

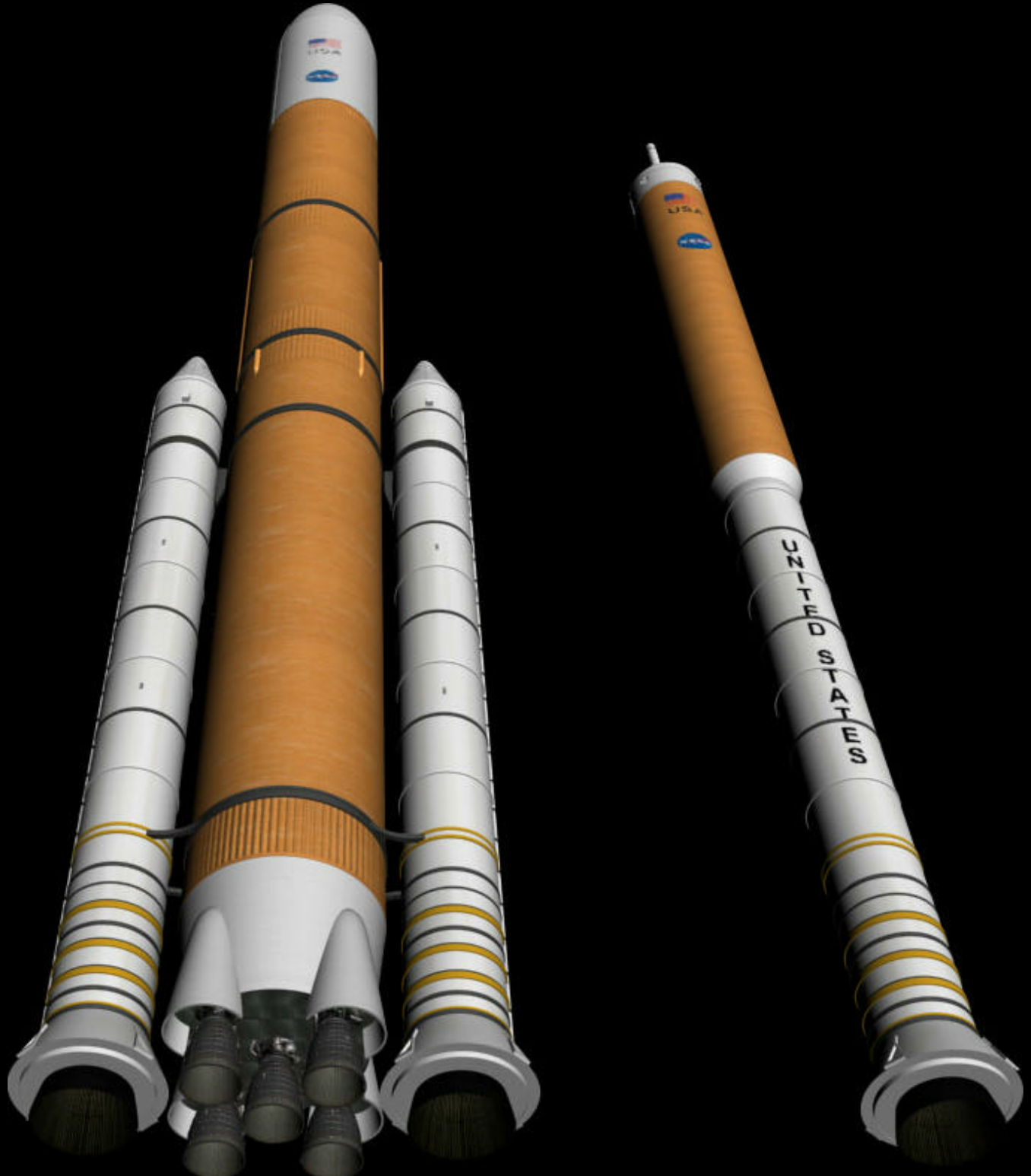
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Engineering concept illustrations of the next generation of spacecraft for NASA's manned space program.

A View From the Catbird Seat

By J.R. Fisher



OK guys, it's that time of year again! Halloween is upon us and then it's Thanksgiving and Christmas. We have had a really good year in so many ways; especially when you consider how difficult it has been for others.

We have helped one individual with financial and health problems, assisted the Raleigh Women's Center, and helped some of our former members on the Mississippi Gulf Coast through the Salvation Army. In the process, we have expended a little over half of our treasury and now it is time to replenish it.

At our October meeting (fifteenth anniversary of commissioning), we discussed ways to do this and the consensus was to see if we could do Raleigh First Night again. In the past, this has been our most effective way of raising money for the club. We are

guaranteed \$200 for selling buttons on December 31st, but we usually make between \$350.00 to \$600.00, depending on weather and crowds and location. I need to hear from each member as to your willingness to help out on New Year's Eve. We stopped doing this because only a few people were doing almost all of the work. If more people come down and help for a few hours, then everyone can have some fun. I will hear from one of the committee this week of the 17th. I need to hear from everyone just as soon as you get this.

No one was up to going to the fair this year as a group and no one wanted to host a Halloween party; therefore, we will forgo those events this year.

However, we are planning to do our holiday anniversary party in January rather than December. The plan is to go back to the Kanki again but on a Sunday, the 15th at about 6 p.m. That way, everyone should be off, the mall empty and thus lots of

parking and hopefully no crowds at the restaurant. This, of course, is dependent upon Tom Mukoyama, the manager, agreeing to all of this. Again, I need your input and soon so as to line this up; or, if you choose, to make other arrangements.

I thank all of you that have re-upped in Starfleet for doing so, and hope that the rest of you will do so soon. It is important that we have a strong Starfleet presence on the ship because we are one of the largest chapters in Starfleet, Region 1, and we do really great work in our community.

Please call with your opinions and volunteering. Our work does get noticed, but even if it did not, it is the Wright thing to do. Continue to show the world that one person can make a difference.

Esse Quam Videri

And come to the train show at the fairgrounds, November 12th and 13th.

Medical Report

By Amy DeJongh

New Focus for AHA – Women and Heart Disease

More American women than ever know that heart disease is the leading cause of death they face. Yet, too many mistakenly believe they aren't personally at risk and don't take the necessary steps to protect their hearts.

Those findings were presented at an American Heart Association (AHA) news conference in New York City on Tuesday, designed to encourage women to take a more aggressive approach to their heart health.

According to AHA surveys, 46 percent of women list heart disease as their leading cause of death, but only 13 percent report that they feel at personal risk for heart disease.

To address this gap, the AHA news conference unveiled a new direction for the association's nearly two-year-old *Go Red For Women* program. The campaign, coupled with earlier AHA initiatives, has increased awareness among women of the dangers of heart disease by 50 percent.

Now, the *Go Red For Women* initiative will aim to personalize this message so women begin to take better care of themselves. But the new campaign is about more than just raising awareness, it's designed to motivate women to action.

Measure will include literal hands-on messages like:

- asking women to put their hands over their heart every day to feel it

beating and appreciate how it works,

- providing materials to both women and doctors that identify heart-disease risks for women,
- encouraging women to wear a *Go Red For Women* dress pin, available for free from the AHA, and wearing red next Feb. 3, to show support for National Heart Month.

The AHA will also help women to become more proactive about adopting a healthier diet and lifestyle, informing them about personal risk factors, and urging them to visit their doctors on a regular basis.

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Security Report

By Spring Brooks

Nigeria considers outlawing spamming

ABUJA, Nigeria (AP) -- Nigeria -- which has global notoriety as a base for criminals exploiting the reach of the Internet -- is considering making spamming a criminal offense that could land senders of unsolicited e-mails in jail for three years.

"Any person spamming electronic messages to recipients with whom he has no previous relationship commits an offense," said the text of the draft law presented to the legislature this week.

A person found guilty risks either at least three years in jail, a fine equal to \$3,500, or both. The bill must be approved by a simple majority of lawmakers to become law.

Africa's most populous country is known for its "advance fee" scamsters -- criminals scouting for victims by sending millions of unsolicited e-mails with false proposals around the world. Among the most common are e-mails proposing to share portions of dead African dictators' ill-gotten estates in exchange for an advance payment to help move the money overseas. The scammers keep the "fees" while victims receive nothing. The proposed law specifically identifies use of

computers for spamming, fraud, identity theft, child pornography and terrorism as criminal offenses punishable by stiff jail terms and fines.

President Olusegun Obasanjo, whose election in 1999 ended more than 15 years of corrupt military rule in oil-rich Nigeria, has made the fight against corruption and financial crime in the country a key plank of his government now in its second four-year term.

Computer users around the world see spam -- unsolicited, e-mailed advertisements -- as a growing nuisance.

The European Union in 2003 banned all commercial e-mail unless a recipient has asked for it, but the regulation must be approved by each national parliament to become effective.

The U.S. Congress and more than three dozen U.S. state legislatures have passed laws to try to contain spam. Argentina, Australia, Canada and Japan are among other countries that have taken legal steps against spam, according to a Web site maintained by David Sorkin, an Illinois law professor who tracks the issue.

Nigeria - The 419 Coalition Website <http://home.rica.net/alphae/419coal/index.htm>.

From Reuters, sent in by a concerned Nigerian:

Microsoft, Nigeria fight e-mail scammers Microsoft has announced an anti-fraud partnership with Nigeria, the country of origin for some of the Internet's most notorious email scams. Microsoft, which has been working to improve security and reliability amid an onslaught of malicious software targeting weakness in Windows and other Microsoft software, signed a memorandum of understanding with the Nigerian Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) on Friday.

The agreement is designed to foster cooperation to combat issues such as spam, phishing, spyware, viruses and counterfeiting. The e-mail scam, known as a 419 scheme after the relevant section of the Nigerian Criminal Code, is a computer age version of a con game that goes back hundreds of years and is sometimes called "The Spanish Prisoner." Victims are contacted by a stranger who claims to have access to large sums of money. They are told that the money can only be accessed if they disclose the details of their bank account or put up an advance fee, but the promised funds never materialize.

The EFCC said its Advance Fee Fraud Section "is currently investigating hundreds of suspects and prosecuting over 50 cases, involving close to 100 accused persons, in courts throughout Nigeria."

Under terms of the pact, "Microsoft and the EFCC will work together to combat the problem of internet crime through information sharing and training on Microsoft's technical expertise in this area," the parties said.

THE FIVE RULES FOR DOING BUSINESS WITH NIGERIA

1. NEVER pay anything up front for ANY reason.
2. NEVER extend credit for ANY reason.
3. NEVER do ANYTHING until their check clears.
4. NEVER expect ANY help from the Nigerian Government.
5. NEVER rely on YOUR Government to bail you out.

Medical from previous page

Doctors urged women to "know your numbers," including body mass index (BMI); cholesterol levels, including LDL (bad) and HDL (good) readings; triglyceride (blood fat) levels; blood pressure; waist circumference; and, if they have diabetes, fasting glucose levels.

According to AHA guidelines, total cholesterol should be under 200 milligrams per deciliter of blood (mg/dL); triglyceride levels should be less than 150 mg/DL; blood pressure should be less than 120/80 mmHg; and waist circumference should be less than 35 inches. In addition, HDL cholesterol levels should be 50 mg/dL or higher, and LDL levels should be less than 160 mg/dL for people at low risk for heart disease, and less than 130 mg/dL for those at intermediate risk.

If your numbers are outside of these guidelines, you could be at

higher risk for heart disease, no matter what your age.

Symptoms of a heart attack often mimic other health problems, and women should be aware of these often-subtle signs and see their doctors right away. They include shortness of breath; chest discomfort that can seem like heartburn; pain or discomfort in the upper body, like arms, back, neck, jaw or stomach; and nausea or breaking into a cold sweat.

According to the AHA, cardiovascular disease claims more women's lives than the next six causes of death combined -- about 500,000 women a year. One in 2.5 women who die, die of heart disease, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases, compared with one in 30 who die of breast cancer. But for most women -- and men -- simple changes in lifestyle and diet can significantly reduce the risk of the disease, the association said.

DEEP SPACE NINE - "A Second Chance"

By Brad McDonald

ACT THREE

FADE IN:

MEETING ROOM -WIDE ANGLE

Sisko is in a corner of the room with Kira, Odo, Worf and Quark. Quark is very reluctant to become the arbitrator, the rest are trying to persuade him.

QUARK
(nervous)

I don't want to be the arbitrator!
I just came in to deliver --

SISKO
(interrupting)

I warned you to stay out of here.
The Cardassians accept you and
the meeting will only take a few
days.

QUARK
But what about my bar?

WORF
Rom can take care of it.

QUARK
Rom is incompetent. I'd be in
debt before a day is over.
Acquisition rule three, protect
your investments!

KIRA
Maybe one of us could help.

That remark draws stares from everyone,
she shrugs.

KIRA
(continuing)
It was just an idea.

Security from previous page

Winners of the [Ig@ Nobel Prize](#) 2005
FOR LITERATURE: The Internet
entrepreneurs of Nigeria, for creating and
then using e-mail to distribute a bold
series of short stories (540 different
examples!), thus introducing millions of
readers to a cast of rich characters --
General Sani Abacha, Mrs. Mariam Sanni
Abacha, Barrister Jon A Mbeki Esq., and
others -- each of whom requires just a
small amount of expense money so as to
obtain access to the great wealth to which
they are entitled and which they would
like to share with the kind person who
assists them.

QUARK
(worried)

But I'm neutral! This could ruin
my reputation as a fair
businessman.

Odo makes a disagreeable sound, Sisko
cuts him short.

SISKO

About your bar, how safe do you
think it will be if the Cardassians
feel forced into taking this
station?

Quark shrugs, but doesn't respond right
away.

QUARK
(thinking)

Actually, they ran a tight ship --

ODO

I seem to recall you had to
rebuild after several brawls.

QUARK

A few times, perhaps. Just the
price of doing business--

WORF

With the Cardassians, but not
recently, correct?

ON SISCO

SISKO

You owe us Quark. I'm not
asking you to side with us, just
take the position as arbitrator.

Sisko sweetens the pot.

SISKO
(continuing)

It could improve your status.

Quark becomes mildly interested

AS BEFORE

KIRA

You lost status with the Grand
Nagus for doing business with a
female. If you act as arbitrator in
such an important issue, you
could regain your importance
within the Ferengi Alliance.
Quark the arbitrator!

Quark smiles, the idea is starting to
appeal to him.

WORF

If you can help resolve this
issue, which is so important to
free trade, the Ferengi may insist

that you become the Grand
Nagus!

ODO
(reluctantly)

Forget the Grand Nagus! You
could become his boss!

Quark smile broadly.

QUARK

I'll do it!

EXT. SPACE - DEEP SPACE NINE AND
MORD'AN

INT. DEEP SPACE NINE - SISCO'S
OFFICE

Sisko is at his desk, seated opposite are
General Norlin, Advocate Vanir and Chief
Administrator of Bajor Janak. Sisko is
explaining the situation, he is calm and
relaxed, a deliberate counter to the
Bajorans.

SISKO

I'm glad each of you could join
me. I have some good news, just
before recess, the Cardassians
agreed to Quark as arbitrator.

VANIR
(doubtful)

That's good? I've heard he's a
less than reputable
businessman.

SISKO

Maybe, but he is neutral. We can
count on him to be impartial.

JANAK

I'm still not comfortable with this
situation. The Cardassians aren't
trustworthy, it's my opinion this
whole affair is a ruse of some
type. We should force them to
leave.

SISKO

I understand your reluctance to
trust them, but you must honor
the terms of the peace treaty. If
they want a peaceful solution, I'll
listen.

The Bajoran's aren't convinced, Sisko
looks at Norlin.

SISKO

General, you tell them. Can
Bajor and this station withstand
a full scale attack from the
Cardassians?

NORLIN

(uncomfortable)

We're just getting back on our feet, unless Starfleet helps us...

ON SISKO

SISKO

That's why we're here. But I'm under orders not to use force. If we provoke them, you could be condemning Bajor to further suffering.

Sisko's warning subdues the Bajorans, for the moment.

SISKO

(continuing)

To that end, my people will continue to provide protection for the Cardassian delegation.

AS BEFORE

JANAK

(agitated)

You'd protect a known war criminal?

VANIR

I have a list of his atrocities, I could arrest him and put him --

Sisko sees where the conversation is headed and ends it.

SISKO

(restrained)

Major Kira informed me of his past. There is a need for a reckoning, but not now. He's part of an official peace delegation. Arrest him and it may provide an excuse for their military to return. So I ask you again? Do you want another war?

The Bajorans become quiet again, then Janak speaks.

JANAK

(resigned, quiet)

Very well, we will abide by the arrangement, for now.

(beat)

What's next?

SISKO

(relaxed)

After the recess, they will present their special envoy and the basis of their claim. The Federation is sending help, until then, my people will assist me with the proceedings. However, I would welcome a litigator of your stature.

Pumped up with self importance, Vanir responds.

VANIR

You've heard of me?

SISKO

(polite smile)

Odo said you're the best, and he's worked with many on Bajor.

Vanir is satisfied and stands to accept the challenge

VANIR

When do we start?

PROMENADE CORRIDOR #2 - CAMERA FOLLOWS ACTION

Sisko is walking through promenade when Odo approaches

ODO

(walking)

Captain Sisko!

Sisko stops to greet him, then continues walk with Odo.

SISKO

(walking)

So far so good. Norlin says his patrols haven't found any more ships.

ODO

(walking)

I wish my news was good. There's a plot to assassinate Bakat. I'm still trying to pinpoint the conspirators..

Sisko stops, crushed. Another fly in the ointment.

SISKO

Thanks for the information, Odo. Keep trying to identify the conspirators, will you?

ODO

Of course. I've also learned our friend Garak has paid a visit to the Cardassian ship.

(beat)

Will you need me in the meeting?

SISKO

(thoughtfully)

The Bajorans have assigned Vanir to our team. Continue your work, Kira and Worf can handle the security arrangements.

MEETING ROOM - WIDE ANGLE

At a long conference table, the Cardassians are seated on one side, Sisko, Vanir, and Worf on the other. Kira is standing nearby, in charge of the security detail. As arbitrator, Quark sits at

the head of the table. In the B.G. we can hear a noisy crowd.

SISKO

May I introduce a new member of my negotiating team?
(indicating Vanir)

Advocate Vanir, representing the Bajoran Provisional Government.

VANIR

(business-like)

First order of business is the basis of the claim. Then the arbitrator can make his first ruling.

Quark has not been paying attention and is lost.

QUARK

(recovering)

Uh, yes, of course. Let's start!

RAGAN

Cardassia has designated a special envoy to present the details, could you arrange for his attendance?

SISKO

Due to the 'situation', we will use transporters. Lieutenant Dax has found a way around the blocks --

Bakat becomes nervous at the mention of the transporter. Obviously he didn't expect them to work inside the station

BAKAT

(interrupting)

Uh, he would prefer to walk, Captain, combination of superstition and age.

Sisko is reluctant, given the threat of a conspiracy.

SISKO

Kira, will you see to it?

KIRA

(moving)

Right away, Sir.

Security drops the barrier and Kira exits. The barrier is then re-established and the meeting continues.

SISKO

In order to expedite matters, could you explain the reason for the claim?

RAGAN

In the interest of cooperation, yes.

ON RAGAN

The ambassador stands and speaks with confidence.

RAGAN

After our forces 'withdrew' from this sector, certain events made us rethink that decision. Most important of which is the appearance of the wormhole. As a step off point to the Gamma quadrant, this station is essential for maintaining free trade and commerce.

QUARK (v.o.)
(o.c.)

Here, here!

RAGAN
(continuing)

Recently, several incidents have demonstrated how inadequate Bajoran and Federation forces are in dealing with the unexpected.

WIDE ANGLE

WORF
(skeptical)

To which incidents do you refer?

RAGAN
(smugly)

The loss of the Odyssey, the invasion of this quadrant by several hostile and aggressive aliens, the threat of the Jem'Hadar to stop all travel into the Gamma quadrant, and others. That's enough, for now.

The ambassador sits, confident of making his point. There's a few moments of silence, then Quark speaks.

QUARK

Well, if that's all.

SISKO

I recall the Obsidian Order's trying to 'insure' free trade through the wormhole, it wasn't successful either.

RAGAN
(casual)

The work of a few misguided persons.

Vanir is annoyed by the discussion and interrupts.

VANIR

All they have stated is the reason for the claim, not the actual basis, I want to know, now!

Cardassian delegation members exchange looks of confusion.

BAKAT
(nervous)

We prefer to wait.

SISKO

For Torkin?

Surprise registers on the faces of all the Cardassians.

WORF
(slight smile)

Our intelligence department is very good, we find it's very useful.

(beat)

Maybe we're not so 'inadequate'.

Bakat becomes sullen.

ON SISKO

A happier Sisko taps his comm badge

SISKO

Sisko to Kira. How much longer?

KIRA'S VOICE

It's going to be a while. The crowds are getting more 'difficult'.

SISKO

Understood, Major.

Sisko is disappointed and thinks for a few moments.

SISKO
(continuing)

Arbitrator, the Cardassians are stalling. They know we're having problems in transferring Torkin, yet they restrict us from using the transporter. Since we are trying to meet our responsibilities, they must do the same.

(beat, angry)

There's a threat of instability on this station. This situation must be resolved quickly, or the station may not be worth possessing. Let's get on with the proceedings!

WIDE ANGLE

Quark contemplates the request for a beat.

QUARK

I agree. Waiting serves no purpose. Since everyone wishes to settle this matter as soon as possible, let's do so. Proceed, Gul Bakat.

The Cardassians are still reluctant, so Sisko presses.

SISKO

You've lost your big surprise, we know Torkin is here, let's move on.

Bakat is angry, but nods to Minak to begin.

MINAK

We base our claim on the principals of space salvage rights. Your claim of ownership through abandonment is unfounded.

Vanir becomes interested from a legal standpoint.

VANIR

Can you be more specific?

MINAK

Specifically, Bajor claims ownership because the station is in its space. That may have been true, but when you moved the station to the event horizon of the wormhole, that claim became invalid. According to your law, this station's in neutral space.

Worf stands to challenge the supposition.

WORF
(confident)

According to the same law, the station does belong to Bajor by right of abandonment. When you left, you gave up the right of ownership.

MINAK
(smug smile)

Ahh, that's just my point. We did not abandon the station. We left it in the care of our agent, Garak!

Everyone reacts to the statement. The Cardassians are confident and pleased. The others are shocked and surprised.

QUARK
(nodding approval)

Then the station is still yours. The space salvage law evoked by the Bajorans is unfounded.

(beat)

Unless there are other facts which pertain to this matter, it's my opinion the Cardassian claim is valid.

Sisko is not happy with Quark or the revelation. The case is now very clear and very difficult. The Bajorans are upset as are Sisko and Worf.

Off their reactions...

FADE OUT.

END OF ACT THREE

Upcoming Events

Nov.	1	<i>Enterprise</i> Season 4 DVD set released
	5	4 p.m. Ship Meeting, Fisher Home
Dec.	3	4 p.m. Ship Meeting, Fisher Home
Jan.	7	4 p.m. Ship Meeting, Fisher Home
	15	Anniversary Party (Details TBD)

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