THE TRANSFORMERS: REGENERATION ONE

“Back in Action”

CAST LIST (speaking parts only)

AUTOBOTS:

Rodimus Prime

Arcee

Bumblebee

Wheeljack

Smokescreen

Drift

Daytonus

Breakaway

Strongarm

Siren

Wreck-Gar

Hosehead

Side Burn

Rev

Hot Rod (young)

Velocity

DECEPTICONS:

Shockwave

Starscream

Runabout

Runamuck

Thunderhoof

Knock Out

Sky-Byte

Tankor

Quake

Blitzwing

Deluge

HUMANS:

Debbie Shayne

Circuit Breaker

Stickstein

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FADE IN

THE DESERT – DUNES NEAR THE DECEPTICON SHIP

RODIMUS was sent flying into the sandy ground by a blast from THUNDERHOOF’S Plasma Lupara. He was feeling extreme pain due to the blast, but he just glared at THUNDERHOOF.

THUNDERHOOF

(angry)  
You is gonna pay for gittin’ in my way da last time!!!

RODIMUS

Believe me… I’m not thrilled about you, either!

RODIMUS then jumped on top of THUNDERHOOF and started brutally punching him in the face. Meanwhile, back at the Decepticon ship, two alarms went off. SHOCKWAVE and DELUGE then activate the monitor and check out the images that their satellite probes are picking up. We see THUNDERHOOF and RODIMUS fighting in one of them, and the Autobots advancing toward the ship on the other.

DELUGE  
It’s Thunderhoof!!! And he is engaging Rodimus.

SHOCKWAVE  
Let him have his fun. I am more concerned about the Autobots approaching us.

DELUGE

No need to vorrry, I’ll send ourr nevest trroop to take carre of them.

(activating a communicator)

Attention, Blitzwing!!! Ve have intrruderrs coming in… deal vith them!!!

We see one of the ship’s hatches opening, and out comes a jet we’ve never seen before. This is BLITZWING, one of the cruelest Decepticons around. He is a Triple Changer, a Transformer with three modes.

BLITZWING

(replying to DELUGE)

As you command, Deluge!!!

BLITZWING then flies off to fight the Autobots heading for the ship. Meanwhile, RODIMUS continued beating up THUNDERHOOF and smashed him against a rock.

RODIMUS

Sorry, deerface, but I got more important things to do!!!

RODIMUS then runs toward the ship in order to rescue ARCEE and her team. QUAKE is guarding the entrance, and suddenly, he sees RODIMUS coming in.

QUAKE

(holding his hand out and drawing his pistol)

ALTO!!!

However, RODIMUS instantly tears QUAKE to pieces.

RODIMUS

(angry)  
OUTTA MY WAY!!!

QUAKE

(getting torn to pieces)  
BABALÚUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUU!!!!

RODIMUS went in. KNOCK OUT was walking through the hall, when suddenly, he notices RODIMUS charging towards him.

KNOCK OUT

(scared)  
OH, NO!!! NOT WHEN I JUST FIXED MY PAINT JOB!!! NOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO!!!!

RODIMUS then grabs KNOCK OUT and tosses him to the floor. He then starts kicking him while he’s down.

RODIMUS

You’re lucky I’m not after you…

STARSCREAM was walking down the hall as well.

STARSCREAM

Demoting me… ME!!! I’ve been with this outfit for years and I…

Suddenly, RODIMUS grabs STARSCREAM’S arm and rips it off.

STARSCREAM

(getting his arm ripped off)

AAAAAAAAAAAAGH!!! MY ARM!!!

RODIMUS looks at him. His rage is now fully taking over his mind. He thinks STARSCREAM is still in charge of the Decepticons. He then grabs STARSCREAM’S arm as if it was a bat.

RODIMUS

(with a sadistic grin)  
Time to batter up!!!

TRANSITION TO

THE DESERT – AUTOBOTS HEADING FOR THE SHIP

The Autobots are heading for the Decepticon ship when suddenly; they notice another figure coming in.

STRONGARM

What is that thing?

BREAKAWAY

I dunno… but one thing’s for certain… it doesn’t look friendly.

BLITZWING

RIGHT YOU ARE, AUTOBOT SCUM!!!

BLITZWING fires two rockets and they hit CIRCUIT BREAKER and BREAKAWAY.

CIRCUIT BREAKER  
AAAAGH!!!

BREAKAWAY

We’re hit!!!

DEBBIE drives ahead, with STICKSTEIN still manning the machine gun.

DEBBIE

Take him down, Stickstein!!!

STICKSTEIN

You got it, boss!!!

STICKSTEIN fires the machine gun at BLITZWING and, once again, he starts shaking comically due to all the recoil. However, BLITZWING has a trick up his sleeve. He flies toward DEBBIE’S jeep and instantly transforms into a powerful tank. He is about to land on DEBBIE’S jeep.

DEBBIE

Saints preserve us!!! JUMP, STICKSTEIN!!! JUMP!!!

Both DEBBIE and STICKSTEIN jump out of the jeep before it is totally smashed by BLITZWING’S powerful tank treads.

DEBBIE

That thing is both a tank and a jet?!!!

STICKSTEIN

(still comically shaking due to the recoil)

Ju-u-u-u-u-u-ust wa-a-a-a-a-a-a-a-a-a-ai-i-i-i-i-i-i-i-i-it u-u-u-u-unti-i-i-i-i-i-il I-I-I-I-I-I-I ge-e-e-e-e-et my co-o-o-o-oo-o-o-o-o-ordi-i-i-i-ina-a-a-a-a-ati-i-i-i-i-i-i-i-io-o-o-o-o-on ba-a-a-a-a-a-a-ack!!!

STRONGARM then starts driving towards BLITZWING.

STRONGARM

This guy is new!!! I’ve never seen anyone with two vehicle modes before!!!

BLITZWING fires his cannon at STRONGARM, but she acrobatically evades the blast and transforms into robot mode. She jumps into the air and lands on top of BLITZWING’S turret. She grabs the turret’s barrel and tries to bend it. However, BLITZWING instantly transforms into robot mode, grabs STRONGARM and smashes her to the ground. He then grabs her arms and rips them off.

STRONGARM  
AAAAAAGHHHHH!!! MY ARMS!!!

BLITZWING

HA!!! They should call you “Ripped Arm”!!!

BLITZWING then tosses the disarmed STRONGARM aside. DAYTONUS, HOSEHEAD and SIDE BURN then drive toward BLITZWING.

DAYTONUS

Now da’s cold!!! No one messes wit’ my favorite copper chick like dat!!!

HOSEHEAD

“Our” favorite copper chick!!!

SIDE BURN

Let’s nail that loudmouth!!!

The three youngsters head for the powerful Triple Changer, but he just laughs at their efforts.

BLITZWING

AHAHAHAHAHAHAHAAAA!!! You three are so pathetic!!!

He then fires his Gyro-Blaster at the three Autobots. Suddenly, they start losing control and roll around and slide in circles. They also start spouting mixed up sentences.

DAYTONUS

EY!!! Gives what?!!!

HOSEHEAD

My destabilized are gyros!!!

SIDE BURN  
Too mine!!! I’m in circles driving!!!

HOSEHEAD

TO MODE ROBOT TRANSFORM!!! BEFORE WE--!!!

However, it is too late. Just as they transform into robot mode, the three brave youngsters crash against each other.

BLITZWING

Heheheheheh, you shoulda been comedians!!! You’re all a scream!!! HAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAHA!!!

TRANSITION TO

THE DECEPTICON SHIP – THE BRIEFING ROOM

STARSCREAM is sent flying into the briefing room and he lands with a thud into the wall.

STARSCREAM

AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAHHHHHH!!! UGH!!!!

RODIMUS then comes in and grabs STARSCREAM by the neck. STARSCREAM has beads of sweat rolling down his face, his right eye is black and his nose is bleeding oil. Apparently, RODIMUS didn’t show any mercy to the jester of the Decepticons.

RODIMUS

Now, tell me… where are Arcee and the others?

STARSCREAM

Okay, okay!!! I’ll talk… Shockwave has them…

RODIMUS stops for a bit. He thinks for a bit and wonders if STARSCREAM is lying just to save himself. But what if it is the truth? All his fears are confirmed when a voice very familiar to him is heard around the room.

SHOCKWAVE

For once, Starscream is right…

RODIMUS expression is filled with anguish and extreme rage when he turns around and sees SHOCKWAVE standing there with DELUGE by his side.

RODIMUS

So… you brought your lap dog to help you do your bidding now… good, ‘cause I’m gonna dirty you both up bad!!! AAAAAAAAAAHHHHH!!!

RODIMUS angrily charges toward SHOCKWAVE and DELUGE. SHOCKWAVE just steps aside which causes RODIMUS to smash a wall. DELUGE uses his color changing ability so RODIMUS doesn’t spot him. RODIMUS stands up and sees ARCEE, SIREN and DRIFT locked in their cells. ARCEE notices RODIMUS’ bleeding face and body.

ARCEE   
(with concern)   
Rodimus!!!

RODIMUS starts getting up, but SHOCKWAVE steps on his back.

RODIMUS

(struggling to get out)  
AAAAGH!!!

SHOCKWAVE  
What a fitting end… you will die knowing that your beloved Arcee will become the mind-controlled warrior that I wanted your former girlfriend to be… your illogical emotional attachment to your people will be your downfall.

RODIMUS angrily reaches for his storage module and grabs a small black bomb that he tosses onto the control panel near the door. Suddenly, the Autobot cells automatically open up.

ARCEE  
We’re free!!!

SIREN

Now to beat up Cyclops face!!!

SIREN then jumps on SHOCKWAVE and starts bashing his head in.

SHOCKWAVE  
THIS DEFEAT IS ILLOGICAL!!!

SIREN

Illogical mah tailpipe!!!

DRIFT sees three shadows approaching through the hallway.

DRIFT

Sky-Byte and the Battlechargers approach… it is time to demonstrate to them what happens when you take on a ninja master.

DRIFT then runs to the hallway and punches are heard.

SKY-BYTE, RUNABOUT, RUNAMUCK

AGH!!! AAAAAHHHHH!!!! OOF!!!

Suddenly, RODIMUS feels something cutting through his shoulder.

RODIMUS

AAAAAGH!!!

RODIMUS grabs his shoulder as it starts bleeding. Suddenly, DELUGE appears out of nowhere, his wrist blade drawn.

DELUGE

My ability to change my colorr like a chameleon rreally comes in handy!!!

He then swings his arm, intending to slash RODIMUS again, but ARCEE jumps in the air and kicks DELUGE in the face.

DELUGE

(getting kicked in the face)  
DAAUGH!!!

RODIMUS then gets up and punches SHOCKWAVE in the gut. The imposing Decepticon falls to the ground.

RODIMUS

C’mon!!! We must go back.

DRIFT

(walking in)

We can’t. We overheard that they have sent in a new Decepticon to deal with some of our allies.

RODIMUS reacts with frustration after hearing this.

RODIMUS

And here I am… thinking about killing every Decepticon in this ship to prevent another tragedy like the one I suffered so many years ago… and yet, my people are facing destruction at the hands of a ‘con… I’d be no better than him... I must make this right.

ARCEE

(hugging RODIMUS)

We’ll help you, Rodimus… we don’t want you to suffer anymore.

RODIMUS hugged ARCEE back sweetly.

RODIMUS

Thanks, babe… you know how much this means to me. And I’m glad you didn’t share Velocity’s fate. Now c’mon… we must go to a meeting with the new guy in town.

END OF ACT ONE

ACT TWO

FADE IN TO

THE DESERT – WRECK-GAR BATTLING BLITZWING

WRECK-GAR is swinging his axe at BLITZWING. BLITZWING just clashes his sword with the axe.

WRECK-GAR   
(imitating a certain Jedi Master)   
If you strike me down, I shall become more powerful than you can possibly imagine!!!

BLITZWING  
HA!!! Who writes your lines? A malfunctioning TV set?!!!

WRECK-GAR

(with a high, nasally voice)  
This, sir, means war!!!

WRECK-GAR just keeps fighting against BLITZWING. Meanwhile, CIRCUIT BREAKER tries to stand up, but her suit has taken quite a beating from BLITZWING’S rockets.

CIRCUIT BREAKER

(struggling, her suit crackling with electric short-circuiting rays)

Uuuugh… my suit… it’s short-circuiting… I can’t… move…

DEBBIE was hiding behind a rock. STICKSTEIN was bringing out a rocket launcher.

DEBBIE

Hurry up, Stickstein!!! I must have that rocket launcher.

STICKSTEIN

You got it!!!

(tripping)  
OOF!!!

STICKSTEIN trips and accidentally throws the rocket launcher. It flies through the air until it lands right in DEBBIE’S hands.

DEBBIE

I’ve heard of “air delivery”, but this is ridiculous!!!

DEBBIE then starts loading the launcher with some incendiary rounds.

DEBBIE

I just hope these rounds work on this guy, or else, it’ll be back to the drawing board.

DEBBIE then fires the launcher at BLITZWING. The rocket hits.

BLITZWING

(getting hit)

DAAAAAGH!!!

BLITZWING’S body has now caught on fire. However, BLITZWING doesn’t seem bothered by it. He just grins and keeps fighting against WRECK-GAR.

DEBBIE

No way!!! His body is being burned by what could be considered an inferno, and yet he’s still standing!!!

WRECK-GAR

(doing a lower, gruffer voice)  
I’m gonna need a bigger fire extinguisher.

TRANSITION TO

AUTOBOT HEADQUARTERS – BRIEFING ROOM

REV is talking to the recently repaired WHEELJACK, BUMBLEBEE and SMOKESCREEN about what has been going down.

REV

It’s pretty bad. Our guys went to go find out about our missing guys and Rodimus just up and left.

BUMBLEBEE

I think it’s time we go and help them.

WHEELJACK

Rev, you stay with Minerva in case the ‘cons get any ideas about attacking the base.

REV  
Okay, but I really hate to be deprived of all this action going on.

SMOKESCREEN

Just try not to break anything. I know that temper of yours.

BUMBLEBEE, WHEELJACK and SMOKESCREEN transform into vehicle mode and head out. Meanwhile, WRECK-GAR is now moving around BLITZWING like a boxer.

WRECK-GAR

(imitating MUHAMMAD ALI)  
FLOATS LAHK A BUTTERFLAH!!! STINGS LAHK A BEE!!!

WRECK-GAR swings his arm at BLITZWING. However, BLITZWING just grabs WRECK-GAR’S fist, swings the Junkion into the air and slams him into the ground, making him fall to pieces.

WRECK-GAR

(doing a stuffy voice)  
Oh, I knew I should have gotten some medical insurance.

BLITZWING

(as the flames keep going around his body)

HAHAHAHAHAHAHAHAAAA!!! C’mon, isn’t there anyone who can fight against the mighty Blitzwing?

RODIMUS

(off-screen, coming in)  
I’M GONNA TEAR YOU APART!!!

RODIMUS was driving in, and then, he jumps off a ramp and transforms to robot mode. He lands a kick against BLITZWING’S face. BLITZWING stands up and sees RODIMUS. ARCEE, DRIFT and SIREN arrive right after RODIMUS does and they all transform to robot mode.

BLITZWING

So, the Autobot Leader has arrived.

SMOKESCREEN

(off-screen, coming in)

And he’s not the only one who’s ready for another fight, ya big lug!!!

SMOKESCREEN, BUMBLEBEE and WHEELJACK also arrive and transform into robot mode. BUMBLEBEE looks around.

BUMBLEBEE

Gosh… he really made extremely short work of our guys.

We see BUMBLEBEE’S POV. We pan as we see CIRCUIT BREAKER lying on the ground, BREAKAWAY completely smashed, DAYTONUS, SIDE BURN and HOSEHEAD with their circuits scrambled and WRECK-GAR in pieces.

RODIMUS

You guys take care of the others… this jerk is mine.

DRIFT, SIREN, SMOKESCREEN, BUMBLEBEE and WHEELJACK go to help the other Autobots. ARCEE follows but stops for a moment, looking back at RODIMUS with concern. She doesn’t know what they’ll have to do if he loses his control and lays BLITZWING down like he did with the other Decepticons back at the ship. RODIMUS and BLITZWING face each other. BLITZWING grins and charges toward RODIMUS.

END OF ACT TWO

ACT THREE

FADE IN

THE DESERT – BATTLEFIELD

BLITZWING is charging towards RODIMUS and jumps on him. He starts punching the Autobot Leader in the face.

BLITZWING  
HAHAAA!!! I always wanted to get my hands on an Autobot Leader!!!

Suddenly, RODIMUS grabs BLITZWING’S fists and tosses him aside. He then stands up. Despite still being damaged due to all the beatings he got from THUNDERHOOF, RODIMUS is driven by pure anger. BLITZWING then springs to his feet.

BLITZWING

At last!!! A challenge!!! All my life have I searched for someone worthy of my attention, and now, I have met my equal.

RODIMUS

You hurt my guys… for that, I will make you suffer!!! NRAAAAAAAAH!!!

RODIMUS springs into action and starts bashing against BLITZWING’S head. The fight is intense and violent. BLITZWING and RODIMUS just grunt fiercely and angrily as they both tear each other to pieces. BLITZWING rips off RODIMUS’ spoiler from his back and tears off one of his exhaust pipes.

BLITZWING  
CALL IT OFF, RODIMUS!!! I’M STRONGER THAN YOU!!!

Both RODIMUS and BLITZWING sweat fiercely as they struggle. Suddenly, RODIMUS’ eyes start twitching with an insane rage and he lets out an intense, violent scream.

RODIMUS

(filled with anger)  
NEVEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEER!!!!

RODIMUS then backhands BLITZWING.

BLITZWING

DAAAGH!!! YOU’LL PAY FOR THAT!!!

RODIMUS jumps into the air and grabs BLITZWING’S turret backpack. He then fiercely tears it off.

BLITZWING

YAAAAAAIIIIGH!!! YOU RIPPED OUT MY TURRET, YOU STINKIN’ PIECE OF SCRAP!!!

BLITZWING then angrily charges toward RODIMUS, who proceeds to beat him up once again. Both opponents bleed intensely as they just continuously engage in a deadly battle. RODIMUS then grabs BLITZWING’S detached turret and starts using it as a bat to beat up the powerful Triple Changer. BLITZWING falls to the ground after he is beaten down. RODIMUS then grabs BLITZWING’S hands and starts crushing them.

BLITZWING

AAAAAAAGH!!!

Suddenly, ARCEE runs toward RODIMUS and holds him back, trying to stop him.

ARCEE

Rodimus!!! STOP!!!

RODIMUS keeps crushing BLITZWING’S hands. Oil comes out of them. Tears start coming out of ARCEE’S eyes.

ARCEE

(crying)

Don’t kill him… I know how you feel, you want to keep us safe… you still want to redeem yourself for losing Velocity… but please… not this way… don’t kill this Triple Changer…

RODIMUS looks at BLITZWING. The Triple Changer’s face was filled with fear and terror. RODIMUS sees his expression. BLITZWING seemed lost and afraid. It’s the same expression RODIMUS had when he was young. We go to a flashback where a younger HOT ROD is taking a stroll with VELOCITY.

HOT ROD (YOUNG)

(nervous)   
Lotty… I… I wanted to tell you something.

VELOCITY

(chuckling)  
Well, tell me then, Roddy… why are you so nervous?

Despite being quite a young boy, HOT ROD had made his decision. He was holding an engagement ring in his storage chamber. VELOCITY had been the only person that had cared for him, and he wanted her to be the girl with whom he would spend the rest of his life. Suddenly, DELUGE appears behind HOT ROD and knocks him out. DELUGE then grabs VELOCITY and runs away.

VELOCITY

(scared)  
RODDY!!! HELP MEEEEEE!!!

HOT ROD wakes up after hearing VELOCITY’S plea for help, and looks as DELUGE takes her away. His expression of fear is the same one on BLITZWING right now. We go back to the present, making a transition from HOT ROD’S expression, to BLITZWING’S expression. RODIMUS starts tearing up as he stands up. BLITZWING seemed confused now. An Autobot had shown him… mercy? He had been told that the Autobots were cruel and dishonorable, but now, he seems confused. He just transforms into jet mode and flies away. RODIMUS then collapses in ARCEE’S arms and starts crying and whimpering like a lost child who doesn’t know what to do. ARCEE hugs him.

ARCEE

(comforting RODIMUS)

It’s okay… I’m here… I’m with you…

When the hug is released, RODIMUS stands up and starts walking into the distance. ARCEE looks at this with sadness. BUMBLEBEE walks in.

BUMBLEBEE

What’s wrong? We won, didn’t we? Roddy gave that guy a run for his money and he’s gonna be back in the forefront…

ARCEE

We didn’t win, Bee… sure, he beat up Blitzwing… but I get the feeling that he didn’t want to be pulled back into battle. He wanted to end it right then and there… and I’m afraid about what will happen next… I might not be able to stop him next time.

At night, RODIMUS arrives at the canyons. He is alone. He then takes something out from his storage container. It’s the engagement ring he wanted to give VELOCITY a long time ago. He looks at it and cries.

RODIMUS

(with sadness)

I never wanted this… I never wanted to be a warrior... I never wanted to lead… I just wanted to be someone with a normal life… but I never got what I wished for… I’m always forced to do things that I never wanted to do… and now, after witnessing all the painful memories that have been brought back to me once again, I don’t even think I can bring myself to ask Arcee if she would…

RODIMUS doesn’t even get to finish his sentence before breaking up in tears. He just looks down and drops the ring into the canyon.

RODIMUS

After this war is over… I guess I’ll just have to go somewhere far away… I can’t let anyone be harmed on my account ever again.

RODIMUS then turns around and walks away as it starts raining. RODIMUS just keeps walking sadly into the distance as drops of water keep falling down.

THE END

END OF ACT THREE