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Subject: Re: Regaining Momentum

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It took Will a little while to return to the lounge after helping load the equipment. He felt that there had to be a better way to use the space in the pods. So after they left and he was able to return to the bay, he checked out each one, to see if they were basically the same inside.

He was thoughtful as he entered the lounge, and Jeff looked up. "I expected you back here sooner. Is anything wrong?"

"No, sir. Not exactly, anyway. I just got the feeling that ..." He hesitated, looking dubiously at his boss.

"Go ahead, Will. Feel free to give your opinion. And sit down, please. I promise I won't bite you."

Will grinned as he took a chair. "Well, I get the feeling that you all haven't been making full use of all the available space in the pods. It took a bit of finagling to get the equipment you wanted taken into the one pod. And since one is all you can take, well... There's gotta be a better way. So I decided to take a quick look at the interiors of the other pods before I came back here."

"I see. Did you come up with any ideas or suggestions?"

"It's not clear in my mind yet, but it seems to me that although the horizontal space is used well, the vertical space is overlooked. Perhaps if there was some kind of light but strong platform for some of the equipment, that could be raised and lowered. And maybe moved forward, backward and side to side, so you could put more in and faster."

Jeff was intrigued. "Your idea may have merit. Why don't you - among your other duties - see if you can come up with a workable idea over the next week or two. Then you and I can get together with Brains to see if it can be reproduced."

"I'll do that, Mr. Tracy." He paused, then asked, "Did you need something else from me? You did ask me to return here."

"Yes, I did. I have two questions. First, did Tin-Tin get your measurements for your uniform?"

"She sure did. She's even having a couple of coveralls made in this new material for me, too. I believe the order for mine and Cassie's went out yesterday."

"Very good. I also wanted to know what code name you chose for yourself, assuming you did."

"Well, sir," Will rubbed the back of his neck. "That was a tough one. Everything I could come up with seemed to me to be a bit - well, showy. Or it would identify me to anyone who has known me before. So I finally decided that my code name should be what I'm here to do. I chose 'Mechanic'. Will that work?"

"That's fine, Will. 'Mechanic' it is, and I'll log it as such. I'll also let the rest of the team know."

"Okay, sir. Is there anything else?"

"Not at the moment. You go ahead; I'm sure you've got things to do. I'll contact you if I need you back."

"Thank you, sir." Will stood up and left the room.

Posted by hobbeth on January 24, 2008

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