THE TRANSFORMERS: REGENERATION ONE

“Mama Screamer”

CAST LIST (speaking parts only)

AUTOBOTS:

Arcee

Smokescreen

Daytonus

Strongarm

Siren

Rev

Breakaway

DECEPTICONS:

Starscream

Thunderhoof

Knock Out

Quake

HUMANS:   
Laura Winslow

World Leader

NEUTRALS:   
Mama Starscream

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NOTES

This episode was written during “Mother’s Day” week and is dedicated to all the mothers in the world.

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ACT ONE

FADE IN

SPACE – FLYING SAUCER

We see a Cybertronian flying saucer heading towards the Earth. It lands in the Oregon desert. We see a shadowy figure coming out of the saucer. The figure seems to be pretty short in stature and we see that it’s looking at something. It’s a picture of STARSCREAM when he was a little hatchling, wearing diapers and with a pacifier in his mouth. The figure then walks through the desert.

FADE IN TO

AUTOBOT BASE – GARAGE

We see SMOKESCREEN and SIREN playing poker in the garage while REV is repairing a vehicle. SMOKESCREEN then puts his cards down on the table and we see that he has four aces and a king. SIREN notices the king and stops SMOKESCREEN before he can pick up his winnings.

SIREN

(getting angry, to SMOKESCREEN)

Yo!!! AH just played dat card!!! How in the oily blue blazes did ya git it???!!!! Luck or cheatin’???

SMOKESCREEN then gets up angrily and grabs SIREN by the shoulders.

SMOKESCREEN

(angrily)

You callin’ me a cheater, loudmouth????!!!!

SIREN then pushes SMOKESCREEN and he violently tosses the table aside.

SIREN   
(angry, throwing the table to the ground)   
You are a cheater!!!!

SMOKESCREEN   
(angry)   
Why, you---????!!!!!

SMOKESCREEN and SIREN then start fighting. SMOKESCREEN punches SIREN and sends him flying on top of REV. REV gets up and angrily grabs SIREN by the shoulders.

REV

(angry)

Hey, watch it ya maniacs!!!! Who are ya shovin’????!!!!

REV then punches SIREN and sends him flying off. SMOKESCREEN then comes in and grabs REV.

SMOKESCREEN

(angry, holding REV)

Look, Rev!!! Nobody punches my buddy except me!!!!

However, before SMOKESCREEN can get a chance to punch REV, a hand grabs him by the arm. Then, we see DAYTONUS looking at SMOKESCREEN defiantly.

DAYTONUS

(with a defiant tone)  
CUT IT OUT!!!! All of ya!!!

(with disgust, to the three Autobots)

Look at ‘cha!!! Rodimus would be totally displeased wit’ yer attitude!!!! No wonder Arcee has been so depressed lately. Your bickering and fighting is making her life miserable!!!!

(aggressively)

Now, cool it or I’ll make your lives miserable.

(looking at the three Autobots, with disgust)

Whoooooaaaa!!!

DAYTONUS then gets out of the garage. SMOKESCREEN, SIREN and REV are totally terrified of him. They know that he could back up what he said about making their lives miserable. We see that ARCEE is outside. DAYTONUS approaches her and starts talking to her.

DAYTONUS

(with a cool attitude)

Well, I stopped them.

ARCEE

(with a somewhat sad tone)  
Thanks.

DAYTONUS

(with a cool attitude)

Ey, relax ‘Cee. At least we now know where Roddy is and we can plan a rescue mission.

ARCEE

(sad)

I guess so, but I still can’t help but feel bad about so many things.

DAYTONUS

Like what???

ARCEE then looks at MINERVA’S room. DAYTONUS looks at MINERVA’S room as well and immediately realizes one of the things troubling ARCEE.

DAYTONUS

Oh…

ARCEE

(sad)

She’s been crying for days. She just feels like everything is falling apart. The sheer thought of Nightbeat being dismantled shrouds her with guilt. I tried to help her, but I don’t know if I’m really helping her at all. That combined with Wheeljack’s depression due to losing Airazor, Siren and Smokescreen constantly bickering and fighting…

ARCEE then breaks up and starts crying. DAYTONUS hugs her, comforting her.

DAYTONUS

(comforting ARCEE)

Ey, ey!!! Don’t cry, pink gal. You’ve been a great leader so far. If Roddy saw ya today, he would be pretty proud of ya.

ARCEE

(calming down)

Thanks, Daytonus. I really appreciate your kindness.

DAYTONUS

(with a cool attitude)

Yeah, just go to your room and relax for a while, it’ll cool your stress.

ARCEE then hugs DAYTONUS and heads for her room. DAYTONUS goes to take a stasis nap outside. He lies down on the ground and tries to sleep. However, we hear the sounds of owls, crickets, birds, squirrels, raccoons and frogs while he’s trying to relax. After a brief moment, DAYTONUS then briefly gets up, looks around and gives an order.

DAYTONUS

(with an authoritative tone, to all animals)

COOL IT!!!!

After the order, all of the animals stop making noises. DAYTONUS looks around and lies down.

DAYTONUS

(lying down)

Let’s see Tarzan do dat!!!!

DAYTONUS then rests peacefully. Meanwhile, we see BREAKAWAY watching G-WIZ news. We see LAURA WINSLOW on the screen.

LAURA

This is Laura Winslow of G-WIZ news, reporting live from the first international conference on nuclear weapons.

However, we see that the live report gets interrupted and we now see STARSCREAM on the screen. We see that KNOCK OUT is buffing STARSCREAM’S helmet. STARSCREAM pushes KNOCK OUT aside.

STARSCREAM

(pushing KNOCK OUT aside)

Get away, you idiot!!!! We’re on the air!!!!

(addressing the public)

People of Earth!!! This is Starscream!!!! If you do not surrender to me, you’ll face destruction at the hands of my nuclear disintegrator!!!! I will be at the United World Plaza at noon tomorrow to present the terms of your surrender!!!

BREAKAWAY

(with a cool attitude)  
This is so not cool.

(to the intercom)  
Attention all Autobots. We’ve got ourselves a situation.

FADE IN TO

THE UNITED WORLD PLAZA – AT NOON

We see STARSCREAM, KNOCK OUT, QUAKE and a Vehicon CAR DRONE walking out of a portal. We see the World Leaders coming out of the United World building and we also see LAURA recording the meeting between the Leaders and STARSCREAM.

STARSCREAM

(smirking)  
Now to bring the people of Earth to their knees!!!

(to the World Leaders)

I’m glad you’re on time!!! Here are my demands!!! First, all of the world governments will surrender to me!!! Second…

WORLD LEADER

(with a defiant tone)  
We have met, and we have decided not to give in to your demands, Starscream!!!

While the WORLD LEADER speaks, we see the mysterious figure approaching the plaza.

STARSCREAM

(upset, to the WORLD LEADER)  
YOU WHAT????!!!!!

Suddenly, we hear a raspy voice with a thick Bronx accent off-screen. This raspy voice is slightly lower than that of STARSCREAM.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(off-screen, with joy)

Sonny boy, it’s you!!!!

STARSCREAM

(embarrassed, looking at his MAMA)

Mama????!!!!! Wh-wh-what the---????!!!!!

We finally get a glimpse of MAMA STARSCREAM. She’s slightly shorter than her son, but she looks almost exactly like him except for the fact that she has white hair around her helmet. She then comes in and hugs her son.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(with joy, hugging STARSCREAM)

Surprise, surprise!!! I came in my lil’ ol’ flyin’ saucer all the way from the ol’ Nova Cronum neighborhood to shake hands with my son who tells me he’s the big shot commander of a great security force.

KNOCK OUT

(with a sarcastic tone)  
Awwwwww, ain’t that sweet????

QUAKE

(with a cute tone, thinking KNOCK OUT is serious)

Yeah, maybe I oughta visit my madre more frequently!!!

KNOCK OUT reacts to QUAKE’S remark with a facepalm.

KNOCK OUT

(to himself)  
Gee, doesn’t he know the meaning of the word sarcasm????!!!

We see that the CAR DRONE is biting his fist in order to contain his laughter. STARSCREAM then addresses the World Leaders with rage.

STARSCREAM

(angry, to the World Leaders)  
You will all pay for this insolence!!!! You hear me??? EARTH WILL PAY!!!!!!!

Then, MAMA STARSCREAM grabs STARSCREAM by the side of his helmet.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(with joy, grabbing the side of STARSCREAM’S helmet)

C’mon, sonny!!! Let’s blow this joint!!!

STARSCREAM

(trying to get out of his MAMA’S grasp)  
Mama, wait!!!!! Ya can’t--- YOOOOOOOOWWWWWW!!!!!

The Decepticons then head back to the portal. Meanwhile, we see that all the available Autobots (ARCEE, STRONGARM, SMOKESCREEN, DAYTONUS, REV, SIREN and BREAKAWAY) have arrived at the scene and they transform to robot mode. LAURA goes to greet them.

LAURA

(to the Autobots)

Hi, guys. You just missed ol’ Screamin’ jerk. He left through a portal and get this…!!!! He had his mother with him!!!

There is a brief moment of silence, and then, the Autobots burst into laughter.

ARCEE, DAYTONUS, MINERVA, ET AL

(laughing)  
HAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHHAHHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHA!!!!

REV

(laughing)

Boy, I really hope you recorded that footage, ‘cause I would really love to see that jerk’s reaction!!!

DAYTONUS

(laughing)

Yeah, it would be mundo-hilarious!!!!!

LAURA

(smiling and winking)  
I’ll send a copy to each of ya.

STRONGARM

(laughing)  
Golly, I can’t wait to see that!!!

ARCEE

(catching her breath)

Still, we’ll have to see whether or not Screamer was bluffing about the nuclear disintegrator.

(to STRONGARM)

Would you like to come with me and pay the ‘cons a little visit???

STRONGARM

(smiling)  
I thought you’d never ask.

FADE IN TO

THE DESERT – THE DECEPTICON SHIP

We see ARCEE and STRONGARM sneaking into the Decepticon ship. They keep advancing, but then, STARSCREAM walks through the corridor and spots them.

ARCEE

(frustrated)

SCRAP!!!!

STARSCREAM

(scared)  
AAAAAAAAAAA!!!!! Autobots!!!!!

STRONGARM

Whoopsie!!!

Then, QUAKE and THUNDERHOOF come in to assist STARSCREAM.

STARSCREAM

(with an authoritative tone)  
DESTROY THEM!!!!!

ARCEE and STRONGARM are shocked by this latest development.

END OF ACT ONE

ACT TWO

FADE IN

THE DECEPTICON SHIP – THE CORRIDOR

We see THUNDERHOOF, STARSCREAM and QUAKE glaring menacingly at ARCEE and STRONGARM.

STARSCREAM

(with an authoritative tone)

DESTROY THEM!!!!!

However, before they can attack, we see a purse hitting STARSCREAM in the face.

STARSCREAM

(being hit by the purse)

OWWWWWWW!!!!

Then, we see that the purse belongs to MAMA STARSCREAM. She’s been watching everything and she seems pretty displeased by everything she’s seen. THUNDERHOOF then looks at MAMA STARSCREAM and then asks STARSCREAM a question.

THUNDERHOOF

(to STARSCREAM)

EY-YO!!!! Who’s this dame????!!!!!!

STARSCREAM

(embarrassed)  
My… mother…

MAMA STARSCREAM

(displeased, to STARSCREAM)

How many times must I tell ya that it’s not polite to treat yer guests like dat????

STARSCREAM

(to his MAMA)  
But Mama, those are our most despised enemies!!!!

MAMA STARSCREAM

(displeased, to STARSCREAM)

You’re just like yer pop!!! Impulsive and paranoid!!!! You’re grounded!!! Go to yer room and don’t come back ‘til ya clean up yer act, ya stupid bum!!!!

STARSCREAM   
(crying like a little baby, heading to his room)   
BWAAAAAAAAAAAA!!!!! WHY DOES SHE ALWAYS TREAT ME LIKE THAT!!!!! BWAAAAAAAAA!!!!!

Then, MAMA STARSCREAM looks at THUNDERHOOF.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(to THUNDERHOOF, with disgust)

You get yer ugly mug outta here. I dunno why my son hangs out with filth like you.

THUNDERHOOF

(crying like a baby, running off)  
BWAAAAAAAAA!!!!! JUST BECAUSE MY JOB IS FILTHY DOESN’T MEAN I AM!!!!! BWAAAAAAAA!!!!!

Then, MAMA STARSCREAM looks at QUAKE. He’s about to run off crying, but is stopped by MAMA STARSCREAM.

QUAKE

(starting to run off)

BWAAAAAA---!!!

MAMA STARSCREAM

(stopping QUAKE)  
Hold it right there, ya bum!!!! You’re gonna help me wit’ the guests.

(to ARCEE and STRONGARM)  
I’m really sorry for my son’s behavior. He inherited that from his pop.

ARCEE and STRONGARM look at each other totally baffled and surprised. Then, we fade into a scene in the Decepticon ship’s dining room. We see QUAKE serving some soup to ARCEE and STRONGARM that MAMA STARSCREAM made. Then, MAMA STARSCREAM comes in and sits at the table.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(with a friendly tone, to the two Autobots)

So, how’s the soup????

STRONGARM

It’s delicious!!!!

ARCEE

Yeah, you are really good at cooking.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(smiling)  
Thank you. You girls are so nice. I dunno why Sonny doesn’t like either of ya.

ARCEE

(smiling nervously)  
Well, let’s just say that we’re not exactly on the same side.

STRONGARM

Yeah. You see, we’re Autobots. We are protecting the Earth from the Decepticons, which are now being led by your son.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(upset)  
I knew he wus lyin’ about bein’ the big shot commander of a great security force!!!! A no-good lyin’ bum, just like his pop!!!!

STRONGARM  
Well, he wouldn’t be leading if that black hole hadn’t sucked the previous ‘con leader and his brutish lackey.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(even more upset)  
Like papa, like son. The opportunist bum!!!

(notices that ARCEE is looking kinda sad, with concern)

Say, what’s wrong???? You look sad.

ARCEE   
(holding back her emotions)

It’s just that I…

ARCEE then breaks up into tears.

STRONGARM

(with a soft tone, to ARCEE)  
You want me to tell her???

ARCEE nods and STRONGARM tells the story to MAMA STARSCREAM.

STRONGARM   
(to MAMA STARSCREAM)   
That black hole also sucked in our leader Rodimus and his second-in-command Nightbeat, and Arcee has been forced to take over. Arcee loves Rodimus, and she misses him dearly. Our friend Minerva is also suffering a lot, too. She managed to make contact with Rodimus, and found out that Nightbeat had been dismantled by their captors.

MAMA STARSCREAM is listening to the story carefully. She has a warm expression on her face and as she listens to the story, she understands why ARCEE has been having trouble.

END OF ACT TWO

ACT THREE

FADE IN

THE DECEPTICON SHIP – DINING ROOM

We see MAMA STARSCREAM still listening to STRONGARM’S story.

STRONGARM   
(still telling MAMA STARSCREAM the story)

The fact that our leader is not with us has started to take a toll on all of us. Now, there is a lot more tension, which causes some of our more temperamental members to start bickering and fighting. Arcee just doesn’t think that she can handle all of this for much longer.

MAMA STARSCREAM stands up and walks towards ARCEE. She hugs and comforts her.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(with a warm tone)  
There, there, my child. You really have earned yer position, and you should be proud of that. If only my son was more like you, he wouldn’t be such an annoying bum.

ARCEE   
(crying)   
But I don’t know how much longer I can take this. I can’t stop Smokescreen and Siren from fighting without Daytonus’ help, I’m trying to help Minerva overcome her sadness and yet I don’t think I’m helping her at all, and Wheeljack won’t come out of his lab due to his loss. I’m just so… useless!!!!

MAMA STARSCREAM

(with a warm tone)  
Nonsense, young lady. From what yer young friend told me, I think you’ve done a terrific job trying to be a good role model. Ya see, a real leader is someone who questions themselves constantly, thinking they’re inferior to previous leaders. But if you ask the people that surround that leader, they will always say that they’re proud of having them as a leader.

ARCEE

(emotional)  
Really???

MAMA STARSCREAM

(cheerful)  
Absolutely. And no matter how tough the situation is, I know you’ll handle it better than you think you can.

ARCEE

(feeling better)  
Gee, thanks Mama Starscream.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(warmly)  
Oh, please. It’s the least I could do.

(with a sad tone)  
I just wish I had done that with Sonny. Y’see, I always told him to go to school, but he always ran out to see his pop in action. Papa Starscream was a great fighter and a pretty handsome fella, but his inflated ego and his arrogance caused his demise. Sonny inherited all the flaws his pop had, and some of my flaws as well. He never told me “Mama, I love ya.”

ARCEE

But nobody’s perfect, Mama Starscream. Yes, your son may be a stupid bum, but deep down, he’s still your son, and I know that he must still love you a lot despite the fact that he can’t admit it.

MAMA STARSCREAM

I really hope you’re right, young lady.

STRONGARM

(remembering something)  
Holy scrap, we almost forgot!!!! Your son has a nuclear disintegrator that he’s threatened the world with.

MAMA STARSCREAM

Oh, you mean that giant thing in the briefin’ room??? That was Papa Screamer’s disintegrator. Sonny knows that piece of junk hasn’t worked for years. He was bluffin’ ya all this time.

STRONGARM

I suspected as much.

(to MAMA STARSCREAM)

Well, we must be going. Thanks for your hospitality, Mama Screamer.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(smiling, to STRONGARM)

My pleasure, young girl.

(to ARCEE)

Oh, and remember what I told ya. True leaders always question themselves, but the people around them know that despite that fact, they will always make the right decisions.

ARCEE

(smiling, to MAMA STARSCREAM)  
I won’t forget it. Thanks for everything, Mama Starscream.

ARCEE and STRONGARM leave the ship. After they have left we see STARSCREAM coming into the dining room. He seems calmer than we’ve seen him so far.

STARSCREAM

(with a soft tone)

Mama, can I talk to ya????

MAMA STARSCREAM  
(smiling)  
Yeah, Sonny. C’mon in!!!!

STARSCREAM then sits in front of his MAMA. He then thinks that the time has come to say something important.

STARSCREAM   
(ashamed)   
Look, Mama. I lied to ya. I’m not the big shot commander of a security force. I’m just the boss of an evil team. I know you always told me that I shouldn’t be like my pop, but I couldn’t help it, I was always so amazed by how great and awesome pop looked while fighting all those jet fighters. I just couldn’t help it!!! All the kids at school bullied me, and all I wanted was to be just like pop so I could teach ‘em a lesson. I know that I’m on the wrong side of freedom and justice, but I’m proud of it, ‘cause I feel that’s where I really belong. I know you never wanted that, but I can’t turn back now. However, I always wanted to tell ya something.

We see that STARSCREAM has started to cry quietly. MAMA STARSCREAM is somewhat surprised by this. She has never seen her son cry in such a quiet manner before.

STARSCREAM   
(crying, to his MAMA)   
I love you, Mama. You may not have succeeded in making me what you wanted me to be, but I really love ya for trying. You’re the only person in the universe who cares about me. Nobody likes me, and yet, you always worry about me lot. I’m so sorry for being what I am, but that’s the only thing I’m good at. However, despite that fact, I’ll always love ya no matter what.

STARSCREAM then breaks up even more. MAMA STARSCREAM looks at her son. She’s smiling with warmth.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(with a warm tone)  
Awwwwww, Sonny. I never thought you would say that. I thought you were just like yer pop, but now, I see that you’re better than him. You told me the truth and that’s what matters. I love you a lot, Sonny, and you really made me proud of ya today. I may not like what you do, but if you feel like this is what you want to do for the rest of yer life, then I can’t stop ya.

We see STARSCREAM looking at his MAMA, tears rolling down his cheeks. He smiles warmly and then, he hugs her. We then fade in to a scene in which STARSCREAM and his MAMA are bidding each other farewell.

STARSCREAM

(warmly)  
Goodbye, Mama.

MAMA STARSCREAM

(with warmth)

Goodbye, Sonny. Don’t forget to write.

MAMA STARSCREAM then gets inside her saucer and it takes off. STARSCREAM waves goodbye to his MAMA.

STARSCREAM   
(with a soft tone, looking at the saucer)   
I love ya.

THE END

END OF ACT THREE