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Season One

Episode 1

Season 1
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Season Episode: 1

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Guest Stars:	Mark Ivanir (Natan), Hannah Gross (Anna Sindler), Geoffrey Cantor (Hector Franklin), Nikita Bogolyubov (Alexi Lebedev), Cuyle Carvin (Agent Tom McCarthy), Wolf Blitzer (Celebrity Anchor #1), Nicolle Wallace (Celebrity Anchor #2), Varak Baronian (Uri), Austin Green (Correspondent #1), Angela Jeanneau (Correspondent #2), Lori Hammel (Correspondent #3), Don Clark Williams (Red Network Anchor), Siobhan Darrow (Blue Network Anchor), Lia Lando (Cityview Anchor), Kristie Keleshian (News Correspondent #1), Joe Avellar (News Correspondent #2), Eric van Alstyne (Sec Of Homeland Security), Blaise Corrigan (Town Car Driver), Casey Braxton (Cia Briefing Officer)
Summary:	Former President George Mullen's comfortable retirement is upended after he's asked to lead an investigation into a horrific cyberattack.



The episode begins with a flashforward of Former President George Mullen trying to open his safe. He breaks a photo and it is of him in a uniform with 2 other people on April 29, 1975. He finally opens the safe and someone enters.

3 days earlier, George begins his morning routine. We learn that his wife is set to join the appellate court and he has a rift with his daughter, Alex as he had tried to stop her from running for some position.

His first meeting of the morning is with a ghostwriter. He has taken a publication deal for his memoir but he has been delaying the first draft. Ben, the editor wants the ghostwriter to speed up the process and she tries to stress the importance of the memoir. George is the only president to get bipartisan support.

She then spots the 1975 photo. One of the men, John Flanagan was a childhood friend and was killed after their discharge which inspired George to become a prosecutor. He also refused reelection despite certain victory. She hints that there are unsavory rumours around it which he can put to rest with his memoir. However, when she mentions his dead son, he kicks her out.

She calls Ben and suggests that George is still plagued by the reelection and that something serious must have happened. The phones in the car suddenly go blank with the message "This will happen again." In the confusion, a train ends up on the wrong track and runs her car over.

The news reports a cyber attack that led to a national power outage. It has caused widespread accidents with planes going down, subway collisions and medical equipment shortcircuiting.

Someone at the Russian Consulate in New York grabs a gun while House Speaker Dreyer scrambles to put out an assuring message.

It is Day 1 after the day of the cyber attack which is being called Zero Day. There is something in the woods and George tells the caretaker, Hector to set up an animal trap. The news covers the aftermath of Zero Day from missing bodies to a massive data breach.

Roger from the White House arrives with a proposal — they need George to provide moral support and calm the people to reduce panic. He is hesitant but Roger promises that it will just be a 30-minute public appearance.

George arrives at a rescue site and gets to work, delegating resources. The locals are antsy, calling the attack an insurance scam and conspiracy. They get physical and George steps in. He sympathises with them and emphasizes the need to work together to save the common man affected by the attack. This is enough to calm everyone while his speech is televised on all the news channels.

A woman calls and berates Roger for hijacking her crisis management strategy. He shares that he is with her dad and she hangs up, revealing that she is Alex. Meanwhile, the Russian guy checks in with his IT contact, Felix who sends him the location of a server farm. The Russian official smiles and starts shredding some papers.

Mrs. Mullen is worried as President Evelyn Mitchell wants to see George. She reminds him that he got out with a clean break and not to be sucked in. On Day 2, George meets Evelyn who is putting together a Zero Day Commission to find the attackers. The commissioner has full authority including the power to arrest without a warrant. George is hesitant to take on the role but he is the only one she can trust.

That night, the Mullens host a party to celebrate Mrs. Mullen's appointment. Alex believes that the government has weaponised the cyber attack and George is their fall guy should things go wrong. However, he has bigger problems as his Mossad contact, Natan shows up. It seems that Russia's GRU has been funding a group of NY hackers led by Felix. A few months ago, someone enlisted him to put up a massive server farm in the Bronx.

Nearby, Alex and Roger go head-to-head as she claims he only cares about his career. He insists that everything he does is for George and she warns him that her father will become a scapegoat if he takes the commission.

As George heads inside, he hears 'Who Killed Bambi' by Sex Pistols and he panics. He tells Hector to shut off the music but in reality, nothing is playing. He is lost in thought when Mrs. Mullen pops up. She agrees that the commission is a trap and dangerous. But he is the only one who can be trusted with all that power. Natan calls that night and George writes down something and puts the journal in a safe.

The next morning, he accepts the Zero Day Commission and most of the reception is positive due to his crystal-clear past. That night, he gets a harrowing call from Natan again and he rushes to open his safe. As he panics, Roger and his security detail worry about him. When he doesn't respond, they break into his study.

He is in shock as the diary is filled with "who killed Bambi" and "George killed Bambi." He believes someone has broken in and replaced it. At the end of Zero Day Episode 1, George is about to ask Hector about his safe when he sees a different caretaker, Wayne. He is confused and Mrs. Mullen reveals that Hector retired 5 years ago.

Episode 2

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Guest Stars:	Clark Gregg (Robert Lyndon), Gaby Hoffmann (Monica Kidder), Mozhan Navabi (Melissa Kornblau), Mark Ivanir (Natan), Nikita Bogolyubov (Alexi Lebedev), Cuyle Carvin (Agent Tom McCarthy), Jay Klaitz (Tim Pennington), Jasjit Williams (Patrick O'Keefe), Eden Lee (Angela Kim), Jorge Luna (General Tom Myles), Mike McGowan (Field Ops Commander), Savannah Guthrie (Celebrity Anchor #3), Varak Baronian (Uri), Mary Jo Mecca (Mrs. Sindler), Cian Genaro (Robert Ionna), Nicole Fragala (Emma O'Keefe), TJ Lee (Doris), Stass Klassen (Truck Driver), Ethan Herschenfeld (Medical Examiner), Alexis Cash (Mullen's Aide — Allison), Terrell Wheeler (Dad), Andre Da Silva (Motorcade Driver), Helen Grace Hightower De Niro (Little Girl), Erick McAllister (Bald Man), Johnath Davis (White House Aide), Turner Riley (Ops Analyst), David M. Raine (Interrogator)
Summary:	Mullen's commission investigates a hacking ring. President Mitchell weighs retaliation. A powerful figure has demands for Roger.



The episode begins with George getting ready to fly to his new HQ in Manhattan. He recreates the night of the call with Natan. However, all he can remember is that he was the one to write the 'Who Killed Bambi' lyrics.

Elsewhere, a hacker destroys all his hard drives and heads to a Bronx hide-out. He finds the Russian official waiting for him after killing the rest of the hackers. He runs as the Russian guy tries to kill him too.

Back to the commission, George has 72 hours before the White House pressures Evelyn to blame the Russians. The first brief begins but the whole time, George is not his 100% and Roger notices. Melissa, the PR needs a statement and Carl has something for her — the hacker massacre.

The hacker and Alexi Lebedev, the GRU official have been caught on CCTV. Due to the delicate relations with Russia, George insists on finding the hacker and getting his story first.

Roger checks in on George who insists that he is fine. There are a couple of updates — the hackers have left a code word which stands for Ukraine's Orange Revolution. However, George believes it is too clumsy. As for the ghostwriter, Anna, he orders Roger to check in on her death as he recalls seeing her during his acceptance of his commission. The army also gets a hit on the hacker's face but the data is restricted.

Nearby, a hedge fund guy, Lyndon sets up a meeting with Roger. He had shorted the market days before Zero Day and has insider knowledge of everything. Turns out Roger is his mole as well due to a past debt. Lyndon wants updates on the commission and to keep their focus on Moscow. Roger claims he will do his best but it seems he wants to sever ties. He is also upset that George has put him on the Anna task.

As for George, he comes home to his wife, Sheila watching the news. CEO Kidder of an advanced tech company has offered her help to George but Melissa hasn't heard of any such offer. Sheila is worried about George's breakdown at the study but he refuses to step down.

On top of it, Mitchell informs him of a cyber attack on Russia in 48 hours. At the same time, Kidder talks about cyber enemies apart from Russia. George waits for Natan to revert and tries to recreate the memory of their phone call. But he again fails.

To make things worse, Evan Green, a news anchor talks about George being senile and unfit to lead the commission. It seems that he dropped out of the presidential race at the last moment during the reelection. That night, Roger goes to the morgue and finds Anna's body missing.

On Day 5, Carl reveals that the hacker is theirs and is an undercover NSA agent. Roger updates George about Anna as well and he wonders if he indeed saw her at the press conference a day after she supposedly died.

Back home, Sheila begs Valerie, their former chief of staff to join the commission. Valerie is not interested but Sheila trusts her to protect George who is among the wolves.

She is right as Dreyer has set up an oversight committee led by Congresswoman... Alex. She claims she will keep the commission in check and the internet goes wild, questioning George's credibility. Desperate, the commission sends Roger to speak to her.

While George is upset about Sheila's hiring decision, Roger visits Alex. They are quite familiar with each other as Roger sympathises with Alex when she explains that she never wanted to oversee someone as stubborn as George. Turns out, Roger was the last man remaining when George quit the reelection campaign. In another shocking turn of events, Roger and Alex are friends with benefits as they hook up.

Back to the investigation, George subtly threatens Admiral Bernard and gets the file on the undercover hacker — Patrick. Fortunately, they are able to arrest him before Alexi can kill him. As the GRU official is leaving, a truck driver runs him over.

Roger updates Melissa that it was a bust with Alex. As he stops by his place, he spots the truck driver. He is a GRU agent as well and claims Russia is not involved. Alexi was in over his head and they eliminated him. As an olive branch, they offer a lead to the true attackers who hired Felix's group for Zero Day.

At the same time, Patrick is being interrogated and he claims the hackers were hacktivists who want to show the world the danger of digitalisation. Someone tricked them into coding the Zero Day bug. The GRU agent's intel points to Reapers, a North Dakota terror organisation and Mitchell is able to call off her cyber attack on Russia.

However, Evan Green continues to berate George, comparing him to war criminals. He quotes something that he had done on the night Natan had called and George realises he was watching Green's program at that moment. He is finally able to recreate the night and remembers Natan talking about Proteus being a weapon. He holds a press conference to update the nation about Reaper and Proteus.

Mitchell is not happy as Russia would have unified them while interconflict will create problems. At the end of Zero Day Episode 2, Jeremy from the CIA claims George is shady. Reapers is a real terrorist organisation but Proteus is a government program. Mitchell is surprised and he pulls out a top-secret file.

Episode 3

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Guest Stars:	Clark Gregg (Robert Lyndon), Mozhan Navabi (Melissa Kornblau), Colin Donnell (Erik Hayes), Mark Ivanir (Natan), Jay Klaitz (Tim Pennington), Mike McGowan (Field Ops Commander), Ryan Spahn (Leon), Diany Rodriguez (Diana Moore), Alexandra Avezova (Annie), Alexis Cash (Mullen's Aide — Allison), Ignacio Diaz-Silverio (Cesar Rocha), TJ Lee (Doris), Geo Lee (Coroner), Kevin Thoms (Hayes Interrogator), Rodrigo Torrejon (Commission Aide), Lyman Chen (Cyber Forensics Tech), Marinko Radakovic (Vlasto), Adam Shaukat (Assistant Director), Giuseppe Ardizzone (Roger's Driver), Morgan Wardlaw (Au Pair)
Summary:	Mullen's initial arrests draw blowback from the public — especially TV pundit Evan Green. Alex faces pressure to investigate her father.



The episode begins with Evan Green getting ready for his show. In it, he questions the existence of the Reaper and berates George for mass arresting people and blaming the common American man.

Meanwhile, George throws his pills after reading about the side effects. Valerie replaces Roger and they throw barbs at each other. She takes his office and insists all George's visits go through her. She also comments on George being Roger's N.A. sponsor and we learn Roger is a recovering addict. In return, Roger

brings up her affair with George explaining the former president's concern when Sheila rehired Valerie.

At the same time, Jeremy warns George to play a certain way but he refuses. Jeremy thinks he is threatening them with Proteus but George has no idea what he is talking about.

It is Day 15 and there has been no progress after the mass arrests. Dreyer orders Alex to investigate George while Evan Green claims George has arrested Paul, a Mexican kid with no reason. Alex needs to use the daughter card to get answers and she hates it. Dreyer claims no one will question her authority if she brings order to the commission and she gives in.

Elsewhere, George tells Roger to bring proof that Anna is truly dead and buried. He also asks him to refill his prescriptions which annoys Roger. On top of that, Lyndon threatens Roger with releasing proof that he is a mole for not pinning Zero Day on Russia.

Alex calls for an appointment and learns that Valerie has taken over as Chief of Staff. She is upset with Sheila for it but her mother claims she only cares what is best for George.

Things are looking bad as the commission has no record of arresting Paul. Evan Green continues to weave conspiracy theories involving George and his approval rate starts falling. The influencer also exposes Lyndon's activities before Zero Day and how he has not been arrested.

Meanwhile, Alex visits George to ask about the mass arrests but he refuses to explain himself to the committee.

At the cemetery, Roger finds a body in Anna's coffin and has a DNA test done. Suddenly, Natan shows up and claims that both he and George have to disappear. "They" have gotten to George and he can't win. Natan also asks if George is seeing or hearing things and Roger is confused by the unhelpful visit.

Carl finally learns that they were supposed to arrest Paul's brother and work on freeing him. Mitchell is wavering under public scrutiny and the commission is worried about losing her support. They wonder if they need to drop the Reaper lead and look elsewhere.

George goes with his gut and looks into the interrogations. The only worthwhile arrest is Hayes from North Dakota under whose name the wire transfers were done.

When Hayes refuses to crack, George decides to personally question him after going through his file. The former president is charming at first, bonding over their shared military experience. Once Hayes opens up, George quickly turns on him by threatening his immigrant friend, sick dad and 7-year-old son. He walks off confidently but suddenly overhears 'Who Killed Bambi'.

There are protests going on outside when Lyndon drags Roger to his yacht. He gives him one more chance — to take down Green for putting him on blast. To make things easier, he has intel on Anna. Roger refuses to manipulate George but Lyndon reminds him of the dirt he has on him.

Meanwhile, Hayes breaks and talks about Leon, the one who came up with Zero Day. Their server farm is in Idaho and George notices that Hayes quotes George Orwell just like Green. Valerie and Carl don't think much of it but George is suspicious of the coincidence. Suddenly 'Who Killed Bambi' plays but keeps glitching. He tries to search for the source but cannot find it.

It is Day 18 and they break into the Idaho server farm and find that someone tried to burn the equipment. Roger refills George's prescription and shares Lyndon's intel — Hayes and Green are classmates. They have also been spotted at the same place multiple times over the years. And at one event, even Anna is present.

Valerie wants to focus on the farm as the evidence around Green is circumstantial. But with the influencer constantly goading George, the former president shuts her down and orders Carl to arrest Green without a warrant.

While everyone is distracted, a curious Roger goes through George's diary. The entries talk about the music, someone controlling it, Anna and 'Who Killed Bambi' which worries Roger.

There is a leak and the news reports Green's connection to Hayes. Dreyer tells Alex about Green's forceful arrest and their need for an instant plan of action. Roger is overwhelmed by the situation as he drinks and kisses Alex.

Similarly, Valerie meets Jeremy in hopes of reining in George. She wonders why George brought up Proteus and we learn that he was the one who had ordered the program to be shut down. Jeremy claims someone else has resumed it. At the end of Zero Day Episode 3, George visits Green in prison and mocks him.

Episode 4

Season 1

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Season Episode: 4

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Guest Stars:	Mozhan Navabi (Melissa Kornblau), Gaby Hoffmann (Monica Kidder), Fredric Lehne (Schreier), Jay Klaitz (Tim Pennington), Eden Lee (Angela Kim), Cuyle Carvin (Agent Tom McCarthy), Jorge Luna (General Tom Myles), Larry Mitchell (Segal), Joseph Adams (Dave Mckenna), Jackson Eick (Nick Mullen), Wolf Blitzer (Celebrity Anchor #1), Savannah Guthrie (Celebrity Anchor #3), Ephraim Chase (Kyle), Monique Alvarez (Chelsea), Ryan Spahn (Leon), TJ Lee (Doris), Phyllis Johnson (Neuropsych Tester), Alexis Cash (Mullen's Aide — Allison), David Carl (Bank Manager), Brian D. Coats (Proprietor), James Yaegashi (Red Rooster), Vanessa R. Butler (Commission Agent), Carlos Arce Jr. (Clerk), Merritt Janson (Aubrey), Suzan Perry (Grocery Store Customer), Johnath Davis (White House Aide), Siobhan Darrow (Blue Network Anchor)
Summary:	A shock to the financial system increases scrutiny on Mullen's commission. Valerie investigates Proteus. Roger must make a difficult choice.



The episode begins with a large bank, American Homestead facing a cyberattack. The government freezes all financial activity to stop further attacks. This doesn't go well as the locals have no money and start rioting.

Dreyer tries to take control of the bank case but Mitchell refuses. Meanwhile, George is busy questioning Evan Green after more evidence has popped up of the influencer colluding with the Reapers. But Green is his usual cocky and evasive self.

His lawyer, Bob tries to make him understand the severity of the situation and how he won't get any of his human rights due to the commission arrest. He needs to talk even if he simply invited the Reapers as guests of his show. It is also suspicious why he erased his hard drive before his arrest.

The commission is a PR nightmare as negative rumours start swirling, encouraged by CEO Monica Kidder. Even the news channels that backed George are calling him ineffective. Melissa wants to change the narrative — show George is open and transparent by testifying but he refuses till they have an answer. The next strategy is to invite Kidder who just wants a seat at the table.

A desperate Valerie visits Mr. McKenna about Proteus as he is the original scientist. Everyone else is dead and someone has revived it. It is a neurological weapon that violates the Geneva Accords. It can cause brain trauma from a distance. The origin can never be traced as it uses radio waves.

It is Day 20 and Green finally talks to Carl. He insists he knows nothing and just has the emails of the Reapers. Valerie has the results of the burnt Idaho server farm which has a couple of code names. Roger is surprised as he had heard them when he was brought to Lyndon's yacht.

Meanwhile, Valerie tells George about Proteus. What is surprising is that he should have known what kind of weapon it was since his office shut it down. She shows him the symptoms — dementia, psychosis, sleep deprivation, stress, mood swings, impulsivity, hallucinations, and memory gaps. He confesses that he has these symptoms and they realise he has been targeted.

Roger unknowingly starts looking into it as he checks the radio equipment found at the Idaho farm. He buys a new radio and tunes into the same channel it was last on.

Elsewhere, Dreyer convinces Mitchell that George needs to quit to protect her from any blow-back. He quit the reelection because of his son's death. Dreyer hints that if something similar happens, George will quit again. Is Dreyer going to kill Alex!?

Meanwhile, Alex tells Sheila she is worried about George. Green and Kidder's followers protest outside George's house and Sheila decides to take matters into her own hands.

George finally meets with Kidder and it is clear her ego has been hurt as he refused her help initially. He gets straight to the point as he points out the damage she is doing to the country and how she is benefiting from it. She can either help them by calming the public or leave.

Mitchell tells George he has 24 hours to find a link between the bank attack and Zero Day. After that, she will unfreeze the financial infrastructure much to his chagrin. She is confident they are not connected as Dreyer has proof of a similar bank attack last spring. George is frustrated with Dreyer for hiding such information. He also believes that the Zero Day malware is also in their financial servers but Mitchell doesn't agree.

Roger overhears a man on the radio sharing some coded message which he notes down. He calls Alex and wishes they could run away before visiting a bar. Lyndon's man shows up and tells him to get George to step down. He can do it by bringing evidence that George is not of sound mind. If he doesn't comply, they will tell Alex all of Roger's dirty secrets.

Sheila shows up at HQ and learns of Proteus. She wants George to step down and he insists he is fine. She doesn't believe him and wants him to take a psych eval.

While it is happening, Roger goes through George's journal which proves he is unstable. He then heads to Alex's and gets drunk. He reminisces about their time together and how he loves her. She was the one who got George to hire him. And he is the one who hacked her phone to publicly expose her ex because he wanted to get her back. She is shocked as he leaves.

At home, Lyndon's man shows up and Roger refuses to be their pawn. It is the wrong move as several thugs barge in. They drug him and drown him in the bathtub.

George's psych eval is perfect except for one question. When asked if there is any music playing, he pretends there isn't. And while it isn't, he continues to hear 'Who Killed Bambi', but this time he is aware that it is the Proteus symptom. The rest of the eval results prove that George is of sound mind and there are only certain moments when Proteus takes over. Sheila is upset because this means all of George's missteps are his own.

He is beyond caring as he has wasted enough time. To speed up things, he has Carl torture Green. Unfortunately, it seems that Green doesn't know anything but George refuses to stop the torture. Green had simply erased his hard drives as he had been money laundering.

The next morning, Mitchell gets a tip that the bank attack is by the same guys who attacked last spring and they are called the Sinecure.

Alex is shocked by Roger's death while George gets PTSD. His son had died of an overdose while 'Who Killed Bambi' had been playing on his radio. At present, George notices that Roger's bathroom is similarly scrambled with drugs. Turns out Lyndon's men have framed the murder as a drug overdose.

At the end of Zero Day Episode 4, George is lost in thought. He looks at his journal which looks like the ravings of a lunatic. Annoyed, he hides it in his drawer.

Episode 5

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Guest Stars:	Mozhan Navabi (Melissa Kornblau), Gaby Hoffmann (Monica Kidder), Fredric Lehne (Schreier), Jay Klaitz (Tim Pennington), Eden Lee (Angela Kim), Julian De Niro (Riley Dobbs), Cuyle Carvin (Agent Tom McCarthy), Mike McGowan (Field Ops Commander), Jackson Eick (Nick Mullen), Jabari Gray (Congressman Stone), Drena De Niro (Congresswoman D'andrea), Nicolle Wallace (Celebrity Anchor #2), Erick McAllister (Bald Man), Ryan Spahn (Leon), Ignacio Diaz-Silverio (Cesar Rocha), TJ Lee (Doris), John Jellison (Minister), Perry Strong (Kidder's Head Of Security), Christopher R. Anderson (Kidder Security Guard), Charlotte Ewing (Lily Whitesell), Rodrigo Torrejon (Commission Aide), Nick Denning (Secret Service In Helicopter), Merritt Janson (Aubrey), Andre Da Silva (Motorcade Driver), Johnath Davis (White House Aide), Lia Lando (Cityview Anchor)
Summary:	A personal tragedy reopens old wounds for the Mullen family. Speaker Dreyer pushes for a change in leadership. Sheila testifies before Congress.



The episode begins with Evan Green being freed. Bob calls out George for acting like a dictator. The public turns against him with rumours of CIA-level torture being inflicted on Green.

George tells Sheila how he saw his son try to skateboard and fall. He never gave up and George was proud but he never told him as he was busy. He wishes things would have been different with Roger and Sheila comforts him. He tells her not to defend him and tell the truth as the Oversight Committee has called her

to testify against him.

Dreyer threatens Mitchell that he has bipartisan support that she does not. She cannot dissolve the commission, simply hand it to him. She knows he is dangerous as he is also actively running against her which he doesn't deny.

Carl and Valerie wonder if the commission helped in any way like deterring impending attacks. To make things worse, the photos of Anna, Hayes and Green that Lyndon gave Roger are now declared deepfakes. The commission believes Roger felt guilty for waylaying them and killed himself.

The committee hearing takes place and Dreyer keeps attacking George with unproven allegations. Sheila tells the truth but all of it paints George in a good light which Melissa confirms.

Roger's funeral takes place and it is a somber affair. Valerie tries to stop George from attending but he goes regardless. A flashback shows him fighting with his son after catching him using.

After the funeral, he and Alex have a bittersweet conversation. She calls her brother's death a suicide but he insists he ODed. He regrets hurting his family and Roger and wishes he had listened to her. That night, he writes his resignation letter in his journal. As he flips through it, he finds a letter from Roger. It is the transcript of what he heard on the radio and his assumptions of Lyndon's participation in Zero Day.

The commission starts focusing on decoding the messages sent via the radio frequency. Finally, a coder hacks it and reveals they are indeed the Zero Day attackers.

It is Day 25 and George shares the findings with Mitchell. The bank attack was not Zero Day but copycats. Lyndon has disappeared and the Idaho server farm was theirs. Mitchell tells him about Dreyer's threat but does all she can to get George another 24 hours to bring her names.

Dreyer is annoyed and fills in Alex. She is frantic as she cannot reach George. Desperate, she calls Valerie and insists George needs to update the committee on their findings or quit before they destroy him. Valerie doesn't take her concern seriously and hangs up.

They set up a trap the next day — George poses as Lyndon and claims Roger has evidence in his apartment. It is touch and go but the attackers fall for it. 2 hours before Dreyer takes over, Leon aka Blake Felton shows up at Roger's apartment. Melissa spots something odd in his file — he works for Kidder. They arrest him and get a search warrant for Kidder.

At her home, she refuses to let Carl and his squad in. Instead, she livestreams and mocks George for his forceful and illegal methods. George knows it is a trap as the public is waiting for Carl to force his way in. We see that Kidder is stalling as she tries to get in contact with the Zero Day attackers.

They have cut her loose, and desperate she calls George and Valerie. She will talk but only with full immunity. If they don't agree, she will reveal that Valerie's daughter, Lily is George's. Everyone is shocked but before they can make a decision, shooters from Kidder's home attack Carl's squad. Kidder is confused as she has not ordered the attack. Carl is shot and this gives the squad leeway to enter the home and arrest Kidder.

Mitchell is relieved with the breakthrough as the squad finds evidence that Kidder's company, Panoply bought and spread the Zero Day malware. The investigation is over and the public rejoices. They believe it is revenge because the government was investigating Panoply for violating antitrust laws. Jeremy gets a call and decides to visit New York.

However, Alex panics and begs Dreyer to shut something down. He tells her to go through the proper channels and we see her pull out a radio and tune into a channel.

George goes home and thanks Sheila for being by his side. However, he knows Kidder is not the end of it and she is simply the fall guy. He is right as Valerie calls with a distressing update. At the end of Zero Day Episode 5, Kidder has been hanged in her prison cell.

Episode 6

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Writer:	Noah Oppenheim, Eric Newman
Director:	Lesli Linka Glatter
Show Stars:	Robert De Niro (George Mullen), Jesse Plemons (Roger Carlson), Lizzy Caplan (Alexandra Mullen), Connie Britton (Valerie Whitesell), Joan Allen (Sheila Mullen), Bill Camp (CIA Director Lasch), Dan Stevens (Evan Green), Matthew Modine (Richard Dreyer), Angela Bassett (President Evelyn Mitchell), McKinley Belcher III (Carl Otieno)
Guest Stars:	Mozhan Navabi (Melissa Kornblau), Jay Klaitz (Tim Pennington), Eden Lee (Angela Kim), Cuyle Carvin (Agent Tom McCarthy), Mike McGowan (Field Ops Commander), Jackson Eick (Nick Mullen), Wolf Blitzer (Celebrity Anchor #1), Nicolle Wallace (Celebrity Anchor #2), Savannah Guthrie (Celebrity Anchor #3), Erick McAllister (Bald Man), Will Vought (Tv Analyst #1), TJ Lee (Doris), Alexis Cash (Mullen's Aide — Allison), Ignacio Diaz-Silverio (Cesar Rocha), Charlotte Ewing (Lily Whitesell), Turner Riley (Ops Analyst), Vince Gattton (Pundit), Fredric Lehne (Bob Schreier), Matt Ruland (Supreme Court Justice), Matt Scalisi (Lieutenant Hurstview), Neil Schleifer (Congressman Philip Schuyler)
Summary:	A new threat creates further unrest across the nation. As he narrows in on the culprit, Mullen is faced with an agonizing decision.



The episode begins with Alex confronting Dreyer and the Congress members who have sided with him. They all orchestrated Zero Day to show the weakness in the country, unite everyone and share a new proposal on how to govern the country.

Alex panics at how badly things have gone wrong as they had not foreseen Mitchell launching the commission and giving it to George. Alex wants to come clean but Dreyer subtly threatens that their insidious partners won't agree. She

calls her parents as she wants to tell them.

However, Dreyer launches another Zero Day power outage but it lasts longer now. The commission has some clue about the malware and starts working on bringing the power back. George's security detail claims he is a target and they need to leave. They are surrounded by a mob near his gate and things get physical as guns and Molotov cocktails are involved. However, the CIA shows up in time and scatters everyone.

Sheila is sent to Valerie's while Jeremy reveals that Dreyer had put a hit on George. They are going to use it to their advantage and claim George is dead. He also assures him that he and Mitchell are the only ones who are on his side while there are several officials who are part of Zero Day.

George connects the dots and meets Alex who breaks down. She explains that she just wanted to fix things with Zero Day and didn't expect people to die. She doesn't know what to do next and he hugs her.

Elsewhere, Dreyer gives a public condolence to George and claims he will possibly be the next commissioner. His happiness is short-lived as George confronts him. Dreyer knows he lost but points out that if he is exposed, Alex will go down too. The best way out is for him to retire once his term is up and for George to pin Zero Day on Kidder.

The commission is finally able to bring back the power. The White House claims the investigation is over and George will announce the results at the press conference. While he works on the report, both Sheila and Mitchell request him to pin it all on Kidder for different reasons.

Sheila cannot lose another child and believes they are the ones at fault for failing Alex. As for Mitchell, she believes the country will destroy itself if it learns the government cannot be trusted. She appeals to George's humanity as she brings up how she knows he backed out from the reelection to protect his illegitimate daughter, Lily.

George gives in when he hallucinates his son and finds a Proteus bug in the bird feeder. Dreyer is delighted that his reputation is saved.

Valerie investigates the bug but cannot find anything odd about it. George's doctor claims the hallucinations and memory gaps could also be because of the stress. Valerie claims whether it is Proteus or the stress, it is all over now.

However, before the hearing, Alex leaves a letter for George. As he reveals his findings in the press conference, he keeps seeing the lyrics to 'Who Killed Bambi' on the prompter. He realises that he should have been there for his son, and now he can do that for Alex by doing what she wishes.

He reads out her letter — she exposes Dreyer, the other Congressmen and herself. She has already turned herself in and Sheila looks sad. Mitchell is surprised when George announces that the commission has ended but the President will do everything she can to bring justice. Dreyer is furious as he claims George has condemned their country. But George believes it is just another chance to make things right and save America.

The public applauds George for doing the right thing, even if it means turning in his own daughter. George goes home and finds that Sheila is not there. He then burns all of the incomplete drafts of his memoir as there is more work to be done. The next morning, he changes his routine and goes running on a different route.

Actor Appearances

A

Joseph Adams.....	1
0104 (Dave Mckenna)	
Eric van Alstyne.....	1
0101 (Sec Of Homeland Security)	
Monique Alvarez.....	1
0104 (Chelsea)	
Christopher R. Anderson.....	1
0105 (Kidder Security Guard)	
Carlos Arce Jr.	1
0104 (Clerk)	
Giuseppe Ardizzone.....	1
0103 (Roger's Driver)	
Joe Avellar.....	1
0101 (News Correspondent #2)	
Alexandra Avezova.....	1
0103 (Annie)	

B

Varak Baronian.....	2
0101 (Uri); 0102 (Uri)	
Wolf Blitzer.....	3
0101 (Celebrity Anchor #1); 0104 (Celebrity Anchor #1); 0106 (Celebrity Anchor #1)	
Nikita Bogolyubov.....	2
0101 (Alexi Lebedev); 0102 (Alexi Lebedev)	
Casey Braxton.....	1
0101 (Cia Briefing Officer)	
Vanessa R. Butler.....	1
0104 (Commission Agent)	

C

Geoffrey Cantor.....	1
0101 (Hector Franklin)	
David Carl.....	1
0104 (Bank Manager)	
Cuyle Carvin.....	5
0101 (Agent Tom McCarthy); 0102 (Agent Tom McCarthy); 0104 (Agent Tom McCarthy); 0105 (Agent Tom McCarthy); 0106 (Agent Tom McCarthy)	
Alexis Cash.....	4
0102 (Mullen's Aide — Allison); 0103 (Mullen's Aide — Allison); 0104 (Mullen's Aide — Allison); 0106 (Mullen's Aide — Allison)	
Ephraim Chase.....	1
0104 (Kyle)	
Lyman Chen.....	1
0103 (Cyber Forensics Tech)	
Brian D. Coats.....	1
0104 (Proprietor)	
Blaise Corrigan.....	1
0101 (Town Car Driver)	

D

Siobhan Darrow.....	2
0101 (Blue Network Anchor); 0104 (Blue Network Anchor)	
Johnath Davis.....	3
0102 (White House Aide); 0104 (White House Aide); 0105 (White House Aide)	
Nick Denning.....	1
0105 (Secret Service In Helicopter)	
Ignacio Diaz-Silverio.....	3
0103 (Cesar Rocha); 0105 (Cesar Rocha); 0106 (Cesar Rocha)	
Colin Donnell.....	1
0103 (Erik Hayes)	

E

Jackson Eick.....	3
0104 (Nick Mullen); 0105 (Nick Mullen); 0106 (Nick Mullen)	
Charlotte Ewing.....	2
0105 (Lily Whitesell); 0106 (Lily Whitesell)	

F

Nicole Fragala.....	1
0102 (Emma O'Keefe)	

G

Vince Gatton.....	1
0106 (Pundit)	
Cian Genaro.....	1
0102 (Robert Ionna)	
Jabari Gray.....	1
0105 (Congressman Stone)	
Austin Green.....	1
0101 (Correspondent #1)	
Clark Gregg.....	2
0102 (Robert Lyndon); 0103 (Robert Lyndon)	
Hannah Gross.....	1
0101 (Anna Sindler)	
Savannah Guthrie.....	3
0102 (Celebrity Anchor #3); 0104 (Celebrity Anchor #3); 0106 (Celebrity Anchor #3)	

H

Lori Hammel.....	1
0101 (Correspondent #3)	
Ethan Herschenfeld.....	1
0102 (Medical Examiner)	
Gaby Hoffmann.....	3
0102 (Monica Kidder); 0104 (Monica Kidder); 0105 (Monica Kidder)	

I

Mark Ivanir 3
 0101 (Natan); 0102 (Natan); 0103 (Natan)

J

Merritt Janson 2
 0104 (Aubrey); 0105 (Aubrey)
 Angela Jeanneau 1
 0101 (Correspondent #2)
 John Jellison 1
 0105 (Minister)
 Phyllis Johnson 1
 0104 (Neuropsych Tester)

K

Kristie Keleshian 1
 0101 (News Correspondent #1)
 Jay Klaitz 5
 0102 (Tim Pennington); 0103 (Tim Pennington); 0104
 (Tim Pennington); 0105 (Tim Pennington); 0106
 (Tim Pennington)
 Stass Klassen 1
 0102 (Truck Driver)

L

Lia Lando 2
 0101 (Cityview Anchor); 0105 (Cityview Anchor)
 Eden Lee 4
 0102 (Angela Kim); 0104 (Angela Kim); 0105 (An-
 gela Kim); 0106 (Angela Kim)
 Geo Lee 1
 0103 (Coroner)
 TJ Lee 5
 0102 (Doris); 0103 (Doris); 0104 (Doris); 0105 (Doris);
 0106 (Doris)
 Fredric Lehne 3
 0104 (Schreier); 0105 (Schreier); 0106 (Bob Schreier)
 Jorge Luna 2
 0102 (General Tom Myles); 0104 (General Tom Myles)

M

Erick McAllister 3
 0102 (Bald Man); 0105 (Bald Man); 0106 (Bald Man)
 Mike McGowan 4
 0102 (Field Ops Commander); 0103 (Field Ops Com-
 mander); 0105 (Field Ops Commander); 0106
 (Field Ops Commander)
 Mary Jo Mecca 1
 0102 (Mrs. Sindler)
 Larry Mitchell 1
 0104 (Segal)

N

Mozhan Navabi 5
 0102 (Melissa Kornblau); 0103 (Melissa Kornblau);
 0104 (Melissa Kornblau); 0105 (Melissa Korn-
 blau); 0106 (Melissa Kornblau)
 Drena De Niro 1
 0105 (Congresswoman D'andrea)
 Helen Grace Hightower De Niro 1
 0102 (Little Girl)

Julian De Niro 1
 0105 (Riley Dobbs)

P

Suzan Perry 1
 0104 (Grocery Store Customer)

R

Marinko Radakovic 1
 0103 (Vlasto)
 David M. Raine 1
 0102 (Interrogator)
 Turner Riley 2
 0102 (Ops Analyst); 0106 (Ops Analyst)
 Diany Rodriguez 1
 0103 (Diana Moore)
 Matt Ruland 1
 0106 (Supreme Court Justice)

S

Matt Scalisi 1
 0106 (Lieutenant Hurstview)
 Neil Schleifer 1
 0106 (Congressman Philip Schuyler)
 Adam Shaukat 1
 0103 (Assistant Director)
 Andre Da Silva 2
 0102 (Motorcade Driver); 0105 (Motorcade Driver)
 Ryan Spahn 3
 0103 (Leon); 0104 (Leon); 0105 (Leon)
 Perry Strong 1
 0105 (Kidder's Head Of Security)

T

Kevin Thoms 1
 0103 (Hayes Interrogator)
 Rodrigo Torrejon 2
 0103 (Commission Aide); 0105 (Commission Aide)

V

Will Vought 1
 0106 (Tv Analyst #1)

W

Nicolle Wallace 3
 0101 (Celebrity Anchor #2); 0105 (Celebrity Anchor
 #2); 0106 (Celebrity Anchor #2)
 Morgan Wardlaw 1
 0103 (Au Pair)
 Terrell Wheeler 1
 0102 (Dad)
 Don Clark Williams 1
 0101 (Red Network Anchor)
 Jasjit Williams 1
 0102 (Patrick O'Keefe)

Y

James Yaegashi 1
 0104 (Red Rooster)