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[*NOTE:* Sir Charles Hedgehog/Uncle Chuck will be noted as "CHUCK" in this transcript]

(Opening Scene: Sonic speeds through the Great Unknown.) SONIC: Man! Something about this sure looks...whoa! *Sonic grunts and pulls a Power Ring out of his backpack as he is pulled into a pink & yellow vortex* SONIC: Outta here! SONIC: Nice try Ro-butt-nik, but you lose! *Sonic sees something on the ground* SONIC: Whoa. Seriously weird. *Sonic picks up the object* SONIC: Eh. Maybe Sal can figure it out. Pedal to the metal time! (Scene Shift: through the vortex) NAUGUS: Such superb speed... *image in his crystal changes to sally* NAUGUS:...and such a fine mind. Interesting. (Scene Change: Knothole Village) SALLY: Nicole, do we have another perspective? NICOLE: Negative, Sally. SALLY: Additional data?

NICOLE: Negative, Sally.

SONIC: Hey, guys! BUNNIE: Heya, sugar-hog!

SALLY: Hi. Sonic!

SONIC: Sal, remember that portal thing Ari got sucked into?

SALLY: You mean the Void?

SONIC: Yeah, the Void. I was kickin' across the Great Unknown and this mondo crack opens up in the ground; tries to suck me in. I found this.

SALLY: Oh my gosh. Sonic, your timing is amazing. This ring is from the Mundaras.

SONIC: Say what?

SALLY: The Mundaras. A legendary race of giants I've been researching. This is the first proof that they actually exist.

SALLY: *kisses Sonic* Thank you, Sonic!

SONIC: Aw, no prob, Sal.

A weird parrot/dragonfly creature lands on the window sil

BUNNIE: Hmm...mail from Uncle Chuck.

SONIC: Well what's it say?

BUNNIE: Robotnik planning something big. Send Sonic.

SONIC: Out of here! *speeds away*

SALLY: Nicole, translation please.

NICOLE: Characters incongruous to historical era, Sally. High probability of artifact falsification. Ambient energies detected. Caution recommended.

BUNNIE: What the heck did she say?

SALLY: It could be a fake. Well, a display can't hurt anything. Activate please, Nicole.

SALLY: Hmm. That's the symbol for 'estolia', then 'nalia' and 'bronsha'.

The "ring" glows red

BUNNIE: Oh my stars!

The girls scream as they are bathed in red light. They are paralyzed and float out of Knothole.

(Scene Change: Robotropolis, Chuck's Hideout)

ROBOTNIK'S VOICE: Snively, study the Doomsday Project information I sent you. I expect your analysis at the next command meeting.

CHUCK: All his commanders are in on it, Sonic. That worries me!

SONIC: Doomsday Project? Sounds mondo ugly! When's Robotnik's next meeting, Unc?

CHUCK: It's not set yet. I'll try to find out but I have to get back to my job before I'm missed.

Uncle Chuck uses the periscope

CHUCK: It's clear. Be careful, Sonic.

SONIC: You too, Unc. *high five* Out of here!

(Scene Change: Snively at a computer terminal)

SNIVELY: Well, well...so Naugus finally did it. Oh, this should be very interesting. *laughs* Huh? (*loudly*) Sir! ROBOTNIK: What is it, Snively? SNIVELY: Satellite photos show Void activity in the Great Unknown, Sir. ROBOTNIK: The Void? Impossible! SNIVELY: Right there, Sir. ROBOTNIK: It can't be! Naugus.

(Begin Flashback)

NAUGUS: Recall me from the Void in one hour, Robotnik. And should you have any thoughts of betrayal...

Naugus magically gives him the head of a crow
SNIVELY: Very, very good, Naugus.
ROBOTNIK: Trust me, Naugus; I carry no such thoughts.
NAUGUS: I should hope not.
Naugus changes Robotnik back to normal
NAUGUS: Have I made my point...Doctor?
ROBOTNIK: A safe journey, Naugus. Activating Void.
The door opens and Naugus is sucked into the Void
ROBOTNIK: Snively, disable all retrieval programs.
SNIVELY: But-but Sir, didn't you just...?

ROBOTNIK: (*interrupting*) Now! SNIVELY: Yes, Sir. ROBOTNIK: Rule number one, Naugus, never trust anyone. Heh. Especially me.

(Flashback Ends)

SNIVELY: Sir, if Naugus escapes he's going to be very angry. **ROBOTNIK**: He can open the Void, but he can't get out. SNIVELY: But Sir, if he learned how to open the Void, perhaps he... **ROBOTNIK**: *(interrupting)* You're right! Alert Air Command. We'll...we'll keep a close eye on the Void.

(Scene Change: Sonic returns to Knothole) SONIC: Priority one hedgehog alert! Huh? SONIC: Sal? Anybody home? *opens hut door* SONIC: Where is everybody? SONIC: *gasps* Nicole? What are you doing here? *Sonic picks up Nicole.* SONIC: Sal never goes anywhere without you.

(Scene Change: the Great Unknown)

Bunnie & Sally are pulled through the vortex. Naugus' laughter can be heard. [End of Act I]

(Act II Opening Scene: Sonic, in the hut, holding Nicole)

SONIC: Where is she, Nicole?

NICOLE: Insufficient information, Sonic.

SONIC: Say what?

NICOLE: Name required for cognitive answer.

SONIC: Sally. Where's Sally?

NICOLE: Sally is no longer present.

SONIC: I can see that. Where'd she go?

NICOLE: Sally did not input destination.

SONIC: What happened before she left?! *shakes Nicole*

NICOLE: Warning. Improper manipulation of this unit may cause extensive circuitry damage.

SONIC: Talk in English. (frustrated) Oooooh!

NICOLE: Sonic! Do not shake me! I can display what happened before Sally departed.

SONIC: Okay, cool. So display.

SALLY (via playback): ...then 'nalia' and 'bronsha'.

SONIC: What happened? What's all that red stuff?

NICOLE: The radiated energies were similar to those associated...

SONIC: (interrupts) You're doing it again!

NICOLE: It's probably from...the Void.

SONIC: D'oh! The Void. That's where I found that stupid ring! I'm kicking!

NICOLE: Let us get loose and juice. Let us pack it... SONIC: (*interrupts*) I get the picture, Nicole.

(Scene Change: inside the Void) BUNNIE: Who th' hoo-hah are you? SALLY: And where are we? NAUGUS: I will ask the questions. Where is the hedgehog? SALLY: The hedgehog? NAUGUS: Tell me about the hedgehog. SALLY (monotone voice): Sonic. Leader of the Knothole Freedom Fighters. NAUGUS: I know that. How did he escape my spell? SALLY: He went to Robotropolis. *Both girls gasp as they are released from Naugus' spell.* SALLY: Wait. Who are you? NAUGUS: I am Naugus, a sorcerer. This place is...Sanctuary. You know it as the Void. I discovered its existence. The lowlife you know as...Robotnik designed the means to enter. 'Though there is much I do not understand about this place, within Sanctuary my magic can do anything...except enable me to escape! For that, I need the hedgehog's speed. He will be here soon. *Naugus freezes the girls in crystal* NAUGUS: After all, he must rescue...his Princess. *laughs*

(Scene Change: Sonic runs through the Great Unknown) SONIC: This is the place. Where'd it go? SONIC: Nicole, find the Void. NICOLE: Ambient energy radiating from target source south-southwest. SONIC: You want another shaking? NICOLE: Hang a left. SONIC: Cool. HOVERUNIT: Hedgehog, priority one. Hedgehog, priority one.

(Inside Robotnik's Command Ship) SNIVELY: Sir, we're inside the search grid. **ROBOTNIK**: Then release the surveillance orbs. *Orbs come out of the ship*

(Camera goes back to Sonic) SONIC: Whoa! Not cool. SONIC: What's up, Nicole? NICOLE: Receiving multiple radiant forces. SONIC: In English. NICOLE: Correction, I'm getting signals from all over and they're...messing...me...up. SONIC: Now that's English. Now, where's this stuff coming from? NICOLE: The "stuff" is from portable sensors, like the kind Robotnik uses. (Inside Robotnik's Command Ship. Sonic is seen on a monitor.)

ROBOTNIK: "What is the hedgehog doing so far from home?" is what I'd like to know. There's nothing out here...except the Void. Hmm. Could he possibly be working with...gah! All units, pursue the hedgehog!

(Outside. Sonic is staring down several Hoverunits) NICOLE: Hoverunits detected, Sonic. SONIC: Oh, now ya tell me, Nicole. Oh man! SONIC: Nicole, any ideas? NICOLE: Perhaps a super spin? SONIC: Starting to like you, Nicole! Spin and win time!

(Inside Robotnik's Command Ship) *Robotnik screams out of frustration* SNIVELY: Tracking, Sir. Projected point of exit is...there. ROBOTNIK: What's that? SNIVELY: Switching to visual, Sir. ROBOTNIK: The Void. Full thrust. Alert Air Command. We'll be waiting when he surfaces.

(Back outside) SONIC: Yo, what's up? Argh! Not again! ROBOTNIK: Lay down a line of fire! SONIC: Big problemo here, Nicole. ROBOTNIK: We'll drive him into the void. Snively! Prepare to close it! SNIVELY: Harmonic frequencies synchronized, Sir. Ready to activate. ROBOTNIK: Excellent! Standby for my signal. Air Command, sweep laser fire forward. Yes! *evil laughter* SONIC: No!

[End of Act II]

(Act III Opening Scene: Sonic is trapped between the Void vortex and the Hoverunits' laser-fire)
SONIC: Nicole!
NICOLE: Chill, Sonic. You're headed for the ol' Void anyway.
SONIC: Glad I thought of that. Whoa...
ROBOTNIK: Yes, yes, YES! The hedgehog is gone! Oh, it just makes me tingle all over. Yes! Snively.
SNIVELY: Sir?
ROBOTNIK: Seal it.
SNIVELY: Void energy diminishing, Sir.
ROBOTNIK: Wha?
SNIVELY: Encountering resistance, sir. Energy rising again.
ROBOTNIK: Hold station. If it re-opens, close it. If anyone tries to escape, destroy them.

(Scene Change: Sonic enters the Void) SONIC: Way cool! *Sonic lands at Naugus' feet* NAUGUS: Welcome, Sonic Hedgehog. *laughs* SONIC: Hmm? Bunnie! Sal! Did you do this, pal? NAUGUS: I assure you, they're fine. SALLY: Sonic! **BUNNIE: Sugar-hog!** SONIC: Yeah. You guys alright? NAUGUS: I require your services, Sonic Hedgehog. I wish to leave here. SONIC: Be my guest, pal. That portal is shut down. NAUGUS: Many years I struggled to uncover the secret of opening that portal. Now even Robotnik's devices can't stop me. SALLY (quietly): Sonic, he needs your speed; it's our only way out of the Void. SONIC: Let's kick it! NAUGUS: Ahh, such superb speed. SONIC: Hang on! NAUGUS: *laughs* SONIC: Wheel and deal time! Stand back, guys. SONIC: Whew! Whoa... SALLY: It's beautiful. BUNNIE: A-yep. This is where I want my wedding. SALLY: Am I seeing things, or does this look like my father's castle? SONIC: Let's check it out. *all 3 gasp* SALLY: Oh my gosh. Daddy! *runs to the bed* SALLY: Are you all right? FAKE KING: Sally. I need your help. SALLY: Yes. of course. What? FAKE KING: *coughs* Is Sonic here? SONIC: Yes, your Majesty? FAKE KING: Please. Take me from this place. I can fix everything. I'll explain outside the Void. SONIC: No prob, your Highness. But how do we get past Naugus? FAKE KING: *coughs* His magic created all this. It's just illusion; we can leave from anywhere. Use your speed. *coughs* SALLY: Hurry, Sonic. SONIC: I'll be back, Sal. Hang on, Highness. BUNNIE: Sally-girl, something funny is going on. ARI: I'm afraid you've been tricked, Princess. SALLY: Ari? I don't understand. ARI: Naugus knew Sonic wouldn't help him, so he impersonated the King instead. *Sally gasps as Ari steps away to reveal the real King* KING ACORN: Sally. It's really me, Sally.

SALLY: Daddy! *hugs him* Oh, Daddy...

(Scene Shift: Sonic leaving the Void) SONIC: Hold on, your Highness! Incoming! SNIVELY: Sonic brought the King out, Sir! **ROBOTNIK:** I saw, Snively; now close that portal! SONIC: Ha, ha! We lost them, your Majesty. FAKE KING: It is good ... *transforms* NAUGUS: ...to be free. SONIC: Yo, what's going on? How... NAUGUS: I am in your debt, Sonic Hedgehog. SONIC: That was way uncool, man! I'm gonna... *Naugus traps him in crystal up to his neck* SONIC: Hey! *grunts* Let me go! NAUGUS: You should thank me. I'm going to get rid of Robotnik. What's that? SONIC: One of Robotnik's Spy Eyes. NAUGUS: Really? (Camera shifts to Robotnik's monitor.) NAUGUS: Can he see us now? SONIC: Eee-vep. NAUGUS: Greetings, Doctor Robotnik. Wanna play? *Robotnik gasps* (Camera shifts back to Sonic & Naugus) NAUGUS: Save your friends, Sonic Hedgehog. I have work to do. SONIC: Cool. Outta here! *leaves* NAUGUS: *cackles* Welcome, Doctor Robotnik. *Robotnik yelps* NAUGUS: It's payback time. *laughs* ROBOTNIK: It was an accident, Naugus. I didn't betray you. I swear it! {Liar, liar...pants on fire!;) } (Sometime later...) NAUGUS: Mmm...I'm not sure it's the right look for you, Doctor. (Camera shows Robotnik...with the head of a slug :D) NAUGUS: Nah...color doesn't match your eyes.

Naugus snaps his fingers. Robotnik now has the head of a gorilla

Naugus snaps his fingers again. Robotnik's head looks like a crow's head

Snively's monitor shows a pig-headed Robotnik

ROBOTNIK (via monitor): *Oink, oink.*

NAUGUS (via monitor): Now that is definitely you. *Snively laughs until he falls over in his chair*

(Scene change: back inside the Void) SALLY: Where is Sonic? He should be back by now. BUNNIE: He'll be here. *Sonic appears* BUNNIE: Good ol' sugar-hog! SONIC: Hedgehog express! Let's kick this dump!

(Scene Change: back to Naugus)

Robotnik still has the head of a pig. He is making pig noises and is rooting around in the dirt.

NAUGUS: *gasps* No! Aaagh!

(Camera pans back to show that Naugus' feet have turned into crystal.)

NAUGUS: Enough of this game.

Naugus changes Robotnik back to normal

NAUGUS: Let's play Hide and Seek. You'll hide, and I'll seek. One...Two...

ROBOTNIK: I didn't betray you!

NAUGUS: Three...

ROBOTNIK: I swear it!

NAUGUS: Four...five...Six...

ROBOTNIK: Get us out of here, Snively!

NAUGUS: Seven...Eight...Nine...Ten!

SONIC: Yo! Robotnik's getting away!

NAUGUS: Yes. I know.

SALLY: Sonic, look!

KING ACORN: I'm turning to crystal. Naugus! What's happening?

NAUGUS: We've been too long in the Void. We cannot exist in this world. I misunderstood the Void's properties. It's drawing our life-force. The only place I can control it is there. We must go back, or we'll die.

SALLY: Daddy..just when...

KING ACORN: Shh, child. Reach into my pocket. It lists all the Freedom Fighter groups. Find them.

SALLY: Somehow, we'll get you out, Daddy. I love you.

SONIC: Good luck, your Majesty.

KING ACORN: Take care of her, Sonic.

NAUGUS: I will return, Robotnik. I will be avenged.

KING ACORN: Goodbye, Sally.

Sally cries & hugs Sonic

(Scene Change: Knothole, Power Ring Grotto)

Sally sniffles

SONIC: It's gonna be okay, Sal.

SALLY: Sonic, I hardly got to see him.

SONIC: Yeah, but you did see him. Naugus will think of a way out of there. Plus,

we got the Freedom Fighters list and Ari.

SALLY: I don't say this often Sonic, but you're right.

SONIC: Hey, I'm always right.

SALLY: Not always.

SONIC: Yeah, always.

SALLY: No way.

SONIC: Yeah, way; ask Nicole.

NICOLE: He's cool, Sal; way past. SALLY: Sonic, what have you done to her? SONIC: Come on, Sal. NICOLE: Yeah. Get a grip, Sal. SALLY: Nicole! [End of Act III] [End of Transcript]