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When the Nazis attempt to win the war by using a mysterious "Portal" device they inadvertently send an elite army of paratroopers and planes, flying through time to present day Moscow.

White opening credits appear on a blank black screen... but with alternating sounds back and forth from the 1940's Germany newsreels (Hitler speeches) to 2014 Russia television (speeches of the Russian President).

FADE IN:

EXT. 1943 RUSSIA - NEWSREEL

Russian language newsreels from 1943 show the end of the Battle of Stalingrad. The German surrender is the first big defeat for Hitler's armies. Hitler begins his slow march backwards. Russians are slowly taking back their land.

The first three minutes of the film are a series of SMASH CUTS back and forth between 1940s Germany and 2014 Russia. This is not done to startle the audience, but to show that (at least in this film) there is really very little standing between 1944 and 2014. Although separated by 70 years, the two eras on the screen are relevant to one another.

Wait!!! This is a film involving time travel. Are these events talking place at the same time? The movie savvy audience will understand immediately. The less sophisticated viewer will learn eventually. It is the job of every good director to reward the attuned with early information.

The shots from Russia are introductory and establishing shots. They introduce positive characters or locations to the audience. They first three minutes are background knowledge for future scenes.

The 1940's footage is emotive and serves to vilify the Nazis. Only a few seconds is required for each shot.

EXT. 2014 RUSSIA VNUKOVO AIRPORT

Russian language television news broadcast. The TV shows the President of Russia, Alexander Grishin, boarding his Ilyushin airplane about to depart Russia for a foreign conference. The announcer for the most part is voice over; the picture is Grishin waving and boarding the plane. Grishin is the guy we're most interested in. Picture a taller, broader, sawyer and rougher looking Vladimir Putin.

NEWS ANCHOR

The President of Russia, Alexander Grishin, has left Moscow on his planned visit to the United States for a key global summit and a much-anticipated meeting with the American President, the Kremlin confirmed today. The Kremlin announced last month that Grishin is to join the other leaders of the Group of Eight industrial nations meeting outside Washington beginning tomorrow.

EXT. 1943 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

The Romanian government proposes to the Allies the transfer of 70,000 Jews to Palestine, but receives no response from Britain or the U.S.

INT. 2014 MOSCOW - VNUKOVO AIRPORT

Traditional Russian grandmother sits in waiting area, sewing.

EXT. 1943 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Red Army recaptures the city of Kursk in the Soviet Union.

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW SIDEWALK

Street children run from government social services worker and steal cell phones.

EXT. 1943 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

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German and Italian troops in North Africa surrender to Allies.

INT. 2014 MOSCOW - VNUKOVO AIRPORT

Airport security screens passengers before they board airplanes.

EXT. 1943 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Benito Mussolini is deposed and killed.

INT. 2014 MOSCOW SHOP

Lady and child buy German chocolates from store.

EXT. 1943 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Hitler survives an assassination attempt by Colonel Stauffenberg, who places a bomb in a briefcase under a table close to Hitler.

EXT 2014 OUTSIDE OF MOSCOW

Elite Russian soldiers train for endurance.

EXT. 1943 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Massive escape from Sobibor as Jews and Soviet POWs break out, with 300 making it safely into nearby woods. Of those 300, fifty will survive. Exterminations then cease at Sobibor, after over 250,000 deaths. All traces of the death camp are then removed and trees are planted.

EXT 2014 MOSCOW STREET

Firemen battle blaze. Use axes to gain entrance to building. They rush into the burning building without delay.

EXT. 1943 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Teheran conference between the Big Three: Churchill, FDR and Joseph Stalin, of the Soviet Union.

EXT. 2014 RUSSIAN TELEVISION - JUST OUTSIDE THE KEMLIN

The news shows protesters in the streets. There is always some unemployment, and the media is speculating perhaps there is a lack of direction and vision. There are many questions for the new President, but the media will over dramatize things to get people's attention and more viewers.

NEWS ANCHOR

Meanwhile our new young President faces pressure from protests and opposition criticism at home. Grishin's departure was marred by violence at an opposition rally today when protesters tried to move to another, unsanctioned, location. Police dispersed the rally and detained hundreds. What does all this mean?

(pause)

And now we turn to our political analyst. Is there too much doubt and has Alexander Grishin received a honeymoon period in office like other world leaders traditionally have received?

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Russian troops reach former Polish border.

EXT. 2014 RUSSIA TELEVISION STUDIO

NEWS ANCHOR

So how is our new President doing?

TV ANALYST

He is new and young. Energetic and perfectly able to engage the world, but President Grishin is not entirely popular at home; Russia has many problems and most of them rest on his shoulders. This is his first foreign trip as President and there is a lot at stake with most of the major powers to be in Washington at the G-8 conference. The Russian people want a bear; he looks like a bear, but is

he? How will it go? Russia will have to wait and see.

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Newsreels from 1944 showing a Hitler speech where he promises new secret "wonder weapons" and ultimately victory.

EXT. 2014 RUSSIA TELEVISION STUDIO

NEWS ANCHOR

Also in the news today the Government of Moscow approved the concept for development of underground territories of the city where roads, parking areas and shopping malls are to be built. Besides, construction of another ring metro line located two or three spans away from the existing one is to be considered this summer.

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Adolf Hitler calls up all remaining males between 16 and 60 in Germany for army service.

INT. 2014 MOSCOW CITY MEETING TELEVISED

We see a speaker and he is presenting a plan to expand the subway system. The news anchor is voice over.

NEWS ANCHOR

The tremendous plans will inevitably lead to contacts with special services that are in charge of the secret system of metro tunnels of many kilometers, shafts and bunkers that were built under the surface for Russian leaders of the Soviet epoch, Russia's Izvestia newspaper reports.

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Russian language newsreel from 1944 show German forces slowly retreating through Byelorussia. They are harassed

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by resistance fighters and followed by the Soviet Army. Hitler continues his slow retreat back to Berlin.

INT. 2014 RUSSIA ALLEGED INTERIOR OF METRO-2

The audience is given a brief preview of Metro-2 and shown what looks to be an illicit or amateur video clip of a portion of the tunnel system. It is perhaps a hidden camera in a brief case or in a hat.

NEWS ANCHOR

(adding a bit of humor)

Writer Vladimir Gonik has been exploring Moscow's underground territories for 25 years already; he coined a new term "Metyro-2" in the 1990s and wrote a novel titled "Preispodnyaya". He described everything that was located under the territory of Moscow in such a detailed way that he was even summoned for and unpleasant conversations with special services.

NOTE FOR FILM'S ART DIRECTOR: You, of course, can make any film you like, with the director this is your job. I believe it would be best to preview one Metro-2 and reveal later in the film a different look. For example, show photos of an old run down spooky dark tunnel and later have it to be a freshly waxed shiny tool of modern Russia. Or, preview a modern tunnel system but reveal an old antiquated system. This is a movie, only the art director can tell us what it really looks like anyway!

In the Russian media, myth and reality don't always match.

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Film footage of German V-1 and V-2 and Me 262.

EXT 2014 MOSCOW CONSTRUCTION SITE

Moscow is booming and construction projects are everywhere.

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

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Allied landings in Normandy on the coast of northern France.

EXT 2014 MOSCOW SIDEWALK

A Muslim man leaves the new Moscow Congregational Mosque and takes a taxi.

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Russian troops liberate the first concentration camp, at Majdanek where over 360,000 had been murdered. The newsreel shows the horrors of the Nazi Death Camps

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW - VNUKOVO AIRPORT

A Russian call girl sits in the bar stirring her drink. Waiting.

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Soviet troops reach the Slovakian border.

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW - VNUKOVO AIRPORT

A female ticket agent greets people with a smile.

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Allied armies liberate Paris.

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW ROAD

Moscow cars are standing still in traffic congestion. What they call "progress".

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Erwin Rommel is forced to commit suicide by the Nazi government.

INT. 2014 MOSCOW MILITARY BARRACKS

Russian special forces officer is shown polishing his surfboard.

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

Red Army liberates Auschwitz, finds more convincing evidence of SS atrocities and of the Holocaust.

INT. 2014 MOSCOW - VNUKOVO AIRPORT

Russian customs agents welcome an American family into the country.

EXT. 1944 RUSSIAN NEWSREEL

The U.S., British, and Soviet governments agree that postwar Germany will be divided into zones of occupation governed by the victorious Allies.

INT. 2014 MOSCOW RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

People are praying.

INT. 1944 GERMANY, THULE SOCIETY MEETING

The Study Group for Germanic Antiquity is a German occultist and völkisch group meeting in a dark room in Berlin. VERY WIDE SHOT - it is a very large room but a relatively small table, the 12 to 15 most ardent Nazis.

CLOSE ON - Rudolf Hess, Alfred Rosenberg, Hans Frank, Wilhelm Frick, Hans Fritzsche, Walther Funk, Sophie Scholl, Walther Hewel, Karl Gebhardt are in attendance. Some mysterious female occultists are talking to the group. CLOSE ON - unit patch of Black Sun Legion. Several high ranking officers of the Black Sun Legion, the Reich's secretive occult section of the SS, are listening taking notes.

Again, a VERY WIDE SHOT to add mystery. It is a secretive society.

MYSTERIOUS WITCH

(mostly inaudible)

..Hitler..., ...black forces..., ...invisible hierarchies..., ...unknown superiors..., Devil's Key..., ...weapon..., ...unlimited power.

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The above words make it to the subtitles.

Place the microphone far from the actor. She is actually saying...

MYSTERIOUS WITCH

Her Hitler, Leader of the Reich,
master of Black Forces and Invisible
Hierarchies and his Unknown Superiors
call on you to deliver the Devil's
Key, a weapon of unlimited power.

We can gather from the symbols in the room and the participants Hitler is looking to the occult for something to change his sinking fortune. Perhaps the occult will provide him with this "wonder weapon".

Most of this scene is a WIDE SHOT because most reasonable people would not sit at this table.

INT. 2014 MOSCOW RED SQUARE SUNNY DAY

Tourists enjoy their visit.

EXT. 1944 BYELORUSSIA, SMALL VILLAGE

There is fighting in the distance and German soldiers look nervous and are rushing around. The village is being ransacked. Colonel Jungen Müller, a high-ranking officer within the Black Sun Legion is searching a tiny Byelorussia village for the "Devil's Key", a mythical weapon which is rumoured to grant the ability to walk through walls and cross continents in the blink of an eye.

GERMAN SOLDIER

(from grave he is amazed)
Colonel!!!

The soldier has found the portal weapon in the grave of a medieval crusader. In the casket, there is a disk like portal device, several modern pistols and an ancient book.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

Remove everything from the grave.

The witch takes the book and opens it and begins to read quickly. The Germans need something to carry the body of the Knight and the items in. The Colonel looks around. He sees some town people moving a coffin.

JUNGEN MÜLLER
Bring me that coffin.

They hesitate and do nothing. Müller points a pistol at them. The soldiers stop searching.

JUNGEN MÜLLER
Dump the body!

The town people dump the coffin but it contains a live resistance fighter and some weapons. The resistance fighters pick up the weapons and spray the German's with machine gun fire. The witch is killed instantly and book falls to the ground. During the battle, the items are removed from the grave of the knight and are placed in the back of a military truck.

Belarusian resistance fighters attack and keep Müller from possessing the book, but the portal device falls into the hands of the Germans. A priest comes and picks up the book for safekeeping.

Just as the Nazis truck pull out of the village the liberating Soviet army arrives.

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW RAPID RESPONSE FORCE COURTYARD

Soldiers are sitting squatting alongside a wall in a courtyard, like chickens on a perch. No one is in a hurry. This is a very disciplined group; no one is exercising their tongues. They can be observed by passerbys on the sidewalk.

Some have a firm grip of their weapons; others not letting the "Kalashnikovs" more than a few inches away. But this picture isn't so strange, almost all nations have soldiers waiting, but especially Russia. But only it is normal at first glance, in fact, nothing strange, used to seeing this. But on the contrary, it is strange to go to the latrine unarmed. Strange, is the picture of a man relieving himself with a gun.

INT. 1944 SECRET WAREHOUSE IN GERMANY

WIDE SHOT - The device is on a table and occultists are examining it.

S.S. GENERAL
(mostly inaudible)
...work..., ...function..., ...return...

MYSTERIOUS WITCH #2
(mostly inaudible)
...entire armies..., ...land, naval and air
forces..., ...move entire armies...,
...surprise..., ...no fuel..., ...spies can
walk through walls and armies cross
continents in the blink of an eye.

Again the audio is distant and only these words make it to the subtitles. But she is actually saying in German.

MYSTERIOUS WITCH #2
(mostly inaudible)
This can move entire armies, land,
naval and air forces. We can move
entire armies for surprise attacks.
No fuel. Spies can walk through walls
and armies can cross continents in
the blink of an eye.

INT. 2014 MOSCOW RAPID RESPONSE FORCE COURTYARD

A older woman shouts down from the sidewalk at the soldiers.

WOMAN
Thank you, soldiers.

Some of the soldiers wave.

INT. 1944 HALL OF NEW REICH CHANCELLERY

S.S. General comes from a room that contains Hitler and Eva Braun. Through the door at it opens and closes, we see a grown woman (Eva) jumping rope. The General walks next door.

INT. 1944 MAP ROOM IN NEW REICH CHANCELLERY

There is a table and maps and papers are laid out. Plans for use of the weapon are materializing.

S.S. GENERAL

There is intelligence information that Stalin will be returning to Moscow on a flight from Samara into Vnukovo, tomorrow. There isn't a book with instructions. However, the Nazi occultists seem to think when activated it will bring the force where it is needed and on time.

There is no discussion. They are only robots at this stage.

EXT. 2014 UNITED STATES ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE

On television, the President of Russia doesn't look happy. He boards the Russian jet without any fan fare. Something has gone wrong with the summit.

RUSSIAN TV NEWS ANCHOR

In a sign he may not be ready to handle the international pressures, Russia's President Alexander Grishin abruptly left the global political summit in Washington today, a day early, the Kremlin confirmed.

EXT. 1944 GERMAN LUFTWAFFE BASE

Junkers transport planes are outfitted with elite paratroopers.

S.S. GENERAL

(briefing group of officers)

Your orders are to kidnap or kill Stalin, secure the airport and use the government tunnels to reach and Kremlin. Here is a list of other targets.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

This is quite a list. Moscow State University?

S.S. GENERAL

Nuclear physicists.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

The facilities and archives at Mosfilm?

S.S. GENERAL

Propaganda.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

Understood.

S.S. GENERAL

(realistically)

If you can capture Stalin, wonderful. But you must take over the airport to facilitate the landing of a larger force tomorrow. Here are extensive maps of the airport and the city.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

What about the tunnels?

S.S. GENERAL

Find Stalin's tunnel system, as best as we can tell they are separate from the public Metro. We speculate they have four lines, and they lie 50 to 200m deep. It is said to connect the Kremlin with the security service headquarters, the government airport at Vnukovo and several other key points in the city.

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW TELEVISION STUDIO

ANNOUNCER

President Grishin set the tone for the discussion on Syria at the G8 summit which opened Washington D.C., when he rounded harshly on American

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President Barack Obama for supporting
rebels who...

CUT TO tape of Grishin.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN
kill their enemies and eat their
organs.

EXT. 1944 GERMAN LUFTWAFFE BASE

This film can easily be a Luftwaffe fest. Many
Messerschmitt fighters are prepared with ammunition and
fuel.

INT. 2014 RUSSIAN CLOSE COMBAT TRAINING

President Grishin practices judo. He throws
underlings half way across the room.

INT. 1944 GERMAN CLOSE COMBAT TRAINING

Jungen Müller practices judo. He throws his
underlings half way across the room.

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW TELEVISION STUDIO

ANNOUNCER
Hitting back at this week's decision
by U.S. President Barack Obama - whom
he had met privately at the summit -
to give the rebels "military support"
- Grishin asked...

CUT TO tape of Grishin.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN
Are these the people you want to
supply weapons? The rebel's don't
have any sort of civilized
constitution only a barbaric
tradition.

EXT. 1944 GERMAN LUFTWAFFE BASE

Stuka dive bombers prepare for the mission.

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW TELEVISION STUDIO

ANNOUNCER

The venue for the two-day gathering of US, Russian, Canadian, French, German, Italian, British and Japanese leaders was worlds away from the Syrian killing fields

EXT. 1944 GERMAN LUFTWAFFE BASE

It is more like an invasion force given the amount of equipment they have mustered. Most notably they are loading 30 or 40 motorcycles on board transport planes.

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW TELEVISION STUDIO

ANNOUNCER

The White House announced that Grishin is unable to join the other leaders of the other nations in aiding the Muslim rebels. Barack Obama accused Grishin of further arming the government in Syria.

EXT. 1944 GERMAN LUFTWAFFE BASE

Heinkel heavy bombers are loaded for the mission.

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW TELEVISION STUDIO

ANNOUNCER

The Kremlin said Grishin needs to finish work setting up his new government.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN

I can't spend anymore time helping the American president set up Sharia Law in countries in our sphere of influence. It is waste of my time listening to Obama's dreams. We will protect our friends and we will protect Russia. Always!

EXT. 1944 GERMAN LUFTWAFFE BASE

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Colonel Müller supervises the loading of a small crate onto one of the transports. This is the lead transports and has the symbol of the Black Sun on the fuselage. The other planes are regular Luftwaffe.

EXT. 2014 MOSCOW TELEVISION STUDIO

ANNOUNCER

President Grishin will be back in
Moscow tomorrow afternoon.

INT. 2014 PRESIDENT OF RUSSIA'S ILYUSHIN IL-96

While his plane is in route to Moscow, President Grishin goes over a speech he is going to give when arriving in Moscow.

In chairs in front of Grishin's desk, a senior policy adviser whispers to the President's Chief of Staff...

POLICY ADVISER

You can kiss any trade agreement with
the EU out the window. No arms
control agreements. No progress. It
might be the cold war all over again.
A political disaster.

Grishin hears them but only looks at them disapprovingly. Grishin begins.

GRISHIN

I have to apologize, I have been a
wimp. I have not acted and I have sat
and listened to appeasers and
pacifists for too long.

The two advisors look at each other worryingly.

GRISHIN

As you know, three weeks ago American
President Barack Huseain Obama, in
cooperation with other Muslim
governments, began shipping arms to
the Muslim terrorists trying to over
throw the Syrian government. These
criminals would bring a brutal and
sadistic reign of religious terror to

Syria, a friendly nation. Their efforts thus far have given new meaning to the word horror. I am proud to say now that the Syrian government will not fall. The Russian government will match or even exceed any and all weapons shipments to Syria.

The men look incredulous. Grishin continues.

GRISHIN

And now, yesterday's biggest threat to world peace... has opposition. There will be no Sharia law in friendly nations. From now on, Russia will view it a crime against humanity to point a gun at a population and demand it become a theocracy.

Grishin pulls the page from the notebook, folds it and slides it into his pocket. He removes his glasses and looks at the two men. His tone becomes more personal. He's not reading the speech anymore. It seems he has the last part memorized.

GRISHIN

What we did here was important. We finally pulled our heads out of the sand, we finally stood up to the brutality and said "We've had enough. Every time we ignore these atrocities - the rapes, the death squads, the assassinations - every time we negotiate with these, these thugs to keep them out of our country and away from our families, every time we do this we legitimize terror.

Grishin looks them in the eye as he speaks.

GRISHIN

Terror is not a legitimate system of government. Some men and their religions are not fit for government. The purpose of government is not to enforce religious conformity. And

for the United States and other powers to attempt to install terrorists into a government is against our national interest.

Tatiana Romanova, a flight attendant, comes into remove to tea trays.

GRISHIN

A woman in Washington said to me, "Why won't you do what Obama asks you to do?" Well, I have an answer, "Because, Obama is not the President of Russia."

Romanova pauses to listen, she chuckles. The two advisors disapprove of her.

GRISHIN

I don't know if Obama is a Muslim or just an appeaser, but I can tell you one thing he won't appease them by handing them a country in our sphere of influence. We will not pay for his appeasement of the Muslims.

ROMANOVA

Foreigners don't understand national interests. Twenty five million Russian's dead because of foreign invasion in the last century and they think we will simply agree with anything. Ha!

The men are silent. Romanova exits.

POLICY ADVISER

She isn't supposed to say anything.

GRISHIN

Relax. Was she wrong? The Americans don't think we have any security interests.

POLICY ADVISER

A woman actually said that to you?

GRISHIN

I think I'm about to make her famous.

POLICY ADVISER

Yes. If you make this speech, she will be the woman known for re-starting the cold war.

INT. 1944 GERMAN BLACK SUN TRANSPORT

Colonel Müller briefs the pilot as the plane's engines warm.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

This plane contains a portal device that will deliver us to Moscow unharmed. But your mission will not be complete until you return the plane to this base. The minute you see Vnukovo airport...

(shows him photos)

...then immediately turn the plane to the West and return the device to Germany safely. The SS-Helferin will operate the device. Understood?

EXT. 2014 AIRPORT SIDEWALK

A mid-level federal security officer lectures Afghan veterans who are assembled there with protest signs. He is simply reminding them of the rules. He delivers the speech in a monotone manner, suggesting he has given this speech several hundred times. And the veterans aren't paying too much attention. They have heard it probably 100 times as well. A thin newspaper journalist is there covering the protest.

SECURITY OFFICER

Listen up, the President's Limo will pass by this location in approximately one hour. You WILL follow all of the applicable laws or you will be punished.

Unlawful entry (trespass), Fine of up to 10,000 rubles and imprisonment for up to 180 days.

Malicious destruction of property, Fine of up to 50,000 rubles and imprisonment up to 10 years.

Rioting or inciting to riot, Fine of up to 100,000 rubles and imprisonment for up to 10 years.

Wearing a mask, Fine of up to 5000 rubles and imprisonment of up to 180 days.

Defacing property, this includes graffiti on buildings and chalking sidewalks. Maximum possible fine of 10,000 rubles and imprisonment up to 180 days.

Disorderly conduct, Fine of up to 5000 rubles and imprisonment for up to 90 days.

Disorderly conduct on public property, Fine of up to 5000 rubles and imprisonment for up to 6 months.

Simple Assault, Fine of up to 10,000 rubles and imprisonment for up to 180 days, Assault on a police officer, Fine of up to 100,000 rubles and imprisonment for up to 10 years.

Possession of a prohibited weapon, this can include flagpoles, backpacks, water bottles, etc. The following are always considered prohibited weapons, even if they are not being actively used and are merely possessed: knuckles, slingshots, switchblade knives, and blades longer than 3 inches. Fine of up to 10,000 rubles and imprisonment up to 1 year.

Blocking passage, obstructing any street or sidewalk. Fine of up to 5000 rubles and imprisonment for up to 90 days.

Failure to obey a lawful order, Minimum fine of 1000 rubles and maximum fine of 10,000 rubles.

Crossing a police line, Fine of up to 3000 rubles.

Understood?

EXT. FORWARD OPERATING BASE GERMANY

Hundreds of German paratroopers in full battle rattle and an attack dog load into the Junkers. Moving fast, wordlessly, loading weapons and gear - under the intense bright white light, then - doors slam, engines whine - and over 100 Luftwaffe planes rise above the runway and disappear into the morning light.

EXT. 2014 PRESIDENT GRISHIN'S PLANE

The President's plane is approaching Vnukovo. They are 30 miles out at 10,000 feet.

INT. 2014 KREMLIN OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

President Grishin's personal secretary, Anna Petrushevskaya, is a very responsible woman in her 50's, leaves the office and walks across the street to have her hair done.

INT. 1944 GERMAN TRANSPORTS OVER BYELORUSSIA

The German paratroopers check their equipment and are focused on mission.

INT. 2014 PRESIDENT GRISHIN'S PLANE

The pilots make preparations. The passengers find a place to sit and buckle their seat belts.

INT. 1944 STALIN'S PLANE

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Pilots are bringing in Stalin's plane.

EXT. 2014 THE SKY OVER VNUKOVO

Dark Clouds form in the West. They foreshadow an event.

EXT. 1944 THE SKY OVER BYELORUSSIA

The huge German airborne force is meet with a few Russian Polikarpov I-15 and I-16 fighters. There is panic in the voice of the Russian pilots.

POLIKARPOV PILOT #1

What do we do?

POLIKARPOV PILOT #2

Minsk! Minsk! Incoming mass of German planes. Possible bombing and paratrooper forces. Twenty or more transport planes. Twenty heavy Bomber, Twenty medium bombers. Fighter escort.

POLIKARPOV PILOT #1

How can they have fighters this far East?

POLIKARPOV PILOT #2

It doesn't matter. They are here.

Dark Clouds form in the East.

INT. 2014 VNUKOVO AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER

Airport personnel are organizing the traffic into the Vnukovo and monitoring the radios.

HEADSET IN 2014

Minsk! Minsk! Incoming mass of German planes. Possible bombing and paratrooper forces. Twenty or more transport planes. Twenty heavy Bomber, Twenty medium bombers. Fighter escort.

The air traffic controller has an odd look on his face.

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CONTROLLER #1
This is Vnukovo air traffic control.
Please identify yourself.

HEADSET
(partly inaudible)
This is Soviet Air Force Lieutenant...

There is too much atmospheric interference to understand any more.

INT. 2014 ILYUSHIN-96, FLIGHT DECK

Pilot Anasenko and Co-Pilot Igoshin are bringing in the President's plane.

MOSCOW CONTROLLER #2
(radio)
Ilyushin One Heavy, you are cleared
for priority landing, all runways are
clear.

LT. COL. IGOSHIN
Moscow tower has cleared local airspace.

COL. ANASENKO
Changing course heading to 276 point
five. Dropping to ten thousand
feet.

EXT. 1944 THE SKY OVER BYELORUSSIA

There are simply too many German planes to stop. The two Soviet pilots line up and are about to attack the lead German plane, the plane carrying the device.

POLIKARPOV PILOT #1
What do we do?

POLIKARPOV PILOT #2
First things first.

EXT. 1944 MINSK CIVIL DEFENSE

They have heard the warnings from the Polikarpov pilots. The alarm is sounded the base responds. The anti-aircraft

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guns are ready. Stalin's plane from Samara turns abruptly to leave out of the area.

INT. 2014 VNUKOVO AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLER

CONTROLLER #1
You are on a restricted frequency.

COL. ANASENKO
This is Ilyushin One requesting
landing instructions.

CONTROLLER #2
(off mic and nervous)
It is the President.

COL. ANASENKO
This is Ilyushin One requesting
landing instructions.

Hostile time travelers from 1944 are about to visit peaceful bustling 2014 Moscow.

EXT. 1944 THE SKY OVER BYELORUSSIA

Just as the few Soviet Polikarpov fighters are about to close in and shot down the lead plane. The portal device is totally activated and dark clouds obscure everything. The German forces have disappeared from 1944.

EXT. 2014 THE SKY OVER VNUKOVO

The German forces arrive out of the dark clouds and on the tail of the President of Russia's plane just as it is landing at Vnukovo. Grishin is one mile out and at 3000 feet.

INT. 2014 VNUKOVO AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL

The air traffic controller looks at radar and suddenly there are 100 planes over the airport.

CONTROLLER
(off mic)
Abort. Abort.

He realizes his mistake.

CONTROLLER
(on mic)
Abort. Abort.

INT. COCKPIT OF MIG 29

From an elevated position and a healthy distance away,
the fighter escort have an over view of the situation.

PILOT #1
Ilyushin One. This is Squadron
Commander Canton, your escort. You
are in the middle of some
commemorative (and criminal) air
show. There are 100 or more ... German
1940s vintage airplane all around
you.

PILOT #2
Victory Day Parade Flypast was in
early May. This is not it!!!

They race with after burners to the situation.

EXT. 2014 MESSERSCHMITTS IN THE SKY OVER VNUKOVO

The German radio is eerily quiet. But the time travel
doesn't delay the German pilots more than a few second.
They look around; there is very little consternation and
debate.

GERMAN PILOT #1
The airport is bigger than I thought.

GERMAN PILOT #2
They have the new jet engines.

GERMAN PILOT #1
Look at the size of Stalin's plane.

GERMAN PILOT #2
It is a wonder the thing can even
fly. The wing span must be over 60
meters and the length is what 55
meter?

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GERMAN PILOT #1

They could have built 20 fighters for what this cost.

GERMAN PILOT #2

No wonder they are going to lose the war.

GERMAN PILOT #1

What decadence.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

Proceed with the mission.

INT. ILYUSHIN ONE FLIGHT DECK - PRESIDENT'S PLANE

COL. ANASENKO

This is Ilyushin One Heavy. I'm coming to full throttle. ETA to Sheremetyevo seventeen minutes. We've got a mix up here.

As the Russian radio goes wild with panicked chatter.

EXT. 2014 THE SKY OVER VNUKOVO

The German fighters attack and disable the strange modern plane carrying the President. The engines are on fire and/or failing. The two Messerschmitt 109s, who have appeared on the tail of the President's Ilyushin Il-96, do their job and the plane begins to fall to the runway.

INT. 2014 PRESIDENT GRISHIN'S PLANE FLIGHT DECK

The alarms are going off and everything is done to avoid crashing.

EXT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO AIR DEFENSE AREA

There is a S-300 air defense system protecting Vnukovo. The S-300 is regarded as one of the most potent anti-aircraft missile systems currently fielded. Its radars have the ability to simultaneously track up to 100 targets while engaging up to 12. However S-300 deployment time is five minutes.

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The crew runs for the SAMs. Some run so hard they lose control and tumble. They turn on the electronics. They begin to fuel the missiles. They wait impatiently.

YOUNG RUSSIAN SOLDIER
(panicked)
Go. Go.

EXPERIENCED RUSSIAN SOLDIER
(limited and concerned)
Five minutes. They just appeared out of nowhere. They have carte-blanch for four more minutes.

EXT. 2014 THE SKY OVER VNUKOVO

The lead German plane exits the battle and returns to German in the West. It seems that they turn without really assessing the situation. Their goal is not to subject the new weapon to any risk. It is possible they don't even realize the device has brought them to 2014.

INT. 2014 PRESIDENT GRISHIN'S PLANE FLIGHT DECK

Pilot Anasenko and Co-Pilot Igoshin are frantically trying to get the plane down safely.

INT. 2014 BEAUTY SALON NEAR THE KREMLIN

The President's personal secretary is having her hair done in anticipation of the President's return. She is watching television.

EXT. 2014 THE SKY OVER VNUKOVO

There are two modern Russian fighters escorting the President's plane but the radar air-to-air missiles take time and then refuse to lock onto the small fighters at VERY close range, one flys wildly into the airport facilities.

The MiGs race to use their close range cannons but overshoot their slow moving targets. There are nearly several mid-air collisions. But then all seems lost; the President's plane is crashing landing onto the runway.. It is a serious but not a devastating crash.

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The Heinkel bombers proceed with most of the fighter escort toward the city of Moscow. The remaining Messerschmitts strafe the Russian Air Force planes parked as well as all of the police, fire and security force vehicles.

Stuka dive bombers bomb the airport, barracks and fuel depots. The police, fire and rescue building and garages are bombed.

The Junkers release their parachute troops who land and quickly move to the terminal and control tower.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO TERMINAL

The airport security is designed against lone or small groups of terrorists. This takes the entire airport by surprise. However, airport security does respond on the ground even though they are outnumbered and outgunned.

Jungen Müller stops at a tourist kiosk and picks up maps and brochures about all the sites of Moscow.

He gives modern tourist maps and the brochures to several officers. The officers race to rejoin their soldiers at the VIP building.

INT. TV NEWS STUDIO

ANNOUNCER

We interrupt this program with late breaking news. Vnukovo airport is under air attack by an unknown group of terrorists. We have reports of gunfire and air-to-air combat over the site where the President's plane is due to land any minute now. Stay tuned for details as they are made available.

EXT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO RUNWAY

Other Junkers land and taxi toward the VIP building.

As the smoke clears, it is clear that President Grishin has survived but is a slightly injured and left with only a two security men.

There is a portly journalist who survives the crash with his smart phone. His cameraman and the high quality camera are destroyed. His cell phone however can send low quality images to his TV station.

There is a sexy female flight attendant, Tatiana Romanova, who has survived and she is trying to force open a locker.

Papers containing NUCLEAR WAR STRATEGIES and MISSILE LAUNCH CODES are strewn on the pavement. Several aides, although seriously injured, manage to collect a few of them. The shredded remains of the nuclear football are burning.

INT. 1944 ROOM OF NEW REICH CHANCELLERY

Hitler, his face unseen, is sitting in a chair watching a grown woman jump rope. He is sitting and waiting. Perhaps we can see his hands, they are shaking and folded to suggest worry or doom.

EXT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO RUNWAY CRASH SITE

Through the smoke and debris, Grishin sees the Nazi soldiers landing and running for objectives.

INT. 2014 THE PRESIDENTS OFFICE IN THE KREMLIN

President Grishin flashes forward and we can visualize his greatest fear. A Nazi army officer sitting at his desk smoking his cigars.

EXT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO RUNWAY CRASH SITE

Back in reality, President Grishin immediately and impulsively reaches to his side, for his old a familiar burden - his Kalashnikov. He looks for a second, as a cripple without a crutch. Grishin, a long time away from his war, lacks something now. It has happened before startled, forgetting himself, frightened and threatened Grishin would bring a hand where the machine gun normally was. He is unarmed now. But he finds only a phone in his pocket.

EXT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO RUNWAY NAZI PARATOOPER LANDING ZONE

Jungen Müller's parachute lands and he immediately gets his field glasses out and surveys the situation. He especially is interested in the downed plane.

INT. KREMLIN, SWITCHBOARD ROOM

GRISHIN

Come on Anna, pick up.

A chipper woman in her early-20s picks up the call. She is probably not burning the brightest candle.

SWITCHBOARD

Kremlin switchboard. How may I direct your call.

GRISHIN

(hushed urgency)

Okay listen, listen carefully. This is an emergency call. Who's there? Is the Vice-President there?

SWITCHBOARD

Who can I say is calling?

GRISHIN

This is the President.

SWITCHBOARD

Yeah, right.

GRISHIN

Don't cut me off. This is an emergency; the plane just crashed.

SWITCHBOARD

Sir, the President does not call this particular number. So whoever you are get a life, before I have this call traced.

GRISHIN

You don't understand. This is an emergency and this is the only number that I know. Let me talk to anyone.

The switchboard operator thinks for a moment. Maybe she can have some fun with this nutcase.

SWITCHBOARD

Okay... if you're the President,
when's your mistress's birthday?

GRISHIN

Look lady, I don't have a mistress.
Just put the....

SWITCHBOARD

I'm sorry. Thank you for calling the
Kremlin...

GRISHIN

No. no. no. Wait. Wait.

It looks as if the Nazi paratroopers might become interested in the wreckage and are organizing to assault what is left of the plane. So Grishin is urged to leave.

INT. TV NEWS STUDIO

There is cell phone video from a distance of the partially burning wreck.

ANNOUNCER

This just in we have unconfirmed
reports that the President's plan has
crashed.

INT. BEAUTY SOLON NEAR THE KREMLIN

The President's personal secretary pulls out her cell phone and calls the President's cell phone.

Even though the plane has gone down, there was a very hard landing and he is just clear of a burning fuselage, President Grishin answers. He sees it is his secretary.

GRISHIN

Anna, we are about to move. Hold the
line. Where are you?

ANNA

The beauty shop across from the street from the Kremlin.

GRISHIN

You are having your hair done?

ANNA

Everytime you are out of the country and sometimes even when you are not.

GRISHIN

Okay okay. You need to get to some communications facility and get me in touch with the government.

She looks out the window and sees an internet café.

EXT. 2014 SCHOOL PLAYGROUND VERY NEAR VNUKOVO

Children have been playing sports outside but now are watching the battle above their school.

EXT. 2014 THE SKY OVER VNUKOVO

MiG-29s have a 30 mm cannon in the right wing but the capacity is for only 100 rounds. Two Messerschmitts are shot down. But there are many many more.

MIG PILOT #1

That is it, 100 rounds.

The pilot frantically radios for other planes to respond.

MIG PILOT #1

Help. Help. Patriotic War era German planes have downed the President's Il-96. Request full military response.

One of the escort MiG-29, out of cannon and over whelmed by the shear number of fighters over the airport, is disabled by the Messerschmitts.

MIG PILOT #1

I'm bailing out.

The radar guided missiles haven't been effective at extremely close range. But the pilot sees out of the corner of his eyes the Heinkels moving North and at a good distance now. He moves his dying plane in that direction and fires two missiles.

EXT. 2014 THE SKY OVER VNUKOVO

The MiG pilot is about to bail out but he stays in the plane to avoid a school.

MIG PILOT #1
School! School!

INT. 2014 INTERNET CAFÉ

The patrons of the café have been online but the radio interrupts with the news... and they immediately begin streaming the TV news to their computers. Anna charges in and everyone looks... They have been watching the TV and are aware.

ANNA
My name is Anna Petrushevskaya and I'm the President's personal secretary. He needs your help. We are going to coordinate official government business. Understood?

The men simply stare in disbelief. These men think their brains operate at the speed of electricity but they dilute themselves. Things not dealing with mathematics have to be explained to them.

PATRON
His plane has crashed, they have no official communications.

Now the others understand and they rush to type a few more keys. Anna looks the day's code word up on her smart phone.

ANNA
Today's code word is "Hungry Duck at Midnight" All the phone numbers are at government.ru/situation_rooms.html

(short pause)
Are we there yet?

To save time and have everyone look up, she barks out orders to them by their distinguishing looks.

ANNA

You, call the office of the Prime Minister.

(pointing)

You in the red shirt, Minister of Foreign Affairs

(pointing to a man

smoking)

Cancer stick, Minister of Internal Affairs

(pointing to a man in a

Texas Ranger hat)

American baseball, Minister of Defense

(pointing to a man with a

Toshiba laptop)

Toshiba, Minister of Emergency Situations

(pointing to a businessman)

Suit and tie, Minister of Justice

(pointing to man wearing

a dog collar)

Dog boy, Minister of Transport

(pointing to the proprietor)

Lock that door and send out for some pizza for these heroes.

Before they can look up she has given all the assignments. They begin dialing and talking to their counterparts.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO TERMINAL

The German paratroopers are deployed and continue to try to take control of the airport. It isn't easy they security people have side-arms. A few have automatic rifles.

EXT. SKY BETWEEN VNUKOVO AND MOSCOW

Two Heinkel bombers are struck by missiles fired from the MiG and crash into suburban Moscow.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO TERMINAL

Every Russian joins the fight -- the food vendors, the flight attendants, Muslims, a German Sheppard, American tourists, street children, ticket agents all participate in the defense of the airport. They pick up weapons, they begin to watch and strategize intensely. Many move to an improved position.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO TERMINAL WAITING AREA

A band of German soldiers make their way into the waiting area. All the waiting passengers remain seated as they soldiers approach. They are trying to comprehend this odd unbelievable situation.

A young girl is accompanying her blind grandfather and his dog. She tells him everything that she sees in detail.

YOUNG GIRL

Grandfather, do you remember when we were at the park and I said there was a lion loose and walking around?

GRANDFATHER

Yes.

YOUNG GIRL

I'm sorry. There wasn't a lion.

The German Sheppard becomes anxious to go.

GRANDFATHER

Yes, I know. But why did you wait until now to tell me.

YOUNG GIRL

Because you won't believe me now unless I confess.

They hear distant gunfire.

GRANDFATHER

Okay. Tell me what you see.

YOUNG GIRL

Soldiers. Nazi soldiers from the
Great Patriotic War.

The dog confirms to the grandfather with a slight growl.

YOUNG GIRL

One is dragging a lady by the hair.

A German soldier has a female airline employee
by the hair and is questioning her.

GERMAN SOLDIER

Where is the airport control center?

The employee actually doesn't know. The German
glances to the young girl and her blind
grandfather. And then back to his victim.

GRANDFATHER

Get them, Fritz.

GERMAN SOLDIER

My name is not Fritz.

The dog springs into action and takes down the
soldier. His gun goes sliding across the floor
to an American tourist.

GRANDFATHER

If you are perfectly still he will
stop biting you.

GERMAN SOLDIER

(screaming in pain)

What do you mean, how can I be still
when he is biting me?

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GRANDFATHER

Figure it out.

Finally the German becomes calm and the dog tires of
biting him. A Russian Grandmother always has some twine

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and she rushes over and with the help of the airline employee ties up the German.

The American tourist calmly shoots a German soldier who is coming to help. The eyes of this children become very large in dismay.

A group of street children who have been begging watch.

EXT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO AIR DEFENSE AREA

We are still waiting for the S-300 air defense system to come online.

INT. SIDEWALK IN FRONT OF AIRPORT VIP BUILDING

Afghan veterans groups have been protesting and hoping to get the attention of the new President but in the midst of all the bombing and explosions they don't flinch. All walk quietly to their cars or the buses. Some return with tire irons some remove the hand rails from the bus with a screwdriver. One picks up a very large rock. Some siphon gas from cars to make fire-bombs. Some cut the fence and they make their way out to confront the paratroopers some who are still floating down.

AFGHAN VETERAN

Friend, you have some binoculars in your car?

THIN JOURNALIST

Yes. Oh. Yes, of course.

AFGHAN VETERAN

Thank you. Do you have a cell phone?

The veteran uses an electric pole to climb up on top of the roof of the building. The journalist follows. Obviously our veteran was an observer in the war.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO PASSENGER WAITING AREA

A Muslim man continues to pray throughout the attack. A German soldier approaches him and shouts.

GERMAN SOLDIER

Get up!

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The praying man doesn't get up. The soldier gets very near him and is about to kick him, but the Muslim man kicks the German's leg out from under him and the German crashes to the ground. With a knife to his throat the German gives his weapon to a ticket agent.

INT. 2014 INTERNET CAFÉ

The café is ready to relay any messages.

ANNA

President Grishin? Are you there?

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO RUNWAY

The journalist is recording the President's swift action on his cell phone.

GRISHIN

Yes. Here is what I want you to do.

EXT. 2014 ROOF OF AIRPORT BUILDING

The thin journalist and his veteran observer, have an excellent vantage point. With the cell phone they can see almost all the tactical parts of the battle.

EXT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO RUNWAY

The security force with President Grishin survey the situation. They are in the middle of the airport runway. No cover and only one vehicle left to escape with - the limousine waiting in front of the VIP building. The driver is waving at them to come.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN

Run for the limousine.

Just before the security team, the portly journalist, Tatiana and President reach the limo a Stuka dive bomber bombs it. While the limo is heavily damaged it is clearly armoured and actually still running.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO TERMINAL ISOLATED AREA

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The grandmother who tied up the German soldier tells the street children to drag the man to an isolated area and to watch him. Some are teenagers and can handle the responsibility.

They do and interrogate the soldier.

YOUNG MAN
What is your mission?

INT. THE PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE

They get inside and there is remarkably little damage. The driver is deaf from the bomb but otherwise uninjured.

Tatiana Romanova motions for the driver to call her.

TATIANA ROMANOVA
(smiling at him)
Call me.

The driver does and now they can communicate by text messaging.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN
Ask him if this thing still runs.

TATIANA ROMANOVA
(smiling at him)
It does.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN
Tell him to drive out of here.

The limo begins to roll. The engine appears to be on fire but it is still running. It goes very very slowly. In the back, they take account of the situation.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN
Weapons.

The males in the security detail produce their handguns and one a small automatic pistol. The female produces a bag full of automatic rifles

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grenades, smoke bombs, flashlights, night vision equipment, hand cuffs and other equipment she rescued from the locker.

TATIANA ROMANOVA

It is just a little something.

The weapons are distributed.

The men want to take all of her guns but she keeps the best. They look at her like she has been cheating at cards.

TATIANA ROMANOVA

What? My father was an instructor; I can fire a weapon more accurately than anyone in here.

There is an odd silence.

TATIANA ROMANOVA

Oh, except for the President of course who I understand is an excellent marksman.

They try to make an exit from the airport in the limo but it will only travel at about 5 mph. A Nazi soldier catches them and running beside the limo.

GERMAN SOLDIER

Come out! Stalin!

The soldier sprays the side of the limo with machine gun fire. The bullets bounce off. The Nazi soldier is still running beside the limo.

GERMAN SOLDIER

Come out! Stalin you pig!

The soldier places a hand grenade in the path of the limo. The charge does nothing.

GERMAN SOLDIER

Come out! Stalin you bastard!

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Finally the German attaches a rather serious looking demolition explosive to the windshield.

The party become worried that this is the end and they look to the President. Grishin nods his head that it will be okay. He seems to know the specifications for the glass. The German uses a long trip wire to detonate it. The explosion blackens the windshield enough the driver can't see. And the limo finally stops running.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN
(into his cell)
Underground. Metro-2.

The three man group and the flight attendant guarding the President exit the vehicle and run toward the VIP building.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO TERMINAL ISOLATED AREA

The captured German soldier looks a bit damaged, evidently the boys have beat him a bit.

YOUNG MAN
If you don't tell me what you are doing I'm going to put this cigarette out in your eye?

The German cracks.

GERMAN SOLDIER
Stalin. We are here to kidnap Stalin.

The boys in the group are awed but then laugh.

YOUNG MAN
Idiot
(to his friends)
Beat him.

The young children hit him a few times more.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO TERMINAL WAITING AREA

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The passengers who are waiting on planes return to their seats as German soldiers run past every so often. Some passengers pretend to read the newspaper, but are peering over at all the action.

They hear laughter from the isolated area and one of the boys return for some more twine.

EXT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO AIR DEFENSE AREA

The Russian air defense personnel on the ground are trained for air attack but against modern aircraft and from a much greater distance. They however, find an older shoulder mounted surface-to-air heat seeking missile, which is fired at one of the 1944 era planes.

It accidentally hits the second escort MiG-29. The pilot bails out of the plane.

The remainder of the transport planes land and taxi to the Vnukovo VIP facility.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO TERMINAL WAITING AREA

Airport security has won some territory the middle of the waiting area. They are fighting Nazi at both ends of the terminals. This leaves our passengers in the waiting area unencumbered.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO VIP BUILDING

The German paratroopers have found a stairway entrance to the Metro-2 behind a bar in the building.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO TERMINAL ISOLATED AREA

The Nazi soldier who was captured is hoisted up into the air by the twine made into a rope. He is suspended from one of the rafters like a bat. Escape is impossible.

The boys return to the waiting area with all the German's equipment and clothes. One boy thinks he was taken advantage of in dividing up the spoils.

STREET BOY #1

These clothes are worthless. Feel this. It is rough and of poor quality.

STREET BOY #2

But the patches with the insignia, even though clearly imitations they can be sold to collectors.

STREET BOY #1

But you have all the hardware, the canteen and plate. The knife and fork. You have the soap. It is unfair.

STREET BOY #2

Life is tough.

STREET BOY #1

(on the verge of tears)

You have a little stove. I want a little stove.

STREET BOY #2

Okay, want to swap?

They return almost nothing of the twine to the grandmother.

EXT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO VIP BUILDING

The Nazi transport planes are unloaded with all the most sophisticated 1944 light weaponry.

INT. THE VNUKOVO VIP BUILDING

These German soldiers are so well trained, even though in a strange new time, they don't hesitate one second. The motorcycles are raced off the transport planes and down the stairs into the Metro-2.

They destroy the modern subway cars meant to transport the leadership in case of nuclear war. These aren't your normal rail cars but they have tables with maps, sophisticated communications and even an elegant desk for the President.

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Nazi soldiers run lines for German field phones through the tunnels and throughout the airport.

INT. THE METRO-2

The German motorcycle troops have orders to race through Metro-2 to strategic locations to seal off entry into the system - Kremlin and NKVD/FSB building entrances, etc.

As the cycles race through the system, we get a quick tour of the facilities. There are stations at intermittent locations on the Metro-2 just like the public line. However they seem to each serve a purpose. The Nazis on motorcycles pass bomb shelter stations last used in the Great Patriotic War. Some stations are almost completely empty but with a massive public bathroom. There is a map room in one space on the line. The Nazis pass an office and a huge walk-in safe. A supply depot and something that resembles a machine shop in a factory.

The Nazis race past tens of tightly sealed metal doors and gates, that without the help of hydraulics could not be opened by 20 men. One could reason that there are food stocks in bank-level security. Actually, there is less security (thinner doors) for the Kremlin's gold.

They have two-man motorcycle teams stop at each entrance from the surface and plant demolition charges. They cut the lines to the Russian telephones in Metro-2. Nazi soldiers run more lines for German field phones. They are very methodical. It will be very difficult to get rescue people into the tunnels.

EXT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO RUNWAY

There is a running gun battle. The four men (one is deaf and one is a journalist) and one woman security force, with President Grishin, are racing German soldiers on foot for the entry to the Metro-2. They aren't aware of motorcycle soldiers already in the tunnels. Grishin's group wins the race, to the hidden stairwell.

INT. VNUKOVO CONTROL TOWER

Colonel Jungen Müller has established his observation point and from a distance sees an unknown man (Grishin)

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being shielded by the others and reasons that it is probably Stalin. He runs into the VIP building.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

Stalin.

(Into the radio)

The sparrow is in the barn.

The bombers turn on the message and find new targets. Their new mission is to cut off and seal with bombs the Metro-2 tunnels. Flares are released as a message to the paratroopers.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO VIP BUILDING

The President's security team has to shot a few Nazi soldiers to gain access to the building.

Tatiana immediately grabs all of the flammable liquor bottles she can. They look at her strange but she explains by throwing a Molotov cocktail at some Nazi motorcycles parked just outside.

EXT. VNUKOVO AIRPORT

Seeing the flare, almost all of the German ground forces begin to move toward the VIP building.

INT. 2014 THE VNUKOVO VIP BUILDING

Grishin stops and sees that the secret stairwell has been exposed and reasons there are already German's in the tunnel. There is a land line phone the Nazi's haven't destroyed yet.

PRESIDENTIAL BODY GUARD #1

Sir, I have the FSB Headquarters on the phone.

But the President looks at all the massive German force, men and equipment, above ground and he plans on leading his group underground.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN

Tell them we are going underground.
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Presidential Body guard #2 returns fire at the Germans.

PRESIDENTIAL BODY GUARD #1
Sir, they don't want you to do that.
We will be out of communications.

Tatiana Romanova has disappeared from the group who is ducking down behind the bar.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN
Tell them we are going in and start
toward Moscow and to send help.

PRESIDENTIAL BODY GUARD #1
But if you do they said burn this
building to seal off this end of the
tunnel..

PRESIDENT GRISHIN
Good idea.

They stack up what furniture they can from the bar and with the help of all the spilled booze they start a fire.

PRESIDENTIAL BODY GUARD #2
Where is the girl?

Now they hear automatic gunfire from the tunnel. They descend the stairwell. She has killed two Nazi soldiers.

The men look closely at her to determine if she is going to become emotional. To which she shrugs like it isn't that big of a deal.

INT. VIP BUILDING - RUSSIAN TV

ANNOUNCER
In the most recent news, only moments ago President Grishin was evacuated into the Metro-2 tunnel system. For a short time after the crash he was guarded in the VIP building. But we understand now he is in the Metro-2 tunnels with security guards. We are

now with our military and counter-terrorist expert.

(to analyst)

Your ideas on this? Is this a smart move?

ANALYST

In my mind, yes. From the tapes we can see he only had a small security detail perhaps only two or three survived the crash. There are an incredibly large number of terrorists who have over run the airport. He probably had no other alternative.

ANNOUNCER

Unconfirmed reports say that these terrorists are dressed in 1940s era Nazi uniforms and are speaking German. What about that?

ANALYST

We don't know. They may be a very large neo-Nazi fascist group or this could be some sort of a ruse and a coupe attempt.

ANNOUNCER

Address the issue of a coup d'etat.

ANALYST

This is very odd what is happening. The reports. The ruse might be to somehow escape accountability or blame. The Russian democracy is clearly being threatened. It could be from an internal source or an external one. We don't know.

ANNOUNCER

Could this be about the Kremlin gold.

ANALYST

Yes, it is possible. They do seem preoccupied with the tunnels. This might be nothing more than a well-orchestrated bank heist.

ANNOUNCER

What if they are actually Germans?

ANALYST

Fortunately, the Russian President is an ex-military and policeman. Trained in hand-to-hand combat, a Judo expert and he speaks German also. If he meets a German in the tunnel, I'm sure he will let us know the answer at the first opportunity.

ANNOUNCER

Is help on the way?

ANALYST

Of course.

ANNOUNCER

So it really doesn't matter to the President if they are German's or not?

ANALYST

Regardless. This might not be easy for him, but it is surmountable.

EXT. SKY OVER AIRPORT

Twelve missiles seem to fly aimlessly into the atmosphere. One it seems accidentally hits a Stuka. But they gather direction and scream off after the Heinkels. The Heinkels have a big head start.

INT. STAIRWAY TO THE METRO-2

As the President moves down the tunnel in the direction of Ramenki, several German troops run through the smoke and flames and following them into the tunnel. One Nazi catches his uniform on fire. Most German soldiers hesitate. Meanwhile Grishin and the others escape.

INT. VIP BUILDING - RUSSIAN TV

ANNOUNCER

It appears that the building is on fire. A small amount of smoke is visible.

EXT. MOSCOW ZOO

A lone Heinkel has been crippled by the cannon of a MiG-29. It crashes into the Moscow Zoo pond. One parachutist lands dangling in a tree with a lion clawing at his feet.

One parachutist lands in the elephant enclosure and is cornered. The Nazi soldier tries to move to the left and escape; the elephant blocks his exit. The Nazi moves to the right and the elephant counters his move. He is trapped and the elephant simply stares and waits.

One of the chimpanzees has disarmed an unconscious Nazi and thrown his gun in his pond. When he wakes up, the chimpanzee has the Nazi by the hair and will not let go.

INT. THE METRO-2

One of the security guards picks up one of the phones in the tunnel. It seems they don't work as the lines were cut. They try to get the subway car there to work. It will not run. It is badly shot up. Grishin has his cell phone and the journalist with them has his phone.

EXT. AIRPORT BUILDING ROOF

The veteran is watching it all with the binoculars. The journalist arrives and wants to interview him.

JOURNALIST

What can you tell me about this?

AFGHAN VETERAN

It is the most bazaar thing I have ever seen.

JOURNALIST

They are German?

AFGHAN VETERAN

No.

JOURNALIST

No?

AFGHAN VETERAN

Nazis. That is worse. Those are Nazi era planes and uniforms.

JOURNALIST

Okay?

The journalist writes in his journal.

AFGHAN VETERAN

What are you writing? By the time you publish anything it will be over.

JOURNALIST

Okay. I have a cell phone.

AFGHAN VETERAN

Call 112..

He dials.

JOURNALIST

Busy.

AFGHAN VETERAN

Of course. Isn't there anyone you know in the police?

JOURNALIST

What is the number for the military?

AFGHAN VETERAN

Grishin has already arranged for that I'm sure.

JOURNALIST

Grishin. I think he is dead.

The journalist motions toward the downed plane.

AFGHAN VETERAN

Grishin is in the VIP building. And from there I'm sure he used the

METRO-2

Metro-2. He is probably back at the
Kremlin by now.

JOURNALIST

How do you know?

AFGHAN VETERAN

I watched him.

JOURNALIST

No. How do you know about Metro-2 for
sure.

AFGHAN VETERAN

Listen would you live in a city with
traffic like ours and with 5,000
nuclear weapons pointed at us and NOT
have an underground?

JOURNALIST

Good point.

AFGHAN VETERAN

Newspaper men, you all spell very
well.

JOURNALIST

Television!

The journalist sees a TV news camera man shot
and the camera falls to the pavement. There is
a remote broadcast truck in the parking lot.

The journalist waves to the engineer at the
truck. He climbs down from the roof, and
retrieves the camera. The signal goes from the
camera to the truck and then back to the TV
station.

AFGHAN VETERAN

There you go.

The veteran nods his approval.

JOURNALIST

Hello. I'm a newspaper journalist.
I'm at the airport and I have a
former military observer with me.

(listening)

Yes. Yes, I can.

The journalist turns on the camera to the airfield.

JOURNALIST

Do you have this?

CUT TO Russian television news.

AFGHAN VETERAN

There are approximately 14 Nazi era
troop transports on the ground. I
believe there are six in the process
of landing. I estimate approximately
200 troops. Mechanized soldiers in
motorbikes. They seem to be gathering
at the VIP terminal. There must be 50
inside the building the others are
scattered about the airport.

JOURNALIST

Can you tell us what you saw earlier?

AFGHAN VETERAN

A Il-9 probably carrying the
President was shot down while
landing. That is the wreckage. A few
of the survivors and what looked to
me as the President made it to the
limo and then into the VIP building.

(turning)

There is a MiG-29 crashed out in that
field beside the school and another
one out on the other end of the
airport.

(turning)

Twenty or thirty heavy bombers were
flying North.

JOURNALIST

What do you see now?

AFGHAN VETERAN

Hand-to-hand fighting. Some gunfire.
My friends are assaulting the VIP
building.

JOURNALIST

Who are they? Why?

AFGHAN VETERAN

They are veterans from the Afghan war.
They haven't killed anyone in a
decade or two and maybe Russian needs
them again.

JOURNALIST

No the terrorists. Who? Why?

AFGHAN VETERAN

I only know what I see. Offices say
why. I'm enlisted. I was enlisted.

JOURNALIST

What do we need to do?

AFGHAN VETERAN

We need some helicopter gunships to
direct their fire at the VIP
building. The enemy is collecting
weapons and men there.

INT. THE METRO-2 TUNNEL

A motorcycle approaches in the distance and Grishin and
the others stop.

SECURITY GUARD #1

Quick in here.

They find a utilities closet for electrical and
mechanical storage.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN

I think we are in a caldren. It seems
there are Nazi like figures on
motorcycles down here. The access to
Metro-2 was breached before we got
there. There are no telling how many.

They probably raced through-out the system.

TATIANA ROMANOVA

Then we have to get out. Leave this too them. We will find a different way.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN

And in a few minutes Spetsnaz units will be at the airport.

They watch wave after wave of German soldier stream by. Most of them will be to the North of them.

TATIANA ROMANOVA

That is good.

PRESIDENT GRISHIN

We will wait here. For 15-30 mins and then we will go back to the airport and hope the Spetsnaz has control.

They watch wave after wave of German soldier stream by.

TATIANA ROMANOVA

What do they want?

PRESIDENT GRISHIN

Kremlin. Me. All of Moscow.

TATIANA ROMANOVA

(gesturing to the North)

Where does this go?

PRESIDENT GRISHIN

Kremlin. Moscow State University. Mosfilms, Lubyanka. Many places the red, green, purple and blue lines go. But it doesn't run parallel.

TATIANA ROMANOVA

How do our cell phones work down here?

PRESIDENT GRISHIN

The track... it carries electricity but also serves as a cell tower.

EXT. MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY

The Heinkels reach their target drop their bombs, which miss and hit near the building. We can blow up some tourist buses and cars in the movie. Several less important (innocent) buildings can be blown up.

INT. SWANKY MOSCOW RESTAURANT

Suddenly, everyone's attention is diverted; there is a slow buffeting, as if the air around them is being sucked out and replaced quickly. The table shakes slightly. There is a distant ROLLING NOISE like interrupted thunder. All the patrons have stopped talking and eating; a few stand up and look out toward the window and the buildings and park beyond. The buffeting and NOISE CONTINUES; they all stand silently. Suddenly it stops.

EXT. SKY ABOVE MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY

The people from the café walk outside and look up. Soon after dropping the bombs the surface to air missiles destroy the Heinkels.

INT. FSB COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY ROOM

VIDEO PLAYBACK, fast forward, a speeding blur of images from a surveillance cameras at the airport. It's two hours worth of footage, they're scanning for Girshin's crash and...

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Go. Keep going Go...Wait. Stop. You went past it.

There it is - Grishin leaving the wreckage with the Tantonina, her bag, a relatively immobile journalist and some security agents...

METRO-2

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
(staring at the monitor)
It's him. My God, it's really him...

Computer specialist #1 is working the console. Freezing the image. Punching it up.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
(pointing to screen)
Who are these people?

COMPUTER SPECIALIST #2
Two security agents. A journalist and an attendant with the airplane.

VIDEO PLAYBACK fast forward. They're scanning for Girshin running to the limo and find it.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
Got it.

VIDEO PLAYBACK fast forward. Girshin is shown running from the limo to the VIP building.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
Now bring up the footage of inside the building.

VIDEO PLAYBACK fast forward. Girshin runs down the stairs and into the Metro-2.

Director of Operations picks up the phone.

COMPUTER SPECIALIST #1
What is he doing?

COMPUTER SPECIALIST #2
Maybe he is safe. Maybe he's on the car and heading to the Kremlin.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
Call the car and see.

Computer specialist #2 reaches for his phone.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS
Can't be sure. We've just got to be the first ones there.

METRO-2

(decision time)
Get everybody up. I want them all
activated ten minutes ago.

INT. METRO-2 ON RUSSIAN TV STUDIO

The TV stations now have a new video showing the President and his party enter the utility room. It is broadcast.

ANNOUNCER

Breaking news. This just in from the
The All-Joking, All-Drunken Synod of
Fools and Jesters computer hacker
group. The President of Russia,
Alexander Grishin is confirmed to be
inside Metro-2 along with what could
be 100s of terrorists.

(pause)

Ladys and gentlemen, this is no
longer a mission to remove the enemy
from the tunnels meant to transport
our leaders out of a nuclear
situation. The President is almost
alone, isolated and vulnerable. It is
now a rescue mission.

(sensational dramatics)

A race against time.

INT. VNUKOVO AIRPORT

The airport has TVs in the bars and restaurants. One of
the Nazi soldiers notice... and points this out to his
superior.

SOLDIER

It says he is underground.

They watch television for a moment. The superior officer
goes to one of the Nazi era field phones and informs the
soldiers in the tunnel to search all the utility rooms.

NAZI OFFICER

He is in an electrical room. Look for
this type of room.

METRO-2

The Nazi officer rushes off. The Nazis don't have enough soldiers to control everyone at the airport. It has grown too rapidly, as a result many people there are unmolested.

The call girl at the deep dark end of the bar appears to the Nazi soldiers in a "come get me pose" and as he walks deeper into the bar, he is struck over the head by a ticket agent.

INT. RUSSIAN TELEVISION

ANNOUNCER

A warning to our viewers that the following may be disturbing to some viewer.

INT. FSB COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY ROOM

COMPUTER SPECIALIST #2

Sir you better come see this.

The Nazis have arrived at the crashed airplane. They line everyone up who is still at the plane, many are wounded, and execute them.

INT. COMMAND ROOM AT HELICOPTER BASE NEAR MOSCOW

The commanding officers are watching it all on TV. They have seen the German's unloading equipment in the VIP building and now the veteran observer is directing them to fire. The information is relayed to attack helicopters.

EXT. HELICOPTER BASE

A two darkly painted attack helicopters lift off from a heavily fortified, concealed compound. They cross a barbed wire and guarded perimeter. They fly low over Moscow rooftops and parks in a rush to help.

INT. VIP BUILDING AT VNUKOVO

Smoke is still coming from the bar area where the stairwell is but soldiers are entering the tunnel. They are carrying equipment and cases of ammunition.

German Officer reports to Colonel Müller.

GERMAN OFFICER #1

Colonel. Blitzkrieg. In the face of superior numbers and superior weaponry. Surprise has given us a victory. The airport is ours and almost all the special soldiers are underground.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

It isn't over. I would expect a counter attack. We must have the airport open for the main force tomorrow.

GERMAN OFFICER #1

We have made preparations. They will not take back the airport. Stalin will soon be our prisoner and the glorious Third Reich will, as part of its destiny, own Russia. Lebensraum. Hail Hitler.

As the German officer drones on patriotically, the second German officer voices his concerns.

GERMAN OFFICER #2

Something strange is going on and I have never seen such weapons. I fear that we can't win the war. Her Hitler and our government has kept the Russian technological successes a secret.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

But the mission has been a success. And there isn't any sense frightening the public.

GERMAN OFFICER #1

Stalin or "someone very important" is in the tunnels and they should proceed regardless.

Colonel Jungen Müller looks at his watch.

METRO-2

JUNGEN MÜLLER

The motorcycle units have all probably reached their assignments. And the bombers should have reached their targets.

GERMAN OFFICER #1

We have the criminal Stalin trapped like a rat.

JUNGEN MÜLLER

Let's hope.

The Nazi's turn and see two Mil Mi-24. They of course have never seen a helicopter.

A Nazi officer bravely (or stupidly) runs out on to the tarmac and fires at the helicopter with this pistol. The helicopter turns the swivel gun in the front at the man. He stops firing and runs back into the building.

Inside, the officers are smart enough to begin moving toward the stairwell down into the Metro-2.

EXT. VNUKOVO BUILDING ROOF - RUSSIAN TV

The journalist and veteran are on TV again.

AFGHAN VETERAN

Okay boys, let them have it.

There is a pause of a few seconds. The helicopter is just hovering waiting to the word to be relayed to them.

EXT. VIP BUILDING AT VNUKOVO

The gunships unload on the VIP building, as many Nazis make a mad dash into the Metro-2 stairwell.

After a short time, the entire building collapses and the Metro-2 tunnel now impassable from this location.

The airport entrances are sealed off by the Russian army.

EXT. MOSFILM FACILITIES

The Heinkels arrive at Mosfilm and drop their bombs. The explosions aren't so terrific. Less fire and more dust from the collapsed parts of buildings. It is just that we have made so much progress in blowing things up; the bombs from 1944 don't seem to spectacular by today's standards. Immediately afterwards, the surface to air missiles destroy the Heinkels.

EXT. VNUKOVO AIRPORT BUILDING ROOF - RUSSIAN TV

More Mil Mi-24s arrive and destroy the many German planes on the taxiway near the VIP building.

INT. MOSFILM

As a testament to the new order in Russia, there is extensive damage to the buildings from bombing but the electricity to Mosfilm is restored quickly with modern diesel powered electric generators. Electricians accustomed to arranging lighting for film stages begin to make repairs. Where a stairwell is damaged the set builders design and carpenters build a new better stairwell. NOTHING CAN STOP MOSFILM!!!

INT. PASSENGER AREA

Grandmother is pinned down by gunfire. But the Nazi gun jams. Grandmother gets up from the floor takes her cane and begins to wallop the soldier.

INT. VARIOUS LOCATIONS AROUND THE AIRPORT

The street children are organized now. They have hired a taxi out in front of the airport and are filling the trunk with Nazi uniforms and gear. The dead and captured Nazis are practically naked. The boys have carted off some motorcycles.

EXT. VNUKOVO AIRPORT - RUSSIAN TV

Elite Russian assault troops arrive on helicopters and retake the airport. The only remaining Nazis remaining are now underground and surround President Grishin.

EXT. THE AIRPORT

METRO-2

As the Elite Russian soldier are disembarking the helicopters, the street children make their exit. They have a taxi FULL of memorabilia and five or six motor cycles.

INT. FSB HEADQUARTERS BUILDING BASEMENT

The FSB do try to assault their entrance into Metro-2 but it is defended by the motorcycle troops. Progress in a defended tunnel is nearly impossible.

INT. RUSSIAN TV STUDIO

The television station has tapped into the FSB security cameras in the tunnel and the progress of the rescue soldiers is reported.

ANNOUNCER

In breaking news from Moscow, we have been provided the latest footage from Vnukovo airport and are making it available on our website. Warning this video shows fighting in the Metro-2 line and may be disturbing to some viewers.

INT. METRO-2 NEAR FSB HEADQUARTERS BUILDING BASEMENT

Progress in a defended tunnel is nearly impossible. Slow urban (column-to-column) fighting.

INT. METRO-2 ON RUSSIAN TV STUDIO

ANNOUNCER

It appears from the video two groups of Russian soldiers have made entry into the system. One group is fighting near the Kremlin and the force is fighting under the FSB head quarters.

The members of the club, probably most of the guys from the internet cafe, are monitoring all 128 of the tunnel cameras available at their website.

INT. UNKNOWN KREMLIN BUILDING BASEMENT

Twelve elite Russian troops have entered Metro-2 from the Kremlin on a rescue mission, but their progress is slowed by the motorcycle troops. Only a small group enter the tunnel before the entrance is blown up by the two German motorcycle troops who were sent forward.

INT. FSB HEADQUARTERS, SITUATION ROOM

Grishin's face, a video image frozen on a computer monitor. It's Grishin looking at the camera. Grishin looking up at the camera in the Metro 2 system.

The FSB director enters the room in a rush.

FSB DIRECTOR

Is the President safe yet?

FSB STAFF #1

Not yet, but the extraction team will have him very soon. His personal secretary is on that line; she is on the phone with him.

FSB DIRECTOR

How did this happen? How did they get Metro-2. It is one of the most closely guarded secret for years.

FSB STAFF #1

I don't know sir.

FSB DIRECTOR

Who are they? Libyans, Egyptians, Chechens?

FSB STAFF #1

I think they are Nazis sir.

FSB DIRECTOR

Nazis?

FSB STAFF #2

They are Chechens dressed like Nazis. They can't be Nazis, sir.

METRO-2

FSB DIRECTOR

Options?

They begin watching the helicopters on TV.

FSB STAFF #1

I think we are already there sir.

FSB DIRECTOR

Where is President Grishin?

FSB STAFF #1

Metro-2 en route to Ramenki.

FSB staff number two is reading a manual.

FSB STAFF #2

The cars have been disabled. He is on foot.

FSB STAFF #1

We can't flood the tunnels with gas. President Grishin would be in danger.

FSB STAFF #2

Negotiate?

FSB STAFF #1

With who?

FSB DIRECTOR

How many of our soldiers are in Metro-2?

FSB STAFF #1

A team of 12 entered from here and another from the Kremlin entrance ten minutes ago.

FSB DIRECTOR

Well?

FSB STAFF #1

Stiff resistance.

FSB DIRECTOR

More men. Send more men.

INT. METRO-2 NEAR FSB HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

Progress in a defended tunnel is nearly impossible.

EXT. FSB HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

Two of the Heinkle bombers and six of the Stukas bomb the building.

INT. FSB HEADQUARTERS BUILDING BASEMENT

The bombs seal off the entrance to Metro. Bricks and debris make sending more soldiers in from this location is now impossible.

EXT. CHILDREN'S PARK ADJACENT TO THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING

In a cozy enclosed yard, landscaped yard surrounded by a fence, we see an occupied children's playground. A large military transport pulls up to the park and the tires screech on the pavement. The park is assaulted by FSB soldiers. Children go running and screaming. Protruding above the surface are some strange objects, it appears that they are for the children to climb upon. But when the tops of all five objects come off we learn they were intended to supply air to the tunnels. The Russian soldiers climb into the manifolds and repel down the air shafts.

They can see electric light illuminating the ribbed cast-iron tubing, cable brackets with bundles of wires, rusty pipes and at the bottom of the tunnel gleaming rails. Now there are three rescue teams in the tunnel system.

EXT. 1944 LUFTWAFFE BASE

The plane with the portal device is not destroyed by the Russian Air Force. It seems to have escaped back to 1944 Germany. This sets up the sequel film Metro-3 about the second wave of German soldiers planned for the next day.

INT. 2014 METRO UTILITY ROOM NEAR VNUKOVO

Tatiana is watching out under the door as Nazis march past. President Grishin gives an interview to the portly

journalist. One of the security detail has a small machine gun trained on the door; he is expecting company.

PORTLY JOURNALIST

President Grishin what are your thoughts right now?

GRISHIN

This is a well organized and well funded terrorist attack. However it will not succeed.

INT. 2014 METRO-2 NEAR THE KREMLIN

Nazi soldiers see, behind iron bars, palettes of gold (at a distance) at the end of a side tunnel, but they run into a 2014 security measure - a computer self-guided automatic machine gun, known as "Owl". It is an electronic trap. They walk into it and are machine-gunned.

INT. 2014 METRO UTILITY ROOM NEAR VNUKOVO

PORTLY JOURNALIST

Exactly how vast is this tunnel system?

GRISHIN

I realize that the Russian people will soon, because of this incidence learn of the vastness of this space. And I want them to know that I agree with them and have been shocked at this madness. Incredibly expensive, they are just as much a pointless and useless. God forbid, nuclear war, those for whom they were built, who would have have time to take refuge in them? The time for missiles from bases in Europe is calculated in minutes. We probably would not even have time to go down.

INT. METRO-2 TUNNEL NEAR THE KREMLIN

METRO-2

Nazi soldiers approach the door to a utility room and kick the door in. Will the President be killed or captured? But they find no one.

INT. 2014 METRO UTILITY ROOM NEAR VNUKOVO

PORTLY JOURNALIST

How much did this cost?

GRISHIN

Yes they built their deep bunkers, without counting the money - being hammered in every sense - they spent underground! - Money, materials, resources, and labour of people - all of which harmed the country. We could have had a higher standard of living.

INT. MOSCOW UNDERGROUND SHOPPING CENTER.

A statue in a fountain in the underground mall opens up and two NAZI soldiers emerge. They wade through the water and begin to walk around the almost empty mall. The city is being bombed, the fate of the President is in question and still some women are still shopping feverously.

The Nazi soldiers were ordered to demolish the entrance with explosives but they can't resist looking around.

FRITZ

This is Moscow in war time?

HANS

It must be.

FRITZ

My grandfather told me communism simply can't provide such wealth but this is incredible.

HANS

This is only for the communist party members and the family of Stalin.

METRO-2

TOGETHER
The family of Stalin.

The focus on a lady shopping. They make a bee-line for her but she escapes.

FRITZ
Everything of value is brought to Moscow. The average Russian has no bread.

They look at all the wealth on the selves and items for sale. Fritz seems to understand.

FRITZ
They are the greatest band of thieves the world has ever know.

INT. 2014 METRO UTILITY ROOM NEAR VNUKOVO

PORTLY JOURNALIST
Some of this looks new. It isn't Soviet.

GRISHIN
Obsessively we continued the construction sites, even when it became apparently pointlessness. The economy was writhing in agony and they built. Building now. So it is easier for the leader to sleep? I personally can't sleep knowing that it is still being built.

EXT. 2014 RED SQUARE

Some Heinkel bombers reach the Kremlin. One plane has its sights on Saint Basil's Cathedral. But just before the bombs are released, the cannon from a MiG-29 rocks the plane the aim could be thrown off.

INT. 2014 LENIN'S TOMB

A Nazi soldier peaks through a secret door emerging from the METRO-2. He sees the face of Lenin lying in repose. Two soldiers come out and are looking in bewilderment.

EXT. 2014 RED SQUARE

The bombs miss the church but several fall on Red Square injuring only a few bricks. An errant bomb destroys the Lenin mausoleum. The Kremlin and ancient Church are unmolested.

INT. 2014 LENIN'S TOMB

One Nazi in the tomb survives but is pinned by debris. The body of Lenin is thrown in close proximity to the soldier and you might say they are cheek-to-cheek until someone comes to dig them apart. Of course the Nazi is screaming.

INT. 2014 METRO UTILITY ROOM NEAR VNUKOVO

PORTLY JOURNALIST

You don't like this, but they have them in other nations too? The U.S.

GRISHIN

I have studied the characteristics of the bunkers of the President and of the United States Congress in the mountains of Virginia and West Virginia. I can conclude that the volume and value of structures, due to a specific and narrow task, they are much more limited scope of functional necessity. By the way, these American facilities have already been disclosed, there they have public tours.

INT. METRO-2 TUNNEL NEAR RAMENKI

Will the President be killed or captured? German soldiers approach a second door to a utility room and kick the door in. But they find no one.

INT. RAMENKI UNDERGROUND COMPLEX

The Nazi's are amazed at the empty Ramenki underground complex, equipped to sustain the lives of thousands of people for up to 30 years. It still has - food depots,

METRO-2

weapons cache, generators, sleeping quarters, cinemas and even swimming pools!

INT. 2014 METRO UTILITY ROOM NEAR VNUKOVO

PORTLY JOURNALIST

How has this stayed a secret so long?

GRISHIN

Any structure built by the leaders under socialism are closed and only open to them. These properties were built for their interest, separate from the interests of the country and the people. Based on their self-interest, each structure tends to maintain its secrecy, isolation, holds the all-round defense. If at any time the people knew about this expense they would have asked: why? And that question was sacrilege.

INT. 2014 MOSCOW'S HOUSE ON THE EMBANKMENT

Nazi soldiers emerge from the Metro-2 and are marching through the halls. They are marching with a purpose, as if they have a person in mind to capture or kill.

Suddenly every door in the hall opens and the owner emerges with an automatic weapon. This may or may not be illegal but a man's home is his castle. We might also gather that everyone living there now are criminals. The Nazis are so surprised they surrender.

INT. 2014 METRO UTILITY ROOM NEAR VNUKOVO

PORTLY JOURNALIST

But this system might save your life, our lives?

GRISHIN

Why? Had this space been converted to a public space, we would be surrounded now by friendly Russian faces. This should be a public mass transit system, not exclusively for the government.

PORTLY JOURNALIST

Are you Russia's first populist
President?

GRISHIN

(chuckles a bit)

I don't know. But I do know that our
taxpayers will be unhappy. This
hasn't been worth it to the Russian
people who paid for it. You must
understand that the problem from
Russian history, Tsarist times AND
Soviet times has been that the
nomenclature, as we know, never
shared the fate of the people.

(pause)

Even in the siege of Leningrad
aircraft delivered fresh strawberries
and fruit by special flights to
Zhdanov and his entourage. Look at
the largely unused expense outside
that door. For me it is only a symbol
of the immorality of the old regime
leaders.

(pause)

And if we die today how is that
different than any of the others who
died at the airport earlier?

(pause)

This was built so that the leaders
didn't share the fate of the people.
But I promise you I will share the
fate of the Russian people.

Tatiana stops watching under the door as she instead
begins to watch the President. Of course she is moved by
his words but she also has a romantic interest in the man
she works for.

INT. METRO-2 TUNNEL NEAR THE VNUKOVO

Will the President be killed or captured? German
soldiers approach a third door to a utility room and are
about to kick the door in.

INT. 2014 METRO UTILITY ROOM NEAR VNUKOVO

PORTLY JOURNALIST

What will happen?

GRISHIN

We will endure.

Suddenly Nazi soldiers kick at the door, try to enter the room. Tatiana on the floor is blocking, and slowing, their entry. Her ribs are injured. Several Nazis are shot but plenty of gunfire is exchanged. The German bullets strike an electric box on the wall and the lights go out... but in two seconds an emergency set of low power lights replace them.

There is close hand-to-hand fighting and the President can't simply watch. He uses his skills. We don't know the outcome until a few shots later.

INT. 2014 STALIN'S BUNKER NEAR IZMAILOVA MARKET

Stalin's Bunker, now a museum is hotly contested. The Nazi invaders spill considerable blood to take control of the museum. While constructed at the beginning of the Second World War, in 2014 it has exhibits and maps. Everything looks as it did when the bunker was used. The Nazis finally get control of the facility and out come the cameras. Everything is photographed by Nazi intelligence officers.

INT. 2014 METRO-2 TUNNEL AND INTERNET CAFE

President Grishin has put his phone in his pocket and she hears the gunfire and fighting. She looks worried, of course. The entire café is silent, they have seen the Nazis enter the room.

ANNA

Mr. President. Mr. President. Are you there?

(long pause)

Alexander?

GRISHIN

Yes.

ANNA

Oh, I'm so sorry. I only called you by your first name because we were so worried.

Grishin chuckles.

GRISHIN

It's okay. In fact, always.

ANNA

Mr. President. I have some good news and some bad news.

GRISHIN

What now?

ANNA

The VIP building has come down on the tunnel. You can't get out that way. I'm told that was the only exit.

GRISHIN

What is the good news?

ANNA

I'm told. We have control of Vnukovo again.

GRISHIN

How many are dead?

ANNA

Many. Move north. I'm told there are terrorists in the tunnel coming from the south.

INT. 2014 METRO-2 TUNNEL JUST OUTSIDE OF UTILITY ROOM

The President emerges from the room and want to turn left. He wants to move back south to Vnukovo, but there are too many Nazi's south of him and they are moving North. A gun battle erupts. Tatiana and the two guards defend the President, but the President is firing a weapon also. The Nazis drive our group to the North.

INT. 2014 FSB HEADQUARTERS

METRO-2

The director of the FSB is watching all of this unfold on TV and on the tunnel security cameras. The progress of all the units and the President are placed on a map.

As Nazi soldiers near the position of the President and his party the FSB tries to move people into place who can help him.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

This is going to be close. He isn't moving fast enough.

(pause)

What is this directly above him? It is marked entrance.

FSB SPECIALIST

It is an air duct that is inside a fire station.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Get some firemen in there.

INT. RED GATE BASEMENT

This entrance is destroyed by explosives set by the Nazis.

INT. SOUTHWEST MOSCOW - FIRE STATION

The firemen move some trucks, pull up some grates in the floor and repel down ropes with axes.

INT. METRO-2 PRESIDENT'S LOCATION

President Grishin and party is moving North. They hear automatic gunfire to their rear. They stop and listen. It is a battle between Nazis and the firemen. The firemen have facilitated his escape. Grishin can't know, but seems to understand someone is sacrificing. His expression is sedate.

EXT. VYKHINO METRO STATION

While the German's have destroyed all of the command "Metro2" cars. There is a special armored car designed

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for a situation in the public metro. It has a special parking place near the Vykhino station.

An elite group of FSB anti-terrorist soldiers in a truck screech their tires up near the entry. They are the toughest unit in Moscow. With military efficiency, they only wait a few seconds before boarding a WAR WAGON.

While the special armored car is being loaded with men and ammunition. The commander has surfboards strapped to the front and sides.

CLOSE SHOTS of rocket pods -- mini-guns in bizarre looking mounts.

CLOSE SHOTS of tank like turret on the vehicle.

CLOSE SHOTS of the three surfboards strapped on the vehicle with bungee cords, next to the fearsome weaponry.

It powers off toward central Moscow. Loudspeakers on the train blast Pipeline by The Chantays. The commander is a bit odd, but perhaps it is simply a way of relaxing his soldiers and distinguishing his elite crew.

People at Vykhino station send the video of the train to the TV stations and it is broadcast in a matter of seconds.

People at each station applaud and shout cheers as the tank travels the track.

- * Ryazansky Prospekt
- * Kuz'minki
- * Tekstil'shchiki
- * Volgogradsky Prospekt
- * Proletarskaya
- * Taganskaya
- * Kitay-Gorod

EXT. DECK OF SHIP - WATERWAYS OF THE CZARS RIVER CRUISES

Blond German tourists are on a river cruise, standing on the deck, watching the air battle over Moscow. They are puzzled but watch intently. Suddenly a Stuka dives to attack the ship. The bomb misses and explodes in the river and the plum of water soaks the tourists.

EXT. RIVER BANK NEAR RIVER CRUISE SHIP

Sportsmen who are fishing on the bank are happy to harvest the stunned fish.

INT. SPECIAL ARMORED CAR

And, CLOSE SHOTS of the men (nervous, excited very few of them really scared) they fondle their rifles, grenade launchers, anti-personnel grenades, claymore mines, plastic explosives cord, flame-throwers, machine guns, expandable rocket launchers and bayonets. Several have Hawaiian shirts on under their loosely buttoned uniforms.

INT. 2014 DONSKOY MONASTERY BASEMENT

The monks discover two German soldiers entering their church from the basement. The German's look shocked and surprised. They expected this to be a government building. They consult their maps. The director of the monastery speaks German.

PRIEST

You don't need your weapons here.

GERMAN #1

But you are now a church?

PRIEST

Yes.

GERMAN #1

But we were told Stalin destroyed all the churches.

PRIEST

This was a museum of atheism for a very long while.

Fortunately the two Germans are religious. They are unsophisticated and probably rural German's unpolluted by Goebbels' propaganda.

PRIEST

Please your weapons. Place them by the door at least.

They leave the machine guns by the door. A monk is about to take them and hide them but the priest motions for them to be left alone. They are allowed to keep their sidearm. They go into the church. The priest bless the travelers and says a short prayer.

GERMAN #1

Why does the tunnel system come here.

PRIEST

Stalin.

The soldiers are interested.

PRIEST

It was used as a crematorium for Stalin's victims. Donskoy Cemetery is one of the main burial places for people killed by the Stalinist regime, especially in the years of the Great Terror of 1937 and 1938.

GERMAN #2

How many?

PRIEST

It is hard to know, probably 10,000.

GERMAN #2

I've seen such things before?

PRIEST

Come. There are three locations and I will show you.

GERMAN #1

You are rid of Stalin?

PRIEST

Yes. But not entirely.

They walk out to the cemetery. Judging from the look on their faces, it seems the war is over for them. They will not demolish the church.

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EXT. Smolensky Metro Bridge

A Stuka dive bomber lines up and drops a bomb on the bridge. It doesn't explode. It is a dud. It does put a hole in the bridge about a meter wide but the faulty bomb falls into the river.

The son of one of the oligarchs is recklessly racing around town trying to get a better view of the aerial battles. He runs his Ferrari into the hole, seriously damaging the car.

INT. FIGHTING IN THE METRO-2 BATHROOMS

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There is a battle for control of the bomb shelter bathrooms. At least one part of the tunnels were converted into shelters for the population in the Great Patriotic War. Civil defense had the toilet stalls located every three meters and were designed for mass use.

INT. MOSCOW STATE UNIVERSITY

The Battle of Moscow State University surrounds Hitler's orders to capture and bring back a nuclear physicist. The Nazi soldiers emerge from the tunnels at the university. They have a 2014 tourist map and they see "Moscow State University" on the door in the Metro-2 tunnel and enter.

Despite all that is going on in Moscow on this day there are still people in the building. Young students who have no clue about life or current events are roaming the halls. Some are reading while walking down the hall.

The Nazi soldiers stop to ask directions.

NAZI SOLDIERS
(in broken Russian)
Physics Department?

They have been too involved in their studies to have been aware before but now when they see a Nazi in full field gear pass them in the hall and speak to them, they can do nothing but point. They point up!

The Nazi climb the steps and storm the office of the head of the physics department.

An innocent secretary is shown photos of all the most significant Soviet physics.

GERMAN OFFICER
(secretary looks puzzled)
Yakov Frenkel, Georgy Flyorov, Abram
Ioffe, Vitaly Khlopyn, Alexander
Brodsky, Igor Kurchatov, Yakov
Zeldovich, Yuly Khariton, Alexander
Leipunsky.

The secretary draws a blank at each name.

GERMAN OFFICER
Igor Kurchatov.

Finally, and this name the secretary knows. The German's think they will have success and a capture and eagerly follow her. She takes them to a classroom labelled "Kurchatov Lecture Hall", and she motions them to go in. They go inside. There is a lecture being conducted and the professor stops.

GERMAN OFFICER
Igor Kurchatov?

PROFESSOR
No.

And the professor points to a bust in the corner of the room. The students who have all been watching the fighting on their smart phones during the lecture, jump the German's and over power them.

EXT. PUBLIC METRO

Between Kitay-Gorod Station and Kuznetsky Most Station, the armored car slows and an entry into the Metro-2 system magically emerges. An entire wall mechanically moves. This is near the Lubyanka. A few levers are pulled and the train transfers to the hidden tracks into the Metro-2.

The armoured car is followed by a track repair car. There is equipment and workmen on it ready to repair the track. Also leaving the public system is a hospital car, equipped with, surgical beds, medical supplies and doctors.

The three trains power south on the Metro-2 line now.

EXT. THE BATTLE OF STALIN'S KUNTSEVO DACHA

Stalin's favorite dacha, called Blizhnyaya is located in Kuntsevo. In 2014, it is one of Moscow neighborhoods. Stalin spent a great deal of time there but Nikita Khrushchev must have had the entrance sealed over. The German's must blast a hole to gain access. They blast a hole in the Gorodki yard. They manage to crawl out and look around. They don't realize it yet but they have used too much explosives.

This is a very spooky place and I don't mind if the director (and art director) shots this scene like a haunted house film. The dacha stands unoccupied and has been for several decades. Spider webs and rats. The building is still shrouded in secrecy. No electricity or lights. The grounds are double fenced and closed to ordinary visitors. The Nazis are so frightened they can barely move though the facilities.

The Nazi soldiers, as they search for Stalin, hear this creaking, wood breaking sound. They search the building and walk outside. The explosion has weakened the entire substructure and a fantastic sinkhole (50 meters x 50 meters and 20 meters deep) develops. It is huge and devours the entire building.

INT. METRO-2 THREE TRAINS

The three train convoy stops and soldiers attach a black box with antennae to the Nazi field telephone.

INT. METRO-2 LIBRARY

The President passes one of the huge hydraulic doors, but this one is open. It has malfunctioned and it opens only two feet. It is a huge book depository to preserve the books in case of nuclear war. Rather than risk an encounter with Nazi soldiers, which they can hear, The President and party enter the room. They find a German soldier in the library reading by flashlight. He seems to be an intellectual and readily surrenders.

CUT TO the German soldier has his hands cuffed in front of him and around one of the library shelves. He can reach his flashlight and a few books.

INT. METRO-2 NORTH - GERMAN HELD PORTION OF TRACK

Several of the Nazi's have congregated at a small but upscale kitchen in the system. They are stealing the silverware, drinking water and warming some food. Motorcycles are pulling into the kitchen station and are being unloaded. They put a metal plate in the microwave and it begins to spark and smoke.

Suddenly they HEAR the distant MUSIC -- Everyone stops; they stare out to see. Officers scream orders and

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enlisted men run from positions bearing ammunition and rifles. Everywhere there is activity to prepare for the defense of the kitchen.

Nazis feverishly unlimber weapons of all types and run to side tunnels and cover.

The MUSIC GROWS LOUDER with the FAINT SOUND of OF A MOVING RAIL CAR.

INT. METRO-2 POV NAZI HELD PORTION OF TRACK

The car is coming directly at the camera; PIPELINE BLARING.

INT. METRO-2 ARMoured SUBWAY CAR FRONT VIEW

Looking out through the front as the car approaches the kitchen. POV behind driver.

PILOT
200 yards -- 100 -- 50 -- commence
firing.

The Pilot leans out and SHOTS at a German crouching behind a refrigerator with his 9mm, then ducks back in.

The whole car shakes.

We SEE rockets ROAR from pods -- MACHINE GUNS RATTLE -- grenade launchers POUND away -- and MINI-GUNS pour streams of lead and tracers with the SOUND of a FLAME THROWER.

INT. METRO-2 POV REPAIR SUBWAY CAR FRONT VIEW

POV behind armoured car. Stationary position. The convoy has stopped. The armoured car ebbs though the kitchen station. Streaming FIRE and GUNFIRE from doors, pods and nose. The tunnel is alive with smoke and fire. Gunfire stops. Several of the elite Russian soldiers get off the armoured train.

INT. METRO-2 POV REPAIR SUBWAY CAR SIDE VIEW

The convoy starts up again. As it passed the kitchen station, the mechanics see two Russian soldier guarding

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10 Nazi soldiers who have surrendered. Of course the armoured car has greatly changed the scenery.

INT. FSB HEADQUARTERS, SITUATION ROOM

Half a dozen computer screens and lots of shots of Grishin twenty angles, fighting, shooting. Twenty different locations. Twenty candid perspectives of Grishin and his mad scramble through the tunnel.

INT. METRO-2 PRESIDENT'S LOCATION

Grishin finds himself and his party in a goods yard adjoining a train station. He walks through the goods yard, then suddenly, and apparently for no reason, stops dead, then throws himself behind a stack of crates. He puts his phone up. As he does four Nazi soldiers run round the corner into the goods yard.

There is a short gun battle. It ends as everyone run out of ammunition. The Nazis draw their knives.

The Nazis scour the yard. The soldiers get closer to Grishin's hiding place. Grishin suddenly emerges from his hiding place and sticks an elbow in the face of one, a knee in the groin of another. There's a brief exchange of blows.

One of the Nazi draws his knife and is about to reach the President. Tatiana, digging through her bag produces the last loaded pistol and fires at the man, hitting him in the hand, making him drop his knife. Grishin grabs the knife from the floor and stabs the other in the face and the man falls to the ground.

Grishin takes from his pocket his cellphone.

GRISHIN

Anna, exactly how far is this train
from my location?

INT. INTERNET CAFE

They have the same computer images and surveillance from the tunnel as the FSB. Half a dozen computer screens and lots of shots of Grishin twenty angles.

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Anna and the computer guys have drawn with sharpies on the floor a map of Metro-2.

ANNA

How far is it from here to here.

She paces off the distance on the floor that represents the train and the President.

INT. METRO-2 PRESIDENT'S LOCATION

Grishin and his group makes a run for it. One of the Nazis lets off a shot, the bullet clipping presidential body guard #1 in the leg. He falters but limps off behind the towering containers.

INT. FSB PSYCHOACOUSTICS LAB

There is an electronics console. Super-tech. Meters, LEDs jumping up and down on and off, wave-form analyzers, audio spectrum filters -- all of this gear dancing and responding to every nuance of - Müller's voice - over speaker - we're listening to a recording of the Nazi conversations made over the field phone.

MÜLLER/TAPE

Any sign of Stalin?

(pause)

What is the level of opposition?

(pause)

Units report?

NAZI SOLDIER

Sir?

MÜLLER/TAPE

What is wrong with you? Why won't you report. I need Stalin. The Führer needs this mission. The Reich is counting on your effort. Use your training.

PULL BACK TO REVEAL

A secret studio buried in a room at the FSB facility. Equipment galore. Five people in this darkened room: there is a sound engineer working the board. FSB Director looking sour. Director of Operations in the shadows. They are sitting there waiting for analysis from Dr. Nazarov.

She's late sixties. A long-time spy shrink. An eminence. A diamond-hard, seen-it-all intelligence.

MÜLLER/TAPE

Stalin was on the crashed plane and ran in the tunnels. I watched from the airfield control tower.

NAZI SOLDIER

Sir there is an armoured train.

Dr. Nazarov nods to the engineer. She's heard enough.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

We think Stalin is the operational code name for the President.

DR. NAZAROV

He's not lying. He's very highly stressed, but he's not lying. He's confused. He's aggressively searching for a way out of the chaos. This conversation, the video from the tunnel -- the body language, vocal pattern -- it's my sense he's really lost here.

(beat)

I think Neo Nazis are just evil persons. They might not be deranged.

FSB DIRECTOR

Is that a medical term?

She turns. Battle lines drawn.

DR. NAZAROV

The extreme followers of Adolf Hitler are often referred to as madmen, in part because most people are loath to accept such enormity of evil as anything other than the byproduct of psychosis. Yet just how "insane" they are is a subject of disagreement among mental health professionals.

(pause)

You want clinical terminology?

FSB DIRECTOR

How dangerous is this thing?

DR. NAZAROV

This man will probably not surrender. Germany in 1945 was stricken by a series of unprecedented waves of suicides. This happened during the final days of the Nazi regime. The reasons for these suicides were numerous and include the effects of Nazi propaganda, the example of the suicide of their leaders, victims' attachment to the left wing ideals of the Nazi party, and a reaction to the loss of the war and, consequently, the anticipated Allied occupation of Nazi Germany. Even though living today in 2014 they honestly think they are in a similar situation.

FSB DIRECTOR

I'm not sure I see what that has to do with today.

DR. NAZAROV

The reasons for these terrorist attacks are numerous and include the effects of socialist propaganda in Europe, the example of the failures of socialism in Greece, Spain and frankly the entire European Union, victims' attachment to the left wing ideals of the their socialist political parties, and a reaction to the idea that their ideology is a failure everywhere and always. Consequently, they see a new and booming capitalist power in the East as a target. I've seen writing that suggests they fear a Russian occupation of Europe. It would be the worst thing for them; the end of socialism.

FSB DIRECTOR

So you think they are here to commit suicide?

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DR. NAZAROV

Yes. On a mass scale.

Silence. The idea dangling for a moment.

FSB DIRECTOR

Then I guess we should help them get
it over with.

The Director picks up the phone.

INT. METRO-2 ARMoured SUBWAY CAR

Occupied with FSB forces, the car makes its way eliminating Nazi opposition. Most of the Nazi's simply, one or two at a time, surrender to the car. However the Nazi's use their phones to alert compatriots down the line. The track is blown up and the armoured car must stop.

In the security line (just like the public line) there are many safety bridges - a sort of narrow walkway or shelf that runs along the sidewalls of the tunnel. Located at an altitude of car windows served as a bridge for exiting passengers in case of an accident in the tunnel. When the train stops the soldiers exit the car onto the walkway very quickly they charge into the Nazi gunfire and gain progress in the tunnel. This allows the workers to advance and repair the track.

INT. MOSFILM STUDIOS

Basically the Battle for Mosfilm, develops similarly to the Battle for Moscow State University. The Nazi soldiers emerge from the secret tunnel and question a secretary. She is given a list of names, and she looks them up on her computer.

GERMAN SOLDIER

Take me to Vsevolod Pudovkin, Dmitriy
Vasilyev, Nikolai Kryuchkov, Yelena
Tyapkina, Yakov Protazanov, Lev
Sverdlin, Alexander Dovzhenko, Lev
Kuleshov.

Even with a gun pointed at her, she calmly writes down the location.

There are tens of secretaries, clerks, bull shit artists and only interns hanging around doing very little. There are only two German soldiers. They are lucky to control one of the secretaries.

SECRETARY
(to another secretary)
Can you get some police up here?

The other secretary picks up her phone.

The young lady takes them to the film vaults. She points out the basic locations of the films.

SECRETARY
(pointing)
Vsevolod Pudovkin is from here to here. Dmitriy Vasilyev is here to here. And so on. Lev Kuleshov ends here.

The Nazi soldiers don't know what to do, so they machinegun the films on the shelves.

When the group returns from the film vault it appears the police are not coming anytime soon.

SECRETARY
Why did you do that? Are you an idiot.

The Nazi soldiers may or may not understand. Of course a pretty Russian woman is talking to them. They shake their head and smile.

SECRETARY
You need to get in the 21st century. Everything is backed-up into digital now.

The Nazi soldiers may or may not understand.

SECRETARY
Digitized into HD quality video?
(pause)
Streamed online?

The Nazi soldiers shake their head in agreement but they have no idea what they are agreeing to. The Germans seem satisfied knowing they blasted something.

SECRETARY

In today's digital world, the movie theatre projectionist has gone the way of the milkman and the pin boy. Movies are supplied on a hard drive. I just have to push a few buttons and..

She uses her computer to program the theatre projector to begin *The Fall of Berlin* (1950) followed by *Night Watch*. German subtitles.

SECRETARY

Come with me.

The secretary leads them into a small theatre. She has them sit down. Gives them some VIP pop-corn and a soda.

GERMAN SOLDIER #1

(excited)

I have never been to the pictures.

GERMAN SOLDIER #2

I was once.

The film begins. House-lights down.

INT. MOSCOW TV

ANNOUNCER

Given the strange situation the city finds itself in. With all the stress, there is much speculation about time travel. Are they really Nazis or just a neo-Nazi group? Experts disagree.

JOURNALIST

I was there as one was arrested and I feel he is a real German but not from 1944. He was wearing an MP3 player.

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PHYSICS PROFESSOR

I'm not sure that is accurate. And besides one easily can argue that time travel is possible.

INT. METRO-2 ARMoured SUBWAY CAR

When the armoured car encounters resistance they unleash the firepower. The car is making a lot of progress in fact they are closing the gap so quickly they are afraid they are going to run upon the President and hurt him in a barrage.

The car stops, the lights in the tunnel are cut and the Russian soldiers disembark with night vision head gear. They are given their orders.

COMMANDER

Do not shot the President.
(to each soldier)
Do not shot the President.

They slowly move to the south in the tunnel.

The lights in the tunnel are cut. The stations along the way remain lit.

INT. METRO-2 PRESIDENT'S LOCATION

Nazis from the south are catching the President's party. They exchange gunfire but they are nearly out of bullets. It looks like it is all over for Tatiana and President Grishin, but suddenly they are plunged into complete darkness. The lights have been cut.

More gunfire. Presidential body guard #2 is hit.

Tatiana hands out the night vision equipment to the President and the portly journalist.

Presidential body guard #2 agrees to stay and hold them off. The Nazis can't see anything in the pitch black and are shot at.

INT. METRO-2 MÜLLER'S LOCATION

Jungen Müller is running through the darkness. Behind him are the Russians slowly working their way south. Müller

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carries a small flashlight. The Russian soldiers all have night vision on their rifles.

Several Nazi soldiers too tired to run anymore crouch down, one sniffs the air, can smell the gun powder in the air. They can hear the gunfire and the train coming. They stop and each one in their mind figures to make one last stand. As the Russian's near the exhausted Nazi's fire into the darkness. They hit very little and are slowly eliminated.

Jungen Müller is in a panic.

The armoured car and soldiers chasing Müller are five minutes behind him when Müller runs into President Grishin.

INT. METRO-2 PRESIDENT'S LOCATION

The lights are off in the tunnel but at the stops, various rooms, like stations, along the route they are barely lit. Grishin, the journalist and Tatiana stop to rest. Two German's sneak up on them and have weapons on them before they can react.

NAZI SOLDIER #1
(in German)
Don't move.

NAZI SOLDIER #2
(in German)
This one is dangerous. Check him for weapons.

Grishin is not sure what to do. Eyes moving. Mouth shut. Grishin raising his hand slowly - Nazi soldier #1 reaches up to pat him down.

GRISHIN
(In German again)
Look, I'm just trying to get a drink of water okay?

Nazi Soldier #2 has heard enough (giving a sharp poke with the rifle into Grishin's back) and that's the last thing he'll remember because...

Grishin was Olympic gold medallist in Judo and he is poetry in motion. A single turn (spinning) catching Nazi #2 completely off guard -- the heel of his hand driving up into the guy's throat. Nazi #1 (behind him) is trying to reach for his pistol, but Grishin (still turning) all his weight moving in a single fluid attack (a sweeping kick) and Nazi #1 is falling. He is trying to fight back but Grishin is like a machine (just unbelievably fast) three jackhammer punches and he is out cold.

Nazi #2 is writhing on the ground (gasping for air) struggling with his holster. Grishin's got the pistol (so very fast) and he has got it right up against Nazi #2's forehead. He is right on the edge of pulling the trigger -- he is, he's gonna shoot him --

NAZI SOLDIER #2
(gasping, pleading)
Please God no -- please don't --
please no -- my Go

Grishin is holding the Nazi there. In the silence. And there's the gun in his hand. And, it just feels so natural. Grishin has fought and like this is something he's done a million times before.

Grishin slams the gun against his temple and this fight is over.

EXT. RUSSIAN TELEVISION TOPSIDE

Media has been covering it... they have illegally tapped into the phones and are monitoring the FSB radio frequencies. They even have security camera feeds from the tunnels. The media analysts are analyzing the situation faster than the FSB staff so the director of operations simply watches TV and gives orders based on this information.

INT. METRO-2 PRESIDENT'S LOCATION

More German's approach the group they fire the weapons they took from the Germans until the cartridges are spent.

And then Grishin stops cold. Throwing down the gun. Running off into the darkness. Tatiana and the journalist follow.

INT. METRO-2 RUSSIAN TV

It is reported that slowly the German soldiers are being eliminated or arrested. But the video feed is from a security camera showing the only real combatants remaining - the President of Russia vs. the German Commander.

INT. METRO-2 GRISHIN AND MÜLLER'S SHARED LOCATION

Jungen Müller is exhausted and out to bullets. President Grishin is exhausted also and out of bullets. They box a bit and Grishin gets the worst of it.

Grishin tries to play diplomat and rest.

GRISHIN

You are in a Nazi uniform.

MÜLLER

You speak German?

GRISHIN

Russian schools.

MÜLLER

I'm the person personally sent here by Hitler.

GRISHIN

What do you want?

MÜLLER

What arrogance to think you can understand?

GRISHIN

Try me.

MÜLLER

When German becomes a great nation.
When the communists are dragged from
the Kremlin and shot. Then the Jews
are extinct. When the English and the
Americans beg for our forgiveness.
That day you will know what I want.

GRISHIN

Be realistic. What do you want.

MÜLLER

Where is Stalin?

GRISHIN

He is dead. He is buried in the
Kremlin wall.

MÜLLER

You killed Stalin?

GRISHIN

Of course not, I wasn't even...

MÜLLER

Haha! You are an arrogant fool.

GRISHIN

His body is buried in the Kermlin
wall.

MÜLLER

This sounds like an NKVD trick. We
will find him.

GRISHIN

What?

MÜLLER

I'm not easily fooled.

GRISHIN

No. NKVD? When were you born?

MÜLLER

1909

GRISHIN

You really are a Nazi?

MÜLLER

Of course

GRISHIN

You killed something like 25 million
Russians.

MÜLLER

(stugging)

Probably something more like 21 but
who is counting?

Grishin is becoming angry at the German's nonchalant
attitude. Grishin makes a fist, but his curiosity wins
out. He always maintains the dignity of the office he
holds.

GRISHIN

How did you come here?

MÜLLER

On a plane. How did you come here?

GRISHIN

The war is over, this is 2014.

MÜLLER

Sure.

GRISHIN

Here is my watch, *Russian President*
Poljot mechanical self-winding.

MÜLLER

It looks like mine.

Müller holds up his watch. But pockets
Grishin's watch.

GRISHIN

Here is my smart phone

Grishin brings up Tetras and hands the phone to
the Nazi. Müller punches Grishin in the face.
It was a sucker punch. Müller puts the phone in
his pocket.

MÜLLER

It looks like a toy.

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Angry at being punched but still a diplomat Grishin throws him the empty pistol.

GRISHIN

My pistol.

MÜLLER

New huh? You Russian's do work well with metal.

GRISHIN

Brand new.

Müller pockets the pistol.

MÜLLER

My congratulations. How is your nose?

GRISHIN

I can take a punch.

MÜLLER

That is true Russian's can take a punch. It is a good thing too.

The German wants to fight and begins.

CUT TO people on-line streaming it.

CUT TO people at home watching it on big screens.

CUT TO people in cars listening the blow-by-blow details on the radio.

CUT TO a wealth businessman in an expensive suit sharing his smart phone with a homeless man in rags. They are watching the fight.

The climax of the film is this fight scene. Müller is a crafty and worthy opponent (a German war machine) but President Grishin is victorious. Grishin has heart. He is worn and badly bruised but the hero of the film clearly.

Müller refuses to surrender.

Grishin collects his watch, smart phone and pistol from the dead German commander.

CUT TO a homeless amateur teaching other amateur in the park how Grishin made such a move. One imitates the President's take down moves with exuberance only a few seconds after he sees it on streamed to a smart phone.

The armoured car arrives along with the caravan of subway cars. Half of Russia is there now that the fighting is over. The soldiers who entered the tunnel at the Kremlin, early in the film, arrive. Also the soldiers from the south arrive, they had repelled into the tunnel. This was a monumental battle waged in the tunnel... finally it appears complete.

The security detail begins to hustle Grishin off back through the tunnel to the armoured car but he stops them. Grishin asks for some water; he washes the blood and dirt off his face. He is handed a towel. The medical car sends nurses to Tatiana and the journalist. They only want to drink water.

Grishin notices a doorway with light streaming under it and there are shadows of people walking.

GRISHIN

Thank you men.

President Grishin takes this door and walks out into the public Metro. It is Yugo-Zapadnaya. Tatiana and the journalist follow. All of the soldiers and FSB men there are frozen.

Grishin and party immediately boards a railcar and the passengers are in awe. The doors close and the security forces miss the subway. They scramble for their radios and the stairs to keep up the President. They have lost him once and now it has happened again.

Finally, the passengers applaud. The people have been watching it all on TV and on their smart phones. Russian progress!

Grishin motions to Tatiana to join him. She does and he takes her hand and raises it in victory.

ONE FOURTH OF THE CREDITS ROLL

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INT. INTERNET CAFE

Elite Russian soldiers arrive at the café with buckets of water and mops. Their mission is to remove the map drawn on the floor.

THE SECOND FOURTH OF THE CREDITS ROLL

INT. MOSFILM

The German's who have been watching the films are laughing and a bit giddy. When the movies end they begin to leave. The movies have so destroyed their senses (made them forget the war) they forget their machineguns in the by their seats. When they emerge from the theatre and there are 10 police with handguns drawn.

THE THIRD FOURTH OF THE CREDITS ROLL

EXT. NEAR RED SQUARE

The street children are out on the sidewalk hawking their Nazi goods to tourists. Canteens, uniforms, insignia, field telephones, binoculars, eye glasses, identification papers are popular with the tourists. Five or six motorcycles are marked for sale. One child in the distance seems to be selling something wrapped in cloth for rather a lot of money.

THE FINAL CREDITS ROLL

INT. PUBLIC METRO

President Grishin rides without security (only Tatiana) back to the Lenin Library Metro station. The doors open on the platform and the President's security details runs on board eager to surround and protect him. At that very moment chance has it that Grishin and Tatiana disembark. They walk back to the Kermlin.

THE END