**ZERO POINT 5%**

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*“We, at this period live in a time where the divide between rich and poor continues to grow. As we travel through time, I’m of the opinion that there will come a point whereby power of rule will be removed from those that have exercised it for centuries and placed back into our hands from where it stems.”*

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**Prelude**

In June 3010, there took place the only effective, sustained revolt in the chronicles of Human history. It is the first instance of an open cohesive global rebellion of the populous, and attended with such circumstances of destruction, as could not fail to leave a deep impression, not only upon the minds of all communities where this fearful tragedy was wrought, but throughout every portion of our green Earth.

They had exhausted all their options and had no choice but face the road to perdition. Before handing themselves into the authorities, Dacho thought it wise to signal a message to Malaise regarding their unfortunate situation. It was imperative the rest of the Great Mind Society members still in possession of their lives and freedom be shown the conspiracy of their impending demise. This, Dacho thought, was the perfect opportunity to covertly obtain irrefutable evidence from their unsuspecting captors, presuming he managed to live long enough.

After having received the covert footage of operatives trying to take Dacho’s life along with a damming recording of the reason why, Malaise immediately releases this film onto the World Wide Web and it instantly goes viral. Within what appeared to be minutes, people all across the world had all taken to the streets and were with one voice demanding the removal of the existing Governing leaders to be replaced by elected Robots.

With some exceptions, most of these world leaders, including Monarchs across the globe refuse the prospects of life without power and rule, and so they all unexpectedly decide to collude and fight for the retention of the status quo.

With most of the Police and Security Forces on the side of the world wide up-rise, the government headquarters in each country are invaded in search of the leaders in question but to no avail. With the exception of six countries, the rest of the World Leaders, Monarchs, and Trillion-Air business men and women found within the upper echelon of the Zero Point 5% global population had somehow managed to evade capture.

Public curiosity had been on the stretch to understand the origin and progress of this seemingly impulsive conspiracy, and the motives which influenced its thespians. The governing powers who had over the years maintained their rule had failed to acknowledge and act on the expressed frustration of a progressing unfair society between the privileged and disadvantaged. Above and beyond the human ethics, concerns of the planets health had been neglected and paid little attention. For this incessant neglect and self-interest, the worlds’ tolerance level had reached boiling point and action to remove all government leaders in replace of robots was the new agenda.

As the world begins to absorb and recognize its new prospect after the sudden revolt, air and land drones unexpectedly appear simultaneously across European countries and North American States, striking and killing Human defensive soldiers and security forces before disconnecting the countries’ electricity supply.

These drones, being controlled by representatives of the Zero Point 5% are then posted around the countries strategic points with the purpose of preventing anyone from entering or leaving without permission from the Zero Point 5%.

**Insurrection**

While everything upon the surface of society wore a calm and peaceful aspect, while not one note of preparation was heard to warn the Zero Point 5% of their demise of power and rule, a gloomy fanatic was revolving in the subconscious recesses of the global publics own bewildered and overwrought minds, schemes of discriminate amputation of power from the status quo.

An era non like the past, where Human manual labor has been consigned to memory, almost all production is operated by robots. The gradual rise of robotic activity has been insidious and governments around the world have been negligent in their preparations for the advanced co-existence of Robots and Humans.

As a subsequent result of this neglect; Rash decisions had been made to counter the rising negative impacts to little or no avail, as the long term effects continued to hurdle over the horizon, leading to inflation, rising human unemployment, and a greatly reduced government budget in almost all countries. Given that robotic labor could be implemented around the clock in almost all industries, production of goods and services was at a record level high, but the sale of goods and services was at a rapid decline due to the rising unemployment levels. Transportation had been greatly improved as people could independently travel from A to B using advanced personal hover crafts that could be called upon at any time.

With the exception of a few third world countries, population levels in all countries had rose to capacity, leading to construction of further properties to compensate for the rising demand. As construction continues, remaining land space is reduced to 5 % in major European countries and in most American States.

Adding to this problem was the manifestation of the climate change impacts that experts had over the years urged governments to act on. The effects of these warnings were undisputedly gaining momentum as the only thing on most peoples’ minds was ‘how to get hold of sufficient water’. Sanitation had become a problem due to the increase in the extreme abrupt weather conditions.

Most world leaders and other wealthy power thirsty moguls within the Zero Point 5% had over the years inherently continued to use their positions to nourish their self-interest, under the pretext of looking after their countries. Almost all the major water companies, agricultural land and properties were owned by the Zero Point 5% affiliates.

With the population at record high levels combined with no signs of improvement on the Earths lifespan, the Zero Point 5% devised a scheme whereby they would prepare to flee to an alternate Planet which had recently been discovered as being a potential host for Human life. Realizing that all Earths inhabitants would not be able to be included on this interstellar voyage, steps are taken to conceal this agenda from public view.

With ever more increasing dim prospects of life, tolerance levels of further government promises are on the brink of erasure. People in all global countries are fearful of the future and in search of hope. Crimes become more prevalent as society struggles to maintain order and calm.

Unsuspecting countries in the northern hemisphere begin to become unstable as water levels continue to rise, The Land mass on some of the smaller Island countries has almost been submerged, forcing the inhabitants to seek asylum from larger neighboring countries – which are also unstable as it’s only a matter of time before the sea water levels too breach their shores.

Division between rich and poor continues to stretch further apart given the declining prospects of Human employment. As time wears on, more people anxious for answers and untrusting of traditional News feeds begin to take investigative measures. Evidence subsequently emerges, clarifying long held suspicion of the negligent lack of planning by world Government Leaders.

The governments, sensing an outbreak of distrust from the public, counter the accusation by laying blame on the continuous production on robots. Suggesting and proposing to Inn-Act a bill to end all private production of robots without signed government sanctions.

Received as a worrying and divisive declaration from the government, a Televised Emergency Summit organized by the ‘Great Minds’, (a group that had established themselves over the years as guardians of Earth and Humanity) was held. Included within the group were all the living great minds of Earth including Scientists, Philosophers and Doctors. The Summit was held in a secret location although all proceedings were streamed live to the world. The main focus on the agenda was to debate and establish ways of derailing the Earths demise as well as building a farer society for all global citizens.

After a marathon of 2 weeks, a conclusion was reached with majority rule; in favor of electing a robot whose only purpose would be to analyze all options before choosing the best path in respect to preserving and extending Human life and knowledge, as well as finding solutions to overcome any potential conflicts that may lead to unnecessary war.

The logic and hope behind this principle was that the Earth and its citizens would be more at odds with a more sustained prosperous future, should all countries have an elected impartial selfless robot - programmed to look after the earth and all humanity first, before focusing its attention on the country it presides over.

The critical fine print was that these robots would not have the capabilities of carrying out any of the suggestions or answers they would provide. It would be up to the elected Humans in Governance to take the provided results from the Robots and either act on it, or explain clearly a more beneficial route.

With implausible high public approval all across the globe for this idea, current governing forces see in this an end to their continual rule. Covert silent attempts are thus made to curve this idea and dissuade the public from buying into it. With most of the world news and media outlets owned by the Zero Point 5%, the elite begin to realize that their slow demise would be upon them should an impartial Robot be elected into position of rule. As if with one mind, an onslaught of negativity around the proposal begins to emerge via all major News outlets.

The Great Minds are aware of the purpose behind the media coverage; and so a direct to public internet channel is created whereby unfiltered reports and updates regarding the Emergency Summit proposal could be streamed to the public.

As the blitz of negativity continues to spread around the proposal, the population at large appears to show no signs of waver as the approval ratings continue to rise. The Zero Point 5% affiliates therefore decide to take further steps to erase the minds behind this notion.

The Great Minds, having anticipated that such a thing may happen, had already taken steps to preside in unknown locations while noting their public residencies as decoys. With this wise forethought, a number of lives escape death from undercover agents.

As a secretly recorded video showcasing the attempted murder of three experts that were part of the Emergency Summit emerges, it instantly goes viral. Within minutes, people from all countries take to the streets with anger and vigor, in demand for the ousting and revamp of government officials. The Police Force and most government security forces are reluctant to follow instructions on preventing the people from protesting as they too are enraged and frustrated.

World leaders are caught off guard and some are apprehended for questioning. Those who had more time to react in response to this sudden up-rise surely made Houdini proud, as the disappearing acts that were carried out appeared untraceable.

A number of isolated looting incidents occur within the revolt. As the revolt spreads worldwide, as the mass citizens demand with one voice an end to the continuous selfish leaders; the collective Human spirit is captured as cohesion and support for one another amalgamates within the people. Government headquarters are barricaded and manned by Human security as most Robotic security had been preprogramed under previous Government orders. With concerns that the security robots could be issued instructions by the absconded Zero Point 5%, people are on the defensive and weary of all robotic interaction.

This unexpected global upheaval subsequently leads to most countries being devoid of law and order. As a result, the military outfits in most countries take it upon themselves to intervene by introducing curfews. A global 48 hour rule-of-chaos ensues as frustration leads people to take advantage of the lack of law and order. The impact of this chaos is minimized greatly due to the globalization of robotic networks and infrastructure. Transportation was made difficult by the halt of all transportation modes, including driverless cars, personal hovercrafts, trains and planes.

As the search continues for the wanted government leaders, The Great Minds issue a global public statement urging people to restrain from violent acts and to return to normality, temporal intervening leaders are introduced in each country, and all publicly acknowledge the expressed frustration as they vow to work with the Great Minds to establish the best way forward.

After a 48 hour storm of chaos, things begin to slowly return to a level of normality, a new sense of hope can be seen on the faces of people worldwide. Televised meeting are consistently held to debate the next steps. Deliberations ‘For’ and ‘Against’ the introduction of representative robots are put forward.

After two consecutive weeks of talks, the global public is asked to vote on whether they would like to have an introduction of impartial representative robots or not.

With the exception of some third world countries, almost all Human beings had inserted within them an implant which was linked to the World Wide Human Radar – used to record and keep watch over the total number of people on Earth. With this implant, people could simply use their personal pin to log into their Human Account and cast their vote.

As the voting window comes to an end, an overwhelming number of people are in favor of the representative robots. And so as the search continues for the escaped Government Officials, with this result begins the formal process of programming the Government Robots in question.

**Total Chaos - War for Power**

Leading international corporations worldwide oppose this idea but with overwhelming global pressure, they are powerless to prevent the imminent shift of power. As competition for the production of robots was minimal, only three companies were able to tender their bids for production Rights. These bids were expressly denied as unbeknown to the corporations, the Great Minds had already selected a body with a proven track record of ethics to design and program the Robots in question.

Sensing their demise, a number of large international corporation bureaucrats form an allegiance with the absconded Government Officials to regain their power and rule over Earth. As they conspire to launch their first attack, all technological mainframe systems that provide programming instructions – necessary for robotic production become disconnected and restricted.

Access to a network of special tools and equipment required for production is on lockdown and guarded by the Zero Point 5% Robots, which are programmed to prevent access by any means, including death. As the military offer their service to join the hunt for the absconded officials, they prepare and engage plans to combat and protect civilians from potential threats.

Robotic military drones begin to concurrently appear throughout American states and most European countries, targeting and killing humans and robots attempting to guard and protect the robot manufacturing plants. Caught off guard, the battle for these plants quickly reaches an end as the Zero Point 5% seizes control.

With a large number of Human deaths caught in the crossfire indirectly and directly. The Zero Point 5% affirm their position as the enemy of the world, to the point where most extremist fundamentals begin to offer their support and service to the world.