Seamus's ShipLot

- Slab Bulkhead

Overview

A lot for new and used ships on Tavros Station. Manned by Seamus Walden, an ausar salesman and family man. The ships themselves are listed on a separate document: Spaceships for the ShipLot.

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Room Descriptions

On Tayros Station

New Flags

//Since the ShipLot is a virtual lot, it can be part of the merchant deck on Tavros Station. I've placed it on the northwest corner (one east of Mi Amour) because there's nothing else there. Change that room's description to the following:

This section of the merchant deck features a shiny new storefront, one with a dozen holographic models of spaceships displayed across it. Though the models are from a variety of different sources, the golden sign above the storefront reads "Aegis ShipLot". It looks like the ship manufacturers are getting into the business of selling ships directly to rushers.

Sapients of all descriptions pass by on all sides, hurrying along to their destinations. You're very clearly reminded of why they call it a "rush."

[Add directional into ShipLot office]

The ShipLot Office

{If PC doesn't have NoShipForYou flag:The Aegis ShipLot looks like something midway between a museum and an office. The walls are a gleaming grey, with glowing lines running in between the tiles, and the high ceiling is the same. Holographic projectors on the floor shine images of spaceships into the air, each of them turning in place, with various stats and specifications detailed in lines of text next to them. The Aegis logo shines in gold relief on the side walls.

A single desk, all glass and chrome, stands at the back of the room, with a hardlight keyboard and holographic screen atop it.{First time entering the ShipLot: As you walk in, an ausar man stands up from behind the desk. He's tall, with dark brown fur on his arms and ears and brown hair pulled back in a short ponytail. His dark grey sportcoat, button-down blue shirt, and slacks seem a little old-fashioned, and his belly pokes an inch or two over his belt, but his smile is genuine and friendly. "<i>Hi there, and welcome to the Aegis ShipLot,</i>"he says as he walks up to you, holding out his furry hand for you to shake. </i>"My name's Seamus, and I'm here to help you find whatever you're looking for in a ship.</i>

You shake his hand and introduce yourself. As you say your name, Seamus's dark eyebrows shoot up.

"<i>Steele? As in Steele Industries?</i>
"He chuckles when you say that's right, though he sounds a little nervous. "<i>Well, this is a surprise. I'm sure Aegis has some contracts with your company, though that's a little above my pay grade.</i>
"He adjusts his coat's lapels, and seems to be collecting himself. "<i>But, welcome to the ShipLot. Whether you're joining the rushers or just looking for some new transportation, we've got you covered. Would you like to see what we have available?</i>
"{If PC has been here before: Seamus, the ShipLot's ausar salesman, is hard at work behind his desk. He's clearly busy, but you know he'll be ready to help if you need anything.}

[Seamus] {Text: Talk to the ship salesman.} Go to Talk to Seamus [See Ships] {Text: See what the ShipLot has to offer.} Go to See Ships [Buy A Ship] {Text: Purchase a ship.} Go to Buying A Ship [Leave] Go to NW square of Tavros Station merchant deck map}

{If PC has NoShipForYou flag:As you step toward the ShipLot, four Aegis security drones drop down from above the entrance, stun rifles pointed at you. They all speak at once in a grating, mechanical monotone.

"<i>You have been forbidden entry by this location's manager. Remove yourself from the premises or we will take corrective action.</i>

The drones look all too ready to stun you, and at least one of them would get in a shot before you could take them all down. It looks like Seamus meant it when he said you were banned for life. You turn and walk away.

[Leave] Go to NW square of Tavros Station merchant deck map}

Talk to Seamus

{First time: The ShipLot's manager, Seamus, looks a little nervous. He probably wasn't expecting the heir to such a large company to stroll into his job.}{If PC has met Seamus: The ShipLot's manager, Seamus, gives you a smile as he stands up from behind his desk: "<i>Hello there, Steele,</i>" he says, and walks up to you, his hand held out for a handshake. "<i>How can I help you today?</i>"}{If PC has SeamusLikesYou flag: The ShipLot's manager, Seamus, gives you a bright grin as he stands up from behind his desk: "<i>Good to see you again, [pc.name]!</i>" he says, then walks up to you, and gives you a hearty handshake. "<i>How's the rush treating you? And what can I do for you today?</i>"}

Appearance

Seamus is an ausar, a little under six feet tall, with dark brown hair pulled back in a short ponytail around his upright ears and a long, furry tail. He has an open, friendly face, clean-shaven with bushy eyebrows, and a smile that seems genuine and welcoming. He wears a grey sportcoat and slacks, along with a dark blue button-down shirt, giving the impression that while he's here to work, he's not so uptight about it as to need a tie. Seamus is a little stocky for an ausar, with broad shoulders and a small paunch sticking out over his belt. A gold ring gleams on his left hand.

If his workplace is any indication, Seamus is either a meticulous worker or just likes his space tidy. The glass-and-chrome desk where he spends most of his time is neat and organized, with a holo-terminal and hardlight keyboard within easy reach of his chair. The desk's only decorations are two holographic pictures, one showing two ausar children running down a sandy dune, the other showing Seamus, both of the children, and a white-haired ausar man posing for a portrait.

[Back] Go to Talk to Seamus

About Seamus

You ask Seamus to tell you about himself. His ears and eyebrows both rise; this clearly isn't what he was expecting to hear.

"<i>About me?</i>" He gestures to the ShipLot. "<i>I'm a salesman, not sure how much there is to tell. I grew up on Ausaril, my parents are both in the tech business but that never interested me much.

"It was my aunt who got me into sales, though. She got her start with Aegis, traveled the galaxy looking for new customers and places where the business could go, and when she started telling me stories about it, I couldn't get enough.</i>
"He chuckles, halfway lost in thought. "<i>It wasn't until I went along with her and watched her work that I really knew what I wanted to do with my life.</i>
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Seamus leans back in his chair, hands folded across his stomach. "<i>I've been working for Aegis for about ten years now, and it's been great for me. Met my husband through the company too, couldn't be happier there.</i>
"He glances to the holographic pictures on his desk, then clears his throat. "<i>When they opened up the Tavros location, I put in to be transferred here, as it meant I could do my job in one place instead of traveling so much. I get to spend more time with my family now, which has been just the best.</i>

He chuckles again, and his grin starts to fade. "<i>Sorry, didn't mean to ramble there. I get like that sometimes, especially about my family.</i>

[Done] Go to Talk to Seamus
[Go On] {You wouldn't mind hearing about his family.} Go to Go On

Go on

"<i>Oh, you want to hear about my family?</i>
"Seamus laughs, but it's easy to tell he's glad to talk about them, since they're clearly one of his favorite subjects. "<i>I met Dean at a company event, a picnic for a celebration of some kind. I don't remember, really. I'd seen him at meetings before, always thought he was handsome, but I never got a chance to talk to him. It's like that with work sometimes, you see people all the time but never talk to them because you're working on different stuff.

"Anyway, there were activities at the picnic, athletic stuff, lots of team games. Dean and I ended up on the same team, and... we just worked together, perfectly.</i>
"Seamus's smile turns sheepish, and the tips of his ears turn down. "<i>I know how silly it sounds, but we were inseparable after that. We started dating after maybe a week, got married after about a year. It was kind of hard at first since our work had us on different planets, but we did what we could, and most of the time we were only a quick flight away from each other.</i>

Seamus leans back in his chair and sighs. "<i>After a few years, we decided to adopt, since he got a promotion and I was on my way to one. We'd always known we wanted to start a family, but we were never sure on when. Finally, he told me, we need to do this, or we'll both get too old and feel like we missed out. So we adopted two pups, a brother and sister, and....</i>

He shakes his head, still smiling. "<i>Sorry about that. I start talking about my kids, we'll be here all day.</i>

[Done] {Text: That's enough, thanks.} Go to Talk to Seamus [Kids] {Text: No, you'd love to hear about his kids.} Go to No, Really, Go On

No, Really, Go On

Seamus grins, and flips around one of the holographic pictures, showing two ausar pups running across a golden sand dune. "<i>This is from when we went back to Ausaril,</i> "he says. "<i>The kids had never been there, they were born on a different planet. Dean and I had promised them we'd take them to the homeworld someday, and you've never seen pups so thrilled to go anywhere. They couldn't believe they were actually there, and our parents were so happy to finally meet them.</i> "He laughs. "<i>We had the hardest time getting them to leave, they made us promise to bring them back someday. I think it really opened their eyes to the rest of the galaxy.</i>

He points to one of the pups, a gold-haired girl. "<i>My daughter, after going to Ausaril, she says she wants to learn how they make the hover-tracks. Half the time we were there, all she wanted to do was ride the trains, didn't matter where they were going. Dean swears she's going to grow up to be an engineer, which would be incredible, since that runs in both our families anyway. She already asked my boss if she could work for him when she met him. Nothing like keeping the family in the company, eh?</i>

Seamus points to the other pup, a black-haired boy. "<i>My son, now, he's been fascinated with plants since before we adopted him. The matron said she couldn't keep him out of the gardens, and when I first met him, he was covered in dirt. I'd love it if he ended up working for Aegis too, but there's some real future in botany, you know? Especially with the planet rush on, I'm sure people like you are discovering new plants all the time.</i>
"<i>He pauses. "<i>He's been learning some things from this nice centaur girl up in the station's apartments, I don't know if you've met her....</i>

Before you can answer, Seamus's ears tilt down, and he shakes his head. "<i>Sorry, I really do go on sometimes. I'll stop, but thanks for listening to this dad ramble.</i> "He chuckles again, and taps his keyboard, bringing up ship information on the screen.

[Done] Set SeamusLikesYou flag, go to Talk to Seamus

Flirt

You tell Seamus that you're more interested in seeing what else is available here – namely, whatever he's got to offer you personally. He seems flustered at first, but the look in your eyes helps his understanding along, and his ears tilt down as he lets out a nervous chuckle.

"<i>That's flattering, Steele. Really, it is. And thank you, but I'm married.</i> "He holds up his left hand, showing the gold ring on his ring finger. "<i>I know it's a little old-fashioned these days, and some of my own people don't really get it, but Dean and I are completely monogamous.</i>

[Let it Go] {Text: Eh, it was worth a shot.} Go to Talk to Seamus [Flirt Harder] {Text: He's not into you yet. Maybe try harder?} Go to Flirt Harder

Flirt Harder

You lean in closer and state in no uncertain terms that you want to take Seamus's rocket for a ride.

Seamus holds up a brown-furred hand. "<i>Stop that, Steele. Right now. I don't know how much you're used to getting what you want and I don't care. I am a married man, and I would never, ever hurt my husband and my kids by being unfaithful.</i>

He pauses to glare at you from beneath furrowed brows, but before you can say anything else, he says, "<i>One more word on this out of you, and I'll call the security drones. They'll escort you out, and you'll be banned for life from the ShipLot. Have I made myself perfectly clear?</i>

[Clear] {Text: You get the idea, and you'll drop it.} Go to Talk to Seamus [Insist] {Text: Force the issue. This is a bad idea.} Go to Insist

<u>Insist</u>

Undeterred, you tell Seamus that he's going to have sex with you, and it'll be better if he just goes along with it.

You barely have the words out when Seamus taps something beneath his desk, and four panels on the walls and ceiling open. Eight Aegis-branded security drones flip outward from behind the panels and form a circle around you, stun rifles clutched in their mechanical tendrils. Angry red lights and glowing gun barrels point at you from every direction.

"<i>Escort Steele off the premises,</i>" Seamus says, his tone stern, his expression angry. "<i>[pc.HeShe] is banned from the ShipLot. Do not let [pc.himHer] in again.</i>"

The drones surrounding you begin to move, forcing you to move along with them until you're outside the ShipLot. Once there, they form up in the doorway, preventing you from going back inside.

[Next] Set NoShipForYou flag, go to NW square of Tavros Station merchant deck map

See Ships

//Note: for all the VR ship tours, all options except moving from room to room and [Exit] must be disabled. No trying to sleep on a VR bed, trying to store something in a VR probably just means dropping it on the floor, and masturbating in the middle of the tour is definitely frowned upon.

Seamus nods as you tell him you'd like to see the selection of ships. "<i>We have {four} models available right now,</i>" he says. "<i>I can give you a rundown of the basics of any of them, or bring up a full schematic list if you want. They're all stored down on the lower floors of the station, but I can pull up a virtual reality tour of any ship we have, right here at the ShipLot.

"So, which ship would you like to see today?</i>"

[StarSphere Prime] Go to StarSphere Prime [GoldLine] Go to Aegis GoldLine 440 [Blue Nebula] Go to Blue Nebula [Pyrite Starhammer] Go to Pyrite Starhammer [No Thanks] {Text: Nothing here really strikes your fancy.} Go to The ShipLot Office

StarSphere Prime

"<i>The StarSphere's an interesting one,</i>" Seamus says as he pulls up the ship's hologram. The ship is one long, smooth cylinder with two rounded engines at the rear end. "<i>Kiha Corp's more known for their AI work than their ships, and they didn't make many of these. I think the StarSphere's run was maybe in the thousands. But don't let that put you off it. The ship has strong engines and strong armor, and the Prime series is a reliable line. This one's practically new as well, the previous owner only had it for a few years.</i>

{If PC is a bimbo:"<i>It looks like a giant dildo!</i>" you exclaim, pointing at the hologram. Well, it does!

Seamus throws his head back and laughs out loud. "<i>It really does!</i>" he says, shaking his head as he chuckles. "<i>I've shown this ship so many times, and I always wonder who's going to point that out. Believe me, you're not the first.</i>" }He clears his throat, and presses a button that opens up the ship's display, showing it like a blueprint. "<i>Cargo and crew space are standard for Kiha Corp ships, and it's still under warranty. Aegis will honor that. I do have to tell you that the previous owner took the ship's main AI with him, so you'll have to provide your own if you need to. I can pull up the VR tour if you want to see it.</i>

[Go VR Tour] Open VR tour of this ship [No Thanks] Go to See Ships

Aegis GoldLine 440

"<i>The 440,</i> "Seamus says, grinning as he pulls up a hologram of the ship, "<i>is the pride of Aegis's GoldLine models. It's an advanced cruiser designed for fast interplanetary travel, with our latest engine tech for the best in high-speed maneuvering and fuel efficiency. Shielding is top of the line, as with all Aegis ships, with a captain's bridge designed to give you the best view of wherever your journey takes you.</i>

He clears his throat and continues. "<i>The 440 has a standard cargo bay, enough room for a small crew, and comes with a five-year warranty on parts and repairs.</i>
button on his keyboard, and a long scroll of fine print speeds by the displayed ship. "<i>Let me bring up the VR tour, you won't be disappointed.</i>

[Go VR Tour] Open VR tour of this ship [No Thanks] Go to See Ships

Blue Nebula

"<i>The Blue Nebula,</i>" Seamus says, pulling up a hologram of the ship, "<i>is a custom job, and a rare sort of ship too. You don't find many ships that can serve as a freighter and a party vessel at the same time. The previous owner was a huge name in the engineering business, and used the ship to haul a lot of goods to some very important people.</i>" He clears his throat. "<i>At least, that's what they tell me. When I asked who used to own it, I got the impression that I shouldn't have asked.</i>"

Seamus rotates the holographic diagram, displaying the inside of the ship. The Nebula is a large vessel, with a spacious cargo bay and enough crew room to do double duty as a small hotel. "<i>But if you want style and functionality in a single ship, you can't go wrong here. And because it's a custom ship, you'll never see another like it, no matter how far you fly. I can show you the VR tour if you want.</i>

[Go VR Tour] Open VR tour of this ship [No Thanks] Go to See Ships

Pyrite Starhammer

Seamus chuckles as he brings up the ship's hologram. "<i>Can't go wrong with the classic freighter,</i>" he says. "<i>The Starhammer's an older model, but Pyrite builds them to last, and this ship's hauled enough metal to build Tavros Station ten times over. The cargo bay's large enough to hold a three-person ship, and the engines are designed for both speed and efficiency. With the right mechanic, this ship will be with you 'till the day you die.</i>

He rotates the diagram, then opens it up in an exploded view, showing the tall ship's interior. "<i>I don't know what sort of crew you're working with, but the Starhammer can comfortably bunk eight, including the captain's room. It also has durable armor, in case someone wants what you're hauling.</i>
'i>" He gives a sheepish grin at his small joke. "<i>Let me know if you want to see the VR tour.</i>

[Go VR Tour] Open VR tour of this ship [No Thanks] Go to See Ships

Buying a Ship

"<i>Found one that strikes your fancy?</i>" Seamus grins at you. He taps at his keyboard, and a purchase listing displays above his desk, showing the available ships in all their holographic glory. "<i>So, which fine vessel will you be flying out of here today?</i>"

[Purchase #] {Create as many choices as there are ships} Go to Confirmation [Never Mind] Go to The ShipLot Office

Confirmation

"<i>The {Ship Name goes here},</i>", Seamus says with a nod. "<i>If that's your choice, then you and I just need to settle payment and other legalities, and I can have it delivered to the hangar downstairs as soon as we're finished.

"That ship sells for {credit cost goes here}.</i>"

[Confirm] {Text: Buy the ship.} Go to Purchase [Nope] {Text: Change your mind.} Go to Nope

Purchase

You tell Seamus that you want to purchase the ship, and the two of you engage in a long session of finance and legal discussion. At the end, everything is settled, and the {Ship Name goes here} is yours.

"<i>Congratulations, {if PC has SeamusLikesYou tag:[pc.Name]}{If PC doesn't have SeamusLikesYou tag:Steele},</i>" Seamus says, and shakes your hand as the two of you stand up from his desk. "<i>The {Ship Name goes here} will be waiting for you in the hangar. If you ever find yourself in need of another vessel, come on back to the Aegis ShipLot and I'll be glad to help you out.</i>"

[Done] Go to The ShipLot Office

<u>Nope</u>

You tell Seamus that you've changed your mind. His ears droop a little, but his smile stays genuine.

"<i>I understand, {if PC has SeamusLikesYou tag:[pc.Name]}{If PC doesn't have SeamusLikesYou tag:Steele}. Buying a ship is a big decision, and if you need some time to think about it, that's no problem at all.</i>
"He shakes your hand as the two of you stand up from his desk. "<i>I hope you'll keep Aegis ShipLot in mind for any future ship purchases.</i>

[Done] Go to The ShipLot Office

The Ships

See document <u>Spaceships for the ShipLot</u>. Starting a VR ship tour should allow the PC to move around in the ship and explore it, so players can see it before deciding if they want to buy it. When on the tour, using the ship's exit takes you back to the [See Ships] section.

New Flags

SeamusLikesYou

Gives a 5% discount on all ship purchases from the ShipLot. Gained by listening to Seamus talk about his family at length.

NoShipForYou

Permanently bans you from the ShipLot. Gained if you insist that Seamus have sex with you. No means no.