

## **N1: From Yalta to Potsdam**

### **N2: Scene 1: A Courtyard in Livadia Palace, Yalta - February 1945**

**N3:** *(P.P.O brings up a picture of Livadia Palace in the Crimea. Enter Warren Peace, Polly Tics, Ray Search and Dee Scribe. They stand to the side of the whiteboard)*

**Warren Peace:** In February 1945, with a million Soviet troops advancing on Germany from the east and the British and Americans attacking from the west, the Big Three....

**Ray Search:** That's Josef Stalin of the U.S.S.R.

**Polly Tics:** Franklin D. Roosevelt of the U.S.A.

**Dee Scribe:** and Winston Churchill of Great Britain.

**Warren Peace:** .... met at Yalta to thrash out the post-war settlement.

**N1:** *(Enter from Stage Right: Roosevelt, Gen G.C. Marshal, Ann American and the American Interpreter)*

**N3:** *(From Stage Left: enter Stalin, Molotov, Russ Shan and the Soviet Interpreter. They meet in front of the whiteboard)*

**N2:** *(For the purposes of this script, the English and American characters understand each another perfectly well, but they can only understand the Soviet Interpreter, not Stalin himself. Stalin can only understand the British and American Interpreters)*

**Stalin:** *(Smiling expansively)* Ah, Roosevelt! You capitalist pig.

**N3:** *(Roosevelt doesn't understand a word. He smiles and shakes Stalin's hand. The Soviet Interpreter steps in)*

**Soviet Interpreter:** Comrade Stalin says he is honoured to greet President Roosevelt, Soviet Russia's firm friend and ally.

**Roosevelt:** Likewise I'm sure. Stalin may run an evil, Communist regime, but we need the Soviets to keep fighting, so we'll say no more about it. For now.

**N1:** *(Stalin smiles and shakes Roosevelt's hand. He doesn't understand a word either. The American Interpreter helps out:)*