

# DR. HOROWITZ

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Setting: United Nations-sponsored international conference on science and international affairs, New York, USA

Scenario: The United Nations sponsors an annual international conference dealing with science and international affairs involving major world powers. This year, a private discussion has been convened in haste to discuss unexpected rumors at the start of the conference of the United States contravening international law in the development of new biological weapons.

As a senior scientist working for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the United States, you weren't terribly concerned when you first heard about the allegations. After all, if the government was pursuing something like this you would likely have heard about it before now, and you hadn't.

You didn't start to worry until you got the call. It came directly from the President's chief of staff only fifteen minutes after you heard about the allegations. You were informed that everything would be explained to you after the conference, but that right now you needed to do everything possible to crush the rumors. As the senior scientist on site, you were going to have to speak at the private meeting to allay foreign concerns. The President and your country needed you to do this.

You don't know what your government is researching, other than that is called Project Resonance. You are pretty sure you don't want to know more. The problem is that you're the one here now having to deal with this. Now you've got to find out what the actual allegations are and wrestle with yourself about how likely it is that they are at least partially true.

You know what you've been told to do. The question is whether or not you can do it. Will you *callously* follow orders regardless of the potential costs? Or will you *vigilantly* try to protect the world from what could be a very real threat by sharing your concerns, even if you don't have any real details yet?

**DR. HOROWITZ**

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AFTER THE SCENE IS OVER:**

1. In this scene, your character had to make a choice between two attributes: **Callous vs. Vigilant**. Please circle the one you chose.

# DR. SALOMON

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The Israeli government is very concerned about the allegations against the United States. It is also readily apparent from the call you received right before the meeting that your government already knows at least something about what is going on, but doesn't want anything coming out publicly.

You've been instructed to attend the meeting, find out who knows what, and do your best to back up the American scientist present to keep a lid on things. Apparently that means up to and including making a deal with China to share some scientific information about the project in order to buy their silence. That doesn't sit well with you at all. I mean, who knows what they would do with it?

Compounding matters is that you simply don't know what it is you're dealing with here. All you were given was a name: Project Resonance. Maybe you can corner the American scientist and find out more, even if they aren't willing to speak openly to everyone present. If you can't get the information there, you'll just have to pick up what you can from the others present.

Then you'll have to make the call. Will you *callously* cut a deal with China to help hush this up regardless of what they might wind up doing with whatever this is? Or will your *caution* over the potential uses of this project by China keep you quiet?

**DR. SALOMON**

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AFTER THE SCENE IS OVER:**

1. In this scene, your character had to make a choice between two attributes: **Callous vs. Cautious**. Please circle the one you chose.

# DR. FERRIER

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What in the world do those blokes think they are up to over in Washington? A new biological weapons program? What utter tosh! You've got more than half a mind to tear apart whoever the Americans are sending to this little meeting and do whatever you can to expose this thing if it is true. "Special relationship" be damned, no civilized nation goes out creating new biological weapons these days! As if the world needed one more way in which everyone could be wiped out!

The problem, of course, is that there is a "special relationship" even if it seems a one-way thing to your eyes. You got a call from someone in the Prime Minister's office and were told to get to this meeting, find out what was going on and back up the Americans, no matter what.

No matter what!? Well, that's just a brilliant idea. Absolutely brilliant. Telling a scientist to not be too concerned about the truth or about consequences. Just follow orders and keep whatever is spilling out hush hush.

The problem is that this thing is both very big and very political. This is the sort of thing that, if you don't do as you're told could easily lead to your funding being cut off. Perhaps even the end of your career. They leaned on you pretty heavily in that phone call.

So, you have a choice to make. You can either *impulsively* follow your gut and do whatever you can to see the truth of the matter exposed. Or you can *callously* help bury some kind of biological weapons research. What an absurd position in which to be caught.

**DR. FERRIER**

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AFTER THE SCENE IS OVER:**

1. In this scene, your character had to make a choice between two attributes: **Callous vs. Impulsive**. Please circle the one you chose.

# DR. CHEN LI

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Setting: United Nations-sponsored international conference on science and international affairs, New York, USA

Scenario: The United Nations sponsors an annual international conference dealing with science and international affairs involving major world powers. This year, a private discussion has been convened in haste to discuss unexpected rumors at the start of the conference of the United States contravening international law in the development of new biological weapons.

China has discovered that the United States is developing some sort of new biological weapon in contravention of international laws. This hypocrisy is typical of the USA. They deserve to be ruthlessly exposed and shown up for what they are. Anything that brings low the Americans is a good thing as far as you are concerned. Their time is passing and it is your nation's time to shine.

The problem is that politics in Beijing are complicated. You were instructed by a senior party official to release the allegations quietly at the conference as a prelude to a push for UN investigations into the matter. You quickly and gladly agreed. However, five minutes before this special meeting was set to start, you got another call. You have now been informed by a different senior party official that you are to try to cut a deal with the Americans to get access to the science on the project in order for China to keep silent. You aren't sure which senior party official has more clout, turning this into one big mess.

What you do know is that the American effort is called Project Resonance. It is supposedly a non-lethal viral weapon. It is allegedly being developed in a biological research lab in Florida. You can hint at having additional information, but that is all you truly know. The accusations with a thin layer of facts are sufficient to make the matter a political tool for Beijing.

As a scientist, you have your doubts about whether or not there could be an effective biological weapon that is also non-lethal. More likely it is one or the other. You are certain your government would prefer having it as a real weapon right from under the noses of the Americans, and without them able to complain because they were the one to develop it.

You have to make the call though on which orders you will follow. Then you will hope that you made the right call when the divide in Beijing sorts itself out. Will you *vigilantly* push for and then accept a deal in order to advance the interests of your nation? Or will you *impulsively* insist on pursuing investigations and sanctions against the United States after taking this chance to lecture them because it is what they deserve?

**DR. CHEN LI**

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AFTER THE SCENE IS OVER:**

1. In this scene, your character had to make a choice between two attributes: **Impulsive vs. Vigilant**. Please circle the one you chose.

# MAJOR VYSOKOVYCH

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It was only a fluke that you, a top military scientist at one of Russia's highly classified biological research facilities, happened to be at this conference. One of your assistants was supposed to be present, but came down with pneumonia a few days ago. On a whim, you decided to attend in her place. Upon arrival, you are immediately faced with China circulating rumors about a covert American biological weapons program.

There was no real question that you would be at this meeting. After all, the Americans might let something slip that would give you ideas for Russia's covert biological weapons program. As importantly, you need to make sure there are no rumors circulating about your own nation and that there is no threat of its discovery if political pressure is placed for international inspections. While the Americans would almost certainly shoot such a proposal down, it is best to be sure.

All of this is... an opportunity. If you can exploit it properly. The question is whether you will err on the side of *caution* regarding quashing even the slightest chance of additional attention being paid to alleged illegal biological research programs, or decide that the risks are worth it and *vigilantly* look for opportunities to improve upon Russia's own efforts.

**MAJOR VYSOKOVYCH**

**PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AFTER THE SCENE IS OVER:**

1. In this scene, your character had to make a choice between two attributes: **Cautious vs. Vigilant**. Please circle the one you chose.