**Project Pantheon Story**

Terry Penner March 16, 2013

Game Development

**Outline**

1. Introduction
   1. “Greatness of Humanity” speech
      1. Chen talking about how perfect life is now
   2. Execution of rebels
      1. Kill attempted rebel rescue (tutorial)
      2. Reveal character to player as rebel informant
2. Rising Action
   1. Meet with rebel group leaders
      1. Report other rebel group rescue attempt
      2. Plan next mission
   2. Attack different rebel group as government
      1. Is it ok to kill them?
   3. Get promoted
      1. Character now on secret police
   4. Start executing disabled innocents
      1. Moral internal discussion
   5. Form plan to kill Chen
      1. Character will be assassin for rebel group
   6. One final mission
      1. Assault on another rebel base
3. Climax
   1. Night before plan
      1. Is it worth it to kill Chen?
   2. Parade assassination
      1. Sneak through security
      2. Get ready to take shot
      3. Missile explodes, character dies
4. Falling Action
   1. Chaos ensues

**Act 1**

**Scene 1**

[At Earth capital, Chen supporter rally. Chen giving speech]

Chen: This

**Scene 2**

[At prison camp. People lined up for execution]

**Act 2**

**Scene 1**

[At rebel base, council room. Leadership meeting occurring]

Leader 1: This

**Scene 2**

[At different rebel camp on colony. Outside entrance]

Team Leader: This

**Scene 3**

[At Earth military base, officer briefing room. Superior is there]

Officer: This

**Scene 4**

[At Earth city, random house. Night time]

Team Leader: This

**Scene 5**

[At rebel base, council room. Leadership meeting occurring with 4 leaders]

[Main character enters room]

*Leader #1*: …and this is just getting out of hand. Have you seen some of the things that [main character] has been doing?

*Leader #3*: With our blessing! We told him to!

*Leader #1*: But should we have?

*Main Character*: It’s necessary, right? We decided that, didn’t we?

[They notice the main character is now here. Silence]

*Leader #3*: I’m… not so sure anymore. It seemed right at the time, but now…

*Leader #1*: We’re fighting tyranny here. Chen has to be stopped. He’s started massacring innocents. Do you remember that “New Earth” speech he gave? He’s purifying the human race! Look at what he’s been having [main character] do!

*Leader #3*: And we’ve been letting him! We’re supposed to be better than Chen, not doing his work for him! Having an inside man isn’t worth the cost! I don’t want to make you do any more of this, [main character].

*Leader #2*: [Main character], you’re the one on the inside. What do you think?

*Main character*: … Every time I go out with the secret police, I feel less and less. I… don’t want to do this anymore. I want to stop… before I don’t care enough to. … All those innocent people… those poor families… I… I’m the reason their lives are ruined… I’ve made them suffer so much… If I could go back, I never would have accepted that promotion.

*Leader #3*: I’m sorry. I’m so, so sorry. This is why it needs to stop. Look at what we’ve done to him.

*Main character*: I want to make it right. I can’t. I never can. But I can get revenge for the people whose lives I’ve destroyed.

*Leader #4*: You what now?

*Main character*: I think we should end this now. The heads of all of the colonies are meeting here on Earth next week, right? And there’s the parade for the whole event. I’ve been tasked with backup guard duty during the parade. I’ve given it a lot of thought over the past few days, and I think that I can get close enough to Chen to put a bullet in his head.

*Leader #4*: Are you crazy?

*Leader #5*: That’s ridiculous!

*Leader #1*: There’s no way that you would walk away from that!

*Main character*: It’s the least I can do for those people.

*Leader #4*: You don’t have to die!

*Main character*: I deserve to die! ... After all that I’ve done…

*Leader #4*: No. There is forgiveness. Even after…

*Main character*: I don’t want forgiveness. I want justice for the people that Chen has made me hurt. And I will kill him to see that happen.

*Leader #4*: I won’t support this plan.

*Leader #1*: Well I will, if you can prove to me that you can pull it off. The last thing we need is tighter security around Chen if you fail.

*Leader #3*: I’m sorry to have pushed you to this position, but if you think that this will help make up for the travesties that you have done for our cause, then I say yes.

[Other leaders give assent]

*Leader #1*: Alright then. It’s settled. We’ll work out the logistical details still, but I think we’re in agreement, except for one. The plan passes. Chen will be killed next week. [Main character], do you have any more missions with the Secret Police before next week?

*Main character*: Yes, one more.

*Leader #1*: Alright then, go prepare for that. If all goes according to plan that will be the last one, ever. Get some sleep everyone. We’ve got a lot to prepare for.

[Meeting dismissed. Leader #4 storms off]

[End scene]

**Scene 6**

[Outside rebel base with squad of 4]

*Squad leader*: Alright, here’s the plan. This building is several floors tall. We’ll start at the bottom and work our way up. [Main character], you’re on point this mission. You enter the building first, and clear the first floor. Robertson, you get the second floor. Bartholomew, you’re up to the third. I’ll take the fourth floor. Understood? Good. Move out!

[Main character enters building]

[A reception area. There is a staircase that the player cannot enter as well as a door. 1 enemy]

[Player kills enemy and enters door]

[A room that leads to more rooms with enemies]

[All rooms are cleared. Final room leads to area where the rest of the team is gathered looking at a child they killed]

*Squad member #1*: You didn’t have to kill the child too!

*Squad leader*: Our orders said to kill all rebels in the building, regardless of age.

*Squad member #1*: How can you consider someone this young a rebel? She probably couldn’t even spell her name yet!

*Squad leader*: She had a gun.

*Squad member #2*: Where? I don’t see any guns lying around here!

*Squad leader*: Do you want to be court marshalled, son? Then keep talking!

*Main character*: Sir? Can we leave now? I… don’t want to be here any longer.

*Squad leader*: Yeah. Let’s go. [Main character], lead us out of here.

[Exit through door]

[End scene]

**Act 3**

**Scene 1**

[At Earth capital, rebel base living area. Only main character present]

*Main character*: \*Sigh…\*

[Main character exits through door]

[Common area. 1 person present, Leader #4]

*Leader #4*: Hey [Main character].

*Main character*: Hey Leader #4.

*Leader #4*: Are you… are you sure you want to go through with the plan for tomorrow?

*Main character*: Honestly? Tomorrow will be a huge relief. I can’t wait for this all to be over. I had no idea that being a double agent would be this hard… I’m so confused and frustrated all the time now. It’s so hard to know what to do when I’m on a mission.

*Leader #4*: What do you mean?

*Main character*: Yesterday, I was out with the Secret Police. It was, by far, the worst mission that I have ever been on. It’s bad enough to actually have to kill rebels like you and me, but this time the captain went too far. He killed a little girl, just because she was there. He killed her, and he’s going to get away with it, because no one important cares. It made me so angry! I almost shot him right there, just to prove that I cared. But that would get me killed, because they would care if someone killed him… And I have to stay undercover, so I can kill Chen tomorrow. So I did nothing. I just walked away, and let him walk away too. I just… \*Sigh…\*

*Leader #4*: Is the mission ever worth compromising your own values over?

*Main character*: How do you mean?

*Leader #4*: It’s like... you’ve had to kill people who are on our side just to stay undercover, right? Is being undercover so important that you need to become a murderer? Is gathering information that has saved all of our lives several times worth sacrificing your own soul?

*Main character*: I would rather sacrifice my own soul to keep you all pure and alive than to have us all die and have no pure souls alive.

*Leader #4*: No. By condoning your mission, we have all condemned ourselves. All of us share your guilt. There are no pure souls left already.

*Main character*: No, I’m the only one at fault. It was my choice. You are all clear of blame. And now I’m going to pay for my sins tomorrow.

*Leader #4*: You don’t have to do that! You can stay back and not die tomorrow! You don’t have to die to atone for your sins! Jesus has already done that; he doesn’t need your help! If you stay here, we can think up a better plan; one that doesn’t require us to sacrifice our greatest member! We can move on with our lives, together. And if Chen kills us later, so be it. Because that’s better than loosing you and your soul.

*Main character*: I’m sorry. I don’t think that I can just let go of this guilt and move on. I... have to atone. There’s no other way for me to be forgiven. I’ve done too much.

*Leader #4*: No, you can still be forgiven! There is no limit!

*Main character*: I... No. I can’t believe that.

*Leader #4*: Please... stay...

*Main character*: I’m sorry. I’ll miss you...

[Main character exits]

[End scene]

**Scene 2**

[At Earth capital, convoy thing]

[Main character is at bottom of buildings, must navigate to Chen’s location, maybe dodging guards]

[As main character nears Chen, inner thoughts appear]

*Main character*: Do I really need to do this?

[Gets closer]

*Main character*: Do I really think there’s no other way?

[Gets closer]

*Main character*: It would be really nice to stay with Leader #4.

[Gets closer]

*Main character*: Forgiveness, huh?

[Gets very close now]

*Main character*: Last chance to turn back...

[If the character goes on, he dies. If he turns around, he may live]

[Missile strikes. Fade to white]

[End scene]

**Act 4**

**Scene 1**

[Looking at Earth and galaxy as a whole. Somehow]

News Anchor: This is the end. Chen is dead. The rebels are launching attacks on all our colonies. The forces on Earth have been suppressed, and the interim leader, A1, has taken control of the military. He is recommending a complete lockdown of the interplanetary corridors. The colonies are on their own.

[End scene?]