

STAR TREK VOYAGER®

EPISODE #246

“UNIMATRIX ZERO”

Captain Janeway faces her biggest battle yet against the Borg—assimilation.

Aboard a Borg cube, the Queen searches for a mutation among the drones by demanding one of the hive to reveal the interlink frequency that binds them. The drone will not comply, which results in his dismantling. On Voyager, Seven is unsettled by her first dream. She feels the people and places are familiar, but doesn't know why.

During her next regeneration cycle, Seven finds herself in Unimatrix Zero with Axum, a former friend. He explains that this is a virtual sanctuary Borg drones visit while regenerating. They have no knowledge of it afterwards, but during their time there, they can be individuals again. One in a million drones experiences this recessive mutation, and the Queen is systematically deactivating them. Once she isolates the frequency, they will all be destroyed. Axum brought Seven back to help him unleash a nanovirus into the Collective that will mask the chemical signature of the mutation. Because Seven is the only one disconnected from the hive, she is the only one who can remember Unimatrix Zero and the work that must be done.

When Seven explains her experience to the crew, they are skeptical of putting their lives at risk for Borg. Janeway, however, wants to know more about the sanctuary and allows Tuvok to perform a bridging of minds between herself and Seven. Once there, the Captain encourages Axum to find a way to retain their individual memories outside of regeneration. Suddenly, the Queen isolates the frequency but is still unable to destroy it. She sends Borg drones to invade the sanctuary. During the struggles that follow, the Queen spots Janeway.

The Captain is now convinced they must help the drones of Unimatrix Zero fight back. The Doctor modifies the nanovirus, allowing the drones to retain their individuality outside of regeneration. To distribute the virus, Janeway will release it into a cube's central plexus, allowing it to spread throughout the Collective to all drones possessing the mutation. As the Captain, Tuvok and B'Elanna prepare for the mission, the Borg Queen attempts to bribe Janeway into minding her own business. When she refuses to comply, the Queen issues Janeway a stern warning.

Voyager engages the nearest Borg cube in battle. This causes fluctuations in the shield grid that allow the away team to beam aboard the cube just as the Delta Flyer is destroyed. Inside the cube, Janeway and her crew are quickly detected and trapped. With the ship venting plasma and the away team's lifesigns diminishing as planned, Chakotay orders Voyager steered to safety. No match for the advancing drones, Janeway, Tuvok and B'Elanna are assimilated...



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CAST

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CHAKOTAY
B'ELANNA TORRES
TOM PARIS
NEELIX
THE DOCTOR
TUVOK
SEVEN OF NINE
HARRY KIM

KATE MULGREW
ROBERT BELTRAN
ROXANN DAWSON
ROBERT DUNCAN MCNEILL
ETHAN PHILLIPS
ROBERT PICARDO
TIM RUSS
JERI RYAN
GARRETT WANG

GUEST STARRING

AXUM
KOROK
LAURA
THE BORG QUEEN

MARK DEAKINS
JEROME BUTLER
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MIKE SUSSMAN

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HIGHLIGHT LISTING

STAR TREK: VOYAGER: "Unimatrix Zero"—Captain Janeway faces her biggest battle yet against the Borg—assimilation.

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Total assimilation.

