

Alaya gavan' [REDUX]

Act 1: Accursed Beginnings

Chapter 1: Welcome to SorrowDrift Barrier

<<Text>> = Japanese, [[text]] = Russian, ++text++ = English □.text□. = text message/phone call/radio
■ahegao – a lock of hair that is sticking out of the top of a character's head in an exaggerated manner

[SorrowDrift Barrier, BLACKLISTED, Nevada, 11-12-2024 1:20 PM]

A desert tan JEEP Wrangler could be seen driving towards a small military outpost that is surrounded by barbed wire and automated minigun turrets. The outpost itself consists of 4 buildings, two Combat Housing Units (CHUs), and 4 portable metal garages. One of which serves as an armory. There is also a helipad with a Mil Mi-24 attack helicopter, which was colored dark purple with lighter purple spots in a camouflage style, and as the JEEP goes to park into one of the garages, two people in the vehicle come out of it.

The first person that came out was Ranga Rimmstier dressed in his Desert Combat Outfit, and for his weapon of choice? An M16A1, which is attached to his body via a sling.

The 2nd person that followed soon after was Takeda, her hair is tucked into a ponytail as she is seen wearing a Russian-made gorka suit with in a desert tan colour and purple band on the left arm, followed by an American-made plate carrier, helmet, and combat boots, all in the same color as her gorka. She's also seen holding an AK-103 with modern furniture on it

Ranga: <<“So, you've been working your ass for 5 years in Lagunov's Defense Ballistics, and now, you're an elite operator as a part of Alaya gavan'! Nice work, Takeda.”>>

Takeda: <<“Yeah! So what will my job be under your command, Lieutenant? Say, you're kinda young, how did you rank up so fast?”>>

Ranga: <<“Well, you can just call me Ranga instead, and secondly, that's not important for now. In the meantime, I think we can talk about your role in this division; you see, in your previous position, you've shown quite a remarkable skill in scouting out enemies. And I thought, it'll make sense for you to be recon! Also, I don't think the others told you this, but you don't have to wear the stranded-issue uniform or carry stranded-issue weapons around here.”>>

Takeda: <<“Wow! Really? I can use something other than this AK?”>>

Ranga: <<“Yeah! Just be mindful of two things: always keep a 50 Cal. handgun on you, and any weapons that we don't have in stock, you'll have to pay outta your pocket. Anyways, after you get your new gear sorted out, come meet me in the housing unit labeled RDT.”>>

Takeda: <<“Hehehe, thanks Ranga! That means Masaru can finally see some combat!”>>

And as Takeda talked, Ranga soon headed off towards the housing unit that he was talking about earlier

[RDT Housing Unit, SorrowDrift Barrier, BLACKLISTED, Nevada, 11-12-2024 1:32 PM]

Inside the RDT Housing Unit, there are 5 people seen doing various activities, 3 of them could be seen sitting on the sofa in the living home, one of them being Ranga, with the person next to him being Tepache Sakura, also in her desert combat outfit?

Meanwhile, to the right of Ranga, is Daiki Maki, like the others, Daiki is also dressed for combat in a desert environment, minus his armor, helmet and boots.

*The other two were Mariko Kukori, wearing her casual outfit, and Ayaka Maki in her combat outfit. *

As time passed by a bit, Takeda soon arrived in the building, now carrying an HK UMP-45 on her and two magnum revolvers, one being a Colt Anaconda chambered in .44 Magnum, and the other being a Smith & Wesson Model 500 chambered in .500 S&W Magnum

Tepache: <<“Oh, is that the new girl?”>>

Ayaka: <<“Seems like it!”>>

Takeda: <<“Oh yes! That is who I am!”>>

Daiki: <<“Nice, pleased to meet you!”>>

Mariko: <<“What Dai just said.”>>

Tepache then gets off the sofa before stretching a bit

Tepache: <<“Alright, I guess some proper introductions are in order! There's Daiki, and of course, you've already met my lovely boyfriend, and over there are the ladies you'll be working with, Mariko and my other partner, Ayaka! Why don't you tell us who you are?”>>

Ayaka smiled as she did a peace sign with her right hand once she was called, while Mariko just waved nonchalantly

Takeda: <<“Yuma Takeda!”>>

Ranga: <<“We've been calling you folks as recon for a bit, I've never bothered to give you three an official name. That being said, Tapa, Dai, and I are referred to as "RDT: Yakukoshi Hunters" because we three have met in the same town. I think we should follow some sort of squad naming scheme here, so does MAT: Recon Team sound good?”>>

Ayaka: <<“It fits!”>>

Mariko: <<“I don’t mind.”>>

Takeda: <<“Well, I just got here, so I can’t really judge, can I?”>>

Ranga: <<“Well, it's a mostly free country and a EVEN freer region here in BLACKLISTED. Besides that, Mariko, can you show Takeda to your housing unit while Tepache, Daiki, and I go get ready?”>>

Mariko: <<“Yeah, will do.”>>

Soon MAT start to leave the RDT housing unit, going towards the Combat Housing Unit labeled as RECON

Ayaka: <<“Two revolvers huh?”>>

Takeda: <<“Ranga said that I should carry a hand gun in a large caliber... Mind telling why.”>>

Mariko: <<“Do you know about the terrorist group, the “Magical Girl Death Squad?”>>

Takeda: <<“Ofcourse I do! What else should I know about them?”>>

Ayaka: <<“We've found out that they've been working very closely with a Private Military Company known as “Lithium Oxide-Daggers” around 6 years ago, and considering they're both LDB's enemies, Miss Kotone thought it'd be appropriate to increase the amount of all operations here in BLACKLISTED, which is why you were sent to this lawless region of the Nevadan desert.”>>

Mariko: <<“Also, some magical girls that are ace rank or above can’t be shot down with anything less than a .50 cal or above.”>>

Soon MAT arrived to the "RECON" housing unit, they opened the door casually to reveal its setup: it has a large living room area which also served as an improvised bedroom, featuring a heavy-duty locker, while the kitchen area is quite small only containtaing a fridge, sink, cabinet, and a portable stove, not even spacious enough for an oven. Last up was the proper bedroom featuring bunk beds, and there's another locker

Takeda: <<“This isn’t half bad!”>>

[RDT Housing Unit, SorrowDrift Barrier, BLACKLISTED, Nevada, 11-12-2024 1:36 PM]

RDT gathered their stuff together, with Tepache carrying an AKS74U and a RPG-7 with her, while Daiki could be seen finally wearing his combat boots, helmet, and high-grade body armor, soon grabing a hold onto his scoped MK14 EBR while his M4A1 carbine featuring an underbarrel M203 grenade launcher hung tightly on a sling. Tepache and Daiki were also equipped with S&W Model 500s

Ranga: <<“Alright guys, are we ready to liberate that strip mall that the Mariko and Ayaka found the other day?”>>

Tepache: <<“Fuck yeah!”>>

Daiki: <<“Yes, sir!”>>

The trio soon exited their housing unit and headed off to the garage, getting inside of an up-armored Humvee with an M2A1 Browning heavy machine gun turret. Daiki took the wheel while Ranga inputs the coordinates onto the GPS display onboard as the Infantry mobility vehicle commander, and Tepache manning the turret as their support gunner, the up-armored truck jumped off with an exciting roar as they drove off towards the location

[Boothson Strip Mall, Boothson, BLACKLISTED, Nevada, 11-12-2024 1:56 PM]

RDT arrived near the Boothson Strip Mall which Mariko and Ayaka had previously scouted out, Tepache scanned the area to see if any of LiO-Ds troops are in the area

The hostiles numbered in 20, wore mostly black and tan American military gear, with some using HK416A5s as their primary weapon, while the others armed with Mossberg 590s and Beretta PMXs looked around the area for a Highly-Valued-Target.

A LiO-Ds sniper quickly readied their M2010 ESR after noticing the Humvee that just arrived near the Strip Mall, before firing a .300 Winchester Magnum round at Tepache, only for the round to punch a dent onto her turret shield instead as she heard the impact

Tepache: <<“Shit, contact!”>>

She then fired off 10 shots of .50 BMG as Ranga and Daiki got out of the truck, using it for proper cover as Ranga kept his head low while Daiki used the hood to prop the bipod of his EBR

[Perspective: LiO-Ds]

The sniper suddenly collapsed after he caught one of Tepache’s M2A1 Browning rounds to the chest, and as 5 others moved towards the body, they were immediately cut down by Tepache and Daiki’s firing upon them, cutting their numbers down to 14

LiO-Ds A: ++“What the fuck are you guys thinking? We can't just go for the offensive, scouts, flank them! Everyone else, on me!”++

Just as the operator commanded, the troops started forcing Tepache and Daiki to take cover by suppressing them with various shots from their assault rifles, with some of the older Daggers using HK33A3s in place of the HK416A5, before throwing several flashbangs

LiO-Ds B: ++“GO GO GO! We gotta keep Kotone's men down while we find that prick who keeps looking out for them!”++

*10 scouts emerged trying to flank Ranga and Daiki from two different sides, using their Mossberg 590

Shockwaves to send asphalt and buckshot whenever possible, while the other 2 were armed with Beretta PMXs as they try to beeline for Tepache as the flash wore off*

[Perspective: RDT]

As the 5 scouts emerged to attack both Ranga and Daiki, Ranga quickly used his M16A1 to deal with two of them, while Daiki switched to his M4A1 after putting down his MK 14 EBR. Tepache, on the other hand, would make quick work of the 2 trying to attack her as Daiki aimed down his sights and dealt with the final 3 of the LiO-Ds scouts

With only 7 LiO-Ds troops left, Daiki then moved over to his underbarrel M203 grenade launcher, and used it against the troops trying to suppress them to great effect

LiO-Ds C: ++"SIR! We're losing too many men!"++

LiO-Ds A: ++"Then we'll have to leave!"++

LiO-Ds B: ++"What about our objective, sir?"++

LiO-Ds A: ++"To hell with that fucking objective, we couldn't even find one man amongst hundreds of civvies, we have to go!"++

LiO-Ds D: ++"You guys go ahead! We'll hold them off for you!"++

LiO-Ds A: ++"You heard them, move move!"++

4 LiO-Ds troops immediately retreated to their Convoy Escort Vehicle, while the remaining 3 stayed to distract RDT by any means necessary. One of the LiO-Ds troops was a support operator who peeked out of cover and immediately began ripping through with their M240B, sending 7.62 NATO onto RDT's Humvee as the other two scouts flank from either side

Using the last of their smoke grenades, they charge through indiscriminately as they fired on through the grey smoke, with one scout using a UMP-45 and the other using a IWI Uzi Pro

Ranga waits for the smoke to dissipate before firing onto the UMP-45 and Uzi Pro user, Daiki and Tepache would take out the M240B user, Tepache sending shots to keep them down, while Daiki uses his grenade launcher to take them out

RDT successfully got rid of the LiO-Ds threat in the area

Ranga: <<"Alright, let's go see if that guy is safe.">>

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