# SCENE

EXT. JUNGLE/TEST SITE - HORN ISLAND, SOUTH PACIFIC - 1977- DAY.

#### BRYNNER

Hemmings! Sam, I thought I told you to close up shop and be ready to move up the island by night-...

# BRYNNER

(off) ...-fall.

# HEMMINGS

Yes, Captain Brynner, you did, but-but--

# BRYNNER

(off) (interrupting) But...

#### BRYNNER

...what, Sam? Can't I go down to the loading dock for a few hours without coming back to find a major...

# BRYNNER

(off) ...screwup?

# HEMMINGS

Uh, with all due respect, sir, Dr. Long told me to prep the field for detonation at...

# HEMMINGS

...noon.

# BRYNNER

Jesus Chri-- We're on a very slippery slope here, Sam. A covert military operation riddled with civilian...

# BRYNNER

(off) ...scientists.

# HEMMINGS

You don't think it's that bad, do you, sir? I mean, Long's spent the last two years developing his defoliant. The stuff can't even kill crabgrass yet.

# BRYNNER

Where's their protective...

# BRYNNER

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(off) ...gear?
HEMMINGS
(off) It's a hundred degrees...
HEMMINGS
...out here, captain. Don't you think
the guys deserve a break?
BRYNNER
They'll get a break tomorrow.
BRYNNER
We're not gonna take chances on our last
day.
SCENE
 INT. BLOCKHOUSE/LABORATORY - DAY.
NARRATIVE TITLE
CAUTION
NARRATIVE TITLE
NOTICE
TELSTAR
(pants) Hey...
TELSTAR
(off) ...doc. What's up?
I thought we wrapped the tests yes-...
TELSTAR
(face off) ...-terday. Captain Brynner
is...
TELSTAR
...gonna shit if he finds out we haven't
closed up...
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TELSTAR (face off) ...shop.
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#### LONG

I had something of an epiphany this morning, Telstar. I eliminated the binary shell and I grafted the cobalt ion to the other side of the molecule. I think it might give us a significantly more rapid chemical ignition.

# TELSTAR It better.

# SCENE

INT. BLOCKHOUSE/COMPUTER ROOM - DAY.

# SWEENEY (grunts)

#### LONG

Mr. Sweeney, how goes it?

#### SWEENEY

Well, (clears throat) Costello's finished with the stability profile, but Abbott is still chewing on the load file.

### LONG

So reaction temperature is fifty degrees.

# SWEENEY

Well, your prediction was on the nose.

# LONG

How much longer for the range and power projections?

# SWEENEY

(sighs) (raspberries) I don't know. Um, he's working, but there's a lot of data. Maybe...another hour?

# LONG

We don't have an hour. We're already supposed to be shut down.

# SCENE

INT. BLOCKHOUSE/LABORATORY - DAY.

# BRYNNER

Doc-...

BRYNNER

(off) ...-tor Long.

#### BRYNNER

What the hell is all this about a detonation today? We're scheduled...

#### BRYNNER

... to be off the island tonight.

#### LONG

And I changed the schedule.

#### LONG

I don't work for you, Captain Brynner.

# BRYNNER

Sweeney tells me you don't have computer confirmation?

#### LONG

You know, captain, if you hadn't spent so much of your career questioning your superiors, you might've found yourself with more gold leaf on your col-...

#### LONG

...-lar.

# BRYNNER

This isn't some kind of pissing contest, Long. You may be in charge here, but those men out there are my responsi-...

# BRYNNER

...-bility.

### LONG

Look, this is a scientific experiment, okay?

### LONG

If it works, your stock at the Pentagon will go up along with mine. I don't think I need to mention you could use the help.

### BRYNNER

The NSA thinks the UN is onto your work...

# BRYNNER

...here, and the White House is screaming about chemical weapons, (face off) and we're...

### BRYNNER

...sittin' here with our hands in the

goddamn cookie jar! And let me tell you something else. I didn't join the service to let people like you turn...

#### BRYNNER

...the United States into the kind of country we're supposed to be fighting against.

#### LONG

(overlapping) But you have no choice but to follow orders.

# LONG

Now listen to me.

#### LONG

Now, I know. You have moral objections to what we're doing here, but believe...

# LONG

...me, if I thought there was any real danger, I-I wouldn't go forward.

### LONG

You have my word on that.

# BRYNNER

(sighs) (whispering) All right. (in normal voice) One more shot, provided... (sighs) we're off the island tonight.

# LONG

Let's proceed.

# TELSTAR

Ladies and gentlemen... Elvis is approaching the stage.

# TELSTAR

(grunts)

# LONG

Safe distance - Two hun-...

# LONG

...-dred yards.

# LONG

And make sure Hemmings hears you say it.

# SCENE

EXT. JUNGLE/TEST SITE - DAY.

# MEN AT SITE

(low and indistinct chatter and grunts -

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continues under following scenes and
dialogue)
TELSTAR
(grunts) Two hundred yards, Hemmings.
TELSTAR
D minus five.
HEMMINGS
(off) All right, we're movin' out, men.
TELSTAR
(grunts)
SCENE
  INT. BLOCKHOUSE/COMPUTER ROOM - DAY.
SWEENEY
(hums "Do You Know the Muffin Man?")
SCENE
 EXT. JUNGLE/TEST SITE - DAY.
TELSTAR
(grunts) (sighs)
SCENE
  INT. BLOCKHOUSE/COMPUTER ROOM - DAY.
SWEENEY
(grunts)
SWEENEY
Jesus. (to Long) Dr. Long!
SCENE
 INT. BLOCK HOUSE/LABORATORY - DAY.
SWEENEY
(off) Dr. (on) Long!
SWEENEY
(panting) I got eight thousand yards.
Radius is five...
SWEENEY
(off) (panting) ...miles. (pants -
continues under following scene and
dialogue)
LONG
What?
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BRYNNER
(off) Long...
BRYNNER
...what the hell?
SWEENEY
(off) Abbott's pre-...
SWEENEY
...-dicting the effective detonation
radius is five...
SWEENEY
(off) ...miles!
BRYNNER
That's the entire island!
SWEENEY
We've gotta shut it down.
SWEENEY
(off) We gotta shut it down!
LONG
(quoting) "I am become Death, the...
LONG
(off) ...destroyer of worlds."
LONG
No!
LONG
No!
BRYNNER
(shouts indistinct)
You'll kill us all!
BRYNNER
Damn you, Long! My people are out there!
Your people are out there!
LONG
(overlapping) It's too...
...late! It's too late!
 EXT. BLOCKHOUSE - DAY.
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TELSTAR
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(gasps and pants - continues under following scene)

#### TELSTAR

(yells)

#### SCENE

INT. BLOCKHOUSE - DAY.

# TELSTAR

(off) (sobbing) Let me in!

# GENERAL

(voice over) Captain Andrew Thomas Brynner.

# TELSTAR

(off) (overlapping) (sobbing) Please let
me in! (sobs indistinct - continues under
following scene and dialogue)

#### ADAMS

(voice over) It is the opinion of this review panel...

### ADAMS

(voice over) ...that the verdict delivered in this case is justified, and that you are in fact...

# ADAMS

(voice over) ...guilty of criminal negligence resulting in the deaths of eighteen members of a military research team...

# SCENE

EXT. JUNGLE/TEST SITE - DAY.

# ADAMS

(voice over) ...on the date of August eighteenth, nineteen seventy-seven.

### SCENE

INT. MILITARY COURTROOM - DAY.

# ADAMS

(reading) "It is also this panel's opinion that the sentence of reduction in rank...

# ADAMS

(off) (reading) ...forfeiture of all pay and allowances and twenty years in the United States disciplinar-...

#### ADAMS

(reading) ...-y command at Fort
Leavenworth is justified.

#### ADAMS

(reading) Furthermore, you are advised that, while you are a prisoner, you remain bound by the National Security Act of nineteen forty-sev-...

# ADAMS

(off) (reading) ...-en. If you divulge classified information or discuss the nature of the project in which you were involved...

# ADAMS

(reading) ...you will face further
prosecution." Do you under-...

#### ADAMS

(off) ...-stand?

### GENERAL

I assume your silence indicates assent. Transfer to Leavenworth will be immediate. You're dismissed.

### LONG

(off) Andrew...

### LONG

...I wish they would've let me say something...

### LONG

...about--

# BRYNNER

(interrupting) There's nothing to say, doctor. Someone had to take the fall, and they still need you, whereas...I've never been anything more than a thorn in their collective side, as you once said.

# BRYNNER

So I'll be locked safely away in some hole along with my secret sins. And yours.

# SCENE

INT. FORT LEAVENWORTH/CELLBLOCK - DAY.

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NARRATIVE TITLE FORT LEAVENWORTH
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SCENE

INT. FORT LEAVENWORTH/BRYNNER'S CELL - DAY.

BRYNNER

(sighs)

SCENE

EXT. FORT LEAVENWORTH - TEN YEARS LATER - DAY.

NARRATIVE TITLE TEN YEARS LATER

SCENE

INT. FORT LEAVENWORTH/BRYNNER'S CELL - DAY.

YOUNG GUARD

Ready?

SCENE

EXT. RIVER - DAY.

MASON

(grunts)

MASON

Been trying to figure out your secret.

LONG

My secret?

MASON

Yeah. Ten months we've been fishin' this river together. We use the same equipment, more or less...

MASON

(off)  $\dots$  but you pull twice as many fish out of the water as I do.

MASON

And I'm good at this. Been doing it since I was a kid. But you, I don't know. Somehow you think...

MASON

(off) ...like a fish.

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LONG
(chuckles) (chuckling) No, that's not
possible, Mason. The trout... (grunts)
LONG
(off) ...is a perfect hunter.
(off) He's brains without ambition...
LONG
...sensitivity without neurosis. He's...
LONG
(off) ...the master of his realm.
(face off) How can we ever hope to win
against the trout?
There's only one way you can do it,
Mason.
LONG
(off) Turn the power of the hunter
against him.
LONG
Tie a fly...
LONG
(off) ...create a piece of bait that
sends the fish's instincts into
overdrive...
LONG
...forcing him to strike. And only then
does our noble friend realize that the
prey...can bite...
LONG
(face off) ...back...
...and that power...
LONG
(face off) ...without caution...
LONG
...is death.
Some people might say you're readin' an
awful lot in-...
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MASON
(off) ...-to a simple thing like...
MASON
(off) ...fishin'.
LONG
(off) Some people might.
LONG
But I don't think you would.
SCENE
 INT. DARLENE'S STORE - DAY.
MASON
(exhales)
DARLENE
(off) Goddamn it, Ma-...
DARLENE
(off) ...-son. Of all the days for you
to show up late. (sighs) First, the idiot
April calls in sick. Then I got a bad
tooth...
DARLENE
...and then my night man shows up when he
feels like...
DARLENE
...it.
MASON
Darlene, it's five-thirty. Now, I worked
late for you this mornin', and you didn't
wanna spring for over-...
MASON
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(face off) ...-time, (off) remember?

# DARLENE

Oh. Well, I have got to get to the dentist be-...

# DARLENE

...-fore he closes, which means you're gonna have to cover the grill and the floor.

# MASON

I can handle it.

DARLENE

Mm. It doesn't take a genius.

# DARLENE

(sighs) How'd we do today, doc?

#### LONG

(sighs) Oh, caught a few, lost a few.

#### DARLENE

(chuckles) Story of my life. (sighing) Well, one thing you won't lose is that friend of yours back there, I'll tell you that.

# LONG

Oh, no?

# DARLENE

Oh, you're two of a kind, doc. Oh, he may not have your sheepskins, and...

### DARLENE

(off) ...well, most of the time he looks like something the cat might have dragged in, but, you know...

#### DARLENE

...he's smart enough to get you...

# DARLENE

(off) ...somehow. (chuckles - continues
under following scene)

# DARLENE

There's something else too.

# LONG

Uh, we both like to fish.

# DARLENE

(grunts) Secrets.

# LONG

Ah.

# DARLENE

His I know. Yours I don't have a clue. (grunts) But if it wasn't for you, I think he'd have drifted right on through this town.

# DARLENE

(chuckles)

### LONG

You know, I have yet to get a simple cup of coffee and a meal in this place,

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Darlene.
DARLENE
And you ain't gonna start now.
DARLENE
Ma-...
DARLENE
(off) ...-son!
MASON
Yeah?
DARLENE
Be sure you feed Bosco.
DARLENE
And don't give him any ice cream...
DARLENE
(off) ...like April. It gives him gas.
And make sure there's (on) two pots of
coffee...
MASON
(off) (overlapping) Two pots of coffee...
DARLENE
(off) ...ready before the morning crowd
blows in.
MASON
(off) (overlapping) ... ready before the
morning crowd blows in. I got it...
MASON
(off) ...Darlene.
LONG
(grunts)
BRYNNER
(face off) Is this stool taken?
LONG
No, go--
BRYNNER
You look good, Richard.
BRYNNER
You look fit...healthy...
...not at all like a man responsible for
the deaths of eighteen peo-...
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# BRYNNER

(off) ...-ple.

#### LONG

Is that why you're here? To blame...

### LONG

(off) ...me? Well, you could've saved
yourself the trip.

#### LONG

I know where the (chuckling) blame belongs. But I didn't put you in prison, Andrew. The government did...

### LONG

...that.

#### BRYNNER

Oh, I'm well aware of what the government did, I assure you. Actually, I've just come to say how grateful I am to you...

#### BRYNNER

(off) ...and the government.

# LONG

Grateful?

# BRYNNER

(off) Mm-hm.

# BRYNNER

Together, you gave me the opportunity to realize just how very wrong my life had gone.

### BRYNNER

(off) Do you remember telling me once that all through my career, I'd never fit in? Well...

# BRYNNER

 $\dots$ you were right, of course. But after $\dots$ 

### BRYNNER

(off) ...years of thinking the matter
over, I began to see that the whole thing
wasn't really my problem.

# BRYNNER

What rational man could fit in with the sorts of things our government was doing? The sorts of things you've...

# BRYNNER

(off) ...always done, Richard?

#### LONG

Do you think I haven't seen the bodies of those...

#### LONG

(off) ...men every time I've closed my
eyes? But after you went away, I--

# BRYNNER

(interrupting) Went away? (chuckles continues under following scene)

# BRYNNER

(off) "Went away." I like that.

# BRYNNER

Almost quaint.

#### T.ONG

All right. After they put you away...

#### LONG

...I began trying to find ways of controlling the effects of the weapon that we tested on Horn Island.

# BRYNNER

And let me guess. You failed.

# LONG

So far, ye-yes.

# BRYNNER

Why is it you scientists can create implements of destruction...

# BRYNNER

(off) ...so quickly, but when it comes to cures and benefits, your...

# BRYNNER

...speed is nothing short of glacial?

# BRYNNER

(off) Though at least you're trying, Richard. And if the road to hell is paved with good intentions...

# BRYNNER

 $\ldots$  we know you'll find your way there quickly.

### BRYNNER

(off) And don't worry.

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BRYNNER
It's not such a bad place. I should
know, after all.
MASON
Okay, doc.
MASON
The usual. Doc.
SCENE
 EXT. U.S. ARMY RESEARCH
LABORATORY/GUARD GATE - JEROME - NIGHT.
NARRATIVE TITLE
U.S. ARMY RESEARCH LAB. - JEROME
KIOSK GUARD
Good morning, Dr. Long.
LONG
Hi.
SCENE
 INT. U.S. ARMY RESEARCH LABORATORY -
NIGHT.
PUMPER
Morning, doc. Awful early, aren't ya?
LONG
Couldn't sleep, Pumper. Is everything,
uh, all right tonight?
PUMPER
There's nothin' goin' on out there,
doc...except maybe the occasional fly
fisherman.
LONG
(chuckles)
PUMPER
Hey, doc. Might wanna...
PUMPER
...try this one out some-...
PUMPER
(off) ...-time. (chuckles)
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Excellent.

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PUMPER
(chuckles)
CHARACTER
FOOTAGEDIALOGUE
SCENE
 EXT. U.S. RESEARCH LABORATORY/GUARD
GATE - NIGHT.
BRYNNER
Colonel Brynner. I've got an appointment
to see Doc-...
BRYNNER
(off) ...-tor Long.
MΡ
Can I see some I.D., sir?
BURKE
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
SCENE
 INT. DENNIS & CARL'S VAN - NIGHT.
DENNIS
(into radio) Video lock.
DENNIS
(into radio) You got thirty minutes.
SCENE
 INT. U.S. RESEARCH LABORATORY/CORRIDOR
- NIGHT.
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
GUARD #2
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
BRYNNER
(indistinct)
SCENE
 INT. U.S. RESEARCH LABORATORY/LONG'S
OFFICE - NIGHT.
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LONG

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(off) (grunts)
BRYNNER
(sighs) Forget about him.
BRYNNER
Let's find the prize.
BURKE
(grunts)
SCENE
 INT. U.S. RESEARCH LABORATORY/CORRIDOR
- NIGHT.
BRYNNER
Vaughn.
VAUGHN
(into radio) We're in.
SCENE
 INT. U.S. RESEARCH LABORATORY/STORAGE
AREA - NIGHT.
BRYNNER
This is it.
SCENE
  INT. U.S. RESEARCH LABORATORY/STORAGE
AREA/FREEZER VAULT - NIGHT.
BRYNNER
(sighs)
SCENE
 INT. LONG'S CAR - NIGHT.
LONG
(pants)
LONG
(pants)
SCENE
 INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - NIGHT.
MALE RAPPER #1
(over speaker) (raps under following
scene and dialogue)
ARLO
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(moans) That's right.
SCENE
  EXT. DARLENE'S STORE - NIGHT.
NARRATIVE TITLE
ANDY'S
ARLO
What, do you work for my boss, dog?
ARLO
Okay, okay.
ARLO
At least somebody likes this shit.
SCENE
 INT. DARLENE'S STORE - NIGHT.
MALE SINGER #1
(over speaker) (sings low and indistinct
under following dialogue)
ARLO
Mornin'.
MASON
A little early for a delivery.
ARLO
Oh...
ARLO
...yeah. Tryin' to get most of my day
done before it hits nine-...
ARLO
...-ty.
MASON
Where's Sam?
ARLO
Sam? Andy gave Sam a nice big desk to
park his fat ass behind.
ARLO
Where do you want this stuff?
MASON
Freezer in the back.
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ARLO
Great. (whistles - continues under
following dialogue)
MASON
(face off) Art.
LEWIS
Morning, Mason. Two large coffees to go,
okay?
MASON
(off) All right.
PAPPAS
So, Mason, last Wednesday night,
uh...were you out...
(off) ...uh, drifting around like the
trash you are, or were you here workin'?
If it was Wednesday night, I was workin'.
PAPPAS
(face off) Do you recognize this young
man?
MASON
Nope. (grunts) Is there a prob-...
MASON
(off) ...-lem?
PAPPAS
You find yourself wearing a...
PAPPAS
(off) ...badge someday, then you can ask
the questions. Until then...
PAPPAS
(off) ...you answer mine.
PAPPAS
(off) Got that?
PAPPAS
So you don't remember...
PAPPAS
(off) ...selling this young man beer
Wednesday night.
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MASON

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I don't sell beer to minors. I take that
kinda thing...
MASON
(off) ...seriously.
PAPPAS
(chuckles) That's not the way I...
PAPPAS
(off) ...hear it. As a matter of fact--
LEWIS
(interrupting) Take it easy, Pappas. (to
Mason, Mason, this boy says you did sell
him beer...
LEWIS
(face off) ...that night.
MASON
Yeah. Well, he's lyin'.
PAPPAS
Lying? (chuckles)
PAPPAS
(off) Mason, you wouldn't know the truth
if it bit you. We've got your whole
record. (chuckles) We know about the-the
conviction for vagrancy...
PAPPAS
...public drunkenness....
MASON
I didn't sell the boy any...
MASON
(face off) ...beer.
Shut your mouth until I tell you...
PAPPAS
(off) ...to talk, son.
You know, I gotta tell you. That really
bothers me, somebody calls me "son."
PAPPAS
Then how about if I call you "ass-...
(off) ...-hole"?
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LEWIS
(off) All right, both of...
LEWIS
(off) ...you, just cool off.
(off) Look, Ma-...
LEWIS
...-son, maybe the kid showed you a fake
I.D. or, uh, you forgot to check.
MASON
I didn't forget to check, and I know how
to spot a fake I.D.
MASON
Especially from a little geek like
that...
MASON
(off) ...kid.
PAPPAS
That little geek is my...
PAPPAS
(off) ...son.
(off) All right. (grunts) Enough.
Look...
... Mason, I don't wanna hear about you
sellin'...
LEWIS
...alcohol to minors.
(overlapping) I didn't sell any alcohol
to any--
LEWIS
(interrupting) I'm not saying you did.
Just don't, okay? You make sure you keep
your nose clean, we won't have any
problems. (to Pappas) Let's go, Pappas.
LEWIS
I said let's...
LEWIS
(off) ...go.
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PAPPAS
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You got a prob-...

# PAPPAS

(off) ...-lem too?

#### ARLO

No, sir. I've never seen this guy before.

# PAPPAS

(chuckles)

#### ARLC

Sure as hell have met a few assholes like that, though.

# ARLO

(off) (chuckles) (on) You gotta learn to lighten up when the man's in your face.

### MASON

That's my business.

#### ARLO

No argument there.

### MASON

The guy's a fuckin' moron.

### ARLO

Hey, I'm with you on that one, my man. Prick.

### MASON

Look, you need me to sign an invoice or somethin'?

### ARLO

Uh, between this month and last month, you owe four hundred and seventeen dollars. And we need that in cash.

# MASON

Since when does...

# MASON

...Darlene pay you in cash?

# ARLO

Since today. New policy.

# MASON

(sighs - continues under following scene)

# MASON

Yeah, well, Darlene didn't say anything

about it to me, so tell Andy to bill her like usual and let them sort it out. Move.

ARLO

(grunts)

ARLO

Well, he told me to collect cash.

MASON

(sighing) Andy. Another fuckin'...

MASON

(off) ...moron.

ARLO

Hey, you and I are seein' eye to eye on a whole range of issues this mornin'. (chuckles - continues under following scene)

ARLO

Uh, huh?

ARLO

Except for the fact that I need cash.

MASON

He could've called first.

ARLO

He could've. That-That's true. But that would've been smart...

ARLO

...and fair...

ARLO

...two things Andy is not. Uh, but I tell you what.

ARLO

(face off) Bein' that it's cash, I'm gonna give you ten percent...

ARLO

...off. Say, uh, three seventy-five. Seein' that we both have so much love...

ARLO

...for Andy, I'll tell him I lost a few cartons comin' over (face off) the mountain.

ARLO

That'll make up the difference, huh?

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ARLO
(face off) Huh?
MASON
Well, Darlene usually gives me a signed
check for emergencies. I could always
give you that.
ARLO
(overlapping) Oh.
MASON
Why don't I--?
ARLO
(interrupting) No, no, no, no, no, no.
Wait.
ARLO
Night Shift, see? A check is not cash.
ARLO
Cash got a whole lot of numbers on it.
Pictures of old white men with messed-up
hairdos.
ARLO
(off) That's what I need.
(sighs) All right, all right. I-I'll go
you one better. Two seventy-five and
I'll tell him you'll make up the
balance...
ARLO
(off) ...next month. Huh?
LONG
(pants - continues under following scenes
and dialogue)
MASON
Doc!
ARLO
(off) Aw! Oh, Jesus.
MASON
(grunts) Hang on. Hang on.
LONG
Mason.
MASON
Shit! Oh, shit. (grunts - continues
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under following scenes and dialogue)
LONG
(grunts and pants - continues under
following scenes)
LONG
(panting) Is that...
LONG
(off) (panting) ...his truck? (pants -
continues under following scene and
dialogue)
ARLO
Yeah, that's my truck.
(panting) Mason, you have to take this...
LONG
(face off) (panting) ...to Fort McGruder
in his truck. (pants - continues under
following scenes and dialogue)
ARLO
Wait. This town is full of trucks. Nice
new trucks. You don't need to go...
ARLO
(off) ...take my sorry old truck.
LONG
(overlapping) We do need your truck.
MASON
Call an ambulance.
LONG
(off) (indistinct to) No...
...there's no time.
SCENE
  INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - NIGHT.
BURKE
I don't see it.
BRYNNER
Turn around at the gas station. Look
behind the buildings.
SCENE
  INT. DARLENE'S STORE - NIGHT.
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ARLO
So you called the damned thing Elvis
LONG
(shivering) I had no idea how powerful it
LONG
(off) (shivering) Eighteen men were k-
killed in sec-...
LONG
(off) (shivering) ...-onds...with just a
fraction of what's in...
(shivering) ...here. (groans) (grunting)
Mason... (shivers - continues under
following scene and dialogue)
ARLO
(sighs)
LONG
(shivering) ...about the man who did
this, he's-he's comin' after it.
LONG
(shivering) You-You can't let him...
LONG
(off) (shivering) ...have it. You have
to...have to get it to M...to McGruder.
(overlapping) (grunts) (whispering) Hey,
actually...
(whispering) ...why don't you make it a
hundred and fifty dollars. We'll call it
a day.
SCENE
  INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - NIGHT.
VAUGHN
(off) There.
BRYNNER
Check it out.
BRYNNER
(into radio) Carl...the main phone
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junction.
SCENE
 EXT. BRYNNER'S VAN - NIGHT.
BRYNNER
(off) (into radio) Move. This is already
affecting our schedule.
SCENE
 INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - NIGHT.
BRYNNER
(into radio) Dennis, radio the bikes. I
wanna know if so much as a squirrel...
SCENE
 EXT. BRYNNER'S VAN - NIGHT.
BRYNNER
(into radio) ...comes up that road.
SCENE
 INT. DARLENE'S STORE - NIGHT.
LONG
(shivering) The compound has to be kept
cold...
LONG
(off) (shivering) ...or it'll ignite.
(shivers - continues under following
dialoque)
MASON
Cold? Cold. How cold?
LONG
(shivering) Never let it reach fifty
degre-degrees.
MASON
(pants) And what if it does?
LONG
(shivering) Everything will die, Mason.
LONG
(off) (shivering) In-In seconds,
everything for hundreds...
LONG
(off) (shivering) ...of m-miles.
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(shivers)
LONG
(shivering) That's w-why you need his
truck...
LONG
(off) (shivering) ... Mason.
SCENE
 EXT. GAS STATION - NIGHT.
VAUGHN
It's clean.
BRYNNER
Check the immediate area.
VAUGHN
This was supposed to be a...
VAUGHN
...quick in and out.
BRYNNER
You have ten percent of a hundred million
dollars comin' your way. I think we can
impose on you for a little overtime.
SCENE
 INT. DARLENE'S STORE - NIGHT.
(shivering) You're the only one I can
trust.
LONG
(off) (shivering) The only one who
understands what this me-...
LONG
(shivering) ...-m-means, Mason.
(continues indistinct) (pants - continues
under following scenes and dialogue)
MASON
Doctor.
MASON
Doc, wait. Doc, wait.
MASON
(off) Wait, doc!
MASON
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(crying and panting) No. No.
MASON
(cries - continues under following scene)
ARLO
Sorry, man. He's dead.
MASON
(off) (crying and whispering) No.
SCENE
 EXT. GAS STATION - NIGHT.
DENNIS
(grunts) It's after five...
SCENE
 INT. DARLENE'S STORE - NIGHT.
DENNIS
(off) ...sir. Our satellite link is on
schedule. Should I start the feed?
MASON
(overlapping) (grunts)
BRYNNER
(off) Get 'em on line, then stall. Long
can't have gotten far.
CARL
Closin' down, sir.
BRYNNER
Vaughn, Burke, move to the end of the
street. Fan out and work your way back
to the motel.
BRYNNER
(off) (low and indistinct)
MASON
We gotta get help. (to himself) Aw, fuck!
(panting) Damn.
MASON
Mornin'.
BRYNNER
Is this your establishment?
Yeah, they call me Dar-...
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MASON
(off) ....-lene.
BRYNNER
Well, then, how about a cup of coffee,
Darlene?
BRYNNER
Iced coffee.
MASON
I assume you want that to go.
BRYNNER
Assumptions are always...
BRYNNER
(face off) ...dangerous.
Quite a getup for jacking...
MASON
(off) ...deer.
BRYNNER
I beg your pardon?
Uh, you wanna hunt outta season, it's
cool with me. But mostly, well, they
just take a six...
MASON
...and a rifle. You, on the other
hand...
MASON
...look like you're after something more
dangerous.
BRYNNER
Actually, I was just looking for a
restroom.
BRYNNER
I assume you have one.
MASON
Assumptions are always dangerous.
MASON
There is one in the back.
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(whispering) Hey.

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ARLO
(whispering) Hey, be cool.
ARLO
(whispering) Be cool. (in normal voice)
ARLO
That was quick.
BRYNNER
(off) (chuckles - continues under
following scene)
BRYNNER
To tell you the truth, we're looking for
a scientist who's gone missing from the
Tech Center. Maybe you know him.
Richard Long.
BRYNNER
(off) We're worried...
BRYNNER
...about him.
ARLO
I'll keep an eye out.
MASON
(off) Doc...
MASON
(off) ...Long.
MASON
Doc Long. Yeah, I know him. Weirdo guy.
He comes in from...
MASON
(off) ...time to time, yeah.
MASON
Not tonight...
MASON
(off) ...though.
BRYNNER
(grunts)
BRYNNER
Odd, then, that his car...
(off) ...should be right outside.
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MASON
Like I say, Doc Long's...
MASON
...an odd guy.
MASON
Say, general.
MASON
That'll be fifty cents for the coffee.
ARLO
What did I say?
ARLO
(off) Dude in uniform get in your face,
you do not shoot your mouth off.
MASON
I need your truck.
ARLO
(chuckles - continues under following
scene)
ARLO
No, no, no. You don't need my truck.
You need somebody else's truck...
(off) ...and a shitload of ice.
MASON
Look, if I don't get this stuff to
McGruder, it's goodbye, Andy's Ice Cream,
goodbye, Jerome, goodbye, Mon-...
MASON
(off) ...-tana.
ARLO
Wait, wait. You don't believe the dead
guy, do...
ARLO
(off) ...ya?
MASON
Yeah, I believe him. He was my friend.
ARLO
For cryin' out loud.
(off) Hey, listen! Do you know what I
think? I...
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ARLO
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...think he was a wacko. And I think that G.I. ninja's a bigger wacko. And I think you're the biggest wack-...

#### ARLC

(off) ...-o of all, wantin' to be a part
of this wacko shit!

### MASON

I need your help.

# ARLO

You are seriously mistaken if you think you are going anywhere in my...

# ARLO

(off) ...truck.

# MASON

Then you drive me to McGrud-...

#### MASON

(off) ...-er.

#### ARLO

Look...I got two tons of the world's nastiest ice cream sittin' in a truck that should've been retired ten years ago. That shit will be worthless by noon.

# ARLO

(off) And if that Elvis shit...

# ARLO

...is as dangerous as you seem to think it is, I'm gettin' my ass as far away from you and it as possible. (kisses)

### ARLO

Peace.

# MASON

(overlapping) All right.

### ARLO

(indistinct - continues under following
dialogue)

# MASON

(off) Wait, wait, wait. Hold up. Hold up. Look.

### MASON

You want cash?

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MASON
(off) You want cash?
MASON
I got, like, uh....
MASON
(face off) I got, uh....
MASON
I got fifty bucks. I'll get more.
(off) I'll rent the truck from you. You
can stay here, you can go. Whatever you
want.
ARLO
No.
MASON
All right, then how about this?
ARLO
Hey, you're gonna piss me-- What the
hell are you supposed to be...
ARLO
(off) ...doing?!
MASON
(emphasizing) I need your truck!
You are not takin' my truck!
ARLO
How far you got to go?
SCENE
 EXT. DARLENE'S STORE - NIGHT.
MASON
(whispering) Go on.
(pants) Would you hurry up, please?
MASON
Look, put this in the back. Keep it
safe.
ARLO
(sighs) (grunts)
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MASON
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There we go. There we go. Did you keep it safe? Did you (continues indistinct)

#### ARLO

What the hell is with you, dog? He's the one with the damn gun.

#### MASON

You gave him ice cream, didn't you? Come on, let's go.

#### ARLC

(overlapping) Yeah, to keep him off my ass.

# MASON

What did you do that for? It makes him mean as a snake.

### ARLO

That dog was mean before I met him.

#### MASON

That dog ain't mean.

#### ARLO

(overlapping) I'm gonna stomp your a--

#### MASON

(overlapping) Come on, get in the truck.

### ARLO

I'm gonna bust a mudhole in your ass.
I'm gonna-- Don't tell me to shut-It's none of your business. Man, I can
talk all I want to.

# MASON

(off) Shut...

#### SCENE

INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - NIGHT.

# MASON

(off) ...up.

# ARLO

Are you kiddin'?

# MASON

(overlapping) (sighs)

# MASON

Come on!

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ARLO
Damn.
MASON
(off) What the hell's goin' on?
It happens to this piece of shit...
ARLO
(off) ...all the time.
ARLO
Damn diesel injections are flood-...
MASON
(off) (overlapping) Excuse me...
ARLO
(off) ...-ed.
MASON
(overlapping) ...excuse me. Can you fix
this?
ARLO
Do you wanna give me a minute?
MOTEL MANAGER
(off) Well, if it's for national se-...
SCENE
 EXT. MOTEL - NIGHT.
NARRATIVE TITLE
MOTEL
MOTEL MANAGER
(face off) ...-curity, I guess it's (on)
okay.
MOTEL MANAGER
I just hope we don't bust in on anybody
doing what people do in (chuckling)
motels.
  EXT. ICE CREAM TRUCK - NIGHT.
ARLO
(grunts)
ARLO
(grunts)
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SCENE
  EXT. MOTEL - NIGHT.
BURKE
Wait for me here, sir, if you don't mind.
SCENE
  INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - NIGHT.
MASON
Get in (continues indistinct)
SCENE
 EXT. DARLENE'S STORE - NIGHT.
BURKE
(grunts)
BURKE
(grunts) Damn dog.
MASON
(whispering) Hey. Hey.
MASON
Hey.
MASON
Get back in...
MASON
(off) ...the truck.
ARLO
(indistinct to) help me get in the truck.
(continues indistinct)
 INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAWN.
MASON
(off) (sighs - continues under following
scene)
MASON
You'd better coast through...
MASON
...town. (sighs)
ARLO
(sighs)
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SCENE
  EXT. ICE CREAM TRUCK - DAWN.
ARLO
(sighs)
SCENE
 INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAWN.
MASON
We're clear.
ARLO
(chuckling) Oh, man.
SCENE
 EXT. ROAD - DAWN.
BLONDE BIKER
(into radio) All ready. I copy.
BEARDED BIKER
Get Brynner on the radio.
BLONDE BIKER
(into radio) Come in, command. Truck
just passed...
SCENE
  INT. DENNIS & CARL'S VAN - DAWN.
BLONDE BIKER
(over radio) ...checkpoint. Over.
DENNIS
Run that back.
CARL
Let me...
CARL
(off) ...enhance it.
DENNIS
Print it.
DENNIS
(off) Sir...
DENNIS
...transmission just...
DENNIS
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(off) ...came in.
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### BRYNNER

Well. It appears someone's been lying to us.

#### SCENE

INT. DARLENE'S STORE - DAY.

### BRYNNER

(sniffs)

### BRYNNER

Radio the bikes.

# SCENE

INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.

### VAUGHN

Sir, all potential customers have been informed of the delay. Fur-...

### VAUGHN

(off) ...-ther orders?

#### BRYNNER

No. A pair of average citizens have decided to risk their lives for their country. I almost remember what that feels like.

# CHARACTER

FOOTAGEDIALOGUE

# SCENE

INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.

### MASON

No cell.

# ARLO

Suppose you're gonna shoot me because you can't get service on my cell phone.

# NARRATIVE TITLE

BILLINGS

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MASON
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Billings? No, no, no, no, no. We need to go to McGruder.

#### ARTIC

No, you gotta go to McGrud-...

#### ARLO

...-er.

# MASON

No, no, no, no. We gotta go to McGruder! I go where the truck goes!

### ARLO

No, no, no.

#### ARTIC

To get to McGruder, you have to go through Missoula, and I ain't goin' to Missoula.

# MASON

No way. We're goin' through McGrud-...

### MASON

(off) ...-er.

#### ARLC

I ain't goin' through Missoula!

# MASON

Am I missing somethin' here?

#### ART.O

Look...I kinda borrowed the truck from Andy.

### MASON

Borrowed.

# ARLO

Yeah, borrowed!

## MASON

You stole this truck.

### MASON

You stole this truck!

### ARLO

I did not steal this truck!

### MASON

(overlapping) You stole this truck!

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That's...
MASON
...what all the bullshit about the cash
was, wasn't it?! You stole this truck,
and now you're trying to sell...
MASON
...the ice cream for money!
ARLO
(overlapping) I didn't steal the truck!
He owed it to me! Anyway, the important
thing is I'm not goin' through Missoula!
MASON
Look, I don't give a shit if you go
through Missoula at a hundred miles an
hour. We're goin' to McGruder.
MASON
And remember, I still have this. Yeah,
that's what I thought.
SCENE
 EXT. ROAD - DAY.
ARLO
(off) I'm about to get in your ass like
last year's underwear, man.
MASON
(off) That's...
MASON
(voice over) ...fine.
ARLO
(voice over) I ain't playin' that.
(voice over) (overlapping) Shut up.
SCENE
  INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.
MASON
(face off) (grunts - continues under
following scene)
ARLO
Hey.
ARLO
We can't push old Pete in this heat. He
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can't take it.
MASON
Fine. (sighs)
MASON
(grunts)
MASON
You better speed old Pete up.
SCENE
 EXT. ICE CREAM TRUCK - DAY.
BEARDED BIKER
(off) Pull it over!
BEARDED BIKER
Pull it over!
SCENE
 INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.
MASON & ARLO
(laugh)
MASON
Whoo!
MASON
Holy shit!
ARLO
(off) (overlapping) (grunts)
MASON
God-...
MASON
(off) ...-damn!
ARLO
(overlapping) Okay, okay! (exhales)
MASON
Ah, one of them's in the back.
MASON
No, no, no, no. Keep goin'.
ARLO
(panting and whispering) Okay. (pants)
NARRATIVE TITLE
10% GRADES
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MASON
(grunts)
ARLO
(sighs) (pants)
MASON
(off) (grunts)
MASON
(face off) (grunts)
SCENE
 EXT. ICE CREAM TRUCK - DAY. (INTERCUT
WITH
 INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY)
MASON
(pants)
ARLO
You're nuts, goin' back there!
MASON
Shut up.
ARLO
(off) (pants - continues under following
scene)
ARLO
Take your gun!
MASON
Doesn't work.
ARLO
What?
MASON
(off) Doesn't...
MASON
...work! It's not even load-...
MASON
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(off) ...-ed.
ARLO
You mean to tell me you hijacked me with
an empty gun?!
ARLO
Hey!
ARLO
(off) When this is all over, re-...
...-mind me to kick your ass!
SCENE
  INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
VAUGHN
Looks like our share just got bigger.
SCENE
  INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.
MASON
(grunts)
SCENE
  EXT. ICE CREAM TRUCK - DAY.
MASON
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
MASON
(grunts)
(grunts - continues under following
scenes)
MASON
(yells - continues under following
scenes)
SCENE
  INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/BOX - DAY.
MASON
(grunts)
MASON &
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BLONDE BIKER
(grunt - continues under following
scenes)
SCENE
 EXT. ICE CREAM TRUCK - DAY.
BLONDE BIKER
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
MASON
(grunts)
MASON
(grunts)
BLONDE BIKER
(grunts - continues under following
scenes and dialogue)
MASON
(grunts - continues under following
scenes)
SCENE
 INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.
ARLO
(off) (whispering) Oh...
ARLO
(whispering) ...shit.
SCENE
 EXT. ROAD - DAY.
MASON
(grunts)
SCENE
 INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.
(INTERCUT WITH
 EXT. ICE CREAM TRUCK - DAY)
ARLO
(whispering) Oh, shit.
MASON
(grunts)
MASON
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(face off) (yells - continues under
following scene)
MASON
(groans)
MASON
(groans - continues under following
scene)
ARLO
(whispering) Oh...
ARLO
(off) (whispering) ...shit.
BLONDE BIKER
(face off) (grunts)
(yells - continues under following scene)
MASON
(grunts)
MASON
(groaning) Oh, no.
Get him to stand up, Night Shift.
MASON
(grunting) All right.
ARLO
Okay! All right!
MASON
(grunts)
SCENE
 EXT. MOTEL - DAY.
LEWIS
So you're sure it was Mason?
MOTEL MANAGER
Positive.
MOTEL MANAGER
He came out of the store with the ice
cream guy. The men from the base, they
took off...
MOTEL MANAGER
...right after them.
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LEWIS
Thank you.
MOTEL MANAGER
You're welcome.
PAPPAS
(overlapping) Thanks. (sighs)
It must've happened right after we left.
Missoula's reporting the refrigerator
truck as a stolen vehicle. I told you
Mason was walking shit.
LEWIS
Pappas, that other guy was unloading ice
cream into a freezer. Now, what could he
have to do with a military scientist,
huh?
PAPPAS
The sooner you get up the lab, the sooner
you'll figure it out.
LEWIS
(chuckles)
LEWIS
(off) And where are you going?
PAPPAS
After that re-...
SCENE
  INT. PAPPAS' POLICE CAR - DAY.
PAPPAS
...-frigerator truck.
SCENE
  INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.
MASON
(face off) (grunts) (on) (pants)
(panting) Elvis is on ice again.
ARLO
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MASON

(panting) Okay.

(pants) (panting) Nice job back there.

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MASON
(off) (pants - continues under following
dialogue)
ARLO
Don't gimme that "nice job" shit, man!
They still got a vanload comin', and what
do you got besides an empty...
ARLO
(off) ...gun?!
MASON
I was thankin' you, asshole!
ARLO
Kiss my ass!
MASON
(pants - continues under following scene)
MASON
(panting) It's goin' through. (pants -
continues under following dialogue)
FEMALE 911 OPERATOR
(over telephone) Emergency. Please...
FEMALE 911 OPERATOR
(over telephone) ...hold.
MASON
(into telephone) You gotta b--! (to Arlo)
They put me on hold!
Probably because they know a psycho when
they hear one.
MASON
(off) (overlapping) No...
MASON
...I'm not the psycho.
ARLO
Hey, take a look at your situation and...
ARTO
(off) ...reconsider that statement there,
Night Shift. You're psy-...
ARLO
...-cho and a hijack-...
ARLO
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(off) ...-er!
MASON
(overlapping) Hi--! The gun was empty!
ARLO
Every time I look at you, I wanna hit...
ARLO
...you.
MASON
You wanna hit me?
ARLO
And I'm a peaceful man, and...
...I believe in live and...
MASON
(off) (overlapping) Yeah...
ARLO
...let live.
MASON
(overlapping) ...you stole the truck to
uphold your principles, right?
I did not steal the truck.
MASON
(off) (overlapping) (pants - continues
under following dialogue)
ARLO
It was owed to me. You stole the damn...
ARLO
(off) ...truck!
MASON
(overlapping) Shut up, shut up! It's
beeping.
Well, then, that means it's call...
ARLO
(face off) ...waiting!
MASON
(off) You (face off) snatch that (off)
phone (face off) from me one more time,
I'm--
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ARLO
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(interrupting) Hey! Hey! (into telephone) Andy's Ice Cream.

#### BRYNNER

(over telephone) Dutiful citizens, you have something which I have waited years for.

#### SCENE

INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY. (INTERCUT WITH

INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY)

# BRYNNER

(into telephone) Give it to me now, or you'll be dead...

### BRYNNER

(over telephone) ...within five minutes.

#### ARLO

It's for you.

#### MASON

(into telephone) Yeah?

# BRYNNER

(into telephone) Contrary to what Dr. Long may have told you, this is neither...

# BRYNNER

(over telephone) ...your concern nor your fight. Relinquish the package and you can go.

# MASON

(into telephone) I don't know what the hell...

# MASON

(off) (into telephone) ...you're talkin'
about.

#### ARLO

What'd he say?

### BRYNNER

(over telephone) Don't be tedious, waiter. Dr. Long called it Elvis.

# SCENE

EXT. ROAD - DAY.

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BRYNNER
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(voice over) You have no idea what you're in possession of, do you?

#### SCENE

INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.

#### ARLO

(pants - continues under following scene)

#### ARLO

(into telephone) Listen, shithead!

### ARLO

(into telephone) I got three thousand dollars of highly perishable ice cream products that taste bad enough when it's...

#### ARLO

(over telephone) ...frozen! So if you
don't mind--!

### BRYNNER

(into telephone) (overlapping) Just give me Elvis and I'll make sure you have enough money for a dozen ice cream trucks.

## ARLO

(into telephone) I don't ever wanna see another ice cream...

# ARLO

(off) (into telephone) ...truck!

#### MASON

Gimme this god-...

#### MASON

(face off) ...-damn phone.

### MASON

(pants) (into telephone) Talk to me.

### SCENE

INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY. (INTERCUT WITH

INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY)

### BRYNNER

(into telephone) I want you to look at one another...

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BRYNNER
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(over telephone) ...and ask a simple
question - Are you actually prepared...

#### BRYNNER

(over telephone)  $\dots$  to die for a country that's...

### BRYNNER

(over telephone) ...never done a thing for you?

### BRYNNER

(into telephone) Because if you don't give me that cylinder, your lives will end...

### BRYNNER

(over telephone)  $\dots$  on this miserable road to nowhere.

### BRYNNER

(over telephone) And I can't guarantee the end will be quick.

#### MASON

(into telephone) Elvis is fuckin' dead, man. Get yourself some CDs.

# MASON

(pants)

### SCENE

INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.

# BRYNNER

Vaughn, get the M-seventy-nine ready.

# VAUGHN

You can't fire on them. You're gonna detonate the crystals.

# BRYNNER

Prep the launcher now.

## BRYNNER

Now!

### SCENE

INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.

### ARLO

(pants) (panting) Oh, shit.

SCENE

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EXT. ROAD - DAY.
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BRYNNER
Your move. (to Vaughn) Okay, Vaughn, you
ARLO
(off) Oh, my God.
MASON
Hey. Hey, hey, hey!
MASON
(off) Stop!
MASON
(off) Stop this boat.
MASON
Whoa! Slow...
MASON
(off) ...down.
MASON
(off) Stop!
MASON & ARLO
(off) (yell - continues under following
scene)
ARLO
(off) (indistinct - continues under
following scene)
MASON
(yells)
ARLO
Oh!
SCENE
 INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.
(INTERCUT WITH
 EXT. ICE CREAM TRUCK - DAY)
MASON
Holy shit...
MASON
(off) ...man!
ARLO
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Oh, shit.

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MASON
Back up! Back...
MASON
(off) ...up!
ARLO
(off) (grunts)
ARLO
Come on, old...
ARLO
(off) ...Pete! Come on! There it...
ARLO
(off) ...is, old Pete! Come on, baby!
MASON
(face off) All right, you got it.
MASON
You got it.
MASON
(off) Go, go!
MASON
(off) Go! Got it, got it!
(groans)
SCENE
 EXT. ROAD - DAY.
MASON
(grunts) Fuck! (pants)
MASON
(face off) (groans)
MASON
Oh, shit.
ARLO
(overlapping) (grunts) (pants) Oh, we're
screwed, Night...
ARLO
...Shift.
ARLO
You can just bend over and kiss your
crazy ass goodbye, buddy! (pants -
continues under following dialogue)
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MASON

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I think...
MASON
...we can make it.
ARLO
You think we can make what?! (pants) You
see that truck?!
ARLO
Eight and a half feet wide! Weighs over
five tons!
ARLO
Hey, and what if we (off) don't make it?!
MASON
(overlapping) (pants)
Your weedkiller on steroids goes down
with us! Everybody (off) dies!
I don't think we have much of a choice...
MASON
(off) ...do we?
ARLO
Oh, shit.
MASON
(face off) That's right. Now, (on) move!
ARLO
(overlapping) (pants - continues under
following scene and dialogue)
MASON
(pants)
ARLO
Oh, shit.
ARLO
(off) (panting) Okay.
MASON
(groans) Okay. (grunts)
SCENE
  INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.
ARLO
Unbe-fucking-lievable.
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SCENE
  EXT. ICE CREAM TRUCK - DAY.
ARLO
(grunts)
MASON
Goddamn!
ARLO
(overlapping) Oh, Petey. Oh, Petey. Oh,
please, Pete. Please don't do this to
me. Okay.
ARLO
Damn. (to Mason) Okay! Okay!
SCENE
 INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK - DAY. (INTERCUT
WITH
 EXT. ROAD - DAY)
ARLO
(pants) (panting) I should've had that
dog bite me. I would've gotten rabies!
Could've went to the hospital, had a
pretty nurse!
ARLO
Hey, hey! Whoo! Okay.
(overlapping) Go, go, go, go, go. Oh,
shit.
MASON
(off) Oh, shit.
ARLO
Come on, old Pete.
ARLO
(off) Come on!
ARLO
(off) Come on, old Pete.
ARLO
(off) God, man!
ARLO
(off) I'm goin'. I'm goin', baby. I'm
goin', I'm goin'.
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MASON
(off) (overlapping) Oh...
MASON
...easy, easy, easy.
MASON
(off) Left, left, left!
MASON
Get over! Get over!
ARLO
(off) Come on.
ARLO
Oh, shit. (to truck) Come on, old...
ARLO
(off) ...Pete! Come on.
ARLO
(off) Come on, old Pete. Oh.
ARLO
(off) I know the likeli-...
ARLO
(off) ...-hood of you knowin' any prayers
is slim...
ARLO
... Night Shift, but you might...
(off) ...wanna give it a try!
ARLO
(off) Come on, old...
ARLO
...Pete. Come on.
(off) (groans - continues under following
dialogue)
ARLO
(off) Come on.
ARLO
(off) Come on.
ARLO
(off) Come on...
ARLO
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(off) ...you crazy bastard.
MASON
(off) All right, you got it, you got it!
MASON
(off) Got it, got it, got it!
MASON
Go, go, go, go!
MASON
Go!
SCENE
 INT. ICE CREAM TRUCK/CAB - DAY.
MASON
Whoo!
ARLO
(overlapping) Whoo!
MASON
I made it!
MASON
(off) (sighing) I made it.
ARLO
What are you talkin' about?! I'm the one
drivin'!
MASON
You okay?
ARLO
What the fuck was that?!
MASON
Shit. You gotta pass him. (pants -
continues under following dialogue)
ARLO
Gee, you think so?
ARLO
Holy--!
ARLO
(grunts) (pants) Okay. That didn't work.
MASON
(overlapping) (pants) Gee, you think so?
ARLO
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Shut up!
ARLO
(off) (indistinct - continues under
following scene and dialogue)
MASON
Ho, ho...
ARLO
(off) (overlapping) Oh...
MASON
(off) ...ho!
ARLO
(off) (overlapping) ...shit!
MASON
(off) (shouts indistinct)
ARLO
(off) (overlapping) (indistinct -
continues under following scene and
dialogue)
MASON
Hang on!
MASON
(off) Hey!
ARLO
(yells)
MASON
(grunts)
SCENE
 EXT. ROAD - DAY.
ARLO
(off) (grunts - continues under following
scene)
ARLO
(off) (grunts and pants) Shit. (grunts
and pants)
MASON
(off) (grunting) Go on.
ARLO
(face off) (grunting) Go, go.
MASON
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(off) (grunts and pants - continues under
following scene and dialogue)
ARLO
(off) (grunts and pants - continues under
following scene and dialogue)
ARTIO
(crying) Oh, Pete. Oh, shit! Oh, shit!
MASON
(pants)
ARLO
No. (groans) Shit.
MASON
(grunting) Come on.
(overlapping) (grunts) Oh, shit. Oh,
shit. (pants - continues under following
scene)
ARLO
Oh, shit. (panting) It's okay. Okay.
(grunts - continues under following
dialogue)
MASON
(grunts - continues under following
dialogue)
ARLO
Okay.
MASON
All right.
MASON
(panting) Okay.
ARLO
(panting) All right.
Gimme that, gimme that, gimme that.
ARLO
(overlapping) (panting) Okay. Okay.
(pants - continues under following
dialogue)
MASON
(panting) These'll keep it cold.
ARLO
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(panting) Yeah...
ARLO
(off) ...yeah.
MASON
(face off) (sighing) Aw, shit (continues
low and indistinct) (grunts and pants)
ARLO
(grunts)
MASON
All right, let's go.
ARLO
(overlapping) (pants)
ARLO
(panting) Okay. All right. Okay.
(grunts)
ARLO
(pants - continues under following scene
and dialogue)
MASON
Hey, put it back! We're takin' off.
MASON
Hey, wait, wait...
MASON
(off) ...wait!
MASON
(panting) I got an idea.
DRIVER
Hey, hey, what's goin' on here? Are
you...
DRIVER
(off) ...guys all right?
MASON
Just stay...
MASON
(off) ...back!
DRIVER
(grunts)
(off) Stay back! I'm taking your boat.
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ARLO
(face off) (overlapping) Listen! (on)
Listen...
ARLO
...to him! You don't know who...
ARLO
(face off) ...you're dealin' with!
MASON
I'm a dangerous man!
Yeah, he's a dangerous...
ARLO
(face off) ...man!
ARLO
He's crazy!
MASON
I'm crazy?
MASON
I'm cra-...
MASON
...-zy!
DRIVER
(grunts)
ARLO
What are you doin'?
MASON
(off) (grunts - continues under following
scene)
MASON
Taking it down the hill.
ARLO
You're--? What?!
MASON
(grunts)
ARLO
You're not dangerous! You're crazy! I
ain't gettin' in this damn thing!
MASON
Then stay...
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MASON
...here!
ARLO
Oh, shit. (panting) Okay. Come on.
MASON & ARLO
(grunt)
ARLO
(pants - continues under following scene)
ARLO
Oh, hell...
ARLO
(off) ...no!!
ARLO
(pants - continues under following
dialogue)
MASON
I don't want you to come anyway. (pants -
continues under following dialogue)
ARLO
What?
MASON
Come on!
ARLO
(whimpering) Oh, shit.
ARLO
(panting) Oh, shit! (face off) Oh, (on)
shit.
SCENE
 EXT. HILLSIDE - DAY.
(yells - continues under following scenes
and dialogue)
(off) (yells - continues under following
scenes)
MASON & ARLO
(overlapping, indistinct chatter, grunts
and yells - continues under following
scenes)
MASON & ARLO
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(pant - continues under following scene)
ARLO
(yells)
ARLO
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
ARLO
(pants - continues under following scenes
and dialogue)
MASON
Keep still.
ARLO
(whispering) Okay. Okay.
(yells - continues under following scenes
and dialogue)
MASON
(yells - continues under following
scenes)
ARLO
Oh, shit!
MASON
(overlapping) No!
ARLO
Oh, no!
ARLO
Oh, no!
MASON
(overlapping) (grunts)
ARLO
(off) (yells - continues under following
scenes)
SCENE
 EXT. RIVER - DAY.
MASON & ARLO
(gasp and grunt)
MASON
Whoo!
ARLO
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(pants) Whoo-hoo-hoo! Whoo-hoo-hoo!
MASON & ARLO
(laugh)
MASON & ARLO
(face off) (grunt)
MASON
(off) (pants - continues under following
dialogue)
ARLO
(chuckles) (panting) All right. Hey.
MASON
(off) (grunts - continues under following
scene and dialogue)
ARLO
(grunts)
MASON
(face off) (groans - continues under
following scene)
MASON
(laughs - continues under following
dialogue)
ARLO
Whoo-hoo-hoo!
MASON & ARLO
(in unison) Whoo-hoo! (continues under
following scene)
ARLO
Are you crazy?! Take the boat?!
SCENE
 EXT. ROAD - DAY.
CARL
(grunts) (panting) There's nothing in
here, sir. They got away with it.
BRYNNER
All right. Let's clear the mess and move
CARL
(sighs)
CHARACTER
FOOTAGEDIALOGUE
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SCENE
  EXT. ROWBOAT - DAY.
ARLO
Uh-oh.
MASON
What?
ARLO
This thing just went up a degree. Ice
cream's not workin'.
MASON
This river's fed by a glacier. Willing
to bet my life that it's a good deal
under fifty degrees.
ARLO
Okay.
ARLO
Worth a try.
MASON
(sighs - continues under following scene)
ARLO
Hey, you didn't happen to lock the truck
up when you got out...
ARLO
(off) ...did you?
MASON
You're fucked, man.
See, now why would you do that to a man
in my posi-...
ARLO
(off) ...-tion?
MASON
Hey, I didn't steal the truck. You...
MASON
(face off) ...stole the truck.
ARLO
(overlapping) Hey, I told you I did not
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steal that truck. Andy owes me a lot

more than that four-wheeled...

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ARLO
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(off) ...piece of shit was worth.

### MASON

It won't even start half the time.

#### ARTIC

(off) You know what I'm sayin'?

#### ARLO

I deserve a lot more than that truck! Ten years, ten years I busted my ass for that fat rat bastard.

#### ARLO

(off) And he swore, he swore once I got a degree...

#### ARLO

...there'd be a sales rep desk with my name on it. But every time something opened up, there'd be some idiot cousin...

#### ARLO

(off) ...or nephew or some good old boy...

# ARLO

...just ready to just slide him right in there. And what about me, huh? What about Arlo, huh? What about my needs? You know, I got a-I got student loans...

#### ARTIO

(off) ...overdrawn bank accounts.

# ARLO

Nobody's lookin' out for my interests. (grunts) My credit was fucked! And then when he promoted Sam over me, I just snapped. So I split.

# MASON

So you took his...

## MASON

(off) ...truck.

### ARLO

So I took his truck, yeah.

# MASON

(off) (overlapping) Yeah.

### ARLO

You know.

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SCENE
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EXT. ROAD - DAY.

#### BRYNNER

(face off) This river ends at a hydro dam...

#### BRYNNER

...in Missoula. All we need to do is get to Mason before anyone else does.

### BRYNNER

Carl, Dennis, get out of sight.

### BRYNNER

Officer Pappas, I'm glad you're here.

#### PAPPAS

Mind if you tell me what's goin' on?

### BRYNNER

I'm Colonel Brynner, U.S. Special
Operations Com-...

#### BRYNNER

...-mand out of Fort Bragg.

# BRYNNER

(off) We were called in by the Jerome base...

# BRYNNER

...to pursue a man who's stolen
government proper-...

# BRYNNER

...-ty.

### PAPPAS

Right. Tim Mason.

# BRYNNER

You know the suspect?

## PAPPAS

Yeah, he's wanted in connection with a death this morning at the Jerome...

### PAPPAS

...general store.

### BRYNNER

Richard Long.

PAPPAS

That's right.

### BRYNNER

Long went missing from the Tech Center this morning along with a very dangerous...

#### BRYNNER

...weapon. Deputy, I'd deeply appreciate your assistance on this.

#### BRYNNER

Who knows? It might even put some more gold on that collar of yours.

## SCENE

EXT. ROWBOAT - DAY.

#### MASON

You know, four years ago, I was a split end at Kentucky State.

#### MASON

(face off) We were nationally (off) ranked.

#### ARLO

How wonderful for you.

## MASON

Started every game my senior year. Not all-American or anything, but not bad. Anyway, the real star was my best friend, the quarterback. Got taken in the first round.

# ARLO

Robert Del Rio?

### MASON

Yeah, Robert Del Rio.

#### ARTIC

I remember him. Got in a car crash or somethin'.

#### MASON

We were celebrating right after the draft, going from bar to bar. I was drivin'.

# MASON

And I put the car into a ditch. He spent eighteen weeks in the...

## MASON

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(off) ...hospital.
MASON
Never gonna throw a ball in the pros.
MASON
(sighs) Couldn't deal with it. So I
split.
MASON
(face off) And (off) things sort of just
went downhill from there.
MASON
Anyway, about ten months ago, I wound up
in Jerome, workin' for Darlene.
ARLO
Well, shit. Could be worse. I mean,
we're both up shit's creek, but at least
we have a paddle.
MASON
We got two paddles.
ARLO
(chuckles)
SCENE
 EXT. U.S. RESEARCH LABORATORY - DAY.
VITELLI
Is the facility secure?
SERGEANT
Yes, sir, colonel. There's four dead,
but the security video's clean.
VITELLI
It's a patched-in feed. It's probably a
loop.
VITELLI
(sighs) Deputy.
VITELLI
Deputy, I'm Colonel Vitelli. I'm on
special as-...
VITELLI
...-signment.
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Deputy Art Lewis, Jerome County Sheriff's

Department.

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VITELLI
(overlapping) Uh-huh.
LEWIS
I don't suppose you'd like to tell me
what this is all about.
VITELLI
I will tell you what I...
VITELLI
...can, deputy.
BIG RANGER
(overlapping) Colonel Vitelli. We got a
busted-in cold vault inside.
VITELLI
Is it--?
BIG RANGER
(off) Looks like it. Yes, sir.
VITELLI
Alert seventy-fifth rangers. Code Blue.
Tell them Elvis has left the building.
LEWIS
What the hell are you talkin' about...
...colonel?
VITELLI
Have you I.D.'d the bodies?
BIG RANGER
They were all wearing hardware.
VITELLI
Any of them Richard Long?
BIG RANGER
No, sir.
LEWIS
Well, I've got Dr. Long's body down at
the coroner's office.
One of our units is pursuing a suspect up
the thirty-...
LEWIS
...-five.
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VITELLI

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Who's your suspect?
LEWIS
A man named Tim Ma-...
LEWIS
...-son.
VITELLI
Run a check. FBI, Interpol.
BIG RANGER
Yes, sir.
VITELLI
If you're right, Lewis, this Mason is one
hell of a pro. He must have a service
record and a paper trail some-...
VITELLI
...-where.
LEWIS
Mason? (chuckling) No, he's a soda-jerk
drifter, a hamburger flipper.
VITELLI
It could be a cover, I suppose.
VITELLI
Whoever did this is a man who knows his
business.
SCENE
 EXT. ROWBOAT - DAY.
MASON
Listen, Arlo...
MASON
...for whatever it's worth, I'm sorry I \,
dragged you into this...
MASON
(off) ...shit.
To tell you the truth, you didn't.
ARLO
(off) Not completely, anyway.
ARLO
I mean, if that gun was...
ARLO
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...loaded, I didn't buy you as a shoot-
. . .
ARLO
(off) ...-er. It was your friend...
\dots Long. Somethin' about that look in
his eye when he talked about that
Elvis...
ARLO
(off) ...shit.
MASON
Well, all the same. If we get to
Missoula, help me find a car. I'd
appreciate it. Then...you can...
MASON
(off) ...split.
ARLO
Split? I wouldn't get ten...
ARLO
(off) ...miles.
MASON
(chuckles)
ARLO
Like I said, I got a pretty good idea of
what's at stake here.
ARLO
(off) We need to finish this, Night
Shift.
ARLO
Hang on to your ass, Missoula!
ARLO
Arlo's back...and he's bringin' the King.
SCENE
 EXT. RIVER - DAY.
(off) (yells - continues under following
dialogue)
ARLO
(off) That is loud! I'm (continues
indistinct)
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MASON
(off) (overlapping) Whoo!
ARLO
(off) Yeah, baby!
MASON & ARLO
(off) (in unison) Whoo!
SCENE
 INT. ANDY'S CAR - MISSOULA - DAY.
ARLO
Damn.
SCENE
 INT. ANDY'S ICE CREAM FACTORY/STAIRWELL
- DAY.
ARLO
(sighs)
SCENE
 INT. ANDY'S ICE CREAM FACTORY/ANDY'S
OFFICE - DAY.
NARRATIVE TITLE
Andy's
NARRATIVE TITLE
CANCELLED
ICE CREAM ANDY
(off) Hey, Arlo.
ARLO
(sighs) Well, that just about figures for
today.
ICE CREAM ANDY
So...where's my truck?
It's, uh, parked just off of Highway
Thirty-Five.
ICE CREAM ANDY
I did what I could for you...
ICE CREAM ANDY
(off) ...Arlo, and you screwed me for it.
Now, where's my goddamn truck?
ARLO
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I ain't got time to argue with you today,
Andy. But I can tell you this. Takin'
your truck pissed you off?
ARLO
(off) Huh?
ARLO
You're gonna (chuckling) be real mad when
I take the pickup.
BRYNNER
(blows)
(growls) And so Missoula's prodigal son
returns.
SCENE
 INT. HARDWARE STORE - DAY.
MASON
(into telephone) Hello.
BRYNNER
(over telephone) I got someone who's
anxious to talk to you, Mr. Mason.
SCENE
  INT. ANDY'S ICE CREAM FACTORY/ANDY'S
OFFICE - DAY.
BRYNNER
I urge you to be persuasive.
BRYNNER
This country trained me to kill...
BRYNNER
(off) ...without compunction.
ARLO
Well, well, well.
ARLO
(off) Funny situation, ain't it, Andy?
BRYNNER
Three seconds. One...
ICE CREAM ANDY
You've gotta help me, Ar-...
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ICE CREAM ANDY
(off) ...-lo.

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BRYNNER
...two.
ARLO
Why don't you get that tub of shit Sam
to...
ARLO
(off) ...help you?
ICE CREAM ANDY
(overlapping) (pants) Look, I'm sorry.
I'll make it up to you. Whatever you
want. Please!
BRYNNER
Gentlemen, I have never been known for
BRYNNER
(face off) ...patience.
ICE CREAM ANDY
(pants) Arlo!
SCENE
 INT. HARDWARE STORE - DAY.
MASON
(into telephone) Arlo.
SCENE
 INT. ANDY'S ICE CREAM FACTORY/ANDY'S
OFFICE - DAY. (INTERCUT WITH
 INT. HARDWARE STORE - DAY)
ARLO
All right, all right. Hey, hey.
ARLO
Hey. (into telephone) (to Mason) Mason.
MASON
(into telephone) Yeah.
ARLO
(over telephone) I think you oughta cut
a...
ARLO
(over telephone) ...deal with this
asshole.
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ARLO

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(over telephone) Even though it is nice
to see Andy...
ARLO
(off) (into telephone) ...squirm, I don't
want his brains all over my shirt...
ARTIO
(over telephone) ...or my conscience.
ARLO
(into telephone) A-And you owe me...
(over telephone) ...man.
MASON
(into telephone) Yeah, I know, I know.
MALE STORE
EMPLOYEE
(overlapping) (grunts)
BRYNNER
(into telephone) You still there, Mr.
Mason?
MASON
(into telephone) Yeah, I'm listenin'.
BRYNNER
(over telephone) Then meet me at the dam
in fifteen minutes.
BRYNNER
(into telephone) And be intelligent about
this. Tricks will cost lives.
SCENE
 INT. HARDWARE STORE - DAY.
LONG
(voice over) Create a piece of bait
that...
LONG
(voice over) ...sends the fish's
instincts into overdrive...
LONG
(voice over) ...forcing him to strike.
STORE OWNER
Everything all right...
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STORE OWNER
(off) ...son?
MASON
Yeah, I just....
MASON
(off) Tryin' to remember somethin'
somebody once told me about tyin' a fly.
LONG
(voice over) And only then does our noble
friend realize...
LONG
(voice over) ...that the prey can bite
back.
MASON
Let me have those.
SCENE
 INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
DENNIS
Sir... (grunting) I think you should take
a look at this. Judging...
DENNIS
...by the signature pulse and
velocity...helicopters. Maybe fifteen
minutes.
CARL
Rangers. That was only a matter of time.
BRYNNER
Of which we have more than enough.
SCENE
 INT. HELICOPTER - DAY.
GOMEZ
All right, listen up!
GOMEZ
(off) Stay sharp!
NARRATIVE TITLE
TOP
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GOMEZ
(face off) Now, this is the guy we're
lookin' for! (off) His name is Tim Mason!
GOMEZ
(off) And he's got the acrylic container!
HARDNOSE
Do we know what's inside?!
You don't need to know! Let's just get
it back, all right?!
SCENE
 EXT. CARNIVAL - DAY.
PEOPLE AT CARNIVAL
(off) (low and indistinct chatter -
continues under following scenes)
SCENE
 EXT. DAM - DAY.
BRYNNER
I don't see my container.
MASON
You try anything, it goes in...
MASON
(off) ...the river.
BRYNNER
It's a little late for matinee heroics,
Mason. Just give me the con-...
BRYNNER
(off) ...-tainer!
MASON
Where's Arlo?
BRYNNER
Bring him up.
(low and indistinct) (pants) (indistinct)
Bring him down!
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BRYNNER
(low and indistinct)
ARLO
(pants)
(pants - continues under following scene)
BRYNNER
Your fellow hero, untouched...
BRYNNER
...and unharmed, de-...
BRYNNER
...-spite the mouth.
MASON
Him first.
ARLO
(pants)
MASON
(panting) You all right?
MASON
(pants - continues under following scene)
MASON
Run!
MASON & ARLO
(pant - continues under following scene)
Down! (continues under following scene)
MASON
(face off) (grunts)
MASON
(face off) (grunts)
MASON
(grunts)
BRYNNER
(grunts) (pants)
SCENE
 INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
DENNIS
(off) Rangers.
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DENNIS
Go.
SCENE
 EXT. DAM - DAY.
MASON
(off) (grunts)
BRYNNER
(off) (pants - continues under following
scene)
BRYNNER
You should've taken the money.
ARLO
Bullshit. You would've killed us anyway.
MASON
(overlapping) (grunts)
VAUGHN
(off) Shit.
BRYNNER
Just when we have all the cards, Vaughn.
(chuckles) Take these two behind the van.
VAUGHN
Move!
MASON
(grunts)
VAUGHN
(face off) Move!
MASON
(grunts)
SCENE
  INT. HELICOPTER - DAY.
I got the container! Bring it in...
GOMEZ
(off) ...hot!
PILOT
That's not Mason.
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GOMEZ

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Doesn't matter who he is! We're goin'...
GOMEZ
(off) ...in!
SCENE
 EXT. DAM - DAY.
MASON
Ow! (face off) (grunt)
ARLO
(grunts)
MASON
(grunts)
ARLO
Are you all right?
MASON
(panting) No. (pants)
PATROL CAP
(low and indistinct)
BRYNNER
(off) That's far enough, gentlemen!
BRYNNER
Do you know who I am?
GOMEZ
Gas masks.
BRYNNER
Gas masks? Gas masks? The men on Horn
Island had gas...
BRYNNER
(off) ...masks!
PATROL CAP
Where the fuck is Horn Island?
BRYNNER
Was! Horn Island was!
MASON
(panting) Listen, Arlo.
MASON
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
ARLO
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Hey!
VAUGHN
Shut your mouth.
MASON
(face off) (grunts) (pants)
BRYNNER
Do you know what'll...
BRYNNER
(off) ...happen if I drop this?
VITELLI
Brynner.
BRYNNER
Well, Lieutenant Vitelli.
BRYNNER
(off) Good to see you again, Leo.
BRYNNER
Pleasant surprise.
VITELLI
I can't say it's a surprise.
VITELLI
And I certainly can't say it's pleasant.
VITELLI
As soon as I heard Elvis was on the
loose, you came to mind.
VITELLI
I checked your release date. I never
liked coincidences.
BRYNNER
And I don't like deviations from plans,
Leo, as I'm sure you re-...
BRYNNER
(off) ...-member.
Colonel, sir, who the hell is this guy?
VITELLI
He was Major Andrew Bryn-...
VITELLI
(off) ...-ner. We did two tours together
in Vietnam.
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## VITELLI

Until he got busted down to nursemaiding scientists.

# BRYNNER

Yeah, I had a small problem with members of our side murdering civil-...

### BRYNNER

(off) ...-ians. But I assure you, Leo...

# BRYNNER

 $\dots$ I lost all my squeamishness at Leav- $\dots$ 

# BRYNNER

(off) ...-enworth. I'll have no compunction at all about using this.

### BRYNNER

Hm. The wind's northwest. That oughta be...Seattle.

### BRYNNER

(off) Or I may be wrong. The breeze
could be gusting south. That'd be
Billings...

# BRYNNER

 $\ldots$  maybe even Salt Lake, not to mention Casper...

# BRYNNER

(off) ...Destry, Fair Oaks....

# VITELLI

Knowing you, Brynner, you've got buyers waiting to buy! You're not gonna use that...

# VITELLI

(off) ...here!

# BRYNNER

And I'm warning you, Leo. Don't test me. Get your men and your machines off my radar screen in five, or three million people will die.

# BRYNNER

(off) I'll do it.

# VITELLI

Tell the choppers we're lifting off!

### GOMEZ

Excuse me, sir?!

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Your colonel's giving you a wise order,
soldier.
VITELLI
It's not over, Brynner.
Sir, we can't just let him get away with
this!
VITELLI
(overlapping) Gomez, you fight the
battles you can win. Now, we've been
outmaneuvered here. Brynner's next move
is gonna be to get Elvis out of the
country and sell him to the highest
bidder. To do that, he has to have
planned an exit point. That's where we
intercept him. That's where we make our
play. Now you and your men back off.
All right, let's move...
GOMEZ
(off) ...out!
ARLO
They're takin' off.
MASON
(grunting) Huh?
ARLO
They're movin'.
MASON
(grunts)
MASON
(grunts)
BRYNNER
Dennis!
BRYNNER
Get your links set up!
BRYNNER
I wanna patch in from...
BRYNNER
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...here!

VAUGHN

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What about these two?
BRYNNER
(off) We're gonna use them for
demonstration (on) footage.
BRYNNER
Having witnessed the effects myself, I
can assure you it'll be very useful when
the bidding starts.
BRYNNER
(face off) Get 'em in the (off) middle of
the dam.
VAUGHN
Sir.
SCENE
 INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
VAUGHN
(off) Up!
DENNIS
(off) Taipei is on-line.
Geneva's comin' up, and we should have
Karachi and Kabul in a cou-...
DENNIS
(off) ...-ple of minutes.
BRYNNER
All right. Tell the pilot we'll be a
half-hour.
SCENE
 EXT. DAM - DAY.
BRYNNER
(off) Carl! Set up the camera.
SCENE
 INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
BRYNNER
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Dennis, we will open the bidding at one hundred million...

# BRYNNER

(off) ...dollars.

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DENNIS
(chuckles)
SCENE
 EXT. DAM - DAY.
MASON
(pants and grunts)
BRYNNER
(grunts) It won't be long, gentlemen.
(off) (pants - continues under following
scene)
BRYNNER
And it won't be pleasant. (grunts)
BRYNNER
(face off) But...
...such is the price...of patriotism.
BRYNNER
Vaughn.
ARLO
(panting) Hey!
ARLO
Hey!
MASON
Hey, just shut up.
ARLO
We're gonna die!
MASON
(overlapping) Arlo, shut up.
ARLO
(pants - continues under following scene)
DENNIS
Everybody's linked...
DENNIS
(face off) ...up.
BRYNNER
All right. Clear the area.
ARLO
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We're gonna die!
ARLO
(off) We're gonna die!
MASON
Hey, hey, hey.
(face off) (pants - continues under
following scene and dialogue)
MASON
Put your hand in my pants.
ARLO
What?
MASON
(sighs)
(face off) We're gonna die, and you want
me to do some freaky shit like that?!
MASON
(overlapping) Arlo! Arlo.
MASON
Reach into my pocket.
ARLO
(pants)
MASON
(off) (panting) Come on!
ARLO
Oh.
(face off) (whispering) Okay.
MASON
Yeah.
ARLO
(face off) (panting) Okay.
MASON
(grunts)
ARLO
(panting) Okay. All right, man. Okay.
ARLO
(grunts)
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MASON
(panting) Okay. (continues indistinct)
(off) (panting) All right. Okay.
MASON
(grunts)
ARLO
Okay. (grunts)
MASON
(sighs)
MASON
Arlo!
MASON
(pants)
ARLO
(face off) (grunts) I'm sorry. I'm a
little (continues indistinct)
SCENE
 INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
VAUGHN
I'm on it.
BRYNNER
Stay put. (to Dennis) Keep the camera
trained on...
BRYNNER
(off) ...them. Bound or loose...
..their deaths will be equally effective
and inevitable.
DENNIS
Sir, I got Taipei grindin' on me here.
How long is this supposed to ta--?
SCENE
 EXT. DAM - DAY.
MASON
(grunts - continues under following
dialogue)
ARLO
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(pants)
SCENE
  INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
DENNIS
Geneva just pulled the plug.
DENNIS
(off) Kabula's out.
SCENE
 EXT. DAM - DAY.
ARLO
(panting) Okay. (pants - continues under
following dialogue)
MASON
(grunts - continues under following
dialogue)
ARLO
Come on, come on!
SCENE
 INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
DENNIS
Pakistan says they'll be back tomorrow.
(off) And Taipei just went off-line, sir.
BRYNNER
Go.
SCENE
 EXT. DAM - DAY.
ARLO
Okay, here we go.
MASON
(overlapping) (grunts)
ARLO
Come here.
MASON
(grunts) Go, go, go! (pants)
ARLO
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(grunts)
SCENE
  INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY.
ARLO
You just can't leave that stuff with that
lu-...
MASON
(off) (grunts)
ARLO
(off) ...-natic.
MASON
(overlapping) (pants) That's why I didn't
give it...
MASON
(off) ...to him. (pants - continues
indistinct under following scene and
dialogue)
ARLO
What?
ARLO
(off) You got Elvis?!
MASON
(panting) Sometimes the prey bites back.
MASON
(off) Go!
ARLO
(pants - continues under following scene)
MASON
(face off) Stop.
MASON
(grunts)
ARLO
Hang...
ARLO
(face off) ...on!
MASON
(grunts)
NARRATIVE TITLE
Pacific
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ARTIO
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(pants) Whoo!

### LABORATORY

START MEASURING 0.00 AT START MARK

# CHARACTER

FOOTAGEDIALOGUE

# SCENE

INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY.

### MASON

Aw, shit. Would you be more care-...

### MASON

(off) ...-ful?!

## ARLO

(panting) Okay. Okay.

# SCENE

EXT. DAM - DAY.

# BRYNNER

(face off) Positions. (on) We're taking up the hunt.

### DENNIS

(panting) Come on, Brynner, it's over. Nobody said anything about goin' up against Rangers.

### CART

Besides, how are we gonna sell something we don't have?

# BRYNNER

Nothing has changed, I assure you both. The Army still thinks we got Elvis. They had a tactical withdrawal. It's just those two amateurs now. Do you really want to concede a hundred million dollars to them?

# SCENE

INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY.

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ARLO
(pants)
SCENE
 EXT. HIGHWAY - DAY.
NARRATIVE TITLE
Ft. McGruder 90
SCENE
 INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
BRYNNER
(into radio) Carl, establish contact with
that deputy we met earlier. He'll be
more useful now.
SCENE
 INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY.
NARRATIVE TITLE
TEMPERATURE
MASON
(face off) (sighs)
MASON
(face off) (grunts - continues under
following scenes)
MASON
We need more ice!
ARLO
All right, there's a service station on
the other end of the Northridge Tunnel!
They'll have ice!
NARRATIVE TITLE
TEMPERATURE
MASON
(off) Oh, fuck!
MASON
Forty-five seven!
ARLO
Oh, shit.
MASON
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(off) Okay.

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MASON
Come on, come on, come on.
MASON
(pants)
SCENE
 EXT. MEADOW - DAY.
VITELLI
(indistinct)
GOMEZ
What's going on, colonel?
VITELLI
Here's what I want you to do.
LIEUTENANT
The Ranger units in McGruder've...
LIEUTENANT
...got the local airports covered, sir.
Pentagon's covering the interna-...
LIEUTENANT
...-tional traffic.
VITELLI
Good. (to Gomez) Gomez, I want two birds
back to Missoula. I wanna...
...rendezvous here, approach from the
southwest.
GOMEZ
Yes, sir. (grunts)
GOMEZ
Go.
VITELLI'S HELICOPTER
PILOT
Colonel, you've got a Tim Mason, patched
through from McGruder.
VITELLI
(into telephone) This is Vitelli. Is
SCENE
 INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY.
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VITELLI
(over telephone) ...you, Mason?
MASON
(into telephone) Yeah, yeah...
MASON
(off) (into telephone) ... yeah! Colonel!
MASON
(into telephone) Listen, I've got Elvis!
ARLO
We!
MASON
(off) (overlapping) (into telephone) I've
got the real thing!
ARLO
(overlapping) We've got Elvis!
SCENE
 EXT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
(INTERCUT WITH
 INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY)
VITELLI
(into telephone) What? Say again, Ma-...
VITELLI
(over telephone) ...-son.
MASON
(into telephone) What we gave Brynner on
the dam was a phony!
(over telephone) We've got the real
thing!
VITELLI
(into telephone) Where are you now...
VITELLI
(over telephone) ...Mason?
MASON
(into telephone) I'm at mile marker...
MASON
(into telephone) ...sixty-two...
MASON
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MASON
(off) (into telephone) ...thirty-five!
ARLO
(off) Here...
ARLO
...they come!
MASON
(into telephone) And Brynner's right
on...
MASON
(over telephone) ...our ass!
ARLO
He's comin' up fast!
SCENE
 INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
BRYNNER
Hit him.
SCENE
  INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY
ARLO
(grunts) Shit!
SCENE
 INT. BRYNNER'S VAN - DAY.
BRYNNER
Hit him again.
SCENE
  INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY.
MASON & ARLO
(grunt)
SCENE
  EXT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
VITELLI
(off) (into radio) We've gotta take out
Brynner's van before (on) they reach...
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(over telephone) ...heading west on...

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SCENE
  INT. GOMEZ'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
VITELLI
(off) (over radio) ...that tunnel.
GOMEZ
Get ready to take it out!
SCENE
 INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY.
ARLO
(off) Okay...
ARLO
...here comes the...
ARLO
(off) ...tunnel!
MASON
(panting) Tunnel.
SCENE
 INT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
VITELLI
(into radio) Do it now.
SCENE
 INT. GOMEZ'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
GOMEZ
Hit it...
GOMEZ
(off) ...now!
SCENE
 INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY.
MASON & ARLO
(off) (yell and cheer - continues under
following scene and dialogue)
ARLO
(laughs)
MASON
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Whoo!

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ARLO
(overlapping) Whoo!
SCENE
 EXT. HIGHWAY - DAY.
VITELLI
(voice over) Uh, so head for the other
end of the tunnel.
SCENE
 INT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
VITELLI
(into radio) I'll stay here and secure
this position.
SCENE
 INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY.
MASON
Forty-seven. You'd better floor it.
ARLO
What do you think I'm doin'?!
SCENE
 INT. TUNNEL - DAY.
ARLO
(off) It's a damn postal truck!
SCENE
 INT. POSTAL VAN - DAY.
MASON
What the hell?
ARLO
What the --?
MASON
You've gotta be...
MASON
(off) ...kiddin' me.
SCENE
 INT. TUNNEL - DAY.
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ARLO

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(off) Stupid.
MASON
I'm gonna kill him.
PAPPAS
Let me see your...
PAPPAS
(off) ...hands!
MASON
(grunts) (panting) Pappas! Move the car!
MASON
(off) Move the car, please!
ARLO
Unbe-fucking-lievable.
MASON
(off) (overlapping) (pants)
I said let me see your hands now!
You redneck idiot, do you have...
MASON
...any idea what's goin' on here?!
PAPPAS
Yeah, asshole. I'm puttin' a murder
suspect and a guy who...
PAPPAS
(off) ...stole a truck under arrest.
MASON
(off) (pants - continues under following
dialogue)
PAPPAS
(off) Now raise 'em!
ARLO
Let me put it in easy terms, Aristotle.
We are carrying a damn bomb...
ARLO
(off) ...that is going to explode...
ARLO
...if we don't get out of this tunnel!
SCENE
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INT. GOMEZ'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
GOMEZ
(into radio) No sign of 'em...
 INT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
(INTERCUT WITH
 INT. TUNNEL - DAY)
GOMEZ
(over radio) ...major.
MASON
(groans) (pants) (into telephone) Yeah?
VITELLI
(into telephone) Mason, what is the
temperature of Elvis?!
MASON
(into telephone) Forty-seven.
VITELLI
(into telephone) If you're not out of
there soon, I have got to seal the...
VITELLI
(over telephone) ...tunnel!
MASON
God! (panting) They're gonna seal it.
ARLO
Well, why don't they talk to the sage of
Jerome here?!
PAPPAS
What the hell's a sage?
MASON
(off) (panting) Listen, Pappas...
MASON
...there's a colonel...
MASON
(off) ...on the other end of this phone.
MASON
His name's Vitelli. Talk to him. He's
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right out-...

(off) ...side!

MASON

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PAPPAS
What happened to Colonel Brynner?
MASON
(sighs) (pants - continues under
following scene and dialogue)
ARLO
Listen, deputy.
ARLO
(off) He's the dude...
ARLO
...the guy the Army guys are lookin' for!
Bullshit. (to Mason) Put the phone down,
Mason.
PAPPAS
(off) I've heard enough of both of ya.
MASON
(overlapping) (panting) Wait. Listen to
me, Pappas. If you don't let us by...
MASON
(off) ...we're all gonna die in this...
MASON
(off) ...tunnel now!
(panting) Just go check the temperature.
PAPPAS
Don't move!
(off) (pants - continues under following
dialogue)
ARLO
Shoot me. (grunts)
(off) (panting) What's it say? (pants -
continues under following scenes and
dialogue)
ARLO
Forty-nine point four.
MASON
(pants) (into telephone) It says forty-
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nine.
SCENE
  INT. GOMEZ'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
GOMEZ
(into radio) Forty-nine?
SCENE
 INT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
GOMEZ
(over radio) Major, we've gotta seal that
tunnel! Major!
SCENE
  INT. TUNNEL - DAY.
ARLO
Mason.
MASON
(panting) What?
ARLO
It's melting, man.
NARRATIVE TITLE
TEMPERATURE
MASON
(face off) (pants) (sighing) Oh...
MASON
...shit. (low and indistinct)
VITELLI
(over telephone) Mason. Mason!
MASON
(into telephone) Yeah.
SCENE
 INT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
VITELLI
(into radio) It's too late, Mason.
I've...
SCENE
 INT. TUNNEL - DAY.
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VITELLI
(over telephone) ...gotta seal it.
SCENE
 INT. GOMEZ'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
GOMEZ
Great. (to Pilot) All right...
GOMEZ
(off) ...we're gonna seal that tunnel! I
want it air-...
GOMEZ
(off) ...tight!
SCENE
 INT. TUNNEL - DAY.
PAPPAS
What the hell was that?
MASON
The Army, sealin' us in.
PAPPAS
Jesus.
FAT MAN IN TUNNEL
What the hell is goin'...
FAT MAN IN TUNNEL
(off) ...on?
(panting) All I had to do was get it...
(off) (panting) ...on ice. (on) And now
it's over!
MASON
Kiss your ass goodbye...
MASON
...Pappas!
FAT MAN IN TUNNEL
Ice? You want ice? I got a whole case
of beer...
FAT MAN IN TUNNEL
(off) ...back here in the car, floatin'
in the stuff.
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MASON
(overlapping) You're kiddin' me.
ARLO
(grunts)
MASON
(face off) (grunts)
SCENE
 INT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
(INTERCUT WITH
 INT. TUNNEL - DAY)
VITELLI
(off) Nail it...
VITELLI
(off) ...up.
VITELLI'S HELICOPTER
PILOT
Okay.
ARLO
(over telephone) (indistinct)
(into telephone) We've got ice!
VITELLI
(into telephone) What? Say again...
VITELLI
(off) (over telephone) ...Mason. I can
barely hear you.
(into telephone) We've got it...
(over telephone) ...on ice! We've got
Elvis on ice!
VITELLI
Hold it!
FAT MAN IN TUNNEL
(grunts)
FAT MAN IN TUNNEL
(grunts)
MASON
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(whispering) Okay.
ARLO
All right (continues indistinct)
MASON
(pants - continues under following scenes
and dialogue)
NARRATIVE TITLE
TEMPERATURE
ARLO
(off) (grunts)
ARLO
We're too late. (pants)
MASON
Oh.
ARLO
(overlapping) (grunts)
MASON
Come on. Come on.
ARLO
(pants) (low and indistinct) (pants)
NARRATIVE TITLE
TEMPERATURE
MASON
(pants - continues under following scene)
MASON
(off) It's workin'.
ARLO
What?
MASON
(off) (overlapping) (pants - continues
under following scene and dialogue)
ARLO
What?
MASON
(panting) It's working.
ARLO
(chuckles - continues under following
scene and dialogue)
MASON
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(chuckles)
ARLO
(kisses)
MASON
(pants) We got-...
MASON
...-ta get outta here!
ARLO
(into telephone) (overlapping) Vitelli!
Vitelli!
MASON
(overlapping) (grunts)
ARLO
(into telephone) Can we get out on your
end of the tunnel?
SCENE
  EXT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
VITELLI
(into telephone) Negative. Negative.
SCENE
  INT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
VITELLI
(off) (into telephone) There's ammo fire
from Brynner's vehicle.
VITELLI
(into telephone) He must've had a damn
arsenal in there.
SCENE
  INT. TUNNEL - DAY.
ARLO
(into telephone) Well, hell, the smoke's
gonna kill us anyway!
(overlapping) (grunts) There's gotta
be...
MASON
(off) ...another way (face off) outta
here. (on) (grunts) (pants) Hey.
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ARLO
Hold this. (pants - continues under
following dialogue)
MASON
Yeah, yeah, yeah.
ARTO
(grunts and pants - continues under
following scenes)
ARLO
Sorry.
MASON
(off) (pants - continues under following
scene)
MASON
(into telephone) I think I found a way
out.
SCENE
  INT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
MASON
(over telephone) There's a vent shaft
leading straight up.
VITELLI
(into telephone) Okay, I'll have a
chopper meet you at the top.
SCENE
 INT. TUNNEL - DAY.
MASON
(off) (into telephone) (panting) All
right.
PAPPAS
I'll lead 'em out.
MASON
(off) (overlapping) (pants - continues
under following scene)
MASON
(panting) You sure?
PAPPAS
Yeah, I'm sure.
MASON
(off) All right, go.
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PAPPAS
Fol-...
PAPPAS
(face off) ...-low me. Come on, let's
go!
PAPPAS
(grunts)
ARLO
(face off) Hang on, hang on.
MASON
Let's go!
ARLO
(off) Go.
MAN #2 IN TUNNEL
(face off) (grunts)
PEOPLE IN TUNNEL
(pant - continues under following scenes
and dialogue)
ARLO
Got it? (grunts) (to woman in tunnel)
Come on, darlin'. (grunting) I gotcha.
MASON
(panting) Arlo, I'm gonna get Elvis. You
go.
MASON
(off) They'll meet you at the top.
ARLO
Okay. (to Fat Man in Tunnel) Come on, big
guy!
MASON
(pants - continues under following
scenes)
MASON
(grunts and coughs - continues under
following scenes)
SCENE
  INT. TUNNEL/AIR VENT - DAY.
ARLO
Come on, Night Shift.
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SCENE
  INT. TUNNEL - DAY.
MASON
(face off) (grunts) (pants)
MASON
(grunts)
MASON
(coughs)
MASON
(grunts)
MASON
(pants) (grunts)
MASON
(grunts and pants)
MASON
(yells - continues under following scene)
MASON
(grunts and pants - continues under
following scenes and dialogue)
BRYNNER
(panting) No.
BRYNNER
Where's Elvis?!
MASON
(panting) Dead, last time I...
MASON
(off) (panting) ...checked. (grunts and
pants - continues under following scenes)
MASON
(groans - continues under following
dialogue)
BRYNNER
(pants - continues under following scene)
BRYNNER
Kill him now.
VAUGHN
(off) Oh, don't worry.
VAUGHN
I'm a professional. This won't hurt...
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VAUGHN
(face off) ...a bit.
MASON
(overlapping) (pants) Well, I'm an
amateur. (grunts - continues under
following scene)
MASON
And this is...
MASON
(face off) ...gonna hurt like hell.
MASON
(grunts)
BRYNNER
(grunts)
MASON
(grunts)
BRYNNER
(grunts)
BRYNNER
(off) (groans - continues under following
scene and dialogue)
MASON
(grunts)
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
BRYNNER
(grunts)
MASON & BRYNNER
(grunt)
BRYNNER
(pants)
MASON
(grunts) (pants)
MASON
(grunts)
MASON
(grunts)
SCENE
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INT. TUNNEL/AIR VENT - DAY.
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PAPPAS (grunts)

SCENE

EXT. MOUNTAINTOP - DAY.

PAPPAS (grunts)

PAPPAS

Come on out, son. All right. There ya go.

PAPPAS

Come on, son. (continues indistinct to) there ya go.

PATROL CAP

All right, (continues indistinct)

SCENE

INT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.

VITELLI

(into radio) Is Elvis out?

GOMEZ

(over radio) Negative. Negative.

SCENE

INT. TUNNEL - DAY.

MASON

(grunts and pants)

MASON & BRYNNER

(grunt)

MASON & BRYNNER

(pant)

MASON & BRYNNER

(grunt - continues under following scenes)

BRYNNER

Why? You're a nothing, nobody! Why?

You'd never understand!

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BRYNNER
I would've in another life.
MASON
(pants - continues under following
dialogue)
BRYNNER
They took that life away and left me with
nothing.
BRYNNER
But now I have it all.
ARLO
(blows)
BRYNNER
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
BRYNNER
(grunts and pants - continues under
following scenes)
MASON
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
ARLO
(grunts) Look out.
MASON
What'd you come back for?!
ARLO
Why'd you stay behind?!
MASON
(grunts - continues under following
scene)
ARLO
(off) (indistinct)
MASON
(off) (grunts - continues under following
dialogue)
ARLO
(face off) (grunts)
SCENE
 EXT. TUNNEL - DAY.
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ARLO

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(grunts)
MASON
Elvis is still in there! It's gonna go
off!
MASON
(grunts)
SCENE
 INT. TUNNEL - DAY.
BRYNNER
(grunts) (pants)
SCENE
  INT. VITELLI'S HELICOPTER - DAY.
VITELLI
(into radio) Now! Seal that tunnel now!
 INT. TUNNEL - DAY.
BRYNNER
(pants)
SCENE
 EXT. MOUNTAINTOP - DAY.
MALE MEDIC
Do you need some help gettin' in the
ambulance?
MASON
No, thanks. (grunts)
(pants) (whispering) Well.
MASON
(grunts)
You know, we saved half a million people
from a full-body peel.
MASON
(chuckles)
We're the shit. Bigtime.
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MASON
They aren't exactly gonna publicize this,
(chuckling) Arlo. (chuckles)
ARLO
Hey-Hey-Hey-Hey. We are heroes, my
man. It's time to start actin' like it.
MASON
(grunts)
ARLO
Stop limpin' around like that.
MASON
Excuse me. I got a bullet in my leg.
ARLO
Always the negative...
ARLO
(off) ...with you.
VITELLI
(overlapping) All right, gentlemen.
We're about done here. Fine job.
ARLO
Thank you.
VITELLI
Your country and a lot of innocent people
in it...
VITELLI
(off) ...owe you.
ARLO
Us. Owe us. (chuckles)
MASON
You did help a little.
ARLO
Who drove the ice cream...
ARLO
(off) ...truck that kept Elvis cool?
MASON
Who had to put a gun to your head?
ARLO
Who put the big hurt on...
ARLO
(off) ...that Army nut job to save your
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# narrow butt?

#### MASON

You, Arlo.

#### ARLO

Hello.

#### MASON

You.

#### ARLO

Right. You damn skippy. And now that I am both jobless...

## ARLO

(off) ...and-and truckless in the service of my country...

#### ARTIC

 $\dots$ I feel that my government owes me a little restitution.

#### MASON

(overlapping) Us. Owes us.

#### ARLO

I'll handle this from here, sweet (continues indistinct to) (to Vitelli) Owes us a little restitution.

# VITELLI

We do have to take into consideration that, through your courage...

# VITELLI

(off) ...and selfless actions, you did save millions of lives.

# ARLO

Exactly.

## VITELLI

However, you are also non-en-...

# VITELLI

(off) ...-listed personnel with detailed knowledge of classified secrets falling under the National Security Act.

## VITELLI

In order to protect those secrets, I am authorized to fine you, imprison you...

#### VITELLI

(off) ...to take any extreme measures I
deem necessary...

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VITELLI
...including the permanently extreme.
I'd say we're about even.
MASON
Patriotism is its own reward.
ARLO
I think so too.
MASON
(overlapping) (grunts) Yeah.
MASON
Thank you.
ARLO
(off) Thank you very much.
MASON
What about all that "no need to get in
the man's...
MASON
...face" crap you've been telling me?
ARLO
(overlapping) I was not in the man's
face. I was nego-...
ARLO
...-tiatin'.
MASON
(overlapping) Look. That's negotiating?
He threatened to kill...
MASON
...us.
ARLO
But he didn't. See, that's negotiation.
MASON
(overlapping) No.
MASON
That's bullshit.
ARLO
Bullshit, yeah. Well...if we're not
gonna be famous, at least this'll be a
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great story to tell some ladies in a bar

or somethin'.

MASON

(overlapping) Arlo, nobody's gonna believe us.

MASON

Nobody-Nobody's even gonna know this happened, except for the people that were here, the Army, you and me...

MASON

...and--

FEMALE MEDIC #1

(interrupting) You shouldn't be walking on that.

ARLO

Hello, somebody.

FEMALE MEDIC #2

Heard you saved a lot of lives.

FEMALE MEDIC #1

The Army said it was a terrorist bomb.

ARLO

Oh!

MASON

Oh, oh!

ARLO

I feel faint.

MASON

(overlapping) Ooh.

MASON, ARLO, FEMALE

MEDIC #1 & FEMALE

MEDIC #2

(overlapping, indistinct chatter and exclamations of "Oh!" and "Ooh!" - continues under following scene and dialogue)

ARLO

Oh. Oh, you got me? You got me?

FEMALE MEDIC #2

I gotcha.

MASON

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(overlapping) Oh, you got me?
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FEMALE MEDIC #1

Yeah, I gotcha. Hold on.

MASON

(overlapping) (groans - continues under following dialogue)

ARLO

You know, it's, uh-it's very hush-hush, as we say in the spy game.

MASON

(panting) Yeah. Yeah, yeah, yeah.

PEOPLE AT

## MOUNTAINTOP

(low and indistinct chatter - continues
under following scenes and dialogue)

MASON

(grunts - continues under following
dialogue)

ARLO

It all started with our mission in Istanbul.

MASON

(overlapping) Yeah.

ARTIC

I was undercover as a tennis player.

MASON

(overlapping) Yeah.

ARLO

My code name was Blackjack. Night Shift was my coach. Uh-Uh-Uh, I'm sorry. Mason was my coach.

MASON

(overlapping) (grunts)

ARLO

Uh, he handled rackets, and I carried the balls.

MASON

(overlapping) Yeah.

ARLO

(overlapping) (low and indistinct to) you

see, that was a-that was my mission.

MASON

(overlapping) (indistinct to) big balls.

ARLO

That's right.

MASON, ARLO, FEMALE

MEDIC #1 & FEMALE

MEDIC #2

(overlapping, indistinct chatter and grunts - continues under following scene and dialogue)

ARTIC

Ooh, that's it. Just grab-Just put your arm-- Don't be afraid.

MASON

(overlapping) Oh.

SCENE

BLACK BACKGROUND.

ARLO

(voice over) You got a nice strong grip for a woman.

FEMALE MEDIC #1

(voice over) Oh, thank you.

ARLO

(voice over) Yes, you do.

FEMALE MEDIC #2

(voice over) Ooh, ooh.

ARLC

(voice over) Yeah, and, uh...that's a wonderful, wonderful walkie-talkie you got there.

MASON

(voice over) (overlapping) Do I have to get naked?

FEMALE MEDIC #2

(voice over) (overlapping) You don't have to.

MASON

(voice over) I don't have to?

FEMALE MEDIC #2
(chuckling) Are you kidding?