# Reference Sheet US

## **HCIU Interview Principles**

- Find and exploit your angle.
- Never undercut your partner.
- If he's talking, you're winning.
- When in doubt, let the line go slack.

#### Interview Questions

- Where were you between the hours of X and Y? [Where X and Y represented the time frame of the crime you're investigating.]
- [If an alibi if offered] Can anyone confirm this?
- Who stands to benefit from this crime?
- Do you know anyone who had reason to wish the victim harm?
- Was he receiving threats of any kind?
- · Were you on good or bad terms with the victim?
- What sort of person was he?
- · What was his family situation?
- Was he having problems in his family or relationship?
- What was his financial situation?
- Do you know anyone the victim would have confided in?
- What notable projects or activities was the victim involved in?
- Was the victim (or other figures in the case) a known mutant?

These are slanted towards a murder case. Remember to ask whether specific abilities, such as Forensic Psychology, help in the interview. You should vary your tactics according to the subject's temperament and emotional state.

# **Legality Ramifications of Superpowers**

#### Investigative

- Observe Dreams: A legal warrant or targets permission is required before using, punishable by up to 5
  years jail sentence. Difficult to claim as a basis of a court case.
- Read Minds: A legal warrant or targets permission is required before using, punishable by up to 20 years
  jail sentence. Difficult to claim as a basis of a court case.
- Thermal Vision. Use is regarded as legally admissible.
- X-Ray Vision. Emits trace elements of cancer, so HCIU officers must ensure they don't use it on any one
  person for too long.

#### General

- Blood Spray. leaves the user's DNA everywhere. If only all criminals were so stupid.
- Emotion Control. The Supreme Court has ruled that it affects the target as much as typical human interaction can, so it remains legal.
- Endorphin Control (Others). Administering this power on others without consent has a 1 year jail sentence.
   Willing recipients are considered to be partaking of a serious drug, with the commensurate legal ramifications for both the mutant and recipient.
- Enter Dreams: See Observe Dreams, above.
- Impersonate. Uses of this power are often considered either Fraud or Identity Theft. Undercover Police
  are granted waivers to protect against both.
- Induce Aggression. Claiming to have been under the influence of this power is an accepted legal defence.
- Induce Mental Disorder: Claiming to have been under the influence of this power is an accepted legal
  defence
- Memory Alteration. Non-consensual memory alteration carries a sentence of 5-10 years per offence.
- Possession. This is non-consensual by definition, and is punishable by up to 10 years jail sentence.
   Claiming to have been under the influence of this power is an accepted legal defence.
- Sexual Chemistry: Sometimes claimed as a defence in rape trials.
- Technopathy: Evidence acquired by this power is not admissible in court.
- Telescopic Vision. Use of this power can constitute a breach of privacy.
- Transmutation. Passing off transmutated precious metals as genuine constitutes fraud.

#### **New Police Procedures**

- Anamorphology: the science of mutant powers, including genetics.
- The EMAT protocol: used for determining mental influence.
- Energy Residue Analysis: the science of examining a crime-scene for evidence of mutant powers.
- PCD test: determines which complex a given mutant's powers belong to.
- PCI test: determines exact powers possessed by a given mutant.

## Miranda Warning

You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say can and will be used against you in a court of law. You have the right to an attorney present during questioning. If you cannot afford an attorney, one will be appointed for you. Do you understand these rights?

# **Article 18 Powers**

These are powers that are considered a crime merely to possess without informing the government. A mutant with one of these powers must register on a database, which must be updated with their current address and daily location, even on holiday. Legally a government hotline must also be notified of any use of these powers, which will result in a debriefing with a Homeland Security official.

## Public Safety

- Radiation Projection
- Self-Detonation
- Spread Pathogen

#### National Security

- Invisibility
- Technopathy
- Teleportation
- Phase
- Read Minds