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SCORE: 68/100

Twenty years ago Flashback became a cult classic that some gamers worship to this day. It can be dangerous to say anything negative about the game or franchise. For gaming zealots will attack quicker than a terrorist. It can also be dangerous to try and remake the game. Since said gaming zealots have such high expectations.

Flashback HD takes the original, and upgrades it to a modern day look and feel. Well technically Flashback HD is a sci-fi adventure so a little beyond modern day. The intrigue in the story is the main selling point of this downloadable title. Although if you know the story inside and out there will be few surprises in Flashback HD.

I like the look and feel to Flashback HD. I also enjoy the Total Recall kind of thing going on. Your character Conrad B. Hart is a GBI agent whose had his memory wiped clean. The player

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picks up from there as he follows the clues Blade Runner style. He is also finding what got him caught and messed with in the first place Running Man style.

There is violence in Flashback HD. Players shoot robots, plants, animals, and other humanoid characters. The violence was over used in my opinion. Too often I had to destroy things that were there for no intelligent reason. The campy sci-fi comments and lines are hilarious in Flashback HD. See if you can find them all.

There are multiple difficulty settings in Flashback HD. So you can play at your skill set. Flashback HD explains to the player where they need to go next. There is also a map on the screen showing you the general direction you need to go. Shooting things higher and lower than your normal line of sight is a pain. And aggravating when you are under fire.

I could have done without the bad language and enticement to lust issues. At the very least it would be nice to pick a mode that would be safer for families. Sort of the reverse of a not rated version of movies. Maybe developers will implement that in the future.

For adult gamers who know the sci-fi references and jokes, Flashback HD is a fun little diversion. Make sure you have the two gigs needed on your Xbox 360 hard drive to download Flashback HD. I blitzed through the violent parts so I could get to the story parts. Those story parts are the best thing about Flashback HD.

Graphics: 60%

Sound: 62%

Replay/Extras: 75%

Gameplay: 84%

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Family Friendly Factor: 60%

System: Xbox 360

Publisher: Ubisoft

Rating: 'T' - Teen {Blood, Suggestive Themes, Violence, Mild Language}

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