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“One always dies too soon – or too late. And yet one’s whole life is complete at that moment, with a line drawn neatly under it, ready for the summing up. You are – your life, and nothing else.” – Inez Serrano (From the book ‘No Exit’ by Jean-Paul Sartre)

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Oh My Lowly Drone

1 Oh my lowly drone.
2 You give me such a wonderful effect.
3 Like a child's delight.
4 A shiny new toy forward.
5 My heart's ponding with such pleasure.
6
7 Oh my lowly drone.
8 Fly me to the moon.
9 Where everyone's escaping.
10 Eyes on the horizon soaring.
11 Doppelgängered and dumbfounded!.
12
13 Such wondrous exclaim!
14 Exhilarating depth and it's fate unknown!
15 It is with you that I am an adrenaline rush.
16 Flying, diving and crashing.
17 Oh my lowly drone.

The year was 2036, it was the year where cryogenics sleep services becomes a booming commercial success, which allows everyone to escape to a full month of luxury resort vacation in just one night sleep by directly uploading it to the brain in a dream state. Several scientific breakthrough has been discovered as well in this year.

The transparent bedroom windows is an AI appliance and powers itself by the sunlight it captures. Batteries are not shaped as square, cube or cylindrical, but are solidified gels moulded in the walls of houses and in-between concrete roads. In fact cars and drones does not have any batteries nor a driver in them, they are being powered wirelessly from all sources.

There's no utility companies anymore, each houses are built to produce its own energy, captures water from air, and robotically

grow food, which also cooks them. Birds and drones co-exists, and drones just flies whatever it likes to without stopping.

Inhabitable places has been filled by autonomous self-sustaining vehicles that can live under the desert sands, floating in the sea, or attached to the bottom of the sea, river or lake.

Garbage problems has been solved by a household appliance that dissolve them in liquid form, feeds to the worms that feeds the plants that feed the humans, and oh, that is possible because all plastics, bottle, containers are made of algae.

CO2 emissions has been solved as well, through a large structure under the sea that captures 40 billion CO2 emissions per hour, which becomes solid and robotically turn them into corals.

Life expectancies has been doubled, the average lifespan of people is 140 years. Thanks to all sorts of biological appliance devices that mimics human tissues to augment beyond natural capabilities. Each biological appliance is called a seed. An installation of an appliance can be done via a seed gun, which inject the seed inside the body, then instantly it will grow a series of wiring in the body that are visible, which looks like a symmetry of tattoos in the skin. And after 30 minutes, the installation done. You can now use a mobile phone appliance that directly connects to the brain, that augments natural human senses, and is visible in the augmented UI that naturally directly feeds to the eyes.

All this technological breakthrough, the only problem is growing old and dying. The world is looking for a solution to solve this problem, until December 13, 2036, a man discovered a frequency beam that can communicate directly to the human DNA, instructing it programatically, modelling the human body to any preference.

One part of its capability is to grow young, and in just 1 week being exposed to this beam, an 84 year old man will look like a 20 year old, but there's a catch, it only works for 21 days, and you have to apply the beam again.

The government saw the huge impact of this to the general population. So they began releasing 10 million of this self-sustaining

beam producing appliance to outer-space as an orbiting satellite, ensures everyone will never grow old. The whole world enjoyed this technology for 20 years, until the man who invented the technology began to be disgusted and sick of the people growing young, not catching diseases, teeth growing back in perfect form.

Because all the inhabitants of planet Earth has been beamed, nobody can opt-out of it. He sees that this is a human rights violation. He likes his grey hair and wrinkled skin back. So against the government law, he invented an opt-out device to shield from this beam. After releasing a working prototype, he was murdered.

In his room, his blueprint for this invention has been stolen, which includes all the possible parameters the beaming device is capable of. For example, it is capable of inducing amnesia but at the same time selectively not forgetting the person's best skills.

And in just 1 week after his death, people become getting amnesia, then in global scale, people with good features and skills has been forcefully pillled up for cryogenic sleep, while eradicating those that are not or used for entertainment purposes.

It was devastating dark day as I remember it.

The global population is reduced to only 300 million people, where they become the elite, enjoying the whole world only for themselves. they are called the "Exia" population or "Exians", named after their leader.

Any Exian have the ability to woke up a person from cryogenic sleep if they need its service. They become the slave workers for the Exian population. They are like any other tool or appliance, where the Exians put them to cryogenic sleep after use and awoken when needed.

How do I know all of this? I was frozen in a cryogenic sleep back in 1993 and awoken up in 2030. I also happens to be the loyal lab assistance of Dr. Achten Acht, the man who invented the beam.

I was there when he shouted for joy over his invention, and I was also there when he despised his creation and created the opt-out device.

I happens to have the prototype of both devices installed in my

body.

I blended in the Exians population because I was not affected by the amnesia beam from the satellites. Also, just like the Exians population, I will never grow old.

The prototype devices gives me 300% faster healing than the Exians, and my speed, mental ability and strength is also much better.

I have a family once, a wife and a daughter, but the amnesia beam got them. I was riding the hyperloop at 1200 km/h to reach them but I was too late. I don't know where the Exians brought them and which cryogenic pods they are sleeping. All I know is that they are still alive.

For 5 years, I was searching for them, blending in the Exian population. I have to find them and find a way to end all of this.

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