

Black Panther Hunting (prelude)

Setting the Scene:

It is 1976 and one of the hottest summers on record on the West Coast of America. Funky Disco music is topping all of the US charts and is shaping the culture of young people [*Funky 60's & 70's in-game soundtrack*].

The United States Government are celebrating the defeat of the Black Panther Party and the complete dissolving of the controversial Left-Wing Party.

North and South Vietnam have recently united to form the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and from coast-to-coast, the United States celebrates the 200th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence from British rule.

It is a time of progress and celebration for most, but for five people in California, tonight's events will decide their fate and change their lives forever.

Within the bosom of the sleepy town of Concord lie the busy Carquinez Docks [*Location of the gameplay*]. The Docks have provided work for the majority of Concord's populous over the past sixty years, during which time it has created and maintained a reputation for success.

The owner of the docks during that time, Mr Murphy, passed away twelve months ago and left the entirety of his estate, including the docks, to his beautiful daughter Nina O'Hara and her husband Anthony O'Hara making them, initially, very rich.

Nina O'Hara:

Motive:

Nina is a very beautiful woman; she is slender and stands at a shapely and attractive 5.5". Always well presented, her bright blue eyes and long wavy blonde hair and glowing smile make her stand out in a crowd. She has found the recent loss of her father quite hard as she is an only child and her mother had passed away when she was very young. Due to this, she has become a very strong and confident woman and never shies away from a fight. Her only weakness is her unquestioning love for her husband Antony.

Knowing how much she loves him, Antony has managed to use his wife's love to gain a position of responsibility in the Carquinez Docks Company. He uses her love to unrelentingly get what he wants when he wants it. She is totally blind to his ways and would give him the world if she could. Unfortunately, with little management experience between them and as the result of many poor business decisions and troubled investments by Antony over the past year, Nina has come to realize that their little empire is in trouble.

Nina has realized that poor management of the company coupled with her husband's erroneous spending, since the untimely death of her Father, has left the Carquinez Dock Company in serious financial difficulty.

Antony O'Hara:

Motive:

Over the past year, Antony has developed a gambling problem. His wife Nina is unaware of his addiction as when she does notice that money is missing, he confidently explains the loss of money as investments that went bad. Being naive and trusting and so in love with Antony, Nina believes her husband which in turn only adds to the problem.

Antony owes a vast amount of money (\$50,000) to Debtors. The Debtors sent Antony a message today; that as he has recently failed to keep up repayments that they will start proceedings to acquire the docks and other property that the O' Hara family owe unless he pays back the full amount of the money borrowed in one week. To keep the problem a secret from Nina, Antony agreed to pay the Debtors back within the week in exchange for their silence as he loves his wife and does not want her to know the truth about their financial problems as this would jeopardise the good situation he has with her.

To raise the cash required Antony hires a former Black Panther called Bobby Newton that he met in Vietnam to rob the contents of the safe which contains the wages and revenue from the Docks. Antony would then use this money and the money from the insurance claim from the robbery to pay off his debt. He also uses a contact he met in the Vietnam conflict called Yi Cheong to import slaves and narcotics from China to sell to gangsters in the downtown California district.

Bobby Newton:

Motive:

Bobby Newton is an ex-Special Forces stealth commander from the Vietnam War. Since his time in the conflict ended he has been a member of the notorious Black Panther Party, but that lifestyle is coming to an end and desperate for action and money to support his community Bobby Newton agrees to use his skills to help his old friend Antony O'Hara get back on top by stealing the contents of the safe.