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Alien 2: On Earth (Midnight Legacy) – Even in that rare canon of “unofficial Italian sequels to Hollywood movies,” “Alien 2: On Earth” is a special treat: the film has never been released in the United States until now, and the good folks at fledgling distributor Midnight Legacy have pulled out all of the stops to provide as stellar a debut Blu-ray as possible. After you get past the stock footage that opens the film – none of which looks like it was even shot in focus – the rest of the movie looks almost shockingly gorgeous, which of course also highlights the spectacular cheapness of the production. That said, the music by Oliver Onions (actually Italian film score luminary Guido De Angelis) is absolutely awesome as hell, and the modest extras (including effects tests and a trauma-inducing Swedish VHS trailer) make a strong argument that fans of the “Alien” franchises should add this to their collections.

- Todd Gilchrist