Wet sleet pelts your shoulders as you walk to Mistshore Park, a secluded pocket of Duskvol’s Six Towers district. Bluecoat **Captain Lucius Blackwell** (cynical), meets you under cover of darkness.

“We need a ‘contractor’ to help us extract a very particular target. Regrettably, not all jobs can be done on the books and your organization has drawn the attention of local law enforcement. Do this for me and I’ll make sure Bluecoats in Six Towers look the other way the next time your antics make the papers.”

The captain discreetly hands you an envelope tied with a string before turning and quickly walking away. Within the envelope, you find tickets for a passenger train scheduled for tomorrow morning to the neighboring city of Whitehollow, as well as a portfolio on the target: **Derys Wilkes**—an under-cover agent within the **Gray Cloaks**—must be extracted before the train gets to its destination.

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| Approach & Obstacles |
| Each area of the train contains possible challenges and opportunities.   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Roof: Fierce winds whip your face as the train hurtles across the Deathlands.**  ❖ Branches and tunnels  ❖ Inclement weather  ❖ Move without being seen | **Passenger Cars:** Compart-ments of regular folk trave-ling for work or pleasure.  ❖ Bluecoats enforcing peace  ❖ Service hatches to the roof  ❖ Impatient gang members | **First-Class:** Wood floors and gold trim set a luxurious retreat for the wealthy elite.  ❖ Distinguished travelers  ❖ Gray Cloaks guard the target  ❖ Private strongboxes |   **Areas:** observation deck — supply closet — crew quarters — dining car — engine room — armory  medical car — smoking lounge — escape pods — electroplasm pods — security car — covered cargo |

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| Scenes & Complications |
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| **Siding with the Bluecoats** | **Siding with the Gray Cloaks** |
| Captain Blackwell lights a cigar, then blows an cloud of acrid smoke.  *“Coin for a job well done. We’ll look the other way the next time our paths cross. I might have some more dirty work for you in the future.”* | You’re brought to a stout former Bluecoat named Hutch (fierce, brash). He sizes you up warily.  *“Can’t say I’m not impressed. Take some coin for your trouble—and for your honesty. Your actions have gained you trust with the Gray Cloaks.”* |