

MetaDead
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From a chatroom transcript recorded on September 2, 2007:

- * Welcome to HorrorIRC Network
- * Now talking in #deadwriterssoc
- * Topic is 'IT'S ZERO HOUR - what are you doing here??'
- * Set by [MdmMurder](#) on Sun Sept 02 03:07:24

<[Darkling89](#)> my parents are freaking out upstairs
<[Darkling89](#)> what time is it in baghdad
<[Darkling89](#)> ?
<[SSgtEdge](#)> 13:00 - 1 in the afternoon
<[KevArt](#)> What're you doing in chat, Edge?
<[SSgtEdge](#)> Waiting for new orders, Kev. No one knows what to do, even if it's just confined to the Americas right now
<[KevArt](#)> I turned off all the lights and everything except the PC
<[KevArt](#)> I can hear sirens
<[Darkling89](#)> me too, I mean sirens
<[Darkling89](#)> where are you again kev?
<[KevArt](#)> Memphis
<[Darkling89](#)> i think my dad would rather have me down here in chat than looking out the windows...
<[KevArt](#)> The governor's sitting on his hands but martial law is pretty much happening anyway
<[SSgtEdge](#)> Darkling - your dad got any guns?
<[Darkling89](#)> idk

- * [JeffChargers](#) has joined #deadwriterssoc

<[Darkling89](#)> JEFF
<[KevArt](#)> Jeff are you ok?
<[JeffChargers](#)> guys
<[JeffChargers](#)> have you heard from Grim?
<[JeffChargers](#)> I'm OK
<[KevArt](#)> I figured Grim's with his wife and kids
<[JeffChargers](#)> yeah...I just hope people have time to check in
<[JeffChargers](#)> that's all I wanted to do
<[Darkling89](#)> glad you're ok :)
<[JeffChargers](#)> i'm still at the library. Lockdown
<[KevArt](#)> Good idea
<[KevArt](#)> I mean, rioters aren't going to hit the local library
<[JeffChargers](#)> god I hope not
<[Darkling89](#)> hope nobody is offended...have you seen one?
<[JeffChargers](#)> i've seen a few
<[KevArt](#)> None taken
<[KevArt](#)> No offense I mean...and yeah I've seen some at the end of the street
<[KevArt](#)> Just like our goddamn stories. JUST LIKE it.
<[KevArt](#)> Walking around in circles, stopping when they hear the sirens, moaning.
<[SSgtEdge](#)> I hope they send us home. The cops and National Guard can't hack this
<[KevArt](#)> I don't think anyone can.
<[Darkling89](#)> yeah I was about to say
<[Darkling89](#)> except us right?
<[JeffChargers](#)> i've actually thought about this before, what would happen. and i don't think being

a bunch of zombie writers prepared us at all for this. we make our own zombies. we write our own zero hour. this in real life...i don't feel like i know what to do or what's next. i don't feel like i have any control

<JeffChargers> hang on, yelling outside

<KevArt> Don't open your doors Jeff

<Darkling89> JEFF

<KevArt> He's afk already

<KevArt> Take it easy Darkling, it'll be okay

<Darkling89> we know what to do, we should be telling everybody!

<SSgtEdge> I think it's occurred to authorities to "shoot them in the head", etc - everybody knows zombies

<SSgtEdge> I really wish I was there.

* MdmMurder has joined #deadwriterssoc

<MdmMurder> Is everyone ok?

<Darkling89> hey!!

<JeffChargers> i'm fine Mdm, thanks

<JeffChargers> it was just some EMTs across the street, guys, they left

<KevArt> Hi Madam

<KevArt> I'm glad the hospitals are still running smooth in most places.

<Darkling89> my mom wants to go to the shelter but my dad says stay here...idk if we're gonna board up the house or what.

<KevArt> Do you have food storage? Supplies to get by?

<KevArt> Did anybody put together Edge's zombie survival kit?

<SSgtEdge> Ha

<JeffChargers> i actually did, doubles well as a emergency kit for tornado season.

<SSgtEdge> Really?

<JeffChargers> but it's at home

<JeffChargers> yeah, it wasn't a bad idea. one of my favorite things about your last story

<MdmMurder> I've got one. I'm down in my cellar. We refurbished it as a bomb shelter and got some supplies down here before Ted died. Now I can't get in touch with either of my kids. I just want to know that they and my grandbabies are all right.

<Darkling89> sorry Mdm... :(

<SSgtEdge> Can you reach em online?

<MdmMurder> Having no luck over here with e-mail. Phones are already down and I'm worried about internet going next

* SSgtEdge has quit IRC (session terminated by client)

<Darkling89> oh god

<KevArt> Edge is in Iraq, he's fine

<Darkling89> i hope he comes back

<KevArt> fuck

<KevArt> A couple of them are coming toward my house

<Darkling89 > turnof f the lighths!!!!

<KevArt> They're off

<MdmMurder> Kevin, just be quiet. Stay out of the window.

<KevArt> Funny I'm still bothering with grammar over here, I just deleted half a sentence and fixed it

<JeffChargers> Kev, what do they look like?

<KevArt> They're greenish. I think maybe it's just the lack of light, I don't know. Two guys in regular clothes. Jackets. Greenish skin and their eyes...don't really have any detail. They're just black.

<Darkling89> jesus

<KevArt> They're in the front yard, kinda moving toward the door

<KevArt> He's trying the knob. I've got it double bolted
<JeffChargers> kevin?
<Darkling89> i im'd him on msn and he's not saying anything
<JeffChargers> Mdm, message him on IRC
<MdmMurder> I already did. Just wait.
<Darkling89> ir's been a couoplke minutes
<Darkling89> sorry im seriously shaking
<KevArt> I'm OK
<Darkling89> thank god!!
<JeffChargers> what happened?
<KevArt> They went around back. I'm not gonna leave the room to see what they're doing. They can't get in without making some noise.
<JeffChargers> brb
<Darkling89> why jeff?
<KevArt> I've got my Colt if they get in
<MdmMurder> CNN's showing the riots in LA
<MdmMurder> Half of those people are still living...they're all getting shot
<KevArt> Change it to BBC
<KevArt> If you have it
<KevArt> Outbreak at Heathrow Airport
<Darkling89> in englad??
<KevArt> It's going global.
<Darkling89> england*
<Darkling89> holy shit
<KevArt> bbc.com
<MdmMurder> When is the President supposed to say something?
<KevArt> It was already supposed to be on but no one knows what the fuck

* xXxGrimxXx has joined #deadwriterssoc

<Darkling89> GRIM!
<KevArt> Jack is your family all right?
<MdmMurder> Jack thank God
<xXxGrimxXx> si bd
<xXxGrimxXx> bad
<KevArt> What is?
<Darkling89> Grim
<xXxGrimxXx> si gk gkot
<xXxGrimxXx> bite
<MdmMurder> no
<KevArt> Jack, you're bit? You got bit? Y for yes
<xXxGrimxXx> yt
<KevArt> Where are you? You need to go to the hospital. Is Shelley there? Put her on the computer.
<xXxGrimxXx> no shellyds gone
<xXxGrimxXx> dead
<Darkling89> img etting my dad
<xXxGrimxXx> kikds too
<xXxGrimxXx> ksis want in.i wont letm they
<MdmMurder> I'm calling the police in Raleigh
<MdmMurder> Are you at home Jack?
<xXxGrimxXx> fels liek myb loods is goinin turn ihnto mud
<Darkling89> This is Ryan's Dad, Ryan can't talk anymore

* Darkling89 has quit IRC

<KevArt> JACK
<KevArt> Are you at home?
<MdmMurder> do you know his address keb
<KevArt> no
<KevArt> JACK
<xXxGrimxXx> ineed mykids
<KevArt> DONT LET THEM IN
<KevArt> DONT OPEN THE DOOR JACK
<KevArt> DONT OPEN THE DOOR JACK

* KevArt was kicked from #deadwriterssoc by IRCop (flooding)

<MdmMurder> FUCK YOU!!!
<MdmMurder> JACK!
<MdmMurder> KEEP TYPIG PLEASE
<MdmMurder> JACK

* KevArt has joined #deadwriterssoc

<KevArt> JACK
<MdmMurder> JACK
<MdmMurder> he's not there
<MdmMurder> last thing he said
<MdmMurder> <xXxGrimxXx> ineed mykids
<KevArt> jesus fuck
<KevArt> did you get the cops?
<MdmMurder> I called but I don't know his address!
<MdmMurder> they HUNG UP
<MdmMurder> FUCK YOU
<KevArt> Mary calm down please.
<KevArt> Where's Jeff?
<KevArt> I'll IM him
<KevArt> @ Mary: we're secure, we're okay, all we can do is take care of ourselves. Jeff needs to come back and say something
<MdmMurder> I'm the only other one here Kevin
<KevArt> No Jeff's there he just left for a second.
<MdmMurder> A SECOND?
<KevArt> He's al his library, they've got security systems and shit he's fine, he's the fuckngf librariamn
<KevArt> librarian*
<KevArt> fuck it
<xXxGrimxXx> etuytrwj rm,kuL{l
<KevArt> Jack?
<MdmMurder> JACK?
<MdmMurder> God they're on the keyboard
<xXxGrimxXx> hf'km YU
<xXxGrimxXx> F"J

* xXxGrimxXx was kicked from #deadwriterssoc by MdmMurder

<MdmMurder> they were killing him on the keyboard
<KevArt> stop
<KevArt> stop

<KevArt> stop
<KevArt> Just don't. He's gone
<MdmMurder> IM Jeff?
<KevArt> no answer

* Man_In_Black has joined #deadwriterssoc

<Man_In_Black> who's here
<KevArt> me
<MdmMurder> me Brian
<MdmMurder> jack is dead he just died right here IN HERE
<Man_In_Black> where's jeff
<JeffChargers> I'm ok!!!!
<KevArt> THANK YOU JEFF
<MdmMurder> where were you?????????????
<JeffChargers> backdoor problems
<JeffChargers> the actual backdoor thqanks
<JeffChargers> what happened to Jack?
<MdmMurder> just scroll up
<Man_In_Black> ok, i'm putting out a serious offer here. my rig is ready to go and i know you all live along Highway 40 so I'll come get you
<Man_In_Black> I've got guns out my ass and I just killed my goddamn brotherinlaw and I mean itwho's in let's go
<KevArt> Brian how far are you from Memphis
<Man_In_Black> 3 hrs on these shit roads
<KevArt> I can pick up Mary before then. Where can we meet you
<MdmMurder> No
<MdmMurder> I'm staying in case my kids call
<KevArt> Mary - Your cell! Your laptop!
<MdmMurder> They might come here
<KevArt> I'll come to your house. Brian can you meet us there it's just off of 40 at Lewisburg, you know where Mary's house is right?
<Man_In_Black> yeah from zombcon in KY 05
<KevArt> Let's do this. Jeff.
<MdmMurder> he's readinf about Jack
<JeffChargers> i'm here.
<JeffChargers> in Pennsylvania
<JeffChargers> forget me guys
<Man_In_Black> we'll come up and get you
<JeffChargers> i'm staying in the library
<KevArt> WHY?
<KevArt> ...
<JeffChargers> i got bit back before i closed her down
<JeffChargers> its been like three hours i don't feel any different but
<MdmMurder> oh god Jeff I'm so, so, sorry
<Man_In_Black> Jeff.
<KevArt> I'm sorry I yelled (typed) jessu i'm sorry Jeff
<JeffChargers> i wrote a story one time about zombies in the library and it was based on this library
<JeffChargers> its happening
<KevArt> What do you mean?
<JeffChargers> breaking glass
<JeffChargers> i need to go sit in the mensroom
<JeffChargers> i love you guys and i love my family and i love god

* JeffChargers has quit IRC

<Man_In_Black> i'm gonna get in my truck

<KevArt> I'm coming to your house Mary. You've got the bomb shelter there, we'll wait for Brian/MIB in his rig ok?

<MdmMurder> I hope Ryan is ok, and Edge and everyone

*MdmMurder sets topic to 'SEEK SHELTER, PRAY'

<KevArt> I'm coming over Mary.

<MdmMurder> k

* KevArt has quit IRC

<Man_In_Black> 3 hours. I'll pull right up to your door

<MdmMurder> ok

<Man_In_Black> sit tight with Kevin. I'll have a few with me. Get your phone and laptop ready and we'll be OK

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