

= The Shipment (Star Trek : Enterprise) =

" The Shipment " is the fifty @-@ ninth episode of the American science fiction television series Star Trek : Enterprise , the seventh episode of season three . It first aired on October 29 , 2003 on the UPN network in the United States . The episode was written by Chris Black and Brent V. Friedman . It was directed by David Straiton , his sixth episode of the series at that point .

Set in the 22nd century , the series follows the adventures of the first Starfleet starship Enterprise , registration NX @-@ 01 . In this episode , the crew follow a trail of information to a mining complex which is producing a compound used in the construction of a Xindi weapon , while Chief Engineer Charles " Trip " Tucker (Connor Trinneer) makes a discovery about the Xindi sidearms .

The episode was filmed in late August and early September at the same time as the season premier was first aired . It used a combination of standing sets along with a handful of new sets to represent locations on the Xindi planet . Two actors resumed their roles from earlier in the season ; John Cothran , Jr. had previously appeared as a Klingon in both Star Trek : The Next Generation and Deep Space Nine . Reviews were mostly positive for " The Shipment " , and it received a 3 @. @ 9 / 6 rating , which was an increase from the re @-@ run shown the previous week but was not as high as the following episode .

= = Plot = =

At the Xindi Council , Degra reports that the weapon should be ready in a matter of weeks . On Enterprise , the coordinates provided by Tarquin (in " Exile ") lead to a planet , and the crew decide to hide the ship while a shuttlecraft manned by Captain Archer , Lieutenant Reed and Major Hayes approaches it . Evading detection , they land and enter a Xindi settlement , where they find a great quantity of kemocite being refined . They then observe Gralik Durr and two associates discussing the deal they have to mine the kemocite for Degra . The away team then beams up a canister of kemocite for analysis , and then follow Gralik back to his home , where they confront him .

T 'Pol 's analysis shows that the Xindi probe which attacked Earth (in " The Expanse ") contained kemocite . Archer then tells Gralik that Degra will use the kemocite to build a weapon , but the Arboreal denies any knowledge of the plan . Back on Enterprise , Commander Tucker also learns that the kemocite is the key to Reptilian rifle technology . Archer approves his idea to reverse engineer a rifle , but Tucker unknowingly triggers a self @-@ destruct sequence and the weapon is beamed into space . Archer then decides not to destroy the kemocite mining complex as he doesn 't want the Xindi to think of them as aggressors .

On the planet , Gralik explains that Degra told him that the kemocite was for research , and explains how the Avian race were assumed to be made extinct in the Xindi Civil War . A Reptilian shuttle arrives early , carrying Degra , to collect the final shipment of kemocite . Gralik takes the away team to a cave that will protect them from scans , but they are soon attacked by robotic drones sent by the Reptilians . When Gralik returns home , he is confronted by Degra , who reveals the true purpose of the kemocite , to build a weapon to destroy a ruthless alien species . T 'Pol in the meantime has modified the canister of kemocite so that the ship can track it . Archer manages to sneak it aboard the shuttle and after the Reptilians leave , Archer thanks Gralik for his trust and help .

= = Production = =

Filming of the episode started on August 29 , 2003 , overlapping with the final day of the shoot for the episode " Exile " . As the final scenes to be shot for " Exile " only required Linda Park from the main cast , the remaining cast were freed up to shoot scenes for " The Shipment " . The first scenes to be filmed were those concerning the subplot of the episode where Tucker attempts to take apart the Xindi rifle . Filming resumed on the day after Labor Day with all of the main cast involved . Most of the sets used were the Enterprise standing sets , but additional sets were required to represent Gralik 's home , the Xindi complex and a forest and cave area . During the shoot , live footage was

shot of the sets and was presented by Scott Bakula for Good Day Live in order to promote the series three premier " The Xindi " , which aired that evening .

It was the second episode of the season for director David Straiton after the second episode , " Anomaly " , and his sixth episode of the series overall . Chris Black and Brent Friedman wrote the episode together . They were both producers on the show ; Black a co @-@ executive producer and Friedman a consulting producer . They had each written episodes of the series separately with Friedman credited for " Raijin " . Black has several credits to his name on the show , including " First Flight " and " Carbon Creek " . The episode saw the return of John Cothran Jr . , who had previously played two Klingons in previously Star Trek series . These were Nu 'Daq in the The Next Generation episode " The Chase " and Telok in the Deep Space Nine episode " Crossover " . Other cast returning from earlier in the season were Steven Culp as Major Hayes and Randy Oglesby as the Xindi Degra . Executive producer Rick Berman later announced that Gralik would be returning to Enterprise , however " The Shipment " was the only on screen appearance of the character .

= = Reception and home media release = =

" The Shipment " was first aired in the United States on the UPN network on October 29 , 2003 . It received a 3 @. @ 9 / 6 share among all adults , with 6 percent of all adults watching television at the time of the broadcast . It was in sixth place for the night , one place behind Smallville on The WB which had a 4 @. @ 2 / 7 rating . It was an increase from the 2 @. @ 6 rating in the previous week for a re @-@ run episode aired up against a Major League Baseball World Series game on the Fox Network . The following week was sweeps week , and saw an increase in viewers for the episode " Twilight " up to a rating of 4 @. @ 07 , an increase of nearly 400 @, @ 000 viewers compared to " The Shipment " .

Michelle Erica Green , reviewing the episode for TrekNation , described the episode as " very classic Trek " . She was pleased to see that some character depth was being introduced into the new Xindi characters , and compared Gralik to Captain Dathon from the Star Trek : The Next Generation episode " Darmok " but thought that Gralik didn 't get developed quite enough to be on the same level . Overall , she described the episode as " a very solid hour of entertainment , with very few nitpicks ... a slick package with the values I consider to be real Trek " . Jamahl Epsicokhan at his website " Jammer 's Reviews " wasn 't enthusiastic about a particularly " lackluster " action scene which he felt was a bad cross between Star Trek : Insurrection and Andromeda . However , he was pleased with the other aspects of the plot and praised the clever scripting . He gave the episode a score of three out of four .

The only home media release of " The Shipment " has been as part of the season three DVD box set , released in the United States on September 27 , 2005 . The Blu @-@ ray release of Enterprise was announced in early 2013 , and released on January 7 , 2014 .

= Æthelred (bishop) =

Æthelred (or Ethelred ; died 30 June 888) was an Anglo @-@ Saxon Archbishop of Canterbury in medieval England . Although one source states that he was Bishop of Wiltshire prior to his elevation to Canterbury , this has been shown to be false . Much of Æthelred 's time in office was spent dealing with the dislocations caused by the invasion of England by Vikings . There were also conflicts with King Alfred the Great over ecclesiastical matters as well as the desire of the papacy to reform the English clergy .

= = Biography = =

Some sources , including the Anglo @-@ Saxon Chronicle , in the F version of that work , state that Æthelred was transferred in 870 from the Bishopric of Wiltshire to the see of Canterbury . However , the transfer has now been proven to be taken from the life of Ælfric of Abingdon , who was

archbishop from 995 to 1005 . Although the story of his transfer is false , Æthelred was consecrated as archbishop in 870 . Why he was selected for Canterbury is unknown , as there is no contemporary information on his election .

Most of Æthelred 's time as archbishop was spent dealing with the effects of Viking raids , but he also had a conflict with King Alfred the Great over royal control of ecclesiastical affairs . It was during Æthelred 's archbishopric that the Golden Gospels , a still @-@ surviving 8th century gospel book , was ransomed from a raiding army and donated to Canterbury . Pope John VIII also urged Æthelred and Archbishop Wulfhere of York to reform the dress of the English clergy . The Anglo @-@ Saxon clergy wore the short tunic that was the normal costume of the laypeople of Britain . The Roman custom , however , was to wear long clerical robes or habits , and the Anglo @-@ Saxon custom was opposed by the papacy and other continental clergy . Whether Æthelred and Wulfred took steps to try to change the dress of their clergy is unknown , but the clothing customs of the Anglo @-@ Saxon clergy did not change .

Around 877 , Æthelred wrote to Pope John VIII to complain about King Alfred 's conduct towards Canterbury . The exact nature of the dispute is not clear , but the reply from the pope to the archbishop still exists . The pope told the archbishop that Canterbury had papal support and that the pope had written to the king urging the king to respect the rights of the archbishop . The writer Justin Pollard sees this letter as evidence of papal support for the deposition of Alfred , which Pollard alleges occurred at Christmas 878 and that the deposition was supported by Æthelred . Other historians , however , do not agree that there was a deposition of the king supported by the archbishop at this time .

Æthelred also reached an agreement with Ælfred , an ealdorman , where Ælfred was granted the life use of a Canterbury estate in return for bequeathing one of his estates to Canterbury after his death . The document that records this agreement is not dated , however , so it is unknown when exactly during Æthelred 's episcopate the document was drawn up . Another problem for the archbishop was a decline in the abilities of the scribes at Canterbury , which is dramatically illustrated by the document , which has a number of errors and duplications . Other documents of the period show that some of the scribes had little knowledge of Latin .

Æthelred died 30 June 888 .