

## Supplemental: PTO

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### Summary

**[XISUMA]**

I really think-

**[GRIAN]**

I *told* you, I'm *not* going to take any time off.

(Supplemental audio to [Statement 0220625 \("Ornithology"\)](#).)

### Notes

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*(Footsteps)*

**[XISUMA]**  
I really think-

**[GRIAN]**  
I *told* you, I'm *not* going to take any time off. I was away for too long already. I *just* want to get *back* to work-

**[XISUMA]**

Are you sure?

**[GRIAN]**

Yes, I'm sure! Why has everyone in this building turned into mother hens all of a sudden?

**[XISUMA]**

Well, you *did* get kidnapped.

**[GRIAN]**

(*Wordless grumbling*)

**[XISUMA]**

You're sure you don't want to just take a few days? Get some rest? Get your strength back up? Even if you're that committed to not going to a doctor...

**[GRIAN]**

I'm recovering just fine here! Felt better as soon as I got back inside the doors. I'll play it safe, won't run off after any leads or whatever, just- *please* let me keep working.

**[XISUMA]**

(*Sighs*) I can't say I'm happy about it, but I won't stop you.

Should I have the janitorial staff come through, by the way? It's looking a bit... um, messy down here.

**[GRIAN]**

*Don't* mess with it- it's fine. I have a system.

**[XISUMA]**

...Right. I'll leave you to it, then.

(*Door closes*)

**[GRIAN]**

Finally. Goodness, I thought he'd never leave.

That man... you know, I would love to sit down with him and pick his brain. How does a guy like that wind up in charge of a place like this? I guess it *is called* the Void Institute... never really thought about that before. Maybe his grandfather founded it or something. He just doesn't seem like the sort, you know?

I've got the feeling he'd have a *really good* statement to give.

(*Papers shuffling*)

**[GRIAN]**

Right. Where were we?

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a short little bonus before we kick into the next round of statements! what *is* up with that xisuma guy, huh? weird. he seems nice enough, though!

anyways while you're here, you should also go look at [chrisrin's excellent art of post-ornithology grian](#). i've just been staring at it.

and hey, genuinely, i am so delighted by the uptick in people reading these fics since the last installment. the flood of comments was really insane and i am so glad to have you here and i hope you stick around!! my cowriter has also instructed me to say they are sending you all heart emojis.

edit: also also it's the middle of the night and i just realized there might be people who don't know what the title of this one means. PTO is paid time off

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