

Administrator: Someone has been hacking into the computer systems that run the automated farming equipment on a number of different industrial farms. They've done a lot of damage as farming equipment destroys crops and damages other equipment.

Army Officer: Intelligence suggests the Pirnath are considering an invasion of Bitan due to their lack of adequate food supplies. The Army is willing to hire ship crews to visit Pirnath and collect information on any fleet that appears to be gathering there.

Arsonist: A number of large fires have been set around a particular region of farmland, and the local authorities are asking for help to put them and search for whoever is starting the fires.

Assassin: A traveler buys passage to Bitan on the PCs ship. Within a day of landing on the planet, the traveler assassinates a head of one of the large industrial farms. The authorities come to the PCs looking for information on the assassin.

Avenger: A former farmer who lost his shares in one of the mid-size industrial farms to a rival takeover is looking to ruin the person who organized the coup. He doesn't have much money, but he can show the PCs a number of families that were harmed by this person.

Clerk: A collective of Free Traders is intimidating local farmers into selling their crops only to their members at cut-rate prices. It's getting hard for non-aligned traders to get shipping work on Bitan if they are not stopped.

Courier: The courier has been hired to deliver an important package from a noble in Bitan to a noble on Quarlsbury. However, a number of thugs hired by the Rynbury family are trying to intercept the courier and steal the package before it reaches its destination.

Crewman: The last thing this crewman remembers is landing on Pirnath. But he woke up in the spaceport on Bitan and he can't remember the names or faces of his captain or the rest of the crew, or the name of his ship. He needs help tracking down his past.

Cutthroat: A collective of Free Traders is intimidating local farmers into selling their crops only to their members at cut-rate prices. It's getting hard for non-aligned traders to get shipping work on Bitan if they are not stopped.

Diplomat: A diplomat from Quarlsbury has come to Bitan to talk to the Governor, but someone is trying to kill him before he reaches his destination. He's sending a decoy out with his security team, and he wants the PCs to take him to the meeting discreetly.

Émigré: A woman who has family trapped on Ungerhath is looking for help to get her family off that planet. She is destitute and desperate, and willing to do nearly anything to help her family.

Governor: The Governor has been threatened to not meet with a diplomat from Quarlsbury, and one of his aides contacts the PCs for their help in arranging a non-official, discreet meeting with the diplomat when he arrives on Bitan.

Hijacker: A woman who has family trapped on Ungerhath tries to hijack the PCs ship to get them to travel to that world so that she can bring out her family and start a new life somewhere else. She is destitute, and believes force is the only way to get what she wants.

Marine Officer: The Marine Officer was loaned out to the Bitan Army to help develop a training program for their soldiers. Now he is on his way back to the naval base on Voluntara.

Mercenary: The mercenary is on his way to Ungerhath due to the rumors of a possible civil war. The merc is willing to work for either side, and is looking for passage to the planet.

Mercenary: The mercenary is recruiting people to go work on Ungerhath for a contracted period of time. This merc is employed by the ruling class of Ungerhath and is unaware that they may have trouble paying him and anyone he recruits.

Merchant: A collective of Free Traders is intimidating local farmers into selling their crops only to their members at cut-rate prices. It's getting hard for non-aligned traders to get shipping work on Bitan if they are not stopped.

Navy Officer: This officer has come Bitan while on leave to visit his family who runs one of the large industrial farms. He is looking for passage back to the naval base on Voluntara as his leave is almost over.

Noble: Someone hacked into the central computer running the automated farming equipment and uploaded a virus—the computer is now acting strangely. [The computer has developed Artificial Intelligence and is trying to find a way out of the system.]

Peasant: A former farmer who lost his shares in one of the mid-size industrial farms to a rival takeover is looking to ruin the person who organized the coup. He doesn't have much money, but he can show the PCs a number of families that were harmed by this person.

Playboy: This man is on his way to Wembly, where he hopes to experience some of the pleasures on offer there. Unfortunately, he just lost his ship in a high-stakes poker game, and his crew has quit. He's still got too much money, and is looking for help.

Police: A traveler buys passage to Bitan on the PCs ship. Within a day of landing on the planet, the traveler assassinates a head of one of the large industrial farms. The authorities come to the PCs looking for information on the assassin.

Rumor: The Pirnath are getting desperate for food and no longer have the money to pay for it. They are preparing a full-scale invasion of Bitan, and will use their telepathic powers to compel everyone's surrender.

Rumor: Ungerhath is about to erupt in civil war. Anyone willing to ship weapons or supplies to the rebels could make some quick money, but it's not without danger.

Rumor: The Navy has begun to threaten planets that do not work with Stellar Systems Corp. in an attempt to intimidate them into cooperation. Someone needs to get a report back to the Federated Planets.

Scholar: A scholar from the Federated Planets is heading to Pirnath to study them, and he's willing to pay not just for passage, but for assistance in dealing with their local bureaucracy.

Scout: One of the scouts who was exploring the sub-sector directly to the "West" of the Draconem sub-sector has not reported in. Since no navy ship is nearby, they are willing to pay crews to check out the closest few systems to find their missing scout.

Scout: This scout has lost her ship in an accident, and is on her way to the Scout base on Galahad to get assigned to a new ship. She is looking for passage there.

Shipowner: A ship captain claims that the Pirnath kidnapped his crew and wiped his memory of them, but now the memories are starting to come back. He wants help to go find his crew on Pirnath.

Shopkeeper: A band of local thugs at the spaceport are shaking down the shopkeepers in the area, and they are looking for someone to help out. They are afraid to go to the authorities, as a few of the local police are in on the racket.

Smuggler: One of the local farmers is growing a high-quality narcotic on his lands and is looking for a safe way to get his product off the planet. The smuggler is looking for transport with discreet crews who are willing to operate outside the law.

Soldier: The soldier was part of the standing army on Ungerhath, and he went AWOL and fled the planet when he realized a civil war would require him to kill people for whom he felt only sympathy. Now, he's trying to decide what to do with his life.

Speculator: This man is watching the markets as the rumors of an impending Pirnath invasion spread, and the civil war on Ungerhath looms. He's willing to hire the PCs to transport cargo for him (weapons to Ungerhath, food and textiles to anywhere from Bitan).

Spy: A man working for Stellar Systems Corp. has been scouting out the prospects on Bitan, and trespassing where he doesn't belong to gather information. Local authorities are on to him, and he's now trying to get off planet discreetly and quickly.

Terrorist: Someone has been hacking into the computer systems that run the automated farming equipment on a number of different industrial farms. They've done a lot of damage as farming equipment destroys crops and damages other equipment.

Tourist: A wealthy tourist and his family is heading for Kabbulu to see the "plant people" who live there. The ship he hired to take them there has broken down and he's looking for a new crew to take over. The family, of course, is more headache than they're worth.
