

## **SeaQuest 2032**

### **"The Depths of Deceit"**

#### **Treatment**

With Larry Deon nearly dead, lying on a hospital bed somewhere, there is a vacuum in power at Deon International. Alexander Bourne is mounting a hostile take-over.

Captain Hudson discovers that Bourne is mounting the take-over to gain control of Barracuda, a high-tech "stealth" sub that Deon has secretly been developing for years... a sub that's more powerful than SeaQuest. With Barracuda in Macronesian hands, Bourne could conceivably regain dominance over the sea.

Hudson doesn't know how to battle proxies and stocks, but he knows someone who can -- his father, Charles Hudson, a global entrepreneur and power-broker whom Oliver hasn't talked to in two decades. A man who, incidentally, holds the largest share of Deon stock outside of Deon himself.

What we will discover is that Charles Hudson leaked the information about the Barracuda sub to Bourne, knowing that Bourne would mount a take-over and that Oliver would have to come to him for help... forcing a reconciliation Charles has sought for twenty years.

What Charles *doesn't* know is that Larry Deon is very much alive and very well -- and that he is actively manipulating Charles, Oliver and Bourne to get rid of them all. Deon has formed a secret alliance with General Stassi, promising him Barracuda, which will give Stassi the military might he needs to overthrow Bourne and take control of Macronesia himself.

Deon also frames Charles Hudson, making it look like Charles sold the Barracuda information to Bourne, committing treason against the UEO... and that Oliver was in on it. Charles is indicted, and Oliver is relieved of command of SeaQuest. With Barracuda under his control, Stassi plans to destroy SeaQuest then mount a coup.

The Hudsons have to reconcile their differences and prevent both the destruction of SeaQuest and a potential coup that could explode into global war.

Oliver and Charles take off in a shuttle, but are intercepted by Barracuda, which overwhelmingly outguns them. Using cunning and skill, they are able to elude Barracuda until SeaQuest comes to their aid. Teaming with SeaQuest, the Hudsons are able to destroy Barracuda.

Bourne remains in power, and Deon reclaims his company, but at least the world is at peace... and so are, after twenty years, Charles and Oliver Hudson.