The Perfect US Deep State Operation

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<u>Logline</u>

The extended existence of the Gulf War II is not due to the assumed reasons; it is rather the result of the gross administrative and personnel incompetence and grand theft of properties by high-ranking United States Politicians through their ring of thieves.

Character Description

Leonard Le Blanc is the protagonist of the story. He is a security technician employed by Kellog, Brown & Roots, KBR Services, Inc., and is stationed at Camp prosperity. One of the brave and honest men at the camp. He is the most senior security technician of the three available at the military camp and is set to expose the theft of properties going on in the camp. He faces opposition from different departments of his employer and colleagues, but with the support of some few brave men in camp prosperity, he gets to the root of the property disappearance but also uncovers other truths.

Kenneth Anderson is the KBR security coordinator sent to relieve Le Blanc. He stops all investigation into the theft and does what he can with RC to help the fired workers get back their access cards.

Robert Burns, also called Bobby, is the Camp manager at Camp Prosperity, where Le Blanc is. He had been the Camp Manager for a while at Camp Hope when Le Blanc was stationed there.

Remo Butler is a retired US Army Special Forces Brigadier General. He is the Deputy Project Manager for KBR and Program Manager for Kuwait, CVS. He is the man high up who takes care of people sniffing around about the theft going on in the camp.

R.C. Calligan is a KBR Security Technician, a subordinate to Le Blanc, but is a member of the theft ring in Camp Prosperity.

Russell Hill is the HVAC Department Manager. He is largely involved in the theft that is going on in Camp Prosperity and is involved in a relationship with the HR Representative

Patricia Murphy is the HR Representative involved in a romantic relationship with Russell Hill. She accuses Le Blanc of using rumors in his investigation, and he is only fishing for Russell and Michael.

Tim Knisley is a KBR Security Tech, Le Blanc's colleague, and the one who reports LeBlanc for disposing of outdated Army regulations in his office.

Jessie Rich is Le Blanc's boss. He receives IR from Le Blanc and is the one the protagonist hands over his investigation to.

Michael Peters is KBR HVAC Deputy Manager. He is in cohorts with Russell Hill.

Joseph Saladino is the DCMA Representative who photographs the theft of the A/C units and records the license plate number of the two taxis that took the A/C units out of the camp. He also identifies Russell Hill as one of those present at the exchange.

Lynn Summerville is the Area Manager of the PowerGen Department, the former Department Manager of PowerGen in Camp Prosperity. He is the leader of the theft ring in the PowerGen Department in Camp Prosperity.

Three-Act Summary

Act One

- Le Blanc is the regional manager for a Kuwaiti company in Iraq that provides different forms of services ranging from plumbing to electricity, carpentry, and other forms of services to the NGOs, British, and the United States military forces private firms may need. He worked for Combat Support Associates Ltd but was fired due to his incessant complaints and reportage of theft and fraud committed by the company. He gets the Kuwaiti company up and running in Iraq and blends well with the locals by following his employees' advice. However, while on vacation to Canada, he is replaced by an Iraqi national and only gets to know about it through the KBR Site Manager.
- Le Blanc goes to Germany from Canada, but no jobs are forthcoming. However, he gets hired by KBR after about one year, when someone puts in a good word for him. He goes to the KBR training course in Houston, Texas.
- The KBR training lasts two weeks, and he heads to Baghdad, where he meets JT—the only security technician competent to be in the department. They are both the most hardworking personnel in their department while others, as he soon realized, are not qualified to be in the department and lacked the required experience, including their boss, Jessie Rich.
- Le Blanc meets Frank Russel, who informs him of his reassignment out of Baghdad International Airport to his displeasure. However, Le Blanc finds out his reassignment was as a result of a promise Frank made to one of his buddies, Tyrome Tukes in Sadr, who switched places with Le Blanc.
- Le Blanc gets a lift in spirit when he realizes he's been reassigned to one of the hotspots, which he has always wanted. While he waits for the resumption of his new assignment post, he continues work in CVN. He pulls eighteen three-hour shifts every week, sometimes more. The other security technicians as hardworking as Le Blanc are

Jeff Fusco and JT. They inspect vehicles that come into the camp for contrabands.

- On Le Blanc's last working day in CVN, the vehicle inspections are relaxed from every vehicle to every third vehicle and then every sixth vehicle. Le Blanc begins to feel a certain way about his transfer, as though he were going to go missing. He is at the transportation point before schedule and screams his destination at the second chopper that meets him there.
- They reach his destination, and he asks around to be sure he is not lost. He locates the KBR Operations after asking around and wonders at the massiveness of the camp. He is shocked when he gets informed that the person he is supposed to relieve is not in that camp. He is in a Green Zone, contrary to the hotspot he had realized he was going to. He was in the wrong camp, after all.

Act Two

- Le Blanc is taken to the right camp the following day, and he confirms he is in the right place when an RPG missed the chopper that brought him and hit a camp wall. He meets Tyrone Tukes, who shows him everything there is to see in the camp. A new Camp manager comes in every other month, and one of those is Robert Burns.
- The camp is too close, and Frank tells Le Blanc to pick a destination camp. He is transferred to Camp Prosperity against his will. He knows he will have a hard time fitting in there if what he has heard of the place is true.
- He is informed of the shortage of bunks and his temporary room. The man who checks him in sees that he is in security and informs him of the constantly missing A/C units, and he promises to get back to him on the matter. On his walk-rounds, an Iraqi foreman employed by an IPBD company informs him of the theft of PowerGen Equipment, tools, and other generator sets. He decides to visit the foreman's company manager to make more findings when two security

- technicians, his colleagues—R.C Calligan and Tim Knisley—Intercepts him.
- Le Blanc's two security colleagues get him a vehicle to ease his camp supervision. He wonders how just three of them should cover the security of the camp. He begins his work by cleaning up their offices. He removes many outdated army regulations and confidential files and gets confronted by Tim Knisley. He receives a call from Jessie Rich chastising him for his action. He deduces that Tim has reported him. He decides to be careful with his colleagues. They will do anything to get him fired.
- He visits the HR department to address an issue with his passport but gets a threat from Patricia Murphy. She warns him against speaking about his preliminary investigation with anyone. She goes further to tell him she has been getting reports from people concerning his investigation on the HVAC Department and Russel Hill, its manager. He wonders how she gets what she's talking about since he has not begun an investigation on HVAC. She hides under the ruse that she's protecting KBR from legal suits that may cost them millions of dollars if he uses innuendos and false statements against employees.
- Le Blanc meets Robert Burns, the Camp Manager. He has worked with him in Camp Hope. He knows Bobby Burns is a man who values his honor. He decides to keep him abreast of his findings, not that it was required; it will be nice to have someone on his side. Bobby mentions the theft of some A/C units as filed by a DCMA representative. The representative takes photographs of the exchange and records the plate number of the taxis involved. The misconduct is traced to the HVAC shop, and the interview that follows has Russel Hill, Patricia Murphy, and himself in attendance.
- He goes to the IPBD company manager's office and realizes there are two of them. Both complain they have lost control of their workers, and things are being stolen. They had reported to KBR, and all investigations into it had been stopped. They point out that the theft is not limited to only Camp Prosperity but throughout the Green Zone. They

explain that the items are stolen by a huge thieving ring called Hausassem. They also inform him that they have all the info they do because they have honest insiders who tell them R.C. Calligan is usually at the theft operation meetings.

- Le Blanc explains how the managers can have control of their workers back. They agree to his plan, but he asks them to let him run the plan by Bobby Burns first. When Bobby agrees, he returns to the managers to carry on with the plan.
- The managers implement the plan, and information about the theft and how it is done begins to flow from the workers. They explain that many KBR managers and employees are involved in the theft, and their leader is the former PowerGen Department Manager, Lynn Summerville. He is now the Area manager of the same department. He uses other workers in the department to remove generator sets, lighting, and other parts and tools. They take them away from the Green Zone and go to sell them in the black market at higher prices.
- Le Blanc meets with Saladino, the man who took the photograph of the A/C units' theft. He corroborates Bobby Burns' story and confirms the investigation has been shut down despite the accuracy of the information he presented. Le Blanc tells Saladino he is looking into HVAC and Russel Hill.
- He sees KBR work vehicles in the camp in compromising positions, with their keys in their ignition, despite the fact that they contain valuable artifacts. He collects the items and the keys and leaves a note that they should be retrieved from Bobby's office. Soon, there are no vehicle doors left open and keys left in the ignition.
- With the help of an employee of IBPD, Le Blanc unravels the theft operation in the HVAC. He also finds out the link between the thieving ring that exists in the Green Zone and the Hausassem. Investigations are going fine with one of the IBPD employees arrested. However, Patricia Murphy keeps impeding an investigation into Russel Hill's activities.

Jessie Rich condemns Le Blanc for investigating Russel, but JT provides information about the romance between Russel and Patricia. There's also the problem of stepping on Remo Butler's toes.

Act Three

- Le Blanc leaves the investigation of the taxi drivers involved in the theft of the A/C units caught on a photograph to the Camp Manager. The drivers give up Michael Peters, and hopefully, he will crack and give up Russel Hill. However, another thief exists in the PowerGen Department. He steals from Lynn Summerville, and the latter wants him arrested by the Iraqi Police, hence, involving RC, who informs Le Blanc.
- Le Blanc meets Lynn Summerville and informs him of the theft in his former department. He denies knowledge of it, but on presentation of statements that mention him, he changes tack and blames the theft on the Iraqis. Troy Williams is arrested with a truck full of US Army property in an unauthorized area. However, RC also passes the information on to Le Blanc concerning Remo Butler, promising to take care of him.
- Michael Peters cracks and implicates Russell Hill, who is invited in for questioning but is released for some reason. However, an anonymous person in PowerGen Department decides to give a verbal statement detailing the inner workings of the theft ring in the department. His statement implicates Michael Peters, Troy Williams, and Lynn Summerville. He also exposes that a deal exists between Lynn Summerville and another employee, Leath Shea. They deduct \$2 from each worker's daily wage. This is what funds the buy-back in the black market.
- Le Blanc regularly informs Jessie Rich on the progress of the investigation and other activities his department is involved in. He states that more confidential sources have come forward, implicating Michael Peters and Russel Hill in the theft of US Army properties. He also informs his boss

that he expects Kenneth Anderson to arrive by the end of the month as he is backlogged. He also reiterates that he believes he has enough to put Lynn Summerville down. He requests permission to conduct an investigation that is interconnected and overlapping in their present investigation, involving many departments of the Police and Army. He states they will actively continue the investigation until relieved by a higher authority.

- Ken Anderson arrives at Camp Prosperity and assumes head of the Security department. He informs le Blanc to shut down all his investigations and begins to reshape the important things they should focus on. Le Blanc disagrees with most of Anderson's plot and decides his time there is up.
- JT comes down to Camp Prosperity. He visits the different spots in the camp with Le Blanc, but Anderson is absent. He sees the detail of the investigation Le Blanc is leading. He understands the same problem is going on in other camps in Iraq.
- The IPBD managers call Le Blanc and inform him that Anderson and RC want to keep the badges of the fired workers to invite them back in for questioning. RC was in a meeting that was held the previous night, according to their informant. The badges will not be destroyed, they will be returned to the workers, and they can come in freely.
- With investigations getting out of le Blanc's hands, he doubles up with JT, and with the help of Saladino's testimony, they involve the right authorities. Jessie Rich wants the investigation done and concluded. Le Blanc compiles all reports and statements. He is about to head out for his R&R in less than two weeks. He notifies Jessie Rich that he has sent the detailed statement of everyone questioned, and it is to be delivered by hand. He is done.