STAR WARS: THE OLD REPUBLIC

"DISORDER"

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EXT. SPACE

RED and BLUE planets against a million stars. A CRACKLE of static as the-

INT. MEK-SHA HOME FOR LOST CHILDREN - DAY

Planets turn into a CHILD'S DRAWING.

TWI'LEK CHILDREN play with a toy as an A6-J4 MENTOR DROID slowly hovers after them.

Brightly colored TOYS litter the floor and other CHILDREN'S PAINTINGS hang on the walls. A SIGN reads "MEK-SHA HOME FOR LOST CHILDREN."

SA'HAR KATEEN (5, Twi'lek), her eyes closed, scrunches her face in concentration.

A kneeling JEDI MASTER ORR (30's, Human) holds a SMALL TOY in the flat of his palm.

JEDI MASTER ORR Focus, Sa'har.

After a moment, Sa'har FLOATS the toy out of Orr's hand and into her own. Orr smiles proudly.

Sa'har, her face a mixture of pride and confusion, looks back to her brother as Orr takes her hand.

> JEDI MASTER ORR I know it is difficult to accept, but The Force has chosen you.

As Orr leads her away-

INT. TEMPLE OF NUL - INNER SANCTUM - 12 YEARS LATER

A RED LIGHTSABER swings by SA'HAR's face, missing her by an inch. She's wearing the robes of a young Jedi Padawan.

Sa'har and Master Orr fight a lone CYBORG SITH. Their CLOTHES are BATTLE-WORN; this has been a long fight.

The BATTLE RAGES in the center of a MASSIVE MACHINE. Concentric STONE RINGS spin slowly around an activated CENTRAL CONSOLE.

The Sith DISARMS Master Orr, sending his saber FLYING though the air. Sa'har FORCE BOOMERANGS the saber back through the Sith's CYBERNETIC HAND, destroying it. Master Orr catches his saber and FORCE PUSHES THE SITH to the edge of the chamber.

Orr turns to see the machine's stone rings picking up speed.

JEDI MASTER ORR Destroy this machine, and all record of it!

Snarling, the Sith recovers, ready to fight. We hear a SABER IGNITE and see a red glow on the Sith's face.

But his face falls - something's wrong. He looks down to see a red blade BURNING through his CHEST.

Stepping out from behind his victim comes a MONSTROUS FIGURE. This is DARTH MALGUS.

> SITH CYBORG Malgus! Traitor...

His body SPARKS AND OVERLOADS before falling to the ground.

JEDI MASTER ORR

Go. Now!

Sa'har sprints towards the center console, the machine's rings accelerating faster still.

Malgus fires a BLAST OF FORCE LIGHTNING at her.

Sa'har LEAPS through the spinning stone rings, vaulting off of one as it SPINS by. The Force Lightning hits the rings, missing her.

Orr turns to Malgus, igniting his saber. Malgus does the same and we see the FIRST STRIKES of an intense duel.

INT. TEMPLE OF NUL - AT THE CENTER CONSOLE - MEANWHILE

As the SOUNDS of the duel ring out, Sa'har desperately searches through the dusty remains of the ancient machine. A faint BLUE GLOW catches her eye.

The rings around her spin IMPOSSIBLY FAST; they pulse with energy. Something isn't right.

She knocks away a piece of RUSTY MACHINERY. There it is: the HOLOCRON. She grabs it and turns to leave...

SA'HAR'S BROTHER (whispered) Sa'har... The console THRUMS to life as the rings start to reach TERMINAL VELOCITY. Sa'har slumps over as MACHINE INVADES HER MIND.

INT. TEMPLE OF NUL - INNER SANCTUM - CONTINUOUS

The rings have become a WHIRLWIND. Powerful ENERGY ARCS from them as they spin faster and faster.

Orr turns, sensing that something is wrong.

JEDI MASTER ORR

No!

Orr assumes a defensive position as Malgus LUNGES into the air, his saber high above his head.

Orr closes his eyes and LEAPS backwards. Time SLOWS to a crawl as he CORKSCREWS between spinning stone rings.

He lands GRACEFULLY on the other side, just as the energy from the spinning rings forms an INPENETRABLE SHIELD.

Malgus lands, stuck on the other side of the barrier.

JEDI MASTER ORR You're too late, Malgus.

He deactivates his saber and, taking one last look at the entranced Sa'har, Malgus CLOSES HIS EYES.

INT. MEK-SHA HOME FOR LOST CHILDREN - FLASHBACK

The same room, but colder. Harsh lights and bare walls. This is how Sa'har remembers it. A DILAPIDATED SIGN reads "Mek-Sha Home for Lost Children."

Elated, Sa'har shows the toy to her BROTHER (10, Twi'lek). Impressed, he scrambles to get a better look.

Master Orr and a droid watch them through FROSTED GLASS. We see them only in silhouette.

A6-J4 DROID (droid language) Will you be taking both children?

JEDI MASTER ORR Only the youngest. The brother shows little connection to The Force. Orr enters the room and scoops up Sa'har. She reaches for her brother, but Orr pulls her away.

He sounds different now; less like father, more like a teacher.

JEDI MASTER ORR The Force has chosen you.

Suddenly, the voice of Malgus enters her memory.

DARTH MALGUS (V.O.) I see your past, Padawan. For centuries, the Sith and the Jedi have sought control by choosing to whom they reveal the ways of the Force.

Master Orr carries a crying young Sa'har away from the orphanage, her brother left behind. It's her darkest memory.

INT. TEMPLE OF NUL - INNER SANCTUM - MEANWHILE

Orr pleads with Sa'har.

JEDI MASTER ORR Sa'har! Don't let him in!

INT. MEK-SHA HOME FOR LOST CHILDREN - FLASHBACK

Back in the flashback, Sa'har's brother watches Orr carry a crying Sa'har out of the room.

YOUNG SA'HAR KATEEN

Brother!

DARTH MALGUS I sense your pain.

She reaches out for her brother, DROPPING the toy. The doors whoosh closed behind them, leaving Sa'har's brother alone.

INT. TEMPLE OF NUL - AT THE CONTROL CONSOLE - CONTINUOUS

The rings are a violent MAELSTROM. Energy from the machine FLOWS THROUGH Sa'har as her EYEBALLS dart wildly behind closed eyelids.

DARTH MALGUS (V.O.) How many were left behind--

INT. MEK-SHA HOME FOR LOST CHILDREN - FLASHBACK

Alone in his room, Sa'har's brother focuses with all his might on SA'HAR'S TOY.

TIME PASSES as he obsesses over the toy, unable to connect to the Force. As time goes by, he paces through every corner of the room, to no effect.

Still focusing on the toy, it starts to VIBRATE VIOLENTLY. He concentrates even harder, digging deep for *any* connection to the Force.

Until the toy VIOLENTLY RIPS IN HALF.

The world around him starts to melt and change. It becomes dark and filthy, showing Sa'har what might've become of her brother.

Sa'har's brother now sits alone in a cage, SLAVE COLLAR beeping on his neck.

DARTH MALGUS (V.O.) --so that the Jedi and Sith could play *qod*.

Still in the FLASHBACK, <u>Present-day Sa'har now stands in her</u> own memory.

Malgus MATERIALIZES next to Sa'har.

DARTH MALGUS He could have saved your brother.

Destitute, Sa'har's brother looks at his hand in shock. Then-

BROTHER	JEDI MASTER ORR (V.O.)
(screaming after Sa'har)	(in the present)
SA'HAR!	SA'HAR!

INT. TEMPLE OF NUL - INNER SANCTUM - CONTINUOUS

In the Inner Sanctum, Orr tries to get to Sa'har to break the trance, but the wind from the rings BUFFETS HIM BACK.

Looking back to Malgus, Orr makes a decision: he BALLS HIS FIST and uses the Force to RIP THE MACHINE APART.

Malgus awakes from his trance - but it's too late.

DARTH MALGUS

NO!

DEBRIS flies everywhere as the stone rings BREAK UP! Orr PINS HIM TO THE WALL with a giant piece of stone.

INT. TEMPLE OF NUL - INNER SANCTUM - CONTINUOUS

The machine destroyed, Sa'har GASPS as her eyes SNAP OPEN. Sa'har looks at the holocron in her hand. Orr approaches.

> JEDI MASTER ORR Well done, young one. Now, give it to me.

SA'HAR KATEEN ...You could have saved my brother.

Caught off guard, Orr reaches for a reply.

SA'HAR KATEEN (CONT'D) Was I chosen by the Force... or you?

Orr is speechless. Malgus, pinned beneath the stone, LAUGHS.

JEDI MASTER ORR Sa'har, it's...it's not--

DARTH MALGUS Your Order... abandoned your brother.

JEDI MASTER ORR (to Sa'har) You *must* listen to me.

Behind Orr, Malgus secretly SNAKES some of the machine's ENERGY CABLES towards Orr with The Force.

DARTH MALGUS Give me the plans... and we can use it to free <u>millions</u>... just like your brother.

Reeling, Sa'har backs away from both men. Orr takes a step towards her.

JEDI MASTER ORR Give it to me.

He reaches his hand out. She doesn't.

In an instant, Orr FORCE PULLS the Holocron. Sa'har FORCE PULLS BACK - it's a TUG OF WAR.

Orr ignites his saber, SWINGING AT THE HOLOCRON!

Sa'har ignites her saber and <u>CLASHES BLADES with her master!</u>

JEDI MASTER ORR I've only ever tried to protect you! Please trust me-

The cables STREAK towards Orr with BLINDING SPEED. They WRAP AROUND him, CRUSHING HIS BODY.

Orr SCREAMS as he's lifted into the air!

Malgus uses the Force to DISINTEGRATE the stone pinning him to the wall, BLOWING IT AWAY.

DARTH MALGUS You're out of time, Padawan.

Orr is PUPPETED to Malgus, who holds his saber to his throat.

DARTH MALGUS (CONT'D) The Holocron for your master's life.

Orr's face says he knows his fate.

JEDI MASTER ORR Sa'har, I'm sorry

Malgus drives his saber THROUGH MASTER ORR'S CHEST. Sa'har's scream ECHOES through the temple.

SA'HAR KATEEN

NO!

Her training forgotten, Sa'har SCREAMS and charges at Malgus swinging wildly.

Malgus scoops up Orr's saber and parries her flashy, but ultimately futile, strikes. He's toying with her.

Malgus blasts her with a FORCE SHOCKWAVE, sending her FLYING.

She loses her saber but lands on her feet. Looking to Malgus, her eyes BORE into him.

SA'HAR KATEEN You got what you wanted...Why?

DARTH MALGUS Because all of your life, you've been in a cage Padawan.

Malgus pulls a GIANT ROCK from the temple ceiling down towards Sa'har.

Sa'har uses all of her Force power to CATCH THE RUBBLE, BARELY keeping it from crushing her.

DARTH MALGUS (CONT'D) (gesturing to the Holocron) When you're ready, break free.

Malgus pulls the Holocron into his hand, flips up his hood and walks away.

Sa'har SCREAMS as the temple CRUMBLES around her.

BLACK.