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PROJECT BLUE

OPERATIONS MANUAL

Dear Valued Investor,
Thank you for your generous financial support. You might already know and love OmniCorp for our decorative housewares, multi-level marketing opportunities, or your kids' favorite breakfast cereal — *OmniCrisps*. However, the less publicized side of OmniCorp's offerings is our position within the military-industrial complex, developing cutting-edge advancements in human performance, weapons technology, and more.

This file, provided to you under the terms of your signed confidentiality agreement, should fill you in on the latest of these, **PROJECT BLUE**.

Sincerely,

Becky Carmichael
Quality Control
Outer NHK Unit

PROJECT BLUE

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PROJECT STATUS



OmniCorp Security has been applauded for Neo Hong Kong's recent decline in youth vagrancy. Likewise, there has been no shortage of *volunteers* for the groundbreaking projects in R&D. However, it is unclear why our latest subject, codenamed **BLUE**, has responded so positively to the procedures.

COMPLICATIONS

The bio-energy generated by **BLUE** far exceeds safety parameters. To prevent damage to the subject, an exhaust has been implanted in each forearm to channel and vent the excess.



GETTING STARTED



Included with your orientation packet, you will find one or more **PROJECT BLUE** surveillance files (identifiable by the .nes file extension).

To follow BLUE's progress in real time through OmniCorp's CCTV network, load your desired file into an emulator*—or for use in a compatible console, onto an appropriate flash cartridge.

**OmniCorp suggests Mesen or Nintaco.*

MODES

Select a **SECURITY MODE** at the beginning of each session.

- **NORMAL**.....Standard protocol.
- **HARD**Enhanced security and building layout.
- **BRUTAL**Maximum security—or import your **CUSTOM FACILITY**.

CONTROLS



D-PAD: Move
START: Pause

B: Shoot
A: Jump

ON-SCREEN DISPLAY

SECTOR NAME

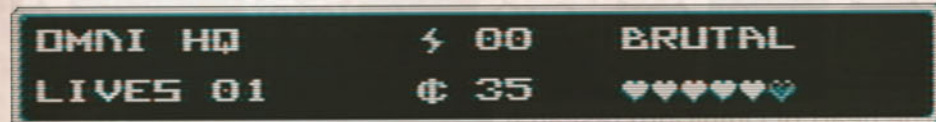
BLUE's current location.

ENERGY

Indicates the boosted strength and remainder of BLUE's bio-energy discharges.

MODE

Reflects the **SECURITY MODE** selected by the **USER** for the session.



LIVES

With **LIVES** remaining, BLUE won't lose as much progress when he passes out.

CREDITS

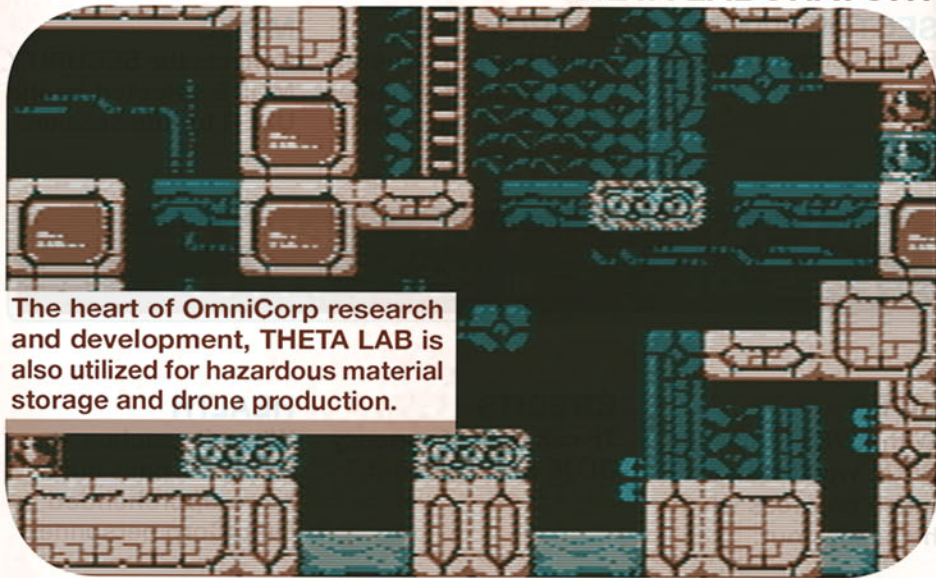
The amount of currency BLUE has collected.

HEALTH

When it reaches zero, BLUE will pass out and be re-apprehended by OmniCorp personnel.

THE FACILITY

THETA LABORATORY

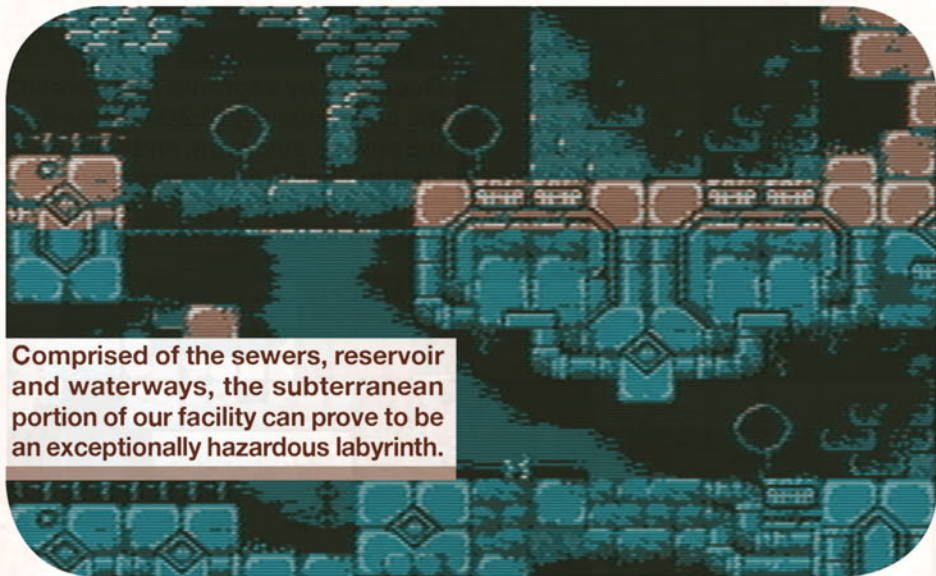


The heart of OmniCorp research and development, THETA LAB is also utilized for hazardous material storage and drone production.



Occupied by vagrants and vermin, the once-bustling DEZONE provides the privacy, autonomy, and resources vital to OmniCorp's successes.

THE DEZONE



Comprised of the sewers, reservoir and waterways, the subterranean portion of our facility can prove to be an exceptionally hazardous labyrinth.

THE UNDERGROUND



Nowhere is security tighter than atop the ivory tower where OmniCorp's elite make the decisions that forge our global landscape.

OMNICORP HEADQUARTERS

PROVISIONS



CREDITS

The exclusive form of payment for OmniCorp staff and contractors, redeemable for goods and services at the OmniCorp gift shop and authorized affiliates.



1-UP® AEDs

OmniCorp's branded defibrillators, designed to assist in medical emergencies or for the resuscitation of test subjects—at only 100 CREDITS per charge.



ENERGY BOOST

High-voltage battery packs capable of giving a limited, but powerful, increase in the potential output of bio-energy.

TRANSPORTATION

The following tech is provided to boost productivity:



I.V. PACKS

Heart-shaped containers of a patented synthetic blood substitute, placed throughout the facility in both small and large capacities. Ideal for injured or tired workers.



HOVER DECKS



SPRINGBOARDS



ROTO-CAPS



PARACHUTES

HAZARDS

Safety is a top priority at OmniCorp, and since successfully lobbying for self-regulation, we rank among the safest global workplaces. Moreover, all staff, crew, and visitors are required to sign a *Personal Responsibility* waiver freeing OmniCorp of liability for common sense hazards such as:

- ELECTRICAL ARCS
- DRIPPING ACID
- LOOSE MASONRY
- EXPOSED REBAR
- INDUSTRIAL DEBRIS
- CHEMICAL VATS



TRACK WELDERS
High intensity lasers that fire in intermittent bursts, utilized in the automated production of OmniCorp machinery.



FAILED EXPERIMENTS
Former test subjects that have suffered molecular instability. Some of our more liberal minded scientists argue that these are instinctively longing for lost human connection—but the corrosiveness of their composition has made it a difficult claim to corroborate.



CIRCULAR SAWS
Vacuum-brazed steel and diamond blades programmed to follow their designated paths through metal, polymer, concrete, bone, or any other obstruction.





ENERGY GATES

High-voltage hall gates activated remotely by wall-mounted switches, the first of many security measures OmniCorp takes to safeguard our facilities.



DEFENSIVE ORBS

Hostile architecture at its finest, strewn throughout our sewers and drainage systems as a deterrent to both pests and corporate espionage alike.



MINES

Pressure-sensitive, submersible explosives, installed to handle the pests undeterred by defensive architecture.



WATCHERS

Initially implemented to track staff performance, these highly combustible productivity incentives can be reprogrammed to follow any specified biometric signal in case of emergency.



HOPPERS

Modestly-sized energy cannons atop bipedal, hydraulic mounts that answer the age-old question of *what if a wallaby, but a gun?*



CEILING TURRETS

Strategically mounted within the premises and armed with live rounds to provide staff with a genuine sense of being cared for — *morale builders*.

OMNIBOTS

Although you may recognize the OMNIBOT mascot from our branded apparel, product packaging, and children's programming—the original prototype began as an attempt to repurpose what was quickly becoming an overabundance of biological waste.

With locally-sourced, organic components, the OMNIBOT modular biorobotics framework can be configured to serve a multitude of roles at a fraction of the computational workload and cost that traditional drones would.

Whether you need a receptionist, exterminator, or hall monitor, there's an Omnibot for the job!



AERBOT MK-I



OMNIBOT MK-I



AERBOT MK-II



OMNIBOT MK-II



AERBOT MK-III



OMNIBOT MK-III

THINK TANKS



THE BOARDROOM DIRECTORATE

Quite literally the brains behind the operation.

Unwilling to relinquish control of the world's most powerful conglomerate—even in the face of their own mortality—OmniCorp leadership put their top scientists to work to ensure they wouldn't have to.

Now, the members of OmniCorp's BOARDROOM DIRECTORATE call the shots from within THINK TANKS—heavily armored mobility devices housing, and piloted by, each board member's surgically liberated cerebral unit.

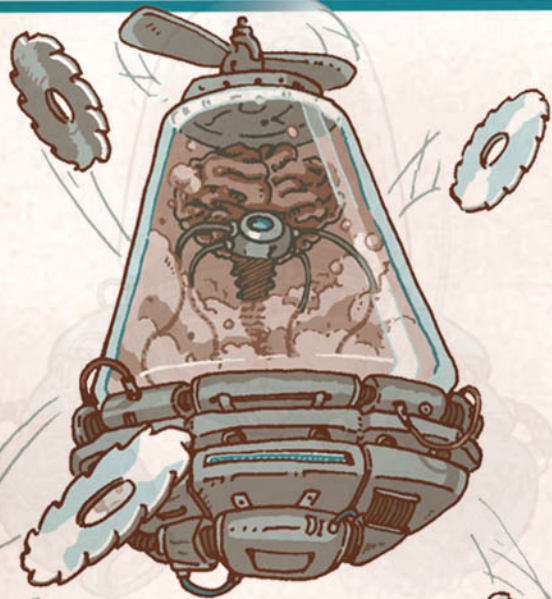
The Neo Hong Kong facility houses eight THINK TANKS: four of our top board members and an INTERN piloting the prototype for each member's tank.

THE DOCTOR

Up-and-coming bioengineer Naomi Yoon wasn't the first doctor tasked with bringing the THINK TANK program into existence, but considering that self-experimentation was the final requirement of the assignment, she was the first to succeed.

Now, through the emerald tint of her viewing tube, Dr. Yoon oversees OmniCorp's Research & Development division, encompassing the assembly and maintenance of the OMNIBOTS as well as human performance projects such as BLUE.





THE MATRIARCH

From humble beginnings as a dishwasher in a gambling den, Madame Guang quickly ascended through the underworld, establishing a reputation for her cut-throat business sense. At the hands of her four children, the Guang fortune would later lay the foundations for Neo Hong Kong's economic revival.

Although there are no records of her birth, she was said to have been a hundred twelve when put into stasis awaiting the THINK TANK program.



THE SENATOR

For over thirty years, Senator Duke Billingsley has been a vital asset to the corporation. After convincing the residents of his rural U.S. state that storing and disposing of OmniCorp's hazardous waste was in their best interest, the senator spent his career ensuring that their local economy was so dependent on doing so that—even amidst evidence linking it to critical health issues—the general populace fervently defended OmniCorp's presence.

Once Billingsley inevitably contracted the same illness that had been plaguing his constituency, he was swiftly seated on the BOARDROOM DIRECTORATE.

THE EXECUTIVE

After failing to secure a military contract for the implantation of human brains into heavy weaponry, third generation heir and youngest CEO in OmniCorp history, Michael Guang, can't afford another failure in his first fiscal year. From his custom gold-plated THINK TANK, Michael must ensure that PROJECT BLUE remain profitable by any means necessary.



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mteegfx.com

cover art • spot illustrations • manual

VITAL TOOLS

ca65
cc65.github.io

Famitracker
famitracker.com

I-CHR
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