**Synopsis of UNITED STATES OF CHINA**

After uncovering a carefully guarded secret—the fact that China instigated the U.S. Civil War of **2035**—Teegan, the 16-year-old Eurasian daughter of a Chinese General is shocked. When the government finds out that she has captured the evidence on video, they imprison her father and attempt to arrest her. She escapes her home in New Hampshire in the middle of the night. She decides to head to Capitol Hill to make the truth known before a critical vote. Teegan knows that her video can change the course of history. As the daughter of the man who orchestrated the brutal Purge, she feels a moral obligation to do so.

She hides in a freight train heading for Springfield, MA. There, she meets two saboteurs, Harry and Jim, who just blew up a bridge she was about to cross. Fleeing together the United Republic Front, a joint American and Chinese military, they head for D.C. but a major snowstorm hits the East Coast. They take refuge in an abandoned bar. Using a swarm of nanotechnology mosquitoes, the military track them down and send soldiers in exosuits to capture them. The teens are brought to a detainment facility. There, Teegan learns that Adrian, who was her best friend in school, was actually her bodyguard. Adrian frees Teegan and her friends. He also declares his love for Teegan. The military are about to re-capture them when Adrian sacrifices himself, allowing them to escape.

Teegan and Harry manage to get to D.C. After a breathless pursuit, they arrive at Capitol Hill but because of the mass protests, no one is allowed to enter.

Teegan manages to sneak into the building. With only a few minutes before the vote, she races to find Senator Rupert, whom she knows. He agrees to show the video. In the Congress room, she inserts the chip in the reader. As she is about to press play, she hears Luo, her archenemy, in her earpiece. He threatens to kill Harry if she does not destroy the chip immediately. Just as Teegan admits to herself that she loves Harry and cannot bear to have his death on her conscience, Senator Rupert yanks Teegan’s shoulder, preventing her from responding. Teegan hears a gunshot and the earpiece goes silent.

Senator Rupert presses the play button for her. The senators are scandalized. They vote to send the Chinese troops home, but for Teegan, this is a bittersweet victory as she is convinced Harry is dead. Chairman Zhang, who is implicated in the scandal, is placed under house arrest. Teegan is relieved to find out that Harry has survived. She also learns that her father has escaped prison, but he is nowhere to be found.