent. The reaction within the facility destroyed everything within 200 miles and killed every living thing on the planet in a shockwave of unidentified energy. From the wreckage of the capital city of the Brotherhood 12 survivors were left for unknown reasons.

Transmission end . . .

Entry 1: from the ruins.

Many ages after the event the world had changed in many ways. A new race of pony kind had emerged developing into earth ponies, pegasi, and unicorns. All of these were unaware of any event that had happened before their creation and none ever ventured into the vast deserts of the lost world. The unknown truth would soon come back to haunt Equestria and the world. The attempt to seize Canterlot by the changling queen had ended in failure; the magic force that had thrown her from the city had sent her into the horizon. No one would have guessed how far she had traveled. She had been blasted beyond the borders of the known world into the vast deserts of the lost world.

chrysilis: AAHHHH!

\*lands with a large crash into a sand barrier\*

chrysilis: ill make celestia pay for that, if it’s the last thing i do! Where ever she is.

chrysilis begins to walk without knowing where the is going but with a single purpose REVENGE...

After days of walking and gathering her changlings she stumbles upon ruins the likes of which she had never seen before. She ventured inside without fear unlike her changling army.

chrysilis: ive never seen a place like this. It seems as though nothing has lived here for quite some time.

\*a beeping noise starts in the distance\*

chrysilis: what is that noise

her changlings begin to search for the source of the noise and quickly find an orb encrusted with a glowing gem.

chrysilis: hmmm... i wonder what the purpose of this is... more importantly how do i turn off that noise.

\*she touches the gem activating the device\*

ORB: "system: ONLINE activating holographic projection mode"

chrysilis: what the..!

ORB: greetings and welcome to the facility. i am an Optical Ressonance Biounit or O.R.B. what would you like to know.

chrysilis: what is this place?

ORB: this is the production facility please follow me to oversee production.

chrysilis: production of what?

ORB: please follow me.

\*ORB takes crysilis through a service tunnel behind some wreckage and down into the facility\*

chrysilis: how much farther?

ORB: we are here.

\*the facility's power activates and the lights turn on\*

\*as the lights turn on machinery is revealed\*

chrysilis: what in the world is going on! what are those things!

ORB: this is the TM-180 assault mech developed in this facility for mass production.

chrysilis: how does it work?

ORB: the unit is design to be operated from within by the user inside its cockpit

chrysilis: UHHH?

ORB: a pony gets inside and controls the machine...

chrysilis: why didn’t you say so in the first place?

ORB: i am use to talking to scientists on a daily basis so I’ve never had to dumb down the language before now.

chrysilis: ill just ignore what you just said. Guard get inside the metal suit.

changling gaurd: yes ma'am.

computer: cockpit open.

\*the changling gets into the mech and attempts to operate the machine\*

\*in his attempts he abruptly moves from his place knocking into various pieces of equipment in his inexperience\*

\*after several minutes of chrysilis avoiding being stepped on and the machine destroying the room the changling becomes familiar with the controls\*

chrysilis: ARE YOU QUITE DONE YET!

changling gaurd: sorry ma'am it very awkward in here.

ORB: the suit had to become familiar with your anatomy before you operate the machine. If you had waited for the scan to finish this could have been avoided...

\*the changling accidently pushes a button\*

computer: weapons system: Activated

ORB: don't touch that!

\*ORB turns off the computer system before the machine could fire\*

ORB: you still have not stated your purpose here or why this facility is in ruins.

chrysilis: i do not know why this facility is in ruins we only recently found this place. as for my purpose i am seeking revenge on princess celestia for banishing me to this wasteland.

ORB: so you wish to declare war on an opposing force? This facility holds all the necessary equipment to wage war.

\* ORB opens the door behind where the mech was revealing underground store rooms housing many more mechs\*

ORB: shall we begin the tests?

SCENE 2:

After mounting a group of mechs the changlings move them outside of the facility to begin testing the controls. They test the motors and servos as well as the weapons systems, creating large explosions in the distance. A passerby Kal retrofit, known by his friends as R3D33M3R sees these explosions while searching the ruins for scrap metal and materials for his inventions. He decides to investigate, overhearing a conversation.

Crysilis: with weapons such as this my army shall be unstoppable!

Crysilis: now to take my revenge on those Equestrian fools!

ORB: shall i order the troops onto the drop ships?

chrysilis: what is that then?

ORB: an aerial vehicle which can move assault mechs onto the battlefield.

chrysilis: aerial as in it can fly?

ORB: yes it can travel of great distances and hold up to 32 metric tons of cargo.

chrysilis: yes we shall attack equestria at once! Order everyone to operate the machines.

changling gaurd: at once your highness.

\*warning enemy technology detected activating autopilot\*

changling: what is going on i can’t control it!

The mech begins to target Kal, he begins to flee for his bike as he tries to escape. As he starts up his bike the weapon charges slowly building to firing capacity. he races off into the distance as the weapon discharges a single round missing the bike just narrowly.

ORB: system report indicates that enemy technology was detected inside of that pony's body. But that technology was destroyed long ago... \*he whispers to himself\*

chrysilis: what are you blabbering on about now.

ORB: your highness might i suggest another action. a field test of your combat unit.

chrysilis: and where do you suggest we test them.

ORB: follow the trail left behind by the vehicle. We may find enemy forces that you could test them on.

\*ORB whispers to himself\* could it be they survived... it doesn’t matter i will crush them none the less.

chrysilis: Changlings! We march to victory!

The changlings board a transport and head in the direction of the trail. Soon Kal has returned to his town near the center of the ruins of the brotherhoods city. he meets with the leaders to discuss what he had witnessed.

Kal: council! council! i have a matter of grave importance to speak about!

counicl member: let him through...

\*he enters the council chamber\*

Kal: they are back! the MAL have returned!

council member: the MAL are relics of a time long since past. they havent existed in ages.

Kal: then explain how i saw a war mech in the ruins of the factory that nearly killed me.

council member: you enetered the forbiden area!

Kal: yes its the best place to find what i need. if i hadnt we wouldnt know about them until it was too late!

\*a gaurd sounds the alarm\*

gaurd: enemy incoming! prepare to recieve!

Kal: SEE! i was right!

council member: you dont know if that is what you saw. it could simply be raiders.

\*a whistling sound begins from the distance followed by a massive explosion\*

\*random screams come from the town\*

citizen: the MAL their back! run for your lives!

Kal: if you wont do anything about it then i will!

Kal runs to his lab searching for weapons to arm the gaurds with but cannot find any. the battle continues to rage until the town is destroyed and all that remains is the flaming ruins of metal and charred bodies. Kal manages to survive after being locked in his lab by debrie falling infront of his door. he is able to force the door open after applying great force. he searches the town for survivors but does not manage to find anyone for quite some time. finally he hears a scream for help come from a house across the ally. it was his friend R4Y who had becoming trapped under a support beam. using his mechanical jack he lifts the beam high enough for her to sqeeze from under.

R4Y slides from under the wreckage, attempting to gain her bearings.

Kal: are you alright?

R4Y: yes im fine, what happened?

Kal: we were attacked by the MAL.

R4Y: but i thought they were a myth!

Kal: they are very much real. i saw them in the forbidden area.

R4Y: dont you remember what happened to you last time you went out there?

Kal: yes, but thats beside the point we need to get out of here and warn some place i heard them talking about.

some place called equestria.

R4Y: ive visited a village outside the outlands they mentioned that place before. i can take you there but we should find the others... hopefully they survived.

Kal: agreed lets move.

R4Y and Kal search the ruined town trying to find survivors and search for their friends. Dr0n3 the seer was in his typical spot under the temple, and Cru5h3r was found removing wreckage from the gates along with other survivors.

they joined at the gate to finish removing the debrie as Kal prepared an improvised form of transport.

Cru5h3r: thats the last of it! hows that tank coming.

Kal: its not a tank its an armoured personel transport.

Cru5h3r: it at least can destroy stuff cant it?

Kal: of course it can, i wouldnt build it without the ability to defend in this situation.

Cru5h3r: good i thought you were going soft over there.

Dr0n3: those without sight seldom fight the true fight.

Kal: yea thats normally the case Dr0n3.

R4Y: i think he means those who dont plan ahead are in trouble.

Kal: how do you understand him?

R4Y: its a gift.

\*she smiles in satisfaction\*

Kal: well lets get a move on their already far ahead of us.

\*they climb into the APT and start the engine\*

Cru5h3r: can we catch them in this thing?

Kal: just wait and see, this thing will surprise you...

\*they drive into the the desert heading north west\*

Cru5h3r: im waiting to be surprised Kal...

Kal: here we go!

Kal pushes a button on the control panel, the APT begins to shift as the frame changes. four engines emerge from the sides of the vehicle and start to cycle up. \*prepare for take off in 3... 2... 1...\*

Kal: HANG ON!!

\*primary ignition engaged\*

the speed of the craft increases drahmaticly as the engines ignite. the group begins to scream with the eception of Kal who cheers for it to continue. the pass by the 3 airships in a swift motion and hurtle into the distance.

R4Y: cant we slow down now! we passed them minutes ago!

Kal: sure kill the fun.

Cru5h3r: im gonna be sick...

Kal: fine.

\*computer\* engines: offline. switching to primary transport.

the distance they had traveled in the last 10 minutes had put them beyond the border of the outlands and into the lands south of Eternity's crossing. despite going so far they did not have enough power to make the long trip across the sea.

\*Kal checks the engine of the APT\*

Kal: well weve run out of power but the converter matrix is still useable.

Cru5h3r: English captian brainiac...

Kal: i created another device before creating this vehicle, it can help us get across the sea but its very unreliable.

Cru5h3r: you dont mean that hole maker thing do you? that thing always make me dizzy when you use it...

Kal: the Rift Energy Manipulator isnt a hole maker it tears the fabric of space and folds it into a singularity.

Cru5h3r: uhhhh....

Kal: OK I MAKE A HOLE!

R4Y: but dont you need the coordinates for the exit portal?

Kal: yea but i can compinsate using the NavCom from the transport.

R4Y: this will be one interesting trip...

an hour later after attaching serveral components and inputing coordinates the device was ready.

Kal: there its finished. everyone ready?

dr0n3: with doubt we find ourselves in question.

Kal: ill take that as a yes for him. you two ready?

Cru5h3r: im gonna regret this, but yes.

R4Y: always...

Kal: here goes!

\*the device emits a beam of light and a rift is created on the ground\*

\*they jump into the vortex screaming as they travel within\*

the fall into the abyss seemed to go on for longer than the time that passed when in reality it was merely moments.

after reaching the end. they had finally made it, they had arrived ... but where?

the group of four exited abruptly from the vortex, they quickly realized they were above ground level and were falling. they landed on a hard surface as they fell nearly 7 feet in the air.

Kal: \*muffled\* could you please get off me Cru5h3r...

Cru5h3r: sorry... i was wondering what broke my fall.

Kal: that was my spine.

R4Y: well that coulda been smoother.

Dr0n3: a fall of hieght is only as far as the distance you fall.

Kal: translation R4Y?

R4Y: even im not sure about that one.

Cru5h3r: ummm... are we in somepony's house?

outside they heard singing, the sounds appeared to be of a mare. the house was rather tidy and appeared to be in the woods. as they looked out the window they saw a mare with a light pink mane and yellow complection, with a mark on its thigh that they'd never seen before. the pony was moving towards the house humming to herself.

R4Y: oh no this cant be good! were inside her house!

Kal: hide!

Cru5h3r: too late her she comes!

\*the door opens softly\*

the pony entered the house only to find that 4 mysterious visitors were inside. she quickly froze in fear, with a quick jet of her wings she darted from the door in the direction she had come from.

Kal: oh brother... this cant be good.

Cru5h3r: that seemed to go over well. now we can get the heck out of here.

R4Y: your right we should leave NOW!

Kal: your right we need to find Equestria and warn them.

as the pony was fleeing from her home she shortly ran into another, with a rainbow mane and blue tone. the collision knocked them both from the air.

Rainbow dash: fluttershy? whats got you running in such a hurry?

Fluttershy: b-b-b-b-b...

Rainbow dash: calm down fluttershy... tell me what you saw?

Fluttershy: four ponies... in my house! ran away!

Rainbow dash: so you saw four ponies in your house that you didnt know?

\*fluttershy nods her head\*

Rainbow dash: well we'll lets go find them and ask them who they are...

\*fluttershy begins to run away again but rainbow dash grabs her tail\*

Rainbow dash: come on fluttershy... its your house! besides im here, no one will hurt you.

the two travel back to fluttershy's cottage posthaste. as they reach the cottage they see the group leaving, rainbow dash begins to chase after them as fluttershy stayed where she was. within seconds Rainbow dash had caught up to them and jumped in their way.

Rainbow dash: OK now who are you and what are you doing sneaking around fluttershy's cottage!?

Kal: ma'am that was an honest mistake... you see we were traveling and we...

Rainbow dash: traveling? why would you travel through somepony's house? sounds suspicious to me!

Kal: would you stop interupting so i can explain!

Rainbow dash: i supose so...

Kal: thank you. now as i was saying... we are traveling, searching for a place called Equestria to warn them.

Rainbow dash: well you in Equestria, and warn? warn about what?

R4Y: theres a group of enemy soldiers coming to attack your land! we need to speak with your leader!

Dr0n3: the leader is known to be celestia to us.

Kal: do you knwo where we can find her?

Rainbow dash: ummm im pretty sure you should talk to twilight about this. but quick question why were u in fluttershy's cottage?

Kal: long story short... my machine had a set of coordinates and it landed us in her house.

Rainbow dash: uh huh... well follow me we'll find twilight and tell her what you know.

they back tracked to the cottage and picked up fluttershy who was reluctant to travel with them. they reached ponyville and quickly found twilights house. the ponies of ponyville all stared at the group as they had never seen an outland pony or any pony that looked quite like they did.

Rainbow dash: wait here...

\*she knocked on the door\*

Twilight: hey Rainbow dash what brings you here.

\*she quickly sees the unusual group behind rainbow dash\*

Twilight: let me geuss the ponies behind you?

Rainbow dash: yea they say they need to warn the princess about something.

Twilight: warn her? warn her about what?

rainbow dash: ill let them explain.

\*she waves for them to move forward\*

Kal: hello. my name is Kal, we come from the outlands with an important warning. a power enemy is coming to attack this place we need to warn the princess.

is there any thing you can do to help us reach her?

twilight: well... i could write her a letter but im not sure if she will read it soon.

Twilight: i could take us all to the castle using my magic but...

Kal: \*kal interupts her\* did you say magic?

Twilight: yes?

Kal: thats not possible... magic is a bunch of nonsense.

Twilight: youve never seen magic?

Kal: where we come from there is no such thing as magic.

Twilight: i noticed you dont have a cutie mark either. you dont have a set of skills either?

Cru5h3r: of course we have skills, and whats a cutie mark?

\*twilight points to her thigh\*

Twilight: everypony has one. after they find their true talent of course.

R4Y: so you can do magic huh? prove it!

Twilight: \*she lifts herself into the air using her horns magic\* that satisfy you?

R4Y: pfft i can do that...

\*her hooves begin to glow blueish green and she jumps into the air ladning on an invisible surface\*

Twilight: but you dont have a horn? how are you doing that!

R4Y: its my ability. we all have one.

Cru5h3r: i can lift heavy objects.

\*Cru5h3r digs his hooves into the ground and lifts a large section of it above his head\*

Kal: i can manipulate technology with only gestures and thought.

\*he dissasembles his REM without touching it and quickly reassembles it\*

Dr0n3: the future is seen thou vague i may be.

R4Y: and i can change the density of objects to make them lighter of heavier like the air to make it a solid surface.

Twilight: okaaay now that thats out of the way we should probly get going to see the princess...

Kal: using your "magic" correct?

Twilight: yes. now stand close to me everyone.

they all huddle around twilight as her horn begins to glow. in a flash of purple light they are taken from infront of the tree to just outside the gate of the castle in Canterlot.

Kal: ok now ive seen everything...

Twilight: what?

\*the gates open and a group of royal gaurd emerge\*

Shining armour: twilie? is that you!?

\*we waves for the gaurd to stand down\*

twilight: hello brother! i have urgent news for the princess, can we see her?

Shining armour: of course! she is waiting in the main hall. but may i ask who the others in your group are?

Twilight: they say they are from the outlands, but ive never heard of such a place. they have come to warn us of an attack.

Shining armour: another one? it was only 3 weeks ago that we stopped the changlings.

Kal: excuse me but could you describe these "changlings" to me?

Twilight: they are black with wings and horns similar to an alicorn but they feed on love. to be honest you coat looks alot like theirs.

Kal: i think the ponies who you just described are the ones coming to attack you.

Celestia: what did you say? you saw changlings?

Kal: yes but only for a moment. they were in the forbiden area in the outlands among the ruins of the factory.

Celestia: please tell me what you have seen stranger, you have traveled quite far to tell me this.

Kal informs the princess of what he had seen and tells her of the power the machines possess. hearing of the destruction they caused to their town, she begins to question him of how they arrived and the capabilities each of the four in the group. after a long story and the princess explaining what she knows of the outlands they reach a final descission. they must fight the invading army to survive.

Celestia: havent much time. if they are as fast as you say they are we may already be too late.

Kal: how can we help you majesty?

Celestia: my sister and i will attempt to erect a barrier of magic around the whole of Equestria, but this will require all our strength.

Kal: do you have any metal or ruined technology that we could use?

Celestia: im not sure what you mean by technology but we have metal beneath the castle. do you require a blacksmith?

Kal: leave it to us, we can help you we just need to reach the place you have the metal.

Celestia: shining armour take them to the caves and assist them however you can. Twilight go back to ponyville and gather the others along with the elements of harmony.

Twilight: yes ma'am. \*she teleports away\*

Celestia: gaurds gather your forces we need everyones help.

Gaurd: right away your majesty!

the princesses begin to create a magical barrier around the whole of Equestria. the gaurds assemble in the court yard and send messengers to the towns. shining armour escorts the group swiftly through the caves to the deposit of metal and scrap below. twilight gathers her friends and the elements of harmony teleporting back to Canterlot as soon as she retrieved them all. as they prepared the drop ships had arrived just beyond the border of Equestria, waiting to land and begin their assault...

Changling: they have created a barrier. what now?

Chrysilis: so they know that we are coming. DESTROY IT!

ORB: arming primary cannons. cannons armed and operational. fire when ready.

Changling: what button is fire?

ORB: uggghhh..... the red one.

Changling: Oh found it.

\*Chrysilis puts her hoof over her face in embaressment\*

\* the cannons fire at the large glowing barrier of magic pounding against it with explosive fury\*

ORB: cannons are ineffective against the barrier, power drain currently at 15%. advising landing procedure to reduce power consumption.

Chrysilis: yes let us land and bring out the machines.

\* the dropship lands just beyond the barrier and opens its rear hatch\*

Chrysilis: move those machines to the barrier and attack it.

Changling: yes you highness.

\*the mechs move into position and begin to assault the barrier using their arms\*

\* as they swing at the barrier they pass through as if it did not exist\*

Chrysilis: what going on?

ORB: it appears that the assault mechs are able to physically pass through the barrier. this is strange as the cannons had no effect against it.

Scanning for further data.

\*ORB uses his high frequency scanner to assurtain what the barrier is made from\*

ORB: it appears that the barrier blocks only energy from being transfered across it and not physical objects. it appears to have similar qualities to an energy deflector rather than a shield.

Chrysilis: so it stops magic from passing but not machines?

ORB: magic is an irrelivant concept as it does not exist.

Chrysilis: magic does exist i use it myself. it stopped us from taking over this place once before and sent me hurtling into the distance only to land in that forsaken desert.

ORB: so that is your origin. i wondered what compelled you to seek the facility, it seems you stumbled apon it be accident.

Chrysilis: yes, but now that we can pass the barrier we can take my revenge upon this land.

ORB: since my creators are ong since past and you appear to have similar ambitions as my former masters i will serve you.

Chrysilis: you loyalty is appreciated, now order the troops to move forward and destroy everything in their path. burn it to the ground.

ORB: orders recieved units are now moving.

the mechines begin their march towards Canterlot destroying everything they came across and clearing the forests in their wake. they shook the very ground as they marched and dredged along the ground. village after village, town after town they marched destroying it all. the gaurds of each were helpless to stop them magic had no effect against the metallic shell of the machines. meanwhile in the caves beneath canterlot, Kal and his team were busy creating machines of their own.

Kal: systems test nominal. unit 02 is ready for test.

R4Y: yay my mech is ready! time for a test drive!

Kal: just try not to wreck it... it took me an hour to build that thing...

R4Y: quit your whining im not gonna wreck it... again.

\*a purple shadow appears from the wall materializing into a solid form\*

Kal: Luna? is that you?

Luna: tis i indeed, i see you progress is moving along nicely.

Kal: they dont freak you out any?

Luna: no. should they?

Kal: well since technology isnt a "normal" thing around these parts id think youd at least be... nervous?

Luna: i have seen a great many "abnormal" things in my time. this is not the first time i have seen this form of machine.

Kal: youve seen these before? WHERE?

Luna: until recently i lived upon the moon, i had traversed its surface many times over searching for a way to escape. one day i was walking near the edge of a crater and witnessed an unusual sight.

\*Luna uses her magic to show Kal her memories as if they were happening at that very moment\*

Luna: what is this?

\*in the distance she gazed upon a large metal fortress that was in a state of decay\*

\*she walked forward entering the structure the likes of which she had never seen\*

Luna: \*yells\* does anyone occupy this fortress!?

\*there was only an echo of her voice\*

\*she searches the base to learn its purpose and why it was on the moon\*

Luna: this seems as though it is to be used. what would they do here?

\*luna touches the console pressing a button, as she does a loud motor begins to stir and the facility begins to react\*

console: POWER LEVEL: 1.69% Facility Status: Compromised

Console: playing last recorded message. . .

Unknown pony: week 6 on colony M:3 still no communication from Earth since the event. the station is running out of supplies and power our efforts to assurtain the origin of the explosion on the surface have failed and we cant stay on the moon any longer. its a risk but we have to take it, we are going back to the surface. if anyone finds this base or this transmission our coordinates are \*static\* Transmission end...

Luna: Event? Explosion? Coordinates? What had happened here?

Console: queery confirmed. Answering... as of the year 1297 a great war took place that lasted for nearly a century, after year 97 of the conflict a large explosion of unknown origin and energy originated at coordinates 12:7.169 latitude 88 longitude 178. all communications from the planet of the event stopped. all lifesigns on the planets surface were terminated after 10 seconds from the explosion.

Luna: who am i addressing?

Console: Queery confirmed. Answering... the unit to which is answering your Queeries is refered to as a Knowledge Operation and Logistics Extention. also refered to as a K.O.L.E.

Luna: thou art Kole?

Console: affirmative.

Luna: how long has this place existed Kole?

Console: from particle decay and trace elements in the atmosphere it is 5,698 years after the event. records would indicate the current date is 7,092 since begining of technologic adavncement to Brotherhood assention. this facility is from point of construction 5,840.6 years in age.

Luna: Technologic?

Console: defining... Technologic, refering to technology as origin.

Luna: what is this technology?

Console: Queery confirmed. Technology the use of artificial or non-natural means of advancment, earliest records of technology are simple tools crafted from stone and or bone.

Luna: this is far more than simple tools, what is used for this facility to function?

Console: Energy is derived from Crystals found only within high pressure and energy areas. these crystals are refered to as a Core.

Luna: where can i find these "cores"?

Console: Queery confrimed: displaying locations of Cores on screen.

\*the memory is interupted from outside sources\*

\*a large explosion in the distance disrupts Luna's consentration\*

Luna: what is that sound!

Kal: they are here... Quickly we have little time!

\*Kal begins to make gestures with his hooves toward the metal and parts\*

\*the parts move and assemble in a matter of seconds around both Kal and Luna\*

Luna: What be this contraption?

Kal: since you seem to know about technology you should be able to help us. just move as you normally would and the suit will follow with you.

were the last line of defense against those machines.

Luna: this is very strange indeed.

Kal: R4Y! Cru5h3r! suit up!

\*they say together\* Right!

\*they climb into the machines as they power up\*

Meanwhile outside the castle the changling mechs have reached just beyond the canterlot forest. they charge their cannons in preperation to fire. Celestia creates a smaller barrier around canterlot before they discharge their weapons. the cannons fire but are blocked by the magical barrier protecting the city. as the fighting continues Luna and the others in the caves prepare to disembark to counter the assault.

Kal: ok everyone heres the plan im going to project a portal against the wall that leads outside within the city. after reaching the surface we will proceed to the gate and hold off the enemy machines. everyone ready?

R4Y: oh this will be fun.

Cru5h3r: right behind you Kal.

Dr0n3: behind you is force.

Luna: how does this work!?

Kal: well then... LETS MOVE!

\*Kal uses his device to open a portal into Canterlot and the mechs enter\*

Kal: oops i may have had the coordinates a lil off that time...

Changling: look other machines!

Changling2: but they dont have changlings inside them.

ORB: enemy combatants detected. charging main cannons.

Kal: RUN!

\*the cannons fire knocking back Kal and dispersing the group\*

R4Y: KAL!!

Kal: im... fine...

Cru5h3er: arming weapons! \*the weapon begins to fire recoiling the mech backwards as it releases\*

R4Y: Got one! my turn! \*R4Y arms her weapons but realizes she doesnt have a gun\*

R4Y: where is my gun!

Kal: its... under... your arm...

R4Y: so like this? \*she raises her hand up, discharging the weapon\*

Changling: ow! \*his mech begins to tilt backwards\*

Luna: STAND BACK!

\*luna begins to use her horns magic but notices her horn is covered by the suit\*

Luna: i cannot create magic!

Kal: i built yours to use magic as a focused beam. just generate magical energy and aim your horn!

Luna: Like so?

\*luna's suit charges and fires in the direction of her target\*

Changling: retreat!

\*the assault ceases as the enemy runs away from the city gates\*

R4Y: you better run!

\*celestia dessends from the air\*

Kal: that seemed a bit too easy didnt it?

Celestia: i am sure they will be back and in larger numbers. for now we shall need to prepare.

Kal: if they are anything as the myth describes, this is but a taste of what they can do.

R4Y: they didnt seem that tough... besides didnt you say the factory was destroyed?

Kal: im not so sure is was completely destroyed, these mechs looked new.

\*a changling crawls from the wreckage of the fallen mech\*

Celestia: sieze him!

\*celestia's gaurds capture the changling before he can escape\*

as the gaurds detain the prisoner changling in the dungeons of Canterlot the two remaining mechs that fled the battle field run vigorously toward their point of insertion. in the dungeons the changling is interigated as to his motives orders and what had happened...

Celestia: tell us what we want to know and no harm shall come to you.

Changling: you ponies and your weak attempts at getting me to talk. you dont have what it takes do you?

Celestia: such an insolent tone will not be tolerated. tell us what we want to know.

Changling: or what? youll banish me? if thats the worst you can do your even weaker than we thought.

Celestia: why you...!

Cru5h3r: ma'am youd you mind if i had a go at this? i believe i can be a bit more 'persuasive'... besides i have some questions of my own.

Celestia: as you wish... gaurds secure this room from the outside.

Gaurds: yes you highness!

Cru5h3r: and dont open the doors... i need some alone time...

so... your a changling huh? what can you do...

\*the Changling shifts his shape to resemble Cru5h3r's\*

Changling: \*sounding like Cru5h3r\* impresses?

Cru5h3r: so you can match my appearance huh? i bet it doesnt let u match my ability...

Changling: what ability... you dont have a cutie mark.

Cru5h3r: you mean those girly lookin tatoos? nah i dont have that... but i do have a talent.

\*Cru5h3r slams his hoof into the rock wall of the cell crushing the area into pebbles and dust leaving a crack spreading from the radius\*

\*the changling gulps\*

Changling: you dont have what it takes to torture somepony...do you?\*he begins to second geuss himself\*

Cru5h3r: care to find out? \*said in a smooth cool headed tone\*

now i have some questions, and your gonna answer them... understand?

Changling: \*in a submissive tone\* yes.

Cru5h3r: good. now first question who are you?

Changling: i am called Loran.

Cru5h3r: so you have names then. how can you tell yourselves apart?

Loran: as easily as you can tell yourselves apart...

Cru5h3r: ok next question. why did you attack our village?

Loran: i dont know... i was told to.

Cru5h3r: dont make me have to force you to tell me. \*Cru5h3r begins to become inraged\*

Loran: okay okay! calm down! i did over hear something, something about this ball thing telling the queen we should follow some trail. one of the suits went nuts and shot in the same direction shortly before that.

Kal:\*just outside the door\* that was me! i led them to the village... im such an idiot!

R4Y: you couldnt have known this would happen Kal.

Cru5h3r: ok last two questions. what are those machines and why are you attacking this place?

Loran: well the reason is quite simple. we were banished from this place and now were back for revenge. as for the machines, i have no idea where they came form or what made them but they sure are hard to drive...

Cru5h3r: well thats enough of my questions, now youll answer that nice lady's question or ill be back in here to make you. Understand?

\*Loran reluctantly nods his head\*

Cru5h3r: alrighty princess he'll answer your questions now.

\*Celestia walks into the cell\*

Celestia: thank you very much for your help.

Cru5h3r: no problem ma'am just holler if he gives you a hard time. \*he points to the changling\*

Cru5h3r proceeds to the caves where Kal and the other were located to find out what was going on. as he reached the room he noticed 3 more ponies had joined the ones they had previously met in the town. Kal was talking to them as he held some rather odd looking jewelry, odd because it was glowing intensely. he handed them back to twilight as he got closer to the group.

Cru5h3r: well that changling wasnt to hard to convince. what you got there?

Kal: well, these pieces of jewelry...

Twilight: elements of harmony.

Kal: right elements of harmony apear to have the same power source as the crystals in the outlands. the only diffrence being that these are much more powerfull and produce alot more energy. they also seem to be linked with these 6 ponies for some odd reason.

Twilight: they are bound to the embodyments of the elements pinkie pie the element of laughter, rarity the element o...

Kal: ya ya ya enough magic talk we got work to do.

Pinkie: work? what kind of work is it fun work or is it work work? can we play a game while we work!

Rarity: pinkie darling calm down. this is serious business.

Apple jack: shouldnt we get to know each other first? would be rather neighborly.

R4Y: agreed.

\*the 6 ponies introduce themselves as do the 4 in the group\*

Kal: well enough formalities i got work to do if were gonna hold off these invaders.

Twilight: what do you need?

Kal: well i need copper, silicon, aluminum, titanium, potasium nitrate, sodium chloride \*he begins to rant about various elements\*

\*Twilight begins to write down all the ingredients\*

Apple jack: hey you understanding any of this?

Cru5h3r: he lost me after silica...

Dr0n3: vagueness is often the route of clarity.

Pinkie: vagueness did what to rarity?

\*Dr0n3 puts his hoof over his mask\*

Pinkie: why do you wear a mask? are you burned under it? how can you see?

\*pinkie accidently nudges a piece of rock with her tail, causing it to fall from the cieling landing upon Dr0n3's head\*

Dr0n3: ow that hurt you know...

Kal: dr0n3 did you just say something coherant?

Dr0n3: you know... i believe i just did! so this is what it feels like?

R4Y: WOW thats amazing! howd that happen?

Dr0n3: pinkie pie seems to have dropped a rock on my head and it caused my speech to become normal.

Pinkie: im sorry i didnt mean to do something wrong...

Dr0n3: i couldnt be happier because of you! give me a hug!

\*dr0n3 grabs hold of pinkie forcfully and hugs her tightly\*

Pinkie: Wow... you... hug... tightly!...

\*he lets go after realizing how hard he was grasping and blushes bright red across his grey complection\*

Dr0n3: heh heh.. sorry bout that.

Pinkie: no worries i like making people smile!

Kal: well not to interupt this love fest but... WE HAVE BIGGER ISSUES!!!

\*everyone steps back as his volume increases and his scars begin to glow\*

Twilight: are you...alright?

Kal: why do you ask that.

Twilight: your scars seem to be glowing after you became aggitated.

Kal: well thats never happened before. anways we still need to find a new power source for the machines.

Apple jack: cant they run on steam? or coal?

Kal: no the technology we use runs only on energy that comes from a very unique source. the crystals in the outlands are the only things that can power them.

Rarity: and how did you power them during our earlier encounter?

Kal: i had to tear appart what i brought with us to get enough to power them this far. but to keep them running we need more crystals.

\*celestia walks in accompanied by her gaurds and shining armour\*

Celestia: would the power of the elements not serve as power?

Cru5h3r: im not sure you understand how unique those crystals are... they are ONLY found in the outlands.

Kal: well hold on a second Cru5h3r i havent tested the power of those pieces of jewelry or those crystals in them.

Twilight: well i should go to the library to find out more about the outlands. they sound fairly interesting.

Celestia: you will not find any books on the area they come from. because none exist.

Twilight: What do you mean none exist? this place is real isnt it?

Rainbow dash: ive been as far as the oceans surrounding the land but ive never been to a place with big metal stuff sticking out the ground...

Celestia: you have much to learn young ones, and as of recent events i am inclined to tell you things no one else but i know.

Kal: you mean no one in Equestria has visited the outlands?

Celestia: indeed, i have long watched the borders of my kingdom to protect against things we have no knowledge of. but it seems i have made a grave error.

ive have kept us ill prepared for such power and now we are vulnerable. i have sent many gaurds to explore beyond our borders and beyond the seas but only

2 of the many groups returned. the stories i they told were... grusome... creatures more devastating than any we had seen, endless deserts, and things unseen.

Kal: well i can clear up some of that... we have alot of native creatures that are armour plated, have thick metal skin and are about 3 times our size, the desert goes

on nearly forever except north and westward and the unseen things are bandits that attack at night. we keep away from those and search for useable items...

Rainbow dash: sounds like your pretty tough, how many monsters have you fought?

Kal: me? hahaha no i run away... Cru5h3r is the one who always wants to fight.

Cru5h3r: yea i havent met anyone tougher than i am.

R4Y: or as arrogant...

Cru5h3r: HEY!!

Kal: anyways can i see those jewels twilight?

\*R4Y and Cru5h3r continue to argue\*

Twilight: sure but we cant take the gems out of the elements they just dont come out.

\*she hands them to Kal\*

Kal: i wonder what would happen...

\*he places the element of loyalty against the chest of the mech they captured from the fight\*

\*the mech begins to glow and change color, the chest morphs into a slimmer shape the arms become more sleek\*

\*engines extend from the shoulders as if they were wings\*

Celestia: as i had thought... \*she whispered\*

far away from the cave the changlings who fled from the battle reach the air transport.

Chrysilis: well..?

Changling 1: we had a... problem.

Chrysilis: a problem? like what...

Changling 2: they were expecting us and had machines as well.

Chrysilis: blasted ponies... always causing me trouble.

ORB: you stated they had machines as well? this is impossible. i scanned the area several times and did not detect any power cells or signatures.

Changling 1: you dont believe us?

ORB: the recorded data will tell me if you are truthfull.

\*ORB connects with the mech and begins eamining the video data\*

ORB: impossible! they have machinery that i have not seen before, this can only mean they have a member of the brotherhood helping them.

Chrysilis: i dont want excuses i want them destroyed!

ORB: this can be done but we require more... forcefull measures...

Chrysilis: go on...

ORB: plotting a course to the main facility for rearmament. ETA 16 minutes 32 seconds.

Chrysilis: i have a feeling your not telling me everything.

ORB: all will be explained in due time.

meanwhile in the caves below Canterlot the ponies were in amazement at what happened before their eyes.

after such a blinding light coming from the machine the light began to die down and reveal the changes that until now could only be heard.

the group began to gaze upon it with awe and amazement, rainbowdash began to to walk toward the mech that had become a sky blue color on its outer shell.

Rainbow dash: that.... was.... AWESOME!

\*rainbow dash grabs the mech in a hug like motion\*

\*she began to feel a burning sensation come from her skin\*

Rainbow dash: OW OW OW OW OW!

\*she jumped back with a gust of her wings\*

Kal: and you didnt notice the glowing heat trail around the machine...

\*he put his hoof to his face\*

Rainbow dash: i-i-I KNEW IT WAS THERE! it was just so AWESOME i didnt mind...

Twilight: how is this possible!!!

\*the mech began to shake slightly, becoming more regular by the second\*

\*the element mounted on the machines chest glowed a bright red from the gems core\*

unknown voice: to whom am i addressing... SPEAK!

Kal: hey anyone hear that?

\*everyone nodded there heads eyes widened\*

Kal: okay then im not going crazy...

unknown voice: i demand to know where i am!

Luna: what is your name, voice that we hear.

unknown voice: i am the element known as Loyalty. you have yet to tell me where i am or why you have beconed me...

Rarity: beconed? we didnt becon for anyone.

Loyalty: i could not be talking to you now if i was not called. i must also ask... why am i unable to move.

Applejack: could it be that your stuck to the chest of that mechanical thing?

Loyalty: A mech? YOU USED ME AS A POWER SOURCE!!!

Kal: well to be honest you kinda did that yourself... all i did was touch you to the mech.

Loyalty: i see...

\*the mech begins to move on its own seemingly to test the movements of the machine\*

\*the ponies move back as if to protect themselves\*

Loyalty: where are the others?

Celestia: They remain dormant.

Cru5h3r: wait a second... you know about this?

\*Celestia lowers her head slightly as if in guilt\*

Celestia: yes. for many years my sister and i were the users of the elements. in that time we learned many things, we heard the voices of the elements as if they were alive. there are many things we have yet to reveal to you...

R4Y: well i suggest someone start talkin cause cause im getting really creeped out!

\*Loyalty begins to glow, the rest of the elements begin to glow and levitate\*

\*the elements begin to speak in unicin\*

The Elements: WE HAVE MUCH TO TEACH YOU ALL. WE BELIEVE IT IS TIME TO REVEAL HISTORY LONG PAST...

\* the elements telepathicly show everyone but the gaurds the images from the past that they explain\*

many ages before the pony kind you know, the world was much darker and did not know the power of magic as you do. the world was fought over inch by inch, city by city, land mass by land mass. they were not satisfied with only the earth, they expanded by this planet to the moon and other planets even farther away. the war began to take its toll on the land, we the elements of harmony slowly began to manifest from the crystals deep within the planet. soon the ponies on the surface unearthed us to find we were not simply a power source... we were more. they brought us to their leader, Zarow was his name. he told us of his plans for the unification of the worlds people, but there was an obsticle that stood in his way. a group of the population known only as the MAL, who used technology to gain more and more power were quickly dominating the war. their obsession over technology drove them to madness, rejecting all of who they once were. we agreed to a single course of action, we would let this world be consumed by the very hatred these ponies had driven themselves to. this action prompted us to encourage Zarow to engage in one last battle that we ensured would end the war... at a cost. he began the preperations and selected 12 of the most pure individuals in the land to be spared this devistation, we agreed to protect them. soon the war reached its climax consuming the world in flame and ash, the MAL did as we had foreseen. in their desperation they activated the crystal, our polar opposite if you will, releasing a cascade of death and destruction that quickyl encompassed the planet... soon all life was exterminated. all but the 12 we had protected perished that day they were left with a purpose. they would embody the elements of harmony to renew this world, to give it a new start, to bring our magic to light.

\*the connection breaks with the group as the story ends\*

The Elements: and that is how your world was formed.

Celestia: it must have been a terrible thing to feel the lose of such life...

Kal: technology did that?...its just like in our town... so much destruction...

\*R4Y moves to comfort Kal\*

\*cru5h3r slams his hoof into the ground\*

Rarity: what happened to the 12 that remained?

Honesty: they were given the power to commune with use, we gave them the knownledge to make peace in times of hardship and to quel war with love.

Kindness: through the ages their desendents gain their abilities and that is where you come in.

Loyalty: yes... you are 6 of the 12's desendents, which begs me to ask you celestia... where are the others?

Celestia: i regret to tell you they have perished...

Generosity: this is most unfortunate.

Applejack: i dont understand. the world was destroyed? then how are those machines still working!

Laughter: it is appearant that the facility continued to function after the event, since these machines seem to be new. tell us what happened to your town sir kal?

\*Kal explains what he saw, Cru5h3r, R4Y and Dr0n3 also tell their stories to the elements\*

Kindness: interesting… you lived in the ruins of the brotherhoods city?

Kal: the brotherhood? Were they the ones who made that place?

Kindness: yes… nearly all of them died that day…

R4Y: such a terrible event should not be repeated.

Loyalty: agreed. But first we have matters to attend to. Get some rest, all of you, you will need it for the events to come.

Celestia: you can all stay in the palace as guests, it would be our pleasure after all you’ve done for us today.

The group exits the tunnels in the caves and reaches the palace courtyard, the sun light blinding all but the princesses. The group split into 2 smaller groups, 1 consisting of the 6 from ponyville escorted by Luna, the other consisting of the outland ponies accompanied by Celestia.

Cru5h3r: thank you ma’am that is very hospitable of you.

R4Y: finally! A big fluffy bed!!

Celestia: you are quite welcome Cru5h3r

Kal: I’m sorry your highness… but I have work I need to do.

Celestia: are you sure you should not rest? You seem quite tired.

Kal: ill be fine, ive gone all nighters building my inventions before. Besides I don’t like being caught off guard since my accident.

\*Kal runs back into the tunnels to his makeshift lab\*

Celestia: his accident?

R4Y: I’m surprised he even brought that up. He doesn’t like talking about it much.

Cru5h3r: yea that big hole in his ches…

\*R4Y kicks him slightly as if to tell him he was being rude\*

R4Y: didn’t you notice the crack in his chest that was glowing green?

Celestia: yes, I thought it was something different that your kind had from the outlands.

R4Y: if only that were the case… it happened about 4 years ago. He was out looking for parts to build with and stumbled into a cave, he got hurt pretty bad from the creature that was living in there. Im surprised he made it out of there in one piece… but somepony found him and from what we know fixed him using some kind of technology to replace his heart. He gained his ability after that and his coat turned black, no one knows why or how but if he gets hurt he heals almost immediately and in its place a glowing green scar.

Cru5h3r: he doesn’t like ponies to look at his scars, makes him upset.

Celestia: I see… is that why his eyes are red?

R4Y: no he’s had those since I met him. No one else around the town had red eyes thou.

\*meanwhile in the group lead by Luna\*

Pinkie: this is so exciting! I’ve never been in the palace guest rooms before! We should bounce on the beds!

Twilight: no pinkie we should keep the rooms clean and not ruin them, these are the princesses rooms after all.

Luna: twilight it is okay to have some fun in the rooms, do as you wish during your time here.

Rarity: so many beautiful ceiling pieces! Where do they all come from?!

Luna: they are collected through out the ages.

\*they arrive at the rooms and the doors open \*

Luna: welcome to your rooms ladies.

\*they gaze upon the large marble slabbed room with sun light gleaming through the open windows. The beds lining the edges of the room with a large emblem of the moon and the sun in a swirling circular design\*

Twilight: thank you very much Luna, we really appreciate this.

Rainbow dash: Wow this place is HUGE!!

\*she begins to race around the room finally crashing herself upon the bed in the center\*

Fluttershy: this is such a lovely room. The view of the gardens is so nice from here.

\*she peers out from the window below to the gardens\*

Rarity: well then I shall be sleeping here, and seeing as we will have a great deal of work tomorrow I suggest we get to sleep.

Pinkie: awww but this room is so big! I wanna explore it all…

Applejack: I think rarity is right we should get some shuteye so were ready fer tomorrow.

Luna: then I shall leave you to your rest. Good night everyone.

Night soon falls, the guard change shift to keep fresh eyes peeled for any signs of danger, the citizens sleep in their beds and the ponies in the palace sleep awaiting their fate in the morrow… all but one, Kal is busily making technologic devices for nearly any situation from the wreckage retrieved from the battle earlier. The only source of light being the laterns perched upon the rocky walls.

Kal: theres the rotator link, that should let it turn just fine. Lets see how it works.

\*he connects the power relay to the circuit and begins to hear the wurring of the motors\*

\*the device begins to overheat and produce smut black smoke\*

Kal: \*cough\* well that didn’t work out… ugh this is so tiring, maybe celestia was right some rest might do me good.

Kal: just a few minutes, then back to work…

\*he begins to close his eyes and drifts off into a deep slumber\*

\*the laterns are blown out by a gust of air coming from deep within the room and the device inside of Kal begins to glow a dull spectre like green\*

In his dream he recounts the various horrors of his past, his childhood fears, the encounter with the cave, the mysterious pony whom he continually searches the outlands for, and the destruction of his town… and then from the darkness, an unfamiliar voice speaks to him. “you feel powerless” it says with a deep echo, “whos there?” he asks into the void, “your afraid that you lack what is needed” “to do what is needed” the voice says with increasing severity in its voice. “yes, I am scared… were all scared!”

The voice laughs as if to a joke gone horribly wrong, “when the time comes… you’ll beg for my help…” the voice says as it begins to fade back into the abyss it came from. “WHO ARE YOU!” he screams with an intense will. As the voice disappears it murmurs a single word “*you*”. He is barely able to hear the word before he is awoken by a friendly touch on his shoulder.

R4Y: hey there brainiac. You ok?

\*he wakes up in a cold sweat from his work bench\*

Kal: huh! What! … oh its you, yes I was just taking a nap.

R4Y: a nap? Its nearly 11 o’clock!

Kal: WHAT!

Cru5h3r: \*yelling from a distance\* hey you bringing him up or what!

R4Y: Yea in a sec! \*she shouted back\* well you gonna keep him waiting? The elements are gonna tell us what we need to do.

Kal: yea ill be there in a second…

\*he looks down at his chest as it glows unusually bright\*

\*moments later they are above the surface gathered around the mech with loyalty embedded within surrounded by the other 5 elements\*

Loyalty: I see the last of the group has made it. We shall now begin.

Applejack: begin what?

Generousity: we will be telling you a secret that only those who have merged with us know. How to use us to our fullest potential, this knowledge is to only be used in the most dire of situations so be warned

Magic: this power comes at a cost, with every second of using this power a piece of you must be altered. After a certain amount of time, you will not only lose your connection to us but your true self along with it.

\*the elements begin to glow as a beam of light is directed to each of the 6 ponies foreheads\*

\*images flash before their eyes as they gain the ability to commune with the elements\*

Loyalty: it is done…

Celestia: now you know… all the pain and suffering of the world. It is a terrible burden to bear, but we must now bear it together.

Twilight: so much… despair…

Rainbow dash: the suffering… how could any of that happen…

Kindness: we are sorry to have burdened you with such knowledge but it is necessary.

Rarity: how is any of this necessary! Seeing such horrific sights, such pain, such destruction!

Generousity: if the MAL are truly reemerged then you may be our last hope for this world.

\*kal begins to here the voice from his dream\*

“This is to be your fate”… “powerless to stop the awakening”

Kal: shut up…

Celestia: are you okay? \*she speaks to him directly without disturbing the meeting\*

Kal: im fine…

Rainbow dash: so how do we beat these “MAL” or what ever they are?

Loyalty: if you are to defeat the MAL you must first have adequate technology to rival theirs. As it appears you have one among you who can create such devices. I believe he is refered to as, kal?

\*the group parts to reveal kal in the rear of the formation\*

Kal: yea I can make the machines but we need to get more tech, and metal. I cant make something from nothing you know…

Laughter: where do you find it normally then?

Kal: its normally in the outlands, ive yet to see any tech around these parts.

Loyalty: it appears then we must travel there. Is the device you used to get here operational?

Kal: well yea... but it needs a power source to work and I don’t have any crystals to use, all the crystals around here have no power.

Honesty: you can use me as a power source but it will only be temporary.

Twilight: can’t we just use a teleportation spell to get there?

Loyalty: I doubt your magics could travel the distance required, as for the place itself it does not conduct magic in a typical manner.

Generousity: do you know the coordinates for you town?

Kal: of course! It’s the place I’ve gone to the most so I’ve got them memorized.

Honesty: then there is no time to lose.

Cru5h3r: right then lets crack open that hole and get going.

Celestia: Luna I wish you to go with them, they may need your help in this fight.

Luna: but sister, what of you and the castle?

Celestia: we will hold out as long as possible… but do be carefull, if something should happen you are the last to become ruler of equestria.

\*luna looks down as the dreadful thought goes through her mind\*

\*Honesty powers the REM and projects a rift on the cave wall\*

Rainbow dash: well lets go already! We don’t have time to waste!

\*everyone nods in agreements and rushes through the portal\*

Kal: don’t worry your highness we’ll be back before you know it.

\*Kal is the last to enter the rift, soon after it closes behind him\*

The rift closed behind kal in a most efficient fashion, the empty space that they traveled through seemed different than before. There were no striations, no strobes of light, only empty darkness with the exception of a beam of light coming from a hole on the opposite end of where they had supposedly entered. They slowly began to drift from one side to the other, slowly increasing in speed until they finally had reached the hole. With a great force they were thrust through the aperture, expelling them from the opening and landing them squarely on their flanks in hot sand. They had reached their destination. They gazed into the bright light of the desert and slowly adjusted to the brightness. The group slowly regained their balance from the weightless void they had arrived from and looked into the distance. They witnessed a large metal structure towering over all that encompassed it. The group began their journey towards the structure and into a small opening along the bottom.

Kal: well welcome to Relda our sanctuary among the sands… or so it used to be.

The group looked inside and witnessed the results of the attack from the mechs. Even nearly 3 days later the group could not believe their home had been destroyed.

Twilight: so this is where you lived? It looks so… comfy? \*she said with disbelief\*

R4Y: yea its not much on the eyes but its kept us safe from everything the outlands had to offer.

Honesty: could you please remove me from this device? its very uncomfortable in here…

Kal: oops sorry bout that. \*he removes the crystal from the power converter\*

Honsety: well now that were hear lets us proceed to the storage facility.

Fluttershy: storage facility? \*she began to cringe at the thought of what it could be storing\*

Rarity: I wish I had brought my hoof protectors. This sand is getting everywhere.

Pinkie: I think it feels great! \*she buried herself in the sand with a swift jump\*

Twilight: I think we should get to the storage area soon. It looks to be getting dark.

Cru5h3r: nah that’s just a sand storm… they wont get us in here the walls will keep it out. So where to light bulb?

Honesty: im not a light bulb… and it should be due east of the main entrance on floor 36.

Kal: yea I don’t think we should go down that far. The place is very dark and has a lot of hostile life.

Honesty: so you have been under the facility?

Kal: not many of us have but I sneak down from time to time to get parts. But never as far as floor 5.

\*Honesty begins to glow and directs the group to follow him\*

Honesty: here it is, the facility power grid interface. From here I can power the defense systems and guild you through the facility.

\*Honesty puts himself into the slot of the device and the circuits begin to glow with power\*

\*a door near them opens\*

Honesty: well im going to have to stay here and I will need someone to operate the control panel. Applejack would you mind staying and helping me?

Applejack: I’d be much ablidged.

Honesty: we will keep track of your progess from here and direct you where to go, do be carefull down their.

Twilight: were on it.

\*the sound of turrents firing in the halls can be heard from above\*

\*the group proceeds below and the door closes behind them\*