Subject: Re: Winds of Change

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Waking up, Brandon stretched his arms and looked out the window at the ocean below. I'll be glad to get back to the island. It'll be great to see everybody again. And I bet I have a lot to catch up on, too.

He smiled, thinking about Shannon and her lists. He remembered the one she had given him and got it from his carry-on.

Unfolding it, he read the list of things she had written down. There were six items, and, at the top, in big bold letters were two words: PHONE HOME!

A few minutes later, he felt the plane descend and heard the flight attendant's voice come over the loudspeaker.

"Ladies and gentlemen, we are on final approach to Christchurch International Airport. Please fasten your seatbelt and make sure your seat backs are forward and trays are in the upright and locked position."

Forty-five minutes after they landed, Brandon got through customs and retrieved his luggage. He was looking around for his colleague thinking, Man, where is he? He said he'd be here.

"Over here!"

Brandon looked around, spotting the familiar face. Grinning, he walked over to Gordon. After greeting each other, the two men took the transport to the terminal where the Tracy jet waited. On the way, Gordon asked, "How are your parents doing?

"They're doing much better. Mom and Dad are continuing their therapy. With a lot of hard work, we're hoping they'll be back to their normal routine soon."

"That's good. We were wondering since we only heard from you once while you were gone."

"Sorry, there was a lot to do." Brandon looked away, thinking of a way to change the subject. Finally he asked, "Anything happen while I was gone?"

"Scott and Elise got into a big argument and I was the one that had to listen to it."

"Really? I didn't think she'd go that far. I'm just sorry you had to listen to it."

They arrived at the terminal and a few minutes later continued to the plane. Brandon stowed his luggage and climbed into the seat next to Gordon.

Gordon spoke into the radio. "Tracy One to Tower, request permission for takeoff."

"Tower to Tracy One, you're clear for takeoff."

Once they were in the air, Gordon said, "Now I can tell you; we had three rescues while you were gone, and you wouldn't believe what happened on the island during the last one!"