

HEADQUARTERS OF ANTARES, OHIO BRANCH, FEBRUARY 13TH, 8:00 AM EDT

One of the walls of the spacious conference room is taken up by a big screen. It displays images from a similar room, located nearly 500 miles away, creating the impression of looking into a huge mirror. At the end of the table you can see the figure of a grizzled and wrinkled man sitting in a wheelchair. He has been discussing current affairs with the heads of individual departments for fifteen minutes, until at last he turns to you.

"Finally, I welcome the branch in Cleveland, which has recently started to represent the agency's interests in the Midwest. I won't take any more of your time. I give the floor to Director Rowland," he adds with a smile.

"Thank you, Director Delaware," says a beaming Olivia Rowland, your immediate supervisor. "Yesterday evening the local police station received a call reporting the death of a young woman. The person reporting the finding, John Smitty, claimed that he had found the woman's body in the house on 602 Dawnview Street. The door was wide open, so he looked inside and then called 911. Our colleagues from the police went to the scene and confirmed what the witness reported. They secured the area, and the forensic scientists have been working there since this morning. According to the preliminary information, the victim was shot with a gun.

It also came to our attention that a couple of years back this address was linked to another case, a fire that caused the death of a married couple, and the sudden disappearance of their daughter. The case was highly publicised for a while, but then suddenly all grew quiet and died out. That's why Antares was asked to help with this case. Maybe the murder is somehow linked to the fire and the disappearance of the girl. Investigating team, please deliver a report in two days.

### ▶ PREPARING THE CASE

Move the Time marker to 9:00 am.

Add3 ★ (Authority tokens) to the Token pool.

### ▶ GOAL OF THE CASE

Find out who murdered the woman. Discover the motive.

### ▶ TIME LIMIT

The Investigation Team has three full days to solve the case and prepare the preliminary report.

### ▶ STRESS LIMIT

The Stress limit for this case is 3.

### FURTHER LEADS

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- ▶ Interrogation of John Smitty - **#601 – Fieldwork**
- ▶ Crime scene inspection - **#602 – Fieldwork**
- ▶ Autopsy report of the murder victim - **#603 – Courthouse**
- ▶ Forensic science report from the crime scene - **#604 – The Lab**