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FADE IN:

INT. THE COMMAND ROOM - NIGHT

JOHN sits in the Captain's chair going over some paperwork on a clipboard. DEX paces around near the entrance to the room somewhat pouting. John sets the clipboard down.

JOHN
Dex...

DEX
Yeah?

JOHN
Do it again.

DEX
What? Why?

JOHN
I don't think this is the kind of report that your brother would accept. Do it again, be a little more detailed, and proofread the new version. You had a couple grammatical errors a third grade teacher wouldn't let slide.

Dex walks up to the desk and grabs the clipboard.

DEX
Fine.

Dex starts to somewhat storm out of the room.

JOHN
Dex...

DEX
What?

JOHN
What's wrong?

DEX
There's nothing wrong.

JOHN

Don't give me that. Now spill it.

DEX

Okay fine, I'm just a little upset that Dorian left you in charge instead of me.

JOHN

Why would he leave you in charge?

DEX

I'm the Red Ranger.

JOHN

But you're only a rookie. The only time the fact that you're the Red Ranger matters is when we're out on a case or fighting some alien scum. At the end of the day when the suits and helmets come off, I outrank you, which is why your brother probably left me in charge. No wonder Dr. Falco pulled me off to the side to tell me this.

The alarm goes off. PATRICK, ALEXANDRA, and JULIE rush in. The screen behind the Captain's desk displays an unidentified flying object rapidly entering the Earth's atmosphere. The screen changes to reveal that the object's landing site will be in downtown Diotech City.

JOHN

I think we all know what we have to do.

The Rangers take out their morphers.

ALL FIVE RANGERS

Emergency, SPD!

They morph. After morphing the Rangers enter the jump tubes.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INT. THE JUMP TUBES - NIGHT

The Rangers go through the tubes and into their respective Zords. The Rangers strap themselves in and set their morphers on their Zord's control panel.

JOHN

Let's move out!

The Zords leave the Zord bay and make their way downtown. Inside of P-Zord 2 the screen on the control panel displays the path of the object.

JOHN

Target confirmed.

ALEXANDRA

It looks like it's a ship.

JULIE

And in five seconds it'll reach us.

PATRICK

It's probably going to crash.

John sees the ship crashing into the ground.

JOHN

Okay, everyone we need to form the Megazord, and begin rescue procedures.

DEX, PATRICK, ALEXANDRA, AND JULIE

Roger.

The Zords combine into the Patrol Megazord. The Megazord makes its way over to the wreck. It aims the Signal Blaster at the fire.

PATRICK

Signal Blaster, extinguisher mode!

Inside of P-Zord 3 Patrick presses a button. Outside the bottom barrel fires a stream of water that extinguishes the fire on the wreck.

JULIE

Fire extinguished.

DEX

John, there's a life form detected.

JOHN
Alexandra, verify it.

ALEXANDRA
Activating floodlights.

The Megazord aims its right arm with the floodlights of P-Zord 4 at the wreck. A helmeted figure can be seen getting out of the wreck.

ALEXANDRA
It's S.P.D.

John gets out of his Zord and onto the ground.

JOHN
Are you okay?

FIGURE
I'm fine.

John rushes over to the figure.

FIGURE
Sorry about that. I was in pursuit of a criminal, and ended up crashing.

The other Rangers come up to the figure as he takes off his helmet revealing himself to be XAM.

XAM
Although, I was able to delete the criminal.

John looks at Xam.

JOHN
Xam?

Xam looks over at John as he powers down.

XAM
John!

JOHN
It is you.

John and Xam touch the bracelets on their right wrists. John then goes over to Xam to hug him.

JOHN
Xam where have you been all this time?

The other Rangers power down.

DEX
John, who is this guy?

JOHN
This is Xam; he was my best friend from when we were only cadets. He's from the planet Janus.

XAM
Nice to meet you.

DEX
Yeah.

Dex extends his right hand to shake Xam's, but Xam does not take it.

XAM
Sorry but I really need to report back to my H.Q. Communications went down on my ship, do you mind if I send a message through your H.Q. John?

JOHN
You don't even need to ask, of course you can.

An unsure look grows over Alexandra's face. As the morning sun starts to rise, the Rangers return to H.Q. in their Zords.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INT. THE HALLS OF S.P.D. H.Q. - MORNING

John leads Xam to one of the guest quarters. Xam is carrying what appears to be a suitcase. John takes out a key card and slides in the reader. The door opens, and John and Xam walk into the room. Xam sets the suitcase on the bed.

JOHN
Need anything else?

XAM
Just a shower.

JOHN
No problem. Get cleaned up and you can send your communication in the command room when you're ready.

XAM
Thanks John.

JOHN
Anything for an old friend.

John leaves the room.

INT. THE COMMAND ROOM - DAY

Dex, Patrick, Alexandra, and Julie lounge around the center console.

JULIE
What's with John right now?

DEX
What do you mean?

JULIE
He seems a little happier than he usually does.

PATRICK
Yeah, it's like he suddenly added a couple more dimensions to his character by just meeting up with an old friend. What do you think Alexandra?

ALEXANDRA
I'm not sure if I can trust him.

John walks in.

JOHN

Why not?

ALEXANDRA

It's just a feeling I'm getting.

JOHN

Well keep your feelings to yourself.

Xam walks in. John shows him to one of the computer terminals. Xam fiddles with the keyboard, but eventually the screen in front of him flashes the words "INTERPLANETARY COMMUNICATION DISABLED".

PATRICK

That's weird.

ANITA appears on the screen behind the Captain's desk.

ANITA

Rangers, it appears that our communications have gone down. I'm looking into it right now, but I just hope we can get them back up soon.

The screen goes blank.

ALEXANDRA

Just what could've knocked out our communications like that?

JOHN

It could be anything.

XAM

John, I was wondering, where's Captain Kruger right now?

JOHN

Captain Kruger is attending a conference on Anubis right now. He left me in charge.

XAM

I see. When will he be back?

JOHN

I think he might be back later today. But enough about Captain Kruger. What I'd really like to know is what happened over the past two years?

XAM

What do you mean?

JOHN

You get assigned to the Janus branch of the S.P.D. and a couple of months go by and I didn't hear anything from you. So what happened?

XAM

Oh yeah, well I was on a case and an accident happened and the next thing I knew I woke up in a hospital not knowing who I was.

ALEXANDRA

So you had amnesia?

XAM

Yes exactly. I only now regained my memory and was cleared to rejoin the force.

JOHN

Good to know. Say Xam how about we do a little something that always used to take our minds off of any problems while we were cadets?

XAM

You serious?

John nods.

XAM

So where's the range?

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INT. A PRACTICE RANGE - DAY

John draws his side arm and steps up to a pedal. Dex, Patrick, Alexandra, Julie, and Xam stand behind him. John presses the pedal and three metallic orbs fly out and hover in the air. John quickly fires at all three of them. A nearby screen displays the word "EXCELLENT". John steps down and Xam steps up with a side arm that is near the controls. Xam presses the pedal and waits for a few seconds. Xam jumps out, fires, and hits all three orbs in a single shot. The screen displays the word "OUTSTANDING!"

DEX

Wow.

JULIE

Even John's not that good.

PATRICK

Impressive.

JOHN

Just to be expected from Xam.

XAM

That was little more than experience from actual combat.

Xam starts to wobble around a little bit. Dex comes up to him.

DEX

You okay?

XAM

Get away from me!

Xam shoves Dex, and Dex falls to the ground.

XAM

Sorry about that. I'm not feeling too good. If it's all the same with you John could I go back to my room for a rest?

JOHN

Sure no problem.

John and Xam leave the range. Dex gets back to his feet.

JULIE

If only we could have that guy as a Ranger.

PATRICK

It'd never work. He's not human.

JULIE

What do you mean?

PATRICK

Genetically speaking, humans have always been the best candidates to become Rangers. In fact the only reason why Dex is the Red Ranger is because Captain Kruger isn't technically human anymore. But if he were human, yeah it'd be nice to have him as a Ranger.

ALEXANDRA

There's something about him that I don't like.

JULIE

C'mon Alexandra he's not all bad.

ALEXANDRA

Think about it, he didn't make any contact with John for the past two years and they're best friends.

DEX

He had amnesia.

ALEXANDRA

True, but I'm sensing something about him that feels a little off.

PATRICK

You're just delusional Alexandra. Xam seems like a good guy just give him a chance, if for any other reason for John's sake.

ALEXANDRA

Okay fine, but I would like to talk to John about him later.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INT. THE COMMAND ROOM - DAY

Alexandra sits at the center console. John walks in.

JOHN

You wanted to talk to me Alexandra?

ALEXANDRA

Yeah, it's about Xam.

JOHN

Great guy isn't he?

ALEXANDRA

I wouldn't say that.

JOHN

Why not?

ALEXANDRA

Well for starters there's the fact that all I'm sensing from him is a cold charisma, which I've never found from any of the S.P.D. officers I've ever worked with, and that includes Captain Kruger.

JOHN

Anything else?

ALEXANDRA

What about the fact that he was kinda rude to Dex in the practice Range? Dex was just trying to help him, and Xam shoved Dex to the ground.

JOHN

He said he wasn't feeling too well. Why can't you just give him a chance? He's my-

ALEXANDRA

Best friend. I know. That's also the reason why you didn't have him checked out when he entered H.Q.

JOHN

So what are you suggesting?

ALEXANDRA

Have him checked out by Dr. Falco to see if everything's all right with him, and if so then let him walk around H.Q. freely.

JOHN

And if things don't check out?

ALEXANDRA

Then we can send him to a hospital where he can get better.

JOHN

You're just delusional. Xam's fine.

The alarm goes off. The screen behind the Captain's chair shows an alien within the lowest levels of the S.P.D. John takes out his morpher, and opens it to phone mode.

JOHN

Dex, Patrick, Julie, meet Alexandra and I in the lowest level of H.Q.

John and Alexandra rush out of the command room.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INT. THE LOWEST LEVEL OF S.P.D. H.Q. - DAY

Dex, John, Patrick, Alexandra, and Julie run toward where the alien is. The alien looks down at them and grunts a little bit. The Rangers take out their morphers.

ALL FIVE RANGERS
Emergency, SPD!

They morph. The alien fires a few bolts of energy from the electrodes on his shoulders. The bolts hit the Rangers and they fall to the ground. The Rangers get back up and Dex draws both of his Blaster, while the others draw their D-Batons. The Rangers charge at the alien. Dex begins by striking the alien with the bottom of the Blaster in his right hand. The alien counters the attack and the other attacks Dex gives it until finally knocking Dex out of the way. The alien walks forward dodging an attack from John with his Baton. The alien presses forward as John rolls underneath it. The alien encounters Patrick, Alexandra, and Julie and hits Patrick knocking him against a wall. The alien then hits Alexandra and Julie knocking them to the ground. John comes up behind the alien and slashes at it with his Baton. The attack is dodged. John then kicks the alien with his left leg, but the alien blocks the attack. The alien strikes John, and John falls to the ground. The alien then steps on John's midsection, and looks down at John for a second. Dex comes flying in with both of his Blasters and fires at the alien. The Alien takes both of the shots and falls back a little. Dex then strikes the alien with his right hand Blaster, but the attack is blocked and Dex receives a couple of hits from the alien. John comes in with his Baton, but the alien hits John knocking him out of the way. The alien grabs onto Dex's shoulder and throws him at some pipes. Dex hits the pipes, breaking them before finally falling to the ground. Patrick, Alexandra, and Julie come up to Dex.

PATRICK
You okay?

John goes after the alien, but the alien has disappeared.

JOHN
Where is he?

Dex gets back up and runs off.

ALEXANDRA
Dex, wait a minute.

John runs after Dex.

INT. THE HALLS OF S.P.D. H.Q. - DAY

Dex (now unmorphed) runs through the halls and to Xam's room. He tries to open the door, but is unable. Dex then breaks open the door. When Dex enters the room looks as if it has not been used.

DEX

He's not here.

The other Rangers come into the room.

ALEXANDRA

Maybe Xam was that alien we fought.

JOHN

That's impossible. It can't be.

John's morpher goes off. John takes it out and opens it to phone mode.

DORIAN OVER THE COMMUNICATOR

I'm back.

JOHN

Captain!

INT. A DARKENED HALLWAY - DAY

The alien leans against a wall. It then changes its right arm into a blaster canon. The alien walks through the hall.

INT. THE LOWEST LEVEL OF S.P.D. H.Q. - DAY

DORIAN walks up to the Rangers.

DORIAN

Would someone mind telling me what's going on? Why has interplanetary communication been disabled?

PATRICK

An alien penetrated H.Q.

DORIAN

What?!

PATRICK

Although there isn't any proof, the alien and the communications malfunction are probably related.

Dorian walks past the Rangers.

DORIAN

I want every floor on red alert. We'll
go to the command room to think of a
way to counter what's going-

In the distance and without warning the alien fires a shot
from its right arm canon at Dorian. Dorian flies back a
couple of feet and lands on the ground on his back. The
Rangers watch in disbelief.

DEX AND JULIE

(Dex) Dorian! (Julie) Captain!

Dex and Julie rush over to Dorian followed by Patrick.
Alexandra falls to her knees.

DEX

Dorian! Dorian!

JULIE

Captain! Captain! Hang on!

PATRICK

Guys he's barely breathing.

ALEXANDRA

So the alien was after Captain Kruger.

Dex, Patrick, and Julie continue to cry at Dorian with
Patrick and Julie yelling out "Captain!" while Dex yells
out "Dorian!" John turns around and sees the alien. He goes
after it.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

EXT. S.P.D. H.Q. - DAY

The alien goes outside runs for a distance until getting cornered by John aiming his side arm at the alien.

JOHN

Freeze!

The alien stops. The alien then reveals that he is in fact Xam.

JOHN

(in disbelief) Xam?! Why, why'd you fire at Captain Kruger?

XAM

Simple, money. I was paid through the nose to do that job, and when someone offers you that much cash it'd be rude to turn them down.

JOHN

Why? You used to have such a passion for police work.

XAM

You don't understand do you?

JOHN

About what?

XAM

An officer's work is never finished, and even if you do the best job you can do when you wake up one morning, more crime, more criminals will just keep on coming. Even if you risk it all what thanks do you get? Barely any. Most people fear and hate you only for no particular reason.

JOHN

You knew that when you began. You knew that it was a tough job, and you knew the risks.

XAM

Same old John, your loyalty is to the task at hand and not to your friends or partners. All that's ever mattered to you was "upholding the law", "protecting the innocent", and "bringing criminals to justice".

JOHN

That's not true.

XAM

Really what about that Dex kid?

JOHN

The rookie-

XAM

You just proved my point; you can't even be bothered to call him by his name. What about the others? Patrick? Alexandra? Julie?

JOHN

I don't have any problems with Patrick or Alexandra.

XAM

What about Julie?

JOHN

She owes me some money.

XAM

Ha! We're no so different. Even you care about money.

JOHN

That's not what I meant.

XAM

Your lips say one thing, but that expression in your eyes says otherwise. Face it John you're little more than a cop who doesn't care about anything else than the job. You probably still read the S.P.D. handbook in your spare time.

JOHN

How'd this happen to you?

XAM

It was about a month or so after I had joined the Janus branch when a man by the name of Darkwing came up to me and said, "Your sharp shooting skills are impressive, how would you like to make a little extra cash on the side?" I was reluctant at first, but when he showed me the money I changed my mind. Eventually it got to the point where I felt I was better off without the S.P.D. In fact I even had my body modified to be the most efficient sharpshooter in the galaxy. You don't know how good it feels to be using your talents to their potential, and getting paid large sums of money to do it.

JOHN

You're worse than any other criminal I've ever faced.

XAM

You're right about one thing John...

Xam draws his side arm and fires at John's right wrist. The shot causes John to drop his side arm and fall down. His bracelet splits in half and falls to the ground as well. John holds onto his wrist trying not to flinch from the pain.

XAM

I am worse.

JOHN

Xam it doesn't have to be this way.

Xam starts to laugh maniacally.

XAM

It all ready is.

Xam puts his side arm back in its holster and walks away laughing maniacally. John continues to hold onto his wrist as he watches Xam walk away. Xam walks into an alleyway.

VOICE

I paid you to do a job.

Xam turns to his left to see DARKWING.

XAM

And I did the job.

DARKWING

No you didn't. Dorian Kruger lives. And I can tell you that my biggest client won't be happy that you failed to do that job.

XAM

Who exactly is this client of yours?

DARKWING

None of your business. What matters now is that you still have a job to do, and if you fail again, I won't need the Galactic High Court to determine your fate. Do the job, and do it right this time!

Darkwing disappears.

XAM

Kruger will be finished once and for all.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INT. THE INFIRMARY - DAY

Dorian lies in a bed unconscious. Anita hovers over his left side. Dex sits in a chair on Dorian's right. Patrick, Alexandra, and Julie stand over the foot of the bed.

DEX

Is he-?

ANITA

No, but if he were still completely human he would be. Don't worry Dex; I've seen your brother survive worse than what Xam did to him.

Dorian regains consciousness.

DORIAN

What happened?

ANITA

It's okay Dorian; you're in the infirmary.

DEX

How are you feeling Dorian?

DORIAN

My head hurts.

ALEXANDRA

I'll go get some aspirin.

Alexandra leaves.

ANITA

You're lucky to be in this condition. I think maybe it might be time for you to start wearing a heavier form of Kevlar.

DORIAN

As always Anita you pull through for me. Thanks.

ANITA

It's nothing you wouldn't for me. You hungry?

DORIAN

Not really.

John walks into the infirmary still holding onto his right wrist. He falls flat on his face. Anita, Dex, and Patrick turn around and help John into a chair. Anita starts to bandage John's wrist.

PATRICK

What happened?

John does not answer.

DEX

What happened John?

Again John does not answer. John stares blankly at the wall in front of him.

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. S.P.D. H.Q. - NIGHT

John (wearing a cadet uniform) and Xam (in human form and also wearing a cadet uniform) sit on a bench. Xam hands John a metal bracelet. John puts it on his right wrist.

JOHN

What's this for?

XAM

I've got one too. It's so that we'll always be connected as friends no matter where we've been assigned.

Xam and John touch their bracelets together.

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. THE INFIRMARY - DAY

Anita finishes bandaging John's wrist. A few tears start to roll down John's cheeks.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INT. THE COMMAND ROOM - NIGHT

The Rangers and Dorian sit at the center console.

JULIE

The search of Xam's guest quarters revealed that he had equipment to jam our communications.

ALEXANDRA

I ran a background check on him, and apparently he quit the S.P.D. on Janus two years ago.

DEX

So the whole chasing after the criminal was just a cover.

ALEXANDRA

Yes, and he did everything he could to get close to Captain Kruger. By the way Dex how did you think to check Xam's guest quarters?

DEX

I actually got to thinking about what you said about him, and I realized you were probably right.

DORIAN

Rangers, I've all ready run it through with the Galactic Supreme Court, and Xam's delete has all ready been approved. What's left is to-

A communication signal goes off behind Dorian. Dorian turns around and Xam (human form) appears on screen.

XAM

Well, well, well Captain Kruger it appears the rumors about you being tough were true. However...

Xam pulls a female hostage into view.

XAM

If you care enough about this hostage, come to point H8 in half an hour. We'll finish this once and for all.

The screen goes blank.

DORIAN

I'm going to do what he says and act as
bait. Rangers I want-

John gets up.

JOHN

No! I'll go it alone.

DORIAN

John he wants me.

JOHN

He's my best friend, and I'm the only
one who can match his skills with a
blaster.

DORIAN

Very well.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INT. AN ABANDONED NIGHT CLUB - NIGHT

John walks in. He walks through the club and onto the stage by the dance floor.

XAM

John? Why'd you come?

JOHN

Xam I offer you a challenge. Defeat me first and Captain Kruger will follow. I can promise you that.

A 35mm film projector turns on and runs through the film that is set up in it. Xam steps forward by the projector with the hostage. The hostage is bound and gagged, and Xam is also holding her at gunpoint.

XAM

But John, given your skill do you really think that you can beat *me*?

Xam lets go of the hostage and she falls to the ground and starts to crawl away. He transforms into his alien form with his right hand in blaster mode. John takes out his morpher.

JOHN

Emergency.

John morphs. After morphing John slowly takes out his D-Baton and Knuckle Grip and combines them both into his Snipe Blaster. John holds his Blaster down to his side.

XAM

When you're ready.

The film in the projector continues to roll. When the roll runs out, John and Xam turn around and fire at each other. Nothing happens for a second until small bolts of energy start to go over Xam's body. He falls to the ground. John looks over to the hostage. The hostage gets to her feet and starts to leave the club. The other Rangers (all morphed) come in. They tend to the hostage.

DEX

You okay?

Alexandra and Julie help the hostage out of her bindings. Xam slowly gets back on his feet.

XAM

How? Your skill...beat ME?!

JOHN

You probably can't understand it in your form now. But there was something supporting my hand. (pause) It was an officer's pride.

Xam starts to laugh a little as he fully gets back on his feet. A couple of explosions occur on his tries to gain his footing.

XAM

You can't just live on pride. Money is the only thing that matters.

Xam takes out a test tube of a red liquid. He drinks the contents and grows to gigantic size. Xam's bracelet falls off as he grows. The other Rangers get behind John. John takes out his morpher.

JOHN

We need the Zords.

EXT. S.P.D. H.Q. - NIGHT

The side of the building opens up and the Patrol Zords are launched. The Zords make their way to Xam's area. The Rangers jump up and into the Zords.

ALL FIVE RANGERS

Megazord formation!

The Zords combine into the Patrol Megazord.

ALL FIVE RANGERS

Patrol Megazord, online!

The Megazord and Xam face each other. Xam charges at the Megazord and strikes it a couple of times with his hands. Xam then head butts the Megazord. The Megazord falls back a little. Xam fires a couple of bolts from his electrodes at the Megazord. The Megazord takes the hit, but survives. The Megazord approaches Xam, and Xam approaches the Megazord. Xam tries to strike the Megazord with his right hand, but the attack is blocked. The Megazord gets in a few punches on Xam, and he falls back. Xam kicks the Megazord with his right leg, but the Megazord grabs onto the leg and starts spinning him around. After a while the Megazord lets go and Xam falls to the ground. The Megazord turns to Xam as he gets back to his feet.

JOHN

(with a heavy heart) Goodbye (pause)
old friend.

The Megazord aims the Signal Blaster at Xam and fires a high-powered shot at him. Xam takes the shot and falls down and explodes.

JOHN

And with this the case is closed.

INT. THE COMMAND ROOM - DAY

Dorian and Anita watch the Rangers defeat Xam through a window. The sun rises.

ANITA

I feel bad for John right now. He just lost his best friend. But I can't help wondering, who would want you "deleted"?

DORIAN

Probably the same person who wanted me mutated like this. Speaking of which the scientists at the Anubian Genetics Lab analyzed your research and they think they developed something that could work, but you need to work out the formula.

ANITA

I see. Well I'll get to work on it later.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INT. A LOUNGE WITHIN S.P.D. H.Q. - MORNING

John sits on a couch watching the news on TV. A coffee cup rests on the coffee table in front of him. He picks it up, takes a sip, and puts it back on the table. Dex and Dorian walk in, and go over to John. Dex holds a small box behind his back.

DEX
How you feeling?

JOHN
Better now I guess. But I don't think this hole I'm feeling in my heart right now is ever going to go away.

DORIAN
Something like that never will. Believe me I've been on the job long enough to know what repercussions can happen. I offer you my condolences John.

JOHN
Thanks Captain.

DEX
John I found something in that nightclub I think you might want.

JOHN
What?

Dex hands John the box. John opens it and Xam's bracelet is within it. John picks it up and looks at.

JOHN
You know what rookie you take it.

DEX
No, no, I want you to have it.

DORIAN
Why don't you want the bracelet?

JOHN
I don't want the bad memories of what happened with Xam.

DORIAN

Then take it as a reminder of all the good times you had with him when you two were cadets.

JOHN

You know what Captain, you're right.

John puts the bracelet on his right wrist.

DEX

Besides John, I can't stand having anything on my wrists. It's part of the reason why I don't wear a watch.

JOHN

Really?

Dex slides up his left sleeve. No watch is on his wrist. John laughs a little. Dex then sits down on the couch beside John as Dorian leaves the lounge.

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