

STARGATE ATLANTIS
"COMMON GROUND"
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TIMECODE DIALOGUE

START TIMECODE 01:00:00:00 AT FIRST FRAME OF PICTURE

TEASER

01:00:00:01 (GUNS FIRING)

01:00:00:10 TEYLA: We must go faster, Rodney.

*01:00:02:11 MCKAY: This is pretty much my top gear!

01:00:07:10 (GUNS FIRING)

*01:00:11:13 RONON: Maybe we can take a stand here. We can take them.

01:00:12:15 SHEPPARD (O/S): Negative.

*01:00:14:02 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): We don't know how many we're up against!

01:00:15:20 (GUNS FIRING)

01:00:18:14 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): Rodney, dial the damn gate. Don't wait for us!

*01:00:20:24 MCKAY: As if the bullets whizzing past my head weren't encouragement enough!

*01:00:27:12 MCKAY (CONT'D): Okay, six, seven.

*01:00:32:07 MCKAY (CONT'D): This is McKay to Atlantis. We're coming in hot.

01:00:38:20 RONON: Now!

01:00:44:28 (SHEPPARD GROANING)

01:01:03:02 KOLYA: It's good to see you again, Colonel.

01:01:07:12 SHEPPARD: Kolya.

END OF TEASER

ACT ONE

01:02:34:10 WEIR: Anything?

01:02:35:20 TEYLA: There was no sign of Colonel Sheppard or our attackers.

*01:02:37:15 RONON (O/S): And they covered their...

01:02:38:09 RONON (CONT'D): tracks well.

01:02:40:00 MCKAY: There's a good chance he was transported off-world, so I've gathered
the last gate addresses dialed.

*01:02:43:18 WEIR (O/S): That should be...

01:02:43:27 WEIR (CONT'D): helpful. But since the transmission which summoned us to the
planet was sent using a code we gave to the Genii, that will be our
starting point.

*01:02:51:12 MCKAY (O/S): What are you going you going to do? Like...

01:02:51:29 MCKAY (CONT'D): ask the Genii if one of them took Sheppard?

01:02:54:29 WEIR: Yes, I am.

01:02:56:18 (STARGATE ACTIVATES)

01:02:59:15 MCKAY: So is this--

*01:02:00:18 WEIR: Yes, it is.

*01:03:01:12 TECHNICIAN (V/O OVER SPEAKER): Incoming wormhole. We're receiving the
new identification code.

*01:03:05:22 WEIR (O/S): Security ...

01:03:06:06 WEIR (CONT'D): teams stand by. Lower the shield.

01:03:14:21 WEIR (CONT'D): Welcome, Ladon.

*01:03:15:21 LADON: I came as soon as I--

*01:03:16:26 RONON (INTERRUPTING): What've you done with Sheppard?

01:03:18:08 WEIR (O/S): Ronon...

*01:03:19:00 WEIR (CONT'D): He is here as our guest.

*01:03:26:07 LADON: How can I help?

01:03:29:25 SHEPPARD: Kolya! I didn't kill you last time, remember? You promised me points
for that. Kolya. Damn it. I should have killed him.

01:03:45:25 WRAITH (O/S): You're wasting your breath.

01:03:51:07 SHEPPARD: Didn't know I had company down here.

*01:03:53:01 WRAITH (O/S): There is no escape.

01:03:55:28 SHEPPARD: Yeah, well, prisons are like that. Never stopped me before. How
long have you been down here?

*01:04:05:13 WRAITH (O/S): Many years.

*01:04:08:20 SHEPPARD (O/S): How...

01:04:08:25 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): many is many? Five? Ten?

01:04:11:02 WRAITH (O/S): It no longer matters.

01:04:12:19 SHEPPARD: That many, huh? What did you do to get here?

01:04:18:27 WRAITH (O/S): I merely allowed myself to be captured alive.

01:04:24:20 SHEPPARD: Same here. Look, I've got people looking for me. And when they find
me, maybe we can both, uh--

01:04:46:17 GENII SOLDIER #1: Move.

*01:04:47:13 SHEPPARD: Where are we moving to?

01:04:50:27 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): I kind of like it here.

01:04:53:00 (GUN FIRES)

01:04:54:20 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): Ow!

*01:04:57:02 GENII SOLDIER #1 (O/S): Commander...

01:04:57:11 GENII SOLDIER #1 (CONT'D): Kolya insists.

*01:04:59:16 SHEPPARD: Oh, he insists? Well, why didn't you just say so?

*01:05:07:07 (TASER BUZZES)

*01:05:11:26 GENII SOLDIER #1: Pick him up.

01:05:30:01 WEIR (O/S): I'm sorry this is necessary, but under the...

*01:05:31:17 WEIR (CONT'D): circumstances, I'm sure you understand.

*01:05:33:01 LADON: I came here as a friend, Dr. Weir. I hope to leave as one.

*01:05:36:06 WEIR: We appreciate your concern for Colonel Sheppard.

01:05:38:15 MCKAY: Despite the fact that it was your incompetence...

*01:05:40:26 MCKAY (CONT'D O/S): that led to his capture.

01:05:42:00 WEIR: Rodney.

*01:05:42:05 MCKAY (O/S): I'm sorry...

01:05:42:16 MCKAY (CONT'D): but there is no disputing the fact that it was a code we
provided the Genii...

*01:05:46:00 MCKAY (CONT'D O/S): that was used to lure us to that planet...

*01:05:47:10 MCKAY (CONT'D): where we were ambushed.

*01:05:49:18 LADON (O/S): Dr. McKay...

01:05:50:00 LADON (CONT'D): is quite correct. You entrusted us with codes, and I allowed
them to be stolen from us. How and by whom is an ongoing
investigation, but I must assume it was someone close to me.

*01:05:59:06 TEYLA (O/S): Or this is...

01:05:59:16 TEYLA (CONT'D): part of your plans.

*01:06:02:00 LADON: Excuse me?

*01:06:02:28 TEYLA: It would not be the first time.

*01:06:06:00 LADON: I say this rhetorically, since I should think it is obvious, but if I were involved in this in any way, or if my intentions were anything less than honorable, would I have come to Atlantis?

01:06:17:06 TEYLA (O/S): With you, who knows? All I know...

*01:06:19:13 TEYLA (CONT'D): is my friend has been kidnapped and you had something to do with it.

*01:06:21:29 LADON: Which is why I have walked away from significant responsibilities as leader of my people to come here and offer

*01:06:27:20 LADON (CONT'D O/S): our help. Now...

*01:06:29:12 LADON (CONT'D): you can either let me do that, or you can continue to berate me for my mistake. The choice is yours.

*01:06:34:16 RONON (O/S): Oh...

01:06:34:23 RONON (CONT'D): we have more choices than that.

01:06:35:27 WEIR (O/S): Ronon!

*01:06:36:29 LADON: I see no reason to stay here if this is how I am to be treated.

*01:06:40:10 RONON (O/S): Trust me...

01:06:40:18 RONON (CONT'D): you're not going anywhere.

*01:06:42:10 WEIR (O/S): Ronon...

01:06:42:17 WEIR (CONT'D): I understand how you feel.

*01:06:44:12 WEIR (CONT'D O/S): Believe me, I do.

*01:06:46:03 WEIR (CONT'D): But we're going to deal with this my way.

*01:06:50:12 WEIR (CONT'D): Let's continue this in my office...

*01:06:55:00 WEIR (CONT'D): privately.

01:07:12:00 KOLYA: It's been some time.

*01:07:13:19 SHEPPARD: You must have really missed me to go through all this trouble.

*01:07:18:08 SHEPPARD (CONT'D O/S): Nice...

01:07:18:15 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): harpoon, by the way.

*01:07:19:27 KOLYA: To capture an extraordinary soldier takes extraordinary measures.

*01:07:23:09 SHEPPARD: I'll take that as a compliment.

01:07:24:25 KOLYA (O/S): As you should, Colonel...

*01:07:26:05 KOLYA (CONT'D): just as you should understand this is not personal. As soon as my goal is achieved, you'll be returned to Atlantis.

01:07:33:16 SHEPPARD: That simple, huh? What do you want?

*01:07:38:01 KOLYA: It's not a question of what I want. It's a question of who.

*01:07:43:25 LADON (V/O): Now, I...

01:07:44:01 LADON (CONT'D): entrusted the IDC codes you provided to two men in my government...

*01:07:47:01 LADON (CONT'D O/S): my second minister, in the event of my death, and my personal assistant...

*01:07:50:14 LADON (CONT'D): Cassel Massan. I trust both of these men implicitly-- or rather, I did.

*01:07:57:01 WEIR: Are both men now accounted for?

*01:07:58:11 LADON: Yes. In fact, they're in custody. They're being questioned as we speak.

*01:08:02:02 WEIR: Really?

01:08:05:03 LADON: Don't underestimate the importance of this alliance between our two peoples to the Genii, Dr. Weir.

*01:08:10:05 LADON (CONT'D O/S): In fact...

01:08:10:17 LADON (CONT'D): when I heard the news, my first concern was--

01:08:12:06 TECHNICIAN (V/O OVER SPEAKER): We have an unscheduled off-World
activation!

*01:08:12:06 (WARNING SIGNAL BLARES)

*01:08:16:28 WEIR (O/S): Identification code?

01:08:18:22 MCKAY: None, but we're receiving an analog video signal.

01:08:21:15 WEIR (CONT'D): Bring it up.

*01:08:22:27 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): Dr. Weir, if you're receiving this please respond.

*01:08:28:17 RONON (O/S): Who the hell...

01:08:28:28 RONON (CONT'D O/S): is he?

01:08:30:00 TEYLA: Aucustus Kolya.

*01:08:31:04 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): A Genii military leader who once...

*01:08:33:03 TEYLA (CONT'D): tried to seize Atlantis. Ladon was...

01:09:13:19 MCKAY (O/S): We'll rephrase that, too.

*01:09:15:07 MCKAY (CONT'D): We would like him to be able to speak to us.

01:09:19:08 KOLYA: Very well.

01:09:24:00 SHEPPARD (V/O OVER SCREEN): On my command authority whatever he asks,
don't do it, even--

*01:09:29:10 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): Well, as you can see, he's his usual charming self.

*01:09:32:04 WEIR: Explain your terms, Kolya.

*01:09:35:12 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): I have heard the familiar voices of yourself and Dr.
McKay, but there is one person I know is there who has yet to speak.
Ladon Radim is with you, is he not?

*01:09:47:19 WEIR: Why would Ladon be here?

*01:09:50:06 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): Well, to preserve his precious alliance with you,
Doctor. So that the Genii might remain in the favor of Atlantis. My
sources have already confirmed this, so there is no point in denying the
fact. Turn him over to me, and Colonel Sheppard will be released
immediately.

01:10:11:04 WEIR: I'll need time to consider your offer.

*01:10:14:13 KOLYA (VO OVER SCREEN): Allow me to help expedite your decision.

*01:10:23:17 WEIR: Oh, my God.

*01:10:26:00 MCKAY (V/O OVER RADIO): Sheppard could have left you rot down in that hole
when we last met, Kolya. He does not deserve this.

01:10:30:04 KOLYA (O/S): Let's be clear, Dr. McKay. No one does.

01:10:33:12 WEIR (V/O OVER RADIO): Don't do this. Don't do it.

*01:10:37:01 KOLYA (O/S): The choice is yours, Dr. Weir.

*01:10:38:28 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): Do we have an arrangement? Very well.

01:10:58:00 (WRAITH GROWLS)

01:10:58:13 WEIR (V/O OVER RADIO): Stop! Stop!

*01:11:01:06 KOLYA: Enough!

01:11:03:17 (TASER BUZZES)

*01:11:16:18 WEIR (O/S): You just crossed...

01:11:17:01 WEIR (CONT'D): a line, Kolya.

*01:11:18:15 KOLYA (O/S): We've found ...

01:11:19:02 KOLYA (CONT'D V/O OVER RADIO): that a minimum of three hours between feeding sessions is crucial to ensure the body has sufficient time to recover from the trauma. That's the time you have to decide. Three hours.

END OF ACT ONE

burning alive, would you settle for just one drop of water? Or would you take more...

*01:13:20:18 SHEPPARD: When did you hear them call me Sheppard?

01:13:26:08 WRAITH: Just before I started to feed.

*01:13:35:00 LADON (V/O): Of...

*01:13:35:10 LADON (CONT'D): course, you would see him only as the monster who tried to take your city from you.

01:13:39:28 WEIR (O/S): Kolya also killed several of our people.

01:13:43:15 TEYLA: He would have killed Dr. Weir as well.

01:13:46:04 LADON: I won't make excuses for his actions or mine during the failed Atlantis mission.

*01:13:49:25 LADON (CONT'D O/S): We were soldiers under...

01:13:50:22 LADON (CONT'D): Cowan's orders. But that failure shattered Kolya's stature among the Genii and forced him from Cowan's inner circle.

*01:13:58:04 WEIR: You managed to stay.

*01:14:00:10 LADON: Cowan had no choice but to keep me. I was his chief scientist.

*01:14:03:08 MCKAY (O/S): And you...

*01:14:03:21 MCKAY (CONT'D): just left Kolya out in the cold.

*01:14:05:12 LADON: That was his choice, not mine.

*01:14:08:15 LADON (CONT'D O/S): I will admit...

01:14:08:25 LADON (CONT'D): in what little contact we had before Kolya went underground,
he spoke of overthrowing Cowan's corrupt regime. I was admittedly torn.

*01:14:17:14 WEIR: Out of loyalty to Cowan?

*01:14:19:26 LADON: Out of the belief that neither man had what it took to lead the Genii into
the future.

*01:14:23:25 MCKAY: So instead, you --having what it took-- overthrew Cowan yourself.

*01:14:27:27 LADON (O/S): Kolya...

01:14:28:07 LADON (CONT'D): believes I've taken his rightful place as leader of our people.

*01:14:31:12 RONON: No wonder he's pissed.

*01:14:32:27 WEIR (O/S): Well, obviously...

*01:14:34:09 WEIR (CONT'D): he has men loyal to him in your inner circle, hence the codes.

*01:14:38:21 LADON: Well, those traitors will be found.

*01:14:40:26 RONON (O/S): Sounds like...

01:14:41:08 RONON (CONT'D): you're the traitor to me.

*01:14:43:10 LADON: Must he be here?

*01:14:44:28 WEIR: The more I hear, the more I'm glad he is.

01:14:50:22 LADON: I could have told you anything. I chose to tell you the truth.

*01:14:54:28 LADON (CONT'D): If you trade my life for Sheppard, you'll not only be yielding to
blackmail, but you'll be planting the seeds of civil war.

01:15:01:07 RONON (O/S): So what? I say...

*01:15:02:13 RONON (CONT'D): we turn him over, let them fight it out.

*01:15:04:00 MCKAY: We can't do that.

01:15:05:02 RONON (O/S): Why not?

01:15:06:06 MCKAY: Because... Well... Can we?

*01:15:10:19 TEYLA (O/S): Colonel Sheppard has...

*01:15:11:13 TEYLA (CONT'D): already ordered us not to.

01:15:15:11 WEIR: At this point, it's not his decision.

01:15:18:15 WEIR (CONT'D O/S): There's still time...

*01:15:19:04 WEIR (CONT'D): for us to find him and launch a rescue operation. Has there been
any progress?

01:15:23:13 MCKAY: We have a list of planets where recent Genii activity has been
documented, but we'd have a much higher margin of success if Ladon
would be willing to point out firm locations of Genii safe houses and
shelters...

*01:15:33:13 MCKAY (CONT'D O/S): maybe even hidden wraith-infested torture chambers.

*01:15:46:05 WRAITH (O/S): Your anger...

01:15:46:20 WRAITH (CONT'D): will only weaken you.

*01:15:48:05 SHEPPARD: I don't think so.

*01:15:50:14 WRAITH: You realize he is torturing both of us.

*01:15:55:08 SHEPPARD (O/S): Oh, yeah?

01:15:55:18 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): What'd he do to you?

*01:15:57:00 WRAITH (O/S): He...

01:15:57:06 WRAITH (CONT'D): stopped me.

*01:15:58:20 SHEPPARD (O/S): Really?

01:15:59:03 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): And how is that torture?

*01:16:01:20 WRAITH: Have you ever known starvation, Sheppard?

01:16:05:09 WRAITH (CONT'D O/S): The few years I took...

*01:16:06:22 WRAITH (CONT'D): from you are barely enough to keep me alive. The strength I
gained from you is already fading.

*01:16:12:25 SHEPPARD (O/S): I don't...

01:16:13:10 SHEPPARD (CONT'): really give a damn.

01:16:14:29 WRAITH (O/S): You pace in your cell...

*01:16:17:06 WRAITH (CONT'D): cursing that I took years from you... I stand here cursing that I
was not allowed them all.

01:17:01:03 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): I've got friends. And they're going to come for me.

*01:17:06:19 WRAITH: I hope you continue to believe that... the next time I feed.

01:17:16:15 BECKETT (V/O): Elizabeth, I'm just saying...

*01:17:18:00 BECKETT (CONT'D): if you decide in favor of trading for Colonel Sheppard, it
would be best if you did so before the next feeding.

*01:17:22:27 BECKETT (CONT'D O/S): I honestly don't know how many sessions a man can
take...

*01:17:26:04 BECKETT (CONT'D): even someone as strong as Colonel Sheppard.

*01:17:28:07 WEIR: Is it possible he can recover from this?

*01:17:30:28 BECKETT: We still know so little about the feeding process. All I can tell you is
that each time he's fed upon, his chances of survival diminish severely.

*01:17:40:22 MCKAY (O/S): Dr....

01:17:41:02 MCKAY (CONT'D): Weir! We've got a match! We went through the database.
Between our list and Ladon's, there's only one potential location that
makes any sense.

01:17:48:27 WEIR: Go.

01:17:56:13 MCKAY: All right, people, let's do this one by the numbers. We get in, we get our man, we get out. Stay sharp and stay alive.

01:18:03:15 BECKETT: What are you on about?

01:18:06:00 MCKAY: Oh, just things that Sheppard would say, so I thought I would, uh...

01:18:08:25 TEYLA: Well said, Rodney.

01:18:10:06 RONON: Just stay behind me.

01:18:12:19 MCKAY: Right.

*01:18:16:02 WEIR: Just bring him back.

*01:18:24:20 SHEPPARD: I thought you said this wasn't personal.

01:18:27:00 KOLYA (O/S): The truth is, I would've settled for Dr. McKay.

*01:18:29:20 KOLYA (CONT'D): But I don't imagine I would enjoy his constant wailing.

*01:18:33:01 SHEPPARD: They're never going to make the trade, Kolya. Why don't you just finish this?

*01:18:36:22 KOLYA: I think you underestimate the sympathetic nature of Dr. Weir.

*01:18:40:28 SHEPPARD: Well, then you underestimate Elizabeth.

*01:18:43:15 KOLYA: You'd prefer I stormed Atlantis and take Ladon by force?

01:18:49:22 SHEPPARD (O/S): What do you got...

*01:18:52:15 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): half a dozen men and a starving Wraith? Yeah, you go
right ahead.

01:18:56:27 KOLYA (O/S): One way or the other, Ladon is mine.

*01:18:58:11 KOLYA (CONT'D): Protecting him is a waste of my time and your life.

*01:19:01:13 SHEPPARD: What'd he do to you?

*01:19:05:06 KOLYA: I was the one planning to overthrow Cowen. Ladon disclosed those
plans, forcing me underground...

*01:19:11:28 KOLYA (CONT'D O/S): then staged a coup of his own.

*01:19:14:17 KOLYA (CONT'D): He took what was rightfully mine.

*01:19:19:14 KOLYA (CONT'D): Bring in the wraith.

01:19:32:20 (GLASS SHATTERING, BOMB EXPLODING)

01:19:46:16 SOLDIER (O/S): Spread out.

01:19:57:15 (GUN FIRING)

01:20:07:00 RONON: Just the caretaker.

*01:20:13:02 (RATTLING, GUN FIRING)

01:20:16:05 (MEN CALLING)

*01:20:21:18 MCKAY: Oh, uh...

*01:20:23:02 BECKETT: Rodney!

*01:20:24:08 MCKAY (O/S): I just...

01:20:24:17 MCKAY (CONT'D): I thought I saw something out of the corner of my eye. I just,
uh – I -- you know, I reacted.

*01:20:28:04 TEYLA: What is it?

*01:20:29:14 MCKAY: Um... a mouse.

*01:20:31:21 MCKAY (CONT'D O/S): Really big one, though.

*01:20:32:29 MCKAY (CONT'D): More of a rat, really. Possibly rabid.

*01:20:34:20 BECKETT (O/S): This isn't...

01:20:35:02 BECKETT (CONT'D): the place, is it?

01:20:36:18 TEYLA: I do not believe so.

01:20:38:09 RONON: No. Sheppard wasn't here.

*01:20:40:04 MCKAY: And we've just wasted...

*01:20:41:20 MCKAY (CONT'D O/S): two and a half hours.

01:20:42:20 RONON: Let's move out!

*01:20:43:19 MCKAY: And a mouse.

01:20:47:05 WEIR (V/O): Your intel was wrong.

*01:20:49:17 LADON: Well, then the only way for me to help is to return to my home world and
mobilize the resources of my military.

*01:20:54:19 WEIR: You can contact them from here.

*01:20:56:20 LADON: Do you think I don't know the real reason you're keeping me here?

*01:20:59:02 WEIR: You're a head of state. It was John Sheppard's last order that we do not submit to Kolya's demands. It is my own country's policy to never yield to terrorists. Those are the reasons you are still here, Mr. Radim. Because believe me...

*01:21:12:05 WEIR (CONT'D O/S): if it was simply my choice--

01:21:13:28 LADON (INTERRUPTING): I understand.

01:21:14:10 WEIR (O/S): Good.

01:21:14:20 LADON: How--

*01:21:15:06 WEIR (INTERRUPTING): Now we don't have much time. I want you to look over our list of planets again, see if there's anything you could've--

01:21:19:09 TECHNICIAN (V/O OVER SPEAKER): Unscheduled Off-World Activation!

01:21:26:01 TECHNICIAN (CONT'D O/S): Looks to be another video feed.

01:21:28:10 WEIR: Patch it through and open a channel.

01:21:32:15 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): Dr. Weir, as promised.

*01:21:34:29 WEIR: Where's Sheppard?

*01:21:37:27 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): I'm pleased to see you're wasting no time. So
neither will I. Will you turn Ladon Radim over to me in exchange for
Colonel Sheppard? Dr. Weir?

*01:22:04:03 WEIR: No.

*01:22:07:12 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): I can only conclude you doubt my sincerity.

01:22:20:20 (WRAITH YELLING)

01:22:29:00 KOLYA: Enough.

01:22:43:14 KOLYA (CONT'D V/O OVER SCREEN): Three hours.

01:23:07:15 WRAITH: Where are your friends?

*01:23:08:24 SHEPPARD: They'll be here.

01:23:11:05 WRAITH (O/S): You still believe that.

01:23:13:16 SHEPPARD: Yeah, I do. They just need more time.

*01:23:17:20 WRAITH: No one has ever left this place alive.

01:23:21:06 SHEPPARD (O/S): Yeah, well, I'm going to.

01:23:23:18 WRAITH: Kolya will kill you before your friends can reach the cells.

01:23:30:15 SHEPPARD: How well do you know the layout of this place?

*01:23:33:00 WRAITH: Well enough...

01:23:33:12 WRAITH (CONT'D): to know what they would be up against.

01:23:47:02 SHEPPARD: What about us?

*01:23:48:15 SHEPPARD (CONT'D O/S): Do you know enough about this place...

*01:23:50:28 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): to get us out?

*01:23:52:23 WRAITH: You and me...

*01:23:55:07 SHEPPARD: Why, are they going to let you go after I'm dead?

*01:23:58:03 WRAITH: No.

*01:23:59:29 SHEPPARD: Then what do you got to lose?

*01:24:02:07 WRAITH: My life.

*01:24:03:05 SHEPPARD (O/S): Oh...

01:24:03:20 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): yeah, you've got a great one down here.

*01:24:05:20 (WRAITH GROWLING)

*01:24:08:03 SHEPPARD (O/S): Listen...

01:24:08:11 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): it makes sense. We have a common goal.

01:24:17:12 WRAITH: As I said before...

*01:24:19:22 WRAITH (CONT'D O/S): There...

01:24:19:29 WRAITH (CONT'D): is no escape.

END OF ACT TWO

ACT THREE

01:24:46:16 GENII SOLDIER #1: Move.

*01:25:09:17 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): He still has years ahead of him, Dr. Weir. My offer stands.

01:25:14:10 WEIR: So does my answer.

*01:25:16:17 KOLYA (VO OVER SCREEN): Then you're effectively ending his life.

*01:25:20:06 WEIR: I'm not going to go there.

*01:25:22:17 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): Is Ladon there?

01:25:26:13 LADON: I am.

*01:25:28:04 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): I can't help but wonder what you've told them so they choose you over one of their own.

*01:25:31:04 LADON: That I betrayed you. That I took for myself what you believed to be yours.

*01:25:35:22 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): The truth? I must say I'm surprised.

*01:25:40:15 LADON: If you release him, you may return to our people with my promise of amnesty.

*01:25:44:24 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): Please, Ladon, I trained you better than that.
There are things that cannot be undone.

*01:25:49:23 WEIR (O/S): That's not...

01:25:50:04 WEIR (CONT'D): true.

*01:25:51:03 WEIR (CONT'D O/S): You can end this.

01:25:52:23 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): Strange, Doctor, I was just about to say the same
thing.

*01:25:59:11 KOLYA (CONT'D): Take your fill.

01:23:07:00 (RONON YELLING)

*01:26:17:14 KOLYA (CONT'D): Who told you to stop?

*01:26:18:27 WRAITH: He's near death. Shall I finish him?

01:26:29:00 KOLYA: Get it out of here.

01:26:37:22 KOLYA (V/O OVER SCREEN): Now it's two hours.

01:26:43:04 BECKETT: If he's fed upon again, he's as good as dead.

01:26:45:06 MCKAY: We don't know that.

01:26:45:29 BECKETT: Aye, Rodney, we do. He may already be past the point of no...

01:26:49:24 BECKETT (CONT'D O/S): return. We know that

*01:26:50:29 BECKETT (CONT'D): a large percentage of those that survive a partial feeding
die anyway... due to complications as a result of strain on the system.

01:27:00:28 BECKETT (CONT'D O/S): What appears as physical aging...

*01:27:02:22 BECKETT (CONT'D): is actually a byproduct of a complex process we barely
understand.

*01:27:10:02 BECKETT (CONT'D): I can't imagine him surviving another session, whether it's
two hours or 10 hours from now.

*01:27:15:22 RONON: If you were half the man Sheppard is, you'd volunteer to make the trade
yourself.

*01:27:21:10 LADON (O/S): The truth is...

*01:27:23:11 LADON (CONT'D): I'm not sure whether or not I would have made the trade if our
roles were reversed.

*01:27:28:25 LADON (CONT'D O/S): So I ask you...

*01:27:30:10 LADON (CONT'D): allow what you have done for me to be worth something.

*01:27:34:08 LADON (CONT'D O/S): There is...

01:27:34:17 LADON (CONT'D): nothing more I can do here, but I can get you the information
you need to find Sheppard if you allow me to return and interrogate the
men who stole the codes from me.

*01:28:09:02 SHEPPARD (O/S): You know, I could've...

01:28:09:25 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): sworn I was going to wake up dead today.

*01:28:13:03 WRAITH: You are strong. Stronger than any human I have ever fed upon.

*01:28:20:08 SHEPPARD: You stopped yourself.

01:28:23:18 WRAITH (O/S): Yes.

01:28:26:14 SHEPPARD: Why?

*01:28:27:20 WRAITH (O/S): Because...

01:28:28:00 WRAITH (CONT'D): the longer I feed, the weaker you become... and we will need
what strength you have left to escape.

01:28:40:04 SHEPPARD: Now he wants to escape.

01:28:48:08 LADON: I lack the words to thank you, Dr. Weir.

01:28:51:06 WEIR: I didn't do this for you.

01:28:53:12 LADON: Well, nevertheless, I'll be in touch the moment I have the information that
you need.

*01:28:58:20 WEIR: Thank you.

01:29:03:14 MCKAY: Why do I have the sinking feeling we've just made a terrible mistake?

01:29:06:13 RONON: Because we have.

01:29:08:18 TEYLA: I am not so sure, Ronon.

*01:29:45:14 (WRAITH YELLING)

*01:30:05:02 (GUN FIRING)

*01:30:19:13 (WRAITH YELLING)

01:31:03:13 SHEPPARD: Which way?

01:31:06:07 WRAITH: This way.

01:31:28:10 (RADIO BUZZING, WRAITH YELLING)

01:31:33:05 (GUNS FIRING)

01:31:48:06 WRAITH: It will heal. This way.

01:32:12:09 KOLYA: They did this together.

01:32:14:12 SOLDIER #1: They've taken weapons.

01:32:17:19 KOLYA: I want 10 armed men at the Stargate. The rest of you, hunt them down.

END OF ACT THREE

ACT FOUR

01:33:01:11 SHEPPARD: How far is the Stargate?

01:33:02:27 WRAITH: It will be guarded.

01:33:04:10 SHEPPARD: We've got guns.

01:33:05:13 WRAITH: They will be waiting for us.

01:33:07:01 SHEPPARD: Don't be so negative.

01:33:09:05 (WRAITH GROANS)

*01:33:10:20 SHEPPARD (CONT'D O/S): You think you're going to make it?

01:33:14:04 WRAITH: If I feed.

*01:33:15:10 SHEPPARD: Well, don't look at me.

*01:33:23:06 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): When we make it to the Stargate...

*01:33:25:25 SHEPPARD (CONT'D O/S): we both go our separate ways. Until then...

*01:33:28:26 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): we're going to need each other. Deal?

*01:33:46:06 TECHNICIAN (O/S): Dr. Weir?

01:34:00:08 WEIR: How long has it been?

01:34:02:07 TECHNICIAN (O/S): It's coming up on two hours. We should receive the next transmission any minute now.

*01:34:06:15 WEIR: Yes, I'll be there in a moment.

*01:34:12:13 SHEPPARD (O/S): I was blindfolded all the way to the bunker. It wasn't this far.

01:34:15:15 WRAITH: If I could just move faster--

01:34:17:23 (WRAITH CALLS OUT)

01:34:22:08 SHEPPARD: We'll rest here a few minutes.

01:34:24:13 WRAITH: You should go on without me.

01:34:26:10 SHEPPARD: No. The gate's guarded. We'll have a better chance of taking out the guards in a crossfire. I still need you.

01:34:37:25 WRAITH: Very well.

01:34:40:17 SHEPPARD: That is, even if we're going in the right direction. You have no idea where the Stargate is, do you?

01:34:56:04 WRAITH: It was many years ago.

01:36:49:21 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): think we knew where we were going.

01:36:51:12 (WRAITH CHUCKLES)

01:36:55:26 WRAITH (O/S): Oh, it was worth it...

*01:36:57:21 WRAITH (CONT'D): if only to see the sky again.

*01:37:00:08 SHEPPARD: I got slightly higher expectations.

*01:37:03:13 WRAITH: My wound is deep. If I do not feed soon... I will die.

*01:37:12:19 SHEPPARD: Buck up. We got a deal, remember?

*01:37:17:12 SHEPPARD (CONT'D O/S): We both...

01:37:17:23 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): go home alive.

*01:37:20:14 WRAITH: And if we were to meet again in the future? What then?

01:37:33:15 SHEPPARD: All bets are off.

01:37:35:20 (WRAITH CHUCKLES)

01:37:40:10 WRAITH: Then let us hope we do not meet again.

*01:37:44:10 SHEPPARD: Try to get some sleep. I'll take the first watch.

*01:41:45:05 SHEPPARD: He just undid it.

*01:41:48:27 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): Lower your weapons.

*01:41:51:23 TEYLA (O/S): How is...

01:41:51:23 TEYLA (CONT'D): this possible?

*01:41:53:05 SHEPPARD: Don't ask me.

01:41:57:00 WRAITH: The gift of life is reserved only for our most devout worshipers... and our
brothers.

01:42:08:25 SHEPPARD: Well, I guess there's a lot about the Wraith we don't know.

*01:42:11:07 WRAITH: Sheppard gave me back my life. I merely repaid the debt.

*01:42:16:14 MCKAY (O/S): What debt?

*01:42:17:11 MCKAY (CONT'D): I mean, are you – are you kidding? He looks younger than he
did before.

*01:42:19:23 RONON: What about Kolya?

*01:42:26:18 SHEPPARD (INTO RADIO): Kolya...

01:42:27:10 SHEPPARD (CONT'D V/O OVER RADIO): this is Sheppard.

*01:42:29:15 SHEPPARD (CONT'D INTO RADIO): Kolya?

*01:42:30:18 SHEPPARD (CONT'D V/O OVER RADIO): I figured you'd run. Next time, I kill you
on sight, you hear me?

*01:42:42:04 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): Let's get off this rock.

*01:42:45:05 RONON: What about him?

01:42:49:15 SHEPPARD: We had a deal, right?

*01:42:51:08 WRAITH: I did not truly expect you to honor it.

01:43:04:09 (GUN FIRING)

01:43:09:00 RONON: You didn't kill him.

01:43:11:00 SHEPPARD: No, I didn't. Get him in the Jumper. We're going to drop him off
somewhere.

01:43:20:04 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): Thanks for showing up.

01:43:24:05 (WRAITH SHOUTS)

01:43:28:24 WRAITH: Ah, Sheppard. I thought you...

01:43:32:03 SHEPPARD: There's a lot you don't know about humans.

01:43:39:13 WRAITH: Ah, I see.

01:43:44:26 WRAITH (CONT'D): Next time we meet?

01:43:49:05 SHEPPARD: All bets are off.

*01:43:54:14 (WRAITH DRONE BUZZES)

END OF ACT FIVE

FADE TO BLACK

END OF EPISODE