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This is a short adventure for Wrath and Glory designed for Tier 3 or 4 agents, tasked with recovering a vital 'navigational asset' from the grips of a Chaos Sorcerer and his warband. In fact, the 'navigational asset' is an enclave of the Silent Order, whom the Rogue Trader Jackel Varonius hoped could aid in getting a message out of Gilead by calming a path through Cicatrix Maledictum. Unfortunately all but one of the Null-Maidens, a Prosecutor known as Eskar Sylian, are dead, slain by the forces of Chaos. Eskar puts up a valiant last stand, but she is sure to be overwhelmed soon if not relieved.

## THE FORSAKEN SYSTEM

The Gilead System is an Imperial outpost caught in the grip of the Cicatrix Maledictum. Three solar years after being cut off from the wider Imperium the fleet of a lone Rogue Trader, Jakel Varonius, arrived in the system. Varonius bears a Warrant of Trade granting him authority over the system, and enough of a fleet to mean he cannot be ignored. While the relief was welcomed by many, Varonius himself has proved to be a controversial figure. Certain factions in Gilead are unwilling to surrender their authority to him, and a civil war is possible, if not likely.

In the midst of all of this, Xenos forces gather strength for their own inscrutable purposes, and the forces of The Archenemy remain an ever present threat. Varonius lost a good portion of his fleet navigating the warp storms that engulf Gilead — if he is to have any hope of unifying and defending the system, reinforcements must be found.

To this end he has identified an 'artefact' that may help in traversing the Cicatrix Maledictum and carrying a plea for aid out of Gilead. To retrieve it, he will need the assistance of a group of competent Agents drawn from any faction willing to lend their aid.

## ADVENTURE SUMMARY

The artefact in question is no piece of dark age technology, but in fact an enclave of the Silent Sisterhood. Varonius has learned that in great numbers, the mere presence of enough Blanks can project a null-field capable of repelling the Emyrean itself. He is unsure if enough of the Sisters reside in Gilead to make this possible, but the possibility is too tantalising not to investigate further.

The enclave in Gilead has been hidden away for millennia on Plinio, a minor moon of the Agriworld Ostia. The Null-Maidens have maintained this outpost since arriving there with the Gilead Crusade, having lent their clandestine aid to efforts to reclaim the system from its heretical infestation. The order would have been content to remain there in secrecy, serving out their ancient duties to the Emperor in diligent silence, had not word of the Dispensatus Anathema reached them via the Varonius Flotilla. Called to open service of the Emperor once more, the Sisterhood declared itself the Vigil of Gilead, and reached out to the fleet to offer their aid.

