

*Beep. Beep.*

*System controls: online.*

*Battery status: seventy five percent.*

*Hypersleep pods: shutting down.*

Ufowo gave a short grunt as her body slowly emerged from a deep sleep, the warmth of the pod quickly dissipating around her as the large glass door swung outward, exposing her to the darkness. A series of LED lights along one wall provided the only source of light for the cccat until she fully emerged from her sleep pod, a low hum could be heard from the overhead bulb as it slowly came to life.

*How long have I been asleep?* She wondered silently, green hands gripping the sides of her pod as she slowly began to pull her body from the warm confines of the metal pod. Purple feet touching the cold metal flooring sent a shiver up the length of her spine, her crowns twitching slightly in response as she adjusted to the outside world for the first time in what felt like eons. Cccats didn't need food or water to survive, let alone oxygen; however the sheer boredom of existing amongst a near empty ship as the hunk of metal traversed the deepest reaches of space had been less than ideal for Ufowo— choosing to delve into hyper sleep seemed like the better option of the two.

Her partner in crime, Salem, another cccat such as herself had yet to awaken in the pod next to her. Naturally sloth-like in nature the leopard printed cccat was all too eager to drift into the darkness of the never ending night alongside his friend. His pods' door had opened just as Ufowo's had and yet he had not risen up from his lengthy nap as she had. Claws clicked lightly against the metal flooring as Ufowo made her way towards the pod, a sense of dread crawling its way up her throat as she neared. The pod was empty.