

**Joint Quarantine Reserve Unit
Khelson Bay Task Force
From the Desk of Major Emmett Moss**

To:
All Soldiers of Task Force Command

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Information about the „Reanimated“

Soldiers,

after the harrowing Angelview Hospital Incident I tasked a few of our best and brightest with analyzing any and all video recordings as well as personnel statements. Medical personnel have analysed the defeated Reanimated.

With the establishment of Camp Hagen being largely complete, I hereby release the brief of the Reanimated Report I had made so you are all ready for what we will continue to face.

From: Angelview Hospital Incident Analysis

By: [REDACTED]

The Reanimated are victims of VT4 who have progressed to a third stage after the initial airways infection and the secondary stage in which the lung is being infested by the fungal parasite. Patients begin to display highly aggressive and irrational behavior, co-occurring with a total dissociation of the self.

After a few days to a week patients expire and seem to „rise from the dead“. As far as we can tell by this point, this is managed by the miraculous way the parasitic fungus spreads to the brain and takes over control. This would explain the reduced body-control and instinctual non-intelligent behavior the Reanimated have shown so far.

As part of the final stages of infection pain responses cease entirely.

As a thorough analysis of combat footage has shown, the Reanimated seem to be highly resistant to damage of all kinds, with the exception of fire and focussed massive trauma to the cranial area. Where possible, it is recommended combat personnel attempt to shoot any Reanimated aggressors in the head.

Reanimated have been seen taking several bullets to the chest without faltering, though enough damage to the body at large still seems to cause a collapse of functionality, though we have no current explanation for the phenomenon.

We do not currently have a full explanation for the reanimation of recently-killed combat personnel, however, though autopsies have revealed these soldiers to be as thoroughly-infected in the brain – but not lungs – as fully-exposed Stage III victims post-mortem.

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Our hypothesis is that the fungal parasite expends a great deal of energy to hijack the recently deceased's brain instead of focusing on the normal way of infection, [REDACTED].

The claw-like hands of the Reanimated seem to be a result of the creatures tearing the flesh from their fingertips over time and grinding down to the bones, which over time become sharpened. This could either be an intentional process, though we currently suspect it to be a natural process that happens over the course of a few hours as the parasite-control of the body's faculties is limited and seems uncaring about pain responses.

Combat footage and further observations reveal that the Reanimated seem to require some form of sustenance, chiefly in the form of (living) flesh, primarily taken from human victims or animals if the former cannot be found. As of yet we notice no pattern of regularity, though at minimum the Reanimated can spend multiple days without feeding themselves.

Reanimated seem to possess some form of vision enhancement, as they seem unbothered by darkness and operate similar in darkness and daylight, only becoming a bit more sluggish during night times.

These revelations should be a warning to us all, soldiers. Make sure to utilize your airway protection and keep a watchful eye out for any Reanimated. You are authorized to respond with full force against any of these creatures that you have to engage.

Reanimated are no longer considered as humans under the Rules of Engagement.

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