The Segmented World Book Series

Chronology 2050

January up to end February

(Version: 11/21)

January 2050

1st January

- At Soft Rush, **Methuen** and **Elizabeth** belatedly explain to **Bliss** their plan to live on **Phillips Cay** for the next five years.
- **Methuen** and **Elizabeth** talk to **Nick** and **Lianne** in London about their journey to Soft Rush and then on to Falmouth. **Book 1 (AA—Com File: '...something nagging away').**
- SS Camille is despatched to **Phillips Cay** by the Restoration Party.

2nd January

- As SS Camille approaches Phillips Cay, it begins blocking all satellite communications in and out of Phillips. This affects:
 - Guests that are still secretly using commercial satellites and those with AA-Com sets not using the dirigible network.
 - The cell phones and computers of local staff on **Phillips Cay** (NB: but not on the nearby island of Stanton where they have the cable.
 - Boat People in Reception Basin who are not supporters of the **Restoration** Party.
- Guests with AA-Com sets can still use dirigible network.

3rd January

• SS Camille arrives in **Phillips Cay.**

11th January

• Book1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Diary Functionality

17th January

Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): LCS Global Tribes

18th January

Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Ramona

20th January

• **FSA Created.** The Federated States of America come into existence with the seat of government relocated to Minneapolis.

21st January

• Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): The Investiture.

22nd January

• Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Final Year Club

27th January

• Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Intervention Treatment

28th January

• Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): The Coven, Seth and Ramona.

29th January

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Intervention Treatment response
- **US Politics: Ron McFall** rejects requests to join FSA and is given a final warning by President Harding: 'fall in line or be in contempt and be arrested'.

30th January

• Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): A new teleplant.

31st January

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Index Cards in my head
- Bliss informs **Ramona** of her parents plans to live on **Phillips Cay**.

February 2050

2nd February

• Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Something Horrible

3rd February

• Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): What's Going on?

4th February

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Compromise
- **Nick** and **Lianne** arrive at Soft Rush

5th February

• **Nick** and **Lianne** arrive at Soft Rush.

6th February

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Another operation
- Methuen, Elizabeth, Nick and Lianne leave Soft Rush. S
- Stay over in Plymouth.

7th February

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): I'm off!
- Methuen, Elizabeth, Nick and Lianne arrive in Falmouth and board the Allied Clipper. Meet Marco.

8th February

- US Politics: McFall threatens to make a unilateral declaration of independence (UDI) (Book 1: page 328)
- **US Politics: McFall** militia group takes over Allied Answer Portland base in Maine.
- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): On the HS4 to Exeter
- Bliss arrives on Clipper.
- AA-Com File: Leaving (contd.)
- Allied Answers Communication centre on Pico, Azores, begins switching off the dirigible network, in preparation for dirigibles to be lowered and upgraded.

 The global back-up for the dirigible network - ALL-SAT - is based in Lincoln, Nebraska and is manually managed from there where there is only a skeleton staff. As a result, there is break in communication around the Allied world, while ALL-SAT starts up.

9th February

- Allied Clipper leaves just after mid-night.
- On Allied Clipper there is no AVII communication set due to ALL—SAT slow start—up and Nick's reluctance to raise the Tower on the Clipper to allow AVII and his AVIII to link into the DN, until they leave Falmouth. And when they leave a storm in the Bay of Biscay, again prevents the Tower being raised.
- (AA—Com File: Sailing South, midday; Sailing South, late afternoon
- Nick informs Lianne McFall has taken over the Portland Base (Book 1 page 340)

10th February

- Dirigible on **Phillips Cay** is lowered to be upgraded and dirigible itself to be replaced (up there ten years)
 - Wallace's ALLCOM VII on Phillips Cay switches over to secure (internal use only) Allied satellite line (ALL—SAT) which is now working.
 - Guests with AA—Com using the dirigible network can no longer use their devices. They must use Wallace's ALL—SAT, AVII in his office.
 - Newcomers including all the 'professionals' (who were previously using dirigible network) lose communication for their AVII sets (Bradley, Seingolds, Mars, Renne, Smiths; Longhouses); they want to switch to a commercial satellite, but this has been banned by Nick.
 - Methuen is equally cut-off and must rely on the AVII in Wallace's office
 - Russians switch to ALL-SAT —after requesting this and being given approval by Nick.
 - SS Camille has its own dedicated satellite network which is functioning.
 - o Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Conversation with Ramon

11th February

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Bliss's anger
- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary): Bliss re-focuses.
- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Sailing South): Elizabeth and Lianne talk frankly about their fears and past events.
- Storms prevent Nick raising the Tower— AVII still not working Clipper out of communication.

12th February

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Faial): Clipper arrives in Faial.
- **Phillips Cay** dirigible flown by sea plane to Nassau for upgrading and new circuit boards fitted.

14th February

• **Seingold**'s arrive on **Phillips Cay** (left New York on 12th — dirigible network dead). Poor communications using commercial satellite contract all the way down — using the AVII given to him by **Nick**. Assigned a mooring on Berth 4.

15th February

• **Methuen** is informed by **Nick** in Faial that a solution has been found to the AVIII interference problem that is already being rolled out. (Started on the 8th by lowering dirigibles globally)

17th February

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary for 14-16th February): Life on Faial
- **Bliss** is frustrated by her new teleplant that only properly communicates with **Ramon**.
- **Bliss gets Maria to** buy her a cheap mobile in the market and makes contact independently with the Coven.

19th February

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Faial): Casa Colonial Bar
- Restoration Party declares UDI over Eastern Seaboard of the FSA

20th February

• Book 1 (AA—Com File: Faial): Methuen returns from inspection trip in Pico and describes to Elizabeth what he found there.

• **US Politics:** Tom Harding steps down from presidential role and is placed by Kelvin Drake in a secret deal he has done with **McFall** – to secure his support for the new constitution.

21st February

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Faial): Allied Clipper leaves Faial
- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Sharing a Secret): Nick explains to Methuen for the first time about Project 2150 and the Hub Commonwealth.

22nd February

- **US Politics:** Drake rejects **McFall**'s demands for Zbrinsky to leave his post.
- **Restoration Party** violently rejects Allied Answers staff from the Allied Yard at Portland resulting in a death of an Allied Associate. McFall will use the base for its patrol boats and to enforce UDI along the Eastern Seaboard.

23rd February

 Book 1 (AA—Com File: A Third Voice): Nick introduces Methuen to Katharina using HUBCOM and HTB on board the Allied Clipper.

27th February

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Bliss Diary entries for 21-26th February): Bliss exchanges messages with her father over the principles of sustainable living.
- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Arriving): Troy Central skirmish.
- Poor contact between Clipper and Phillips Cay AVII using ALL—SAT.
- **Nick** explains to Methuen he will not be staying on **Phillips Cay**.

28th February

- Book 1 (AA—Com File: Arriving): Allied Clipper escapes Troy Central and arrives in Phillips Cay.
- **Nick** reluctant to raise Tower in front of SS Camille. He knows the owner (Eli Mortensen) to be a **McFall** sympathiser.
- **Nick** uses 'intermittent' ALL-SAT to communicate

- **Russians** invited onboard the Clipper: **Nick** warns them about Eli Mortensen; agrees to give them access to ALL—SAT; denies Allied is blocking commercial satellites as is commonly believed.
- **Nick** has a brief polite meeting with the Raymonds that later angers Belinda.

March 2050

1st March

- Nick leaves on the Clipper for the small, Allied boat yard in Southport,
 Maine.
- Status of teleplants on Phillips Cay after Nick leaves
 - Methuen and Elizabeth have exo-cortex, AA-Plants. Currently they don't work on Phillips Cay - except locally - because the Phillips dirigible is being repaired and there is no server connected to a compatible satellite. They have no ACOM.
 - Bliss has a high quality commercial teleplant, but it only effectively communicated long distance with Ramona. The mobile she acquired in Faial is being blocked by SS Camille.
 - o Ramona can communicate with Bliss but not the other way.
 - SS Camille owner and supporters have their own teleplants, connected by a satellite server system- they can communicate in and out and with one another.
 - Wallace doesn't use teleplants, but he has an ACOM VII that uses ALL-SAT when the dirigible network was disabled.
 - Russians have exo-cortex AA-Plants and ACOM VII they are able to communicate through ALL—SAT.
 - All Guests on Phillips Cay that use teleplants have various vintages of ACOM sets; they all rely on commercial satellites and internet providers for communication, but this is being blocked by the SS Camille.
 - Belinda and Robert have teleplants connected to the SS Camille server and satellite.
 - All the Allied professional team have AA-Plants but they have no access to ALL—SAT and the commercial satellites are being blocked by SS Camille.

3rd March

 As it sails north to Southport, the Allied Clipper is harassed by McFall gunboats and forced to seek shelter on Seal Island.

4th March

World Event: Farrell Kelvin Drake III, Inaugurated as 1st FSA President.
 Nick unable to attend due to delay caused by McFall militia.

• A flotilla of seven boats leave Washington that includes former President Harding, his wife and VP Tranter and his wife.

7th March

- Book 2 Chapter 1: 'Not a Night for little grey pills'. From Hampton House, **Methuen** spots a boat in distress at sea.
- Erik and Jeanne rescued by Wallace.
- G7 (a boat in the flotilla that left Washington on the 4th) with an AVIII operating onboard causes interference on pre—AVIII ALLCOM sets as it passes by **Phillips Cay** (even for though using satellite communications). After 18 hours the interference becomes intermittent as the G7 is wrecked on Main Island.
- Book 2 Chapter 2: 'Where there was a beach...' Wallace reminisces to Methuen about how he arrived on Phillips and the history of its development.
- Book 2 Chapter 3: All, at Sea. Nick reports the Allied Clipper to be holed up on Seal Island the past six days
- Book 2 Chapter 3: Bliss Diary Entries: 5-7th March.
- Hiroshi relays his predicament. Hane Maru, Supply Quay, Phillips Cay; late evening, 8th March

11th March: Book 2 Chapter 4: Party, Party

12th March: Book 2 Chapter 4: Bliss's Diary

13th March

• Book 2 Chapter 5: The Taylors Talk

16th March

- McFall's militia forced out of the Portland Base by Maine citizen army
- Book 2 Chapter 6: 'Gang aft a-gley...'

20th March

Book 2 Chapter 7: 'Clowns to the left of me, jokers to the right...'

23rd March

Book 2 Chapter 8: The 'Chosen', Choose

24th March

- Book 2 Chapter 9: A Matter of Style
- Methuen and Wallace talk to Lianne and Nick.
- **Nick** reports from Southport, Maine: 'There are stand-offs between RP's militia and locals along all the river crossings from Portsmouth up to Milton in the north. Farmers are with shotguns. They've cut-off his little army in Portland, forcing them to leave by sea. The people are fighting back, but its ugly. In Southport, we're still accommodating many of those that fled the Portland Base.'

26th March

• Book 2 Chapter 10: Guinea Pig Reckoning

April 2050

1st April

- SS Camille and flotilla leave Phillips
- Methuen reveals plans for Expedition etc

2nd April

 Book 2 Chapter 13: Bliss's Diary. SS Camille blocking ends; commercial satellites working. Guests with commercial satellite contracts (including Bliss) able to make contact.

4th April

Book 2 Chapter 13: Bliss's Diary

STATUS of Communication before the Incident

- Nick-using AVIII through Clipper Tower or using AVII (OK in Southport) not SSB
- Russians: using AVII with AA-SAT
- Wallace using AVII linked to AA-SAT
- Guests on PC with commercial contracts, otherwise through Wallace

6th April

- Book 2: Chapter 14: A Sighting at night
- THE INCIDENT (23.30 ET, 6/4/50)

7th April

- 00.30 hrs: Emergency Order closes all FSA—based, commercial satellite networks
- **01.30 hrs:** CENCOM closes ALL-SAT, in Lincoln (*This is partly to force NOG to the Table to resolve issues with ALLIED Campus merger and more*)
- 02.00 hrs: Wallace confronted by Russians in Square ALL-SAT is turned off
- 02.30 hrs: Wallace, Methuen and Jeanne call Nick on Military Line (SSB is still in its packaging; Wallace hasn't thought of even setting it up)
- PC talks very briefly with NOG in Southport. Nick is using AVIII (and Clipper dirigible) to talk with Pico. They give him vague details about the Incident
- Book 2 Chapter 14: O'Grady Boatyard, Southport, Maine, 09.00 hrs

- 06.00 hrs: Nick talks with Jerry, who provides details about The Incident
- **10.30 hrs: Nick** and **Lianne** leave for Rockland. There Nick calls his friend, Jerry on the Military Line.
- 11.30 Military Line is cut-off, including PC
- 12.00 hrs: McFall broadcasts from requisitioned radio station near New York
- Book 2 Chapter 15: Closing the Channel
- 15.00 EST: Drake addresses the Nation in the afternoon

STATUS of communications AFTER THE INCIDENT

- ALL- SAT and all commercial satellite providers shutdown 7/4/50
- Wallace (privately) switched to Military Line
- **Russians** protesting in the Square they are cut-off ay 11.30 on 7/4/50
- SSB still in packaging **Wallace** doesn't want to use it
- PC reverts to using SSB after **Erik** gets it functioning
- Russians and Residents have no communication

8th April

- 12.00 hrs. ET: McFaul appears 'on one of the big commercial radio networks. He and his acolytes had driven down State Highway 1 to just north of New York and commandeered a transmitting station. He claimed to be: "making an honest appeal to the American people" but it was just a political stunt. He blamed the explosions on foreigners, and the "spread of a toxic cloud" on the incompetence of the Drake's administration".
- **15.00 hrs. ET**: **Drake** talks to Nation. The President had little option but to declare a State of Emergency. The FSA media were gagged. Only the military and emergency services were allowed access to the mobile and satellite-based networks. Then, they called up the Reserve and in many of the cities, up and down the country, martial law was then imposed.'

10th April

- **Nick** holds a meeting in Southport Yard and informs Allied staff he is leaving for Europe on the Clipper and that the Yard would be closed. He urges people to return to their homes, unable to guarantee their safety
- McFall talks to Nation again; Drake declares a State of Emergency

11th April

- Nick and Lianne leave Southport, Maine and travel to Ships Cove near Portland. Nick takes AVIII and SSB with him and mothballs the ship's HTB on the Clipper
- Nick and Lianne travel on to the New York Office; leaves by helicopter for Chicago

12th April

• **Nick** and **Lianne** travel to Lincoln, overnight, by train covertly to Lincoln.

13th April

- Nick and Lianne in Lincoln on Allied Campus
- Book 2 Chapter 4: Bliss's Diary. Closing the Channel into Phillips Cay

15th April

Book 2 Chapter 16: 'A mid-Atlantic message'. Nick fakes mid Atlantic
message to PC from Lincoln. Uses his SSB to talk to Methuen and
others on PC on his SSB. AVIII cannot communicate into the SSB
network; cannot use the Military Line because of his infringement he is
blocked.

16th April

- Nick concludes a deal with CENCOM that will (1) allow his remaining staff to return home; (2) allow CENCOM to takeover Allied Campus; (3) Allied to allow ALL-SAT to restart (they renege on this) 4) squash the summons for using Military Line and allows him to use it again but clearly monitored
- SSB confiscated but manages to keep AVIII

17th April

Nicks communications inside CENCOM

- **Nick** resumes using the Military Line to communicate with AVIII but very sparingly. Using the AVIII through the Pico HTB he can see another AVIII on Main Island (G7). He is aware what this is.
- Nick leaves a message on the G7 AVIII on the hope that Wallace may find the boat. He is informed the AVIII will self-destruct— as Methuen's

has already — Only leaves a hologram with a cryptic message *Try the old letterbox*.

- Book 2 Chapter 17: 'Sake at mid-Day' Expedition to Main Island begins
- Expedition I makes camp south of the thorn thicket on Main Island
- Expedition II makes camp at the end of the airstrip.
- Maxwell and JLT explore Main Island Gorge and discover potable water.
- Book 2 Chapter 18: Differences of Opinion

18th April

- Nick seconded as Colonel into CENCOM but confined to the officer's quarters
- Expedition I: march to Camp 2 on the edge of the gorge
- Maxwell and JLT explore the Gorge but hindered by large rock falls.

19th April

- Expedition II: Michael and Roberto go south 07.00 hrs and wait at Whitebottom bay with a connector; Maxwell and JLT go into the Gorge for a second day
- **Wallace** leaves the Camp 2 to explore the Gorge ca 07.00 hrs.
- Book 2 Chapter 19: A Pastor Calls. Renovation of the Hane Maru begins at 09.00 hrs.
- 09.30 hrs **Pastor Milligan** arrives
- 10.30 ca. **Erik** makes routine call to PC but cannot reach **Maxwell** in the Gorge
- Gunshot fired by Erik at ca 10.30 hrs from Camp 2 is heard by Expedition II
- Book 2 Chapter 18: The Locker Room Revealed: around 10.30 when they are on the ledge and hear the gunshot. Maxwell and JLT discover the 'Locker Room' in the cliff.
- Book 2 Chapter 20: '... a rucksack lying on the ground'
- Wallace found injured at ca 11.30 by Bradley.
- After Pastor leaves, PC people take an early brunch but then **Methuen** receives the call about Wallace at ca 12.00
- Erik calls Methuen 12.00, to inform him of the accident
- 14.30 hrs. Rescue party led by **Elizabeth** cross White bottom Bay with **Tip, Charles** and **Julanga** enroute the Expeditions I Camp 1

- Expedition II Camp; 16.30 hrs. 19th April; Maxwell and JLT talk with Methuen on PC
- Clipper arrives on Merseyside
- Marco on the Clipper calls Methuen using SSB to SSB

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20th April

- Clipper arrives in Porlock but not allowed to land
- Clipper moves to disused moorings at Hartland Head; Marco visits Clovelly for supplies

21st April

• CENCOM make an additional request before starting up ALL-SAT — they require the source code for the AGI. **Nick** resists and begins to make his plans to escape

26th April

• Clipper leaves Hartland Head with twenty one newcomers onboard

27th April

- Clipper arrives at Quai Brisson in the industrial port of La Pallice, in France
- Marco tries to call Nick with no luck.
- **Erik** calls **Marco** on the SSB while on the Expedition

28th April

French Authorities requisition the Clipper. Clipper shutdown (Book 1, page 472)

30th April

• Expedition returns

May 2050

2nd May

• Harvey moved from Reception Office to G7

4th May

 Move G7 communications rack to Reception Office. ALLCOM VIII revealed — but also connected to the Military Line

6th May

- Bliss's Chronicle
- Shifting Sands (Phillips Clubhouse, late afternoon, 6th May)