

Handout #1

**Internal Security Report MD-ISR-334R5R-1: CONFIDENTIAL
Subject: Dr. Luis LaMarche Disappearance Investigation**

MD Security has located and taken care of an underground hacker going by the alias of "Mad Dog." This hacker has been identified as the subject that illegally removed Dr. LaMarche's IDTag from his body and faked his DNA fingerprints, thus making it impossible for us to locate him by the usual methods.

Based on local conduct pattern investigation MD Security concludes that Luis LaMarche has left Earth for an unknown destination. It is therefore necessary to activate procedures to continue the search on the other Worlds as well as on space stations and other remote locations.

All agents are reminded that because of the information he carries the suspect represents a maximum security risk. All MaxDigital Security agents must work to find him whatever the cost and eliminate him on sight, as well as anyone else he may have been in contact with.

Suzanne,

I'm sorry for making you jump through hoops like this, but I can't think of a safer (or more bizarre) place to store information in than this. I've found something really bad while working at Max Digital Corp, and I think the Circle should get involved right away. I wish I could offer you proof, but I can't. Your experts at the Circle can, though: There's a protected file in my virtual study inside Max Digital Corp's V-World Research Extranet. Since it's a secure V-World, it forbids taking documents out of it, but I'm sure if someone from your team gets in and reads it, they'll find a way to act on it.

Below this note you'll see several digital tags. I'm sure your Assistant can scan them and thus take them back to the real world. They will provide everything you need to enter the Max Digital Extranet and get the information you need.

Again, I'm sorry for this mess. Hopefully I'm as paranoid as ever and you'll laugh at me about this, again.

Love,

Luis

