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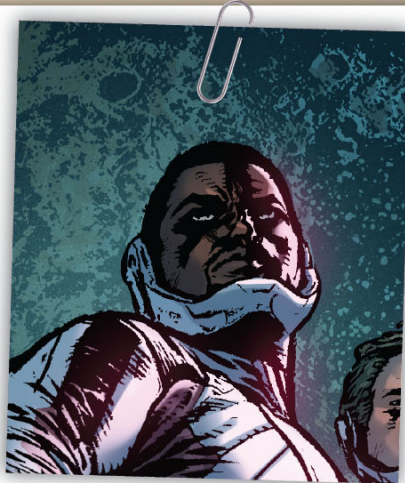
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PRIME

THE EVENT



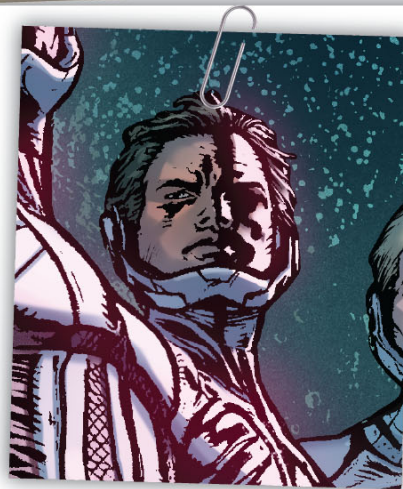
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ROSADO
KHOLINNE



SP DAVID POWELL
(Mission Specialist)

Independent contractor on previous missions with clients including Atisat and Foresight Corp., Powell holds a Masters in Aerospace Engineering, with specialized aptitude in memory alloys and high explosives

Title Character of
NOBLE



SP MAJ ALISTAIR MEATH
(International Mission Specialist)

An Air Marshal with the Headquarters Air Command of the UK's Royal Air Force, Meath was chosen by Britain's Prime Minister for the Icarus2 mission. His personnel file is under special consideration with Britain's MI6.

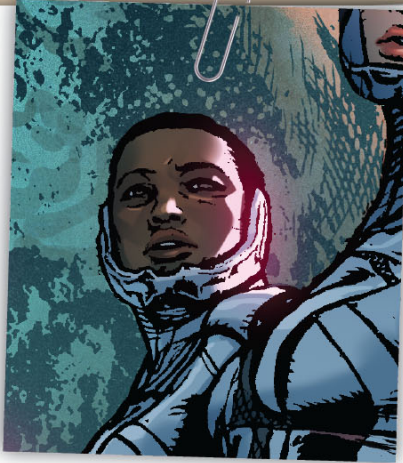
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MISSION CMDR EVAN CHESS
(Mission Commander)

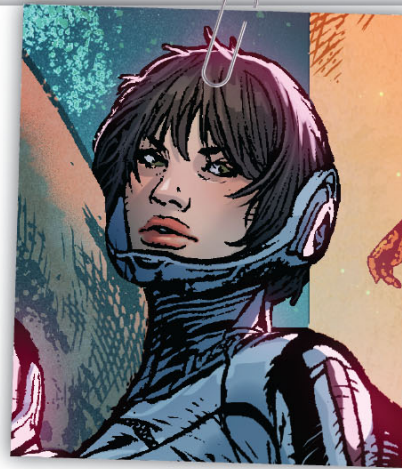
A veteran of six spaceflights for NASA, Chess is a decorated Naval officer who served as a Special Consultant for the Obama Administration after the NASA Authorization Act of 2010 was passed.

Chess was the first member of the Icarus Resolution Strategy Initiative established by Foresight Special Projects Director Shep Bingham last year.



SP JAMILA PARKS
(Flight Engineer)

An employee of the Atitarn aerospace company, Atisat, Parks is an Astronautical Engineer with a Masters Degree in Applied Science. A former Lieutenant Colonel of the U.S. Air Force, Parks' various missions in Afghanistan as an F-15 Strike Eagle pilot have been designated confidential by the Department of Defense.



**SP VALENTINA
RESNICK-BAKER**
(Payload Commander)

An employee of Foresight Corp. for the better part of a decade, Resnick-Baker is the Foresight liaison for the Icarus Resolution Strategy Initiative, chosen by CEO Lorena Payan for the role. Dr. Resnick-Baker has a Masters in Materials Science, a PhD in Theoretical Astrophysics, and teaches plasma fusion at the MIT AeroAstro.

Title Character of
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"THE EVENT"

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"Overture"

ONE YEAR AFTER THE EVENT





PLEASE...
I'M **BEGGING**
YOU...



SHOW
ME...



...I
HAVE TO
KNOW...



--DAVID...

JONAH--

JONAH-!!!



IT'S ALL RIGHT--



THEY'RE NOT HURTING ME--
THEY CAN'T HURT ME!

YOU HAVE TO CALM DOWN--GO
TO FLORIDA, LIKE I TAUGHT YOU!

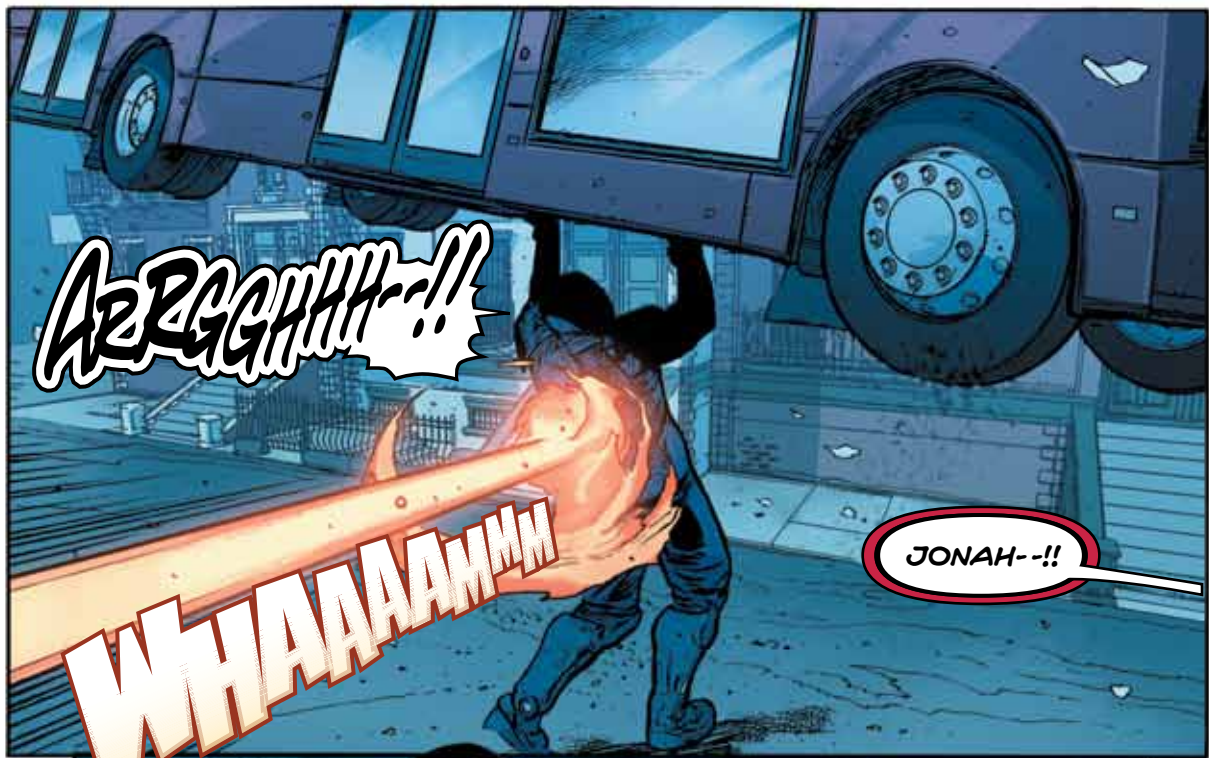
JUST THINK ABOUT
FLORIDA--



YEAH--

ZZZZAAPP

--AND
HERE'S SOME
LUGGAGE TO
TAKE WITH
YOU--!!



ARGGGHH--!!

WHAAAAAMMM

JONAH--!!



YOU
IDIOT--

--HE'S JUST
A KID-- HE
DOESN'T KNOW
ANY BETTER--

UH...

...UH...

...CRAP...



JONAH--

--JONAH
NO--!!



*Translated from Spanish --Joe

"La Dama en El Autobús"

ONE WEEK BEFORE THE EVENT



"HE HAS ALREADY SAVED \$35.
HIS GOAL IS TO HAVE ENOUGH
MONEY SAVED IN SIX WEEKS
TO PAY FOR THE BICYCLE.

SO, LET'S
LOOK--

"--A QUARTIC TRINOMIAL IS A
FOURTH DEGREE POLYNOMIAL
EXPRESSION CONTAINING
3 TERMS, YES?



"SO, IF 'W' REPRESENTS
'WEEKS,' THAT GIVES US
'6W' WHICH NEEDS TO
EQUAL 175, RIGHT?

"SO WE JUST
NEED TO FACTOR
IN THE 35 BUCKS
IN HIS POCKET--
 $35+6W=175$.

"GET EVERYTHING
ON ONE SIDE OF
THE EQUATION
AND THEN
FACTOR THE
QUADRATIC."

I STILL
DON'T GET
IT, MISS
LORENA.



ME
NEITHER.

IN ALGEBRA
CLASS, I MOSTLY
PERFECTED MY
DOODLES OF
SPIDER-MAN.

GO. ASK
A REAL
TEACHER.



THINK YOU
COULD'VE SKIPPED
THE BUS RIDE
TODAY, LORIE.

I **BUILT**
THIS SCHOOL,
SHEP. FOR **THEM**.
FOR THEIR
FUTURE.

I PROMISED
THAT, EVERY
DAY, I'D RIDE
ALONG.





BESIDES, IF THIS MISSION GOES SIDWAYS--

--HALF A DECADE IN THE MAKING--

--THEN I'VE **FAILED** THEM.



...CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE NOT ALLOWED IN CENTRAL CONTROL.

...BEEN PULLING ALL-NIGHTERS FOR MONTHS...

SHE'S BEEN RIDING US AROUND THE CLOCK--



--WE **DESERVE** TO BE THERE DURING THE **EVENT**.

AND WE'RE BANNED, LIKE LITTLE KIDS.

HELL, WE **MADE** THIS HAPPEN--



YEAH, I THINK LORENA'S KIND OF A BITCH, TOO.

NEVER SAYS "THANKS," NO "ATABOYS."

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA.

I-- UH--

--WE DIDN'T--



SURE YOU DID. LET'S HAVE IT.

TELL ME ABOUT **ME**.



WE'RE,
UH--

--MS. PAYAN--
IT'S JUST THAT
WE WORKED
SO HARD--

--YOU FEEL
YOU DESERVE
TO BE PRESENT
DURING THE
EVENT.

YES...

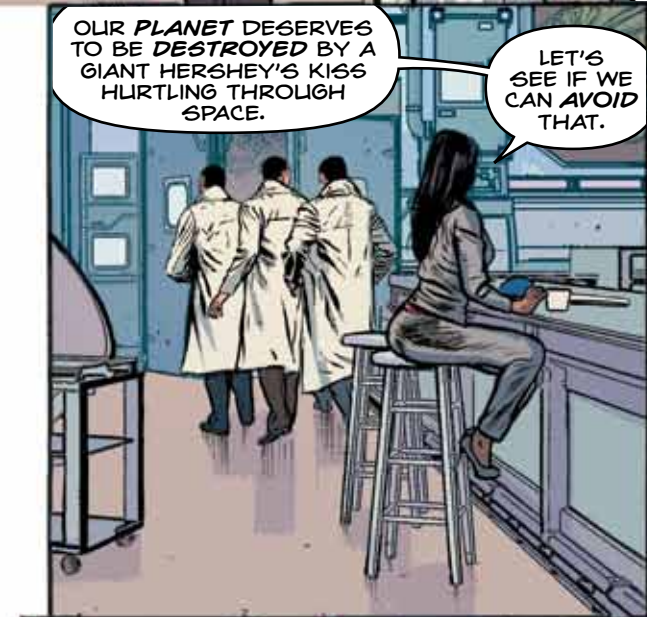
YOU'RE
RIGHT--



--BLIT NOBODY
EVER GETS WHAT
THEY DESERVE.

BUZZ
ALDRIN ACTUALLY
BITCHED ABOUT NEIL
ARMSTRONG BEING
THE FIRST GUY OFF
THE BOAT.

IT WAS
ONE OF THOSE
TREE-FOREST
THINGS.



OUR *PLANET* DESERVES TO
BE *DESTROYED* BY A
GIANT HERSHEY'S KISS
HURLING THROUGH
SPACE.

LET'S
SEE IF WE
CAN AVOID
THAT.



YOU'RE
MY GLYS.

CAN'T
DO THIS
WITHOUT
YOU.

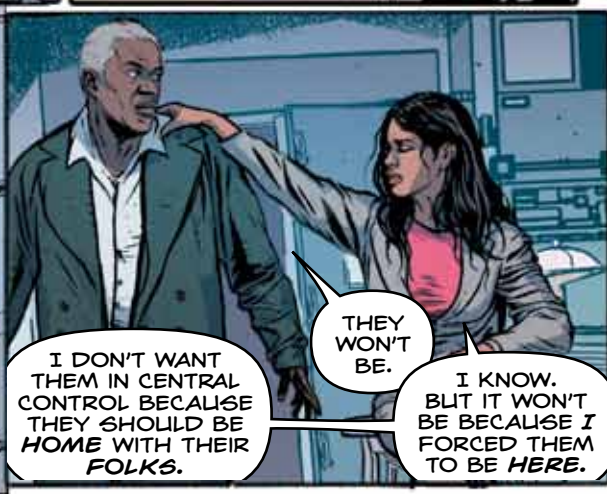


BUZZ
ALDRIN...?

IT'S TRUE.
SAW IT ON
HBO.

DOUBT
THOSE KIDS
EVEN KNOW
WHO THAT
IS.

THEY THINK
TONIGHT IS
A NEW YEAR'S
CELEBRATION...
FOURTH OF
JULY.



I DON'T WANT
THEM IN CENTRAL
CONTROL BECAUSE
THEY SHOULD BE
HOME WITH THEIR
FOLKS.

THEY
WON'T
BE.

I KNOW.
BUT IT WON'T
BE BECAUSE I
FORCED THEM
TO BE *HERE*.



WE SHOULD
BE DOING
SOMETHING.

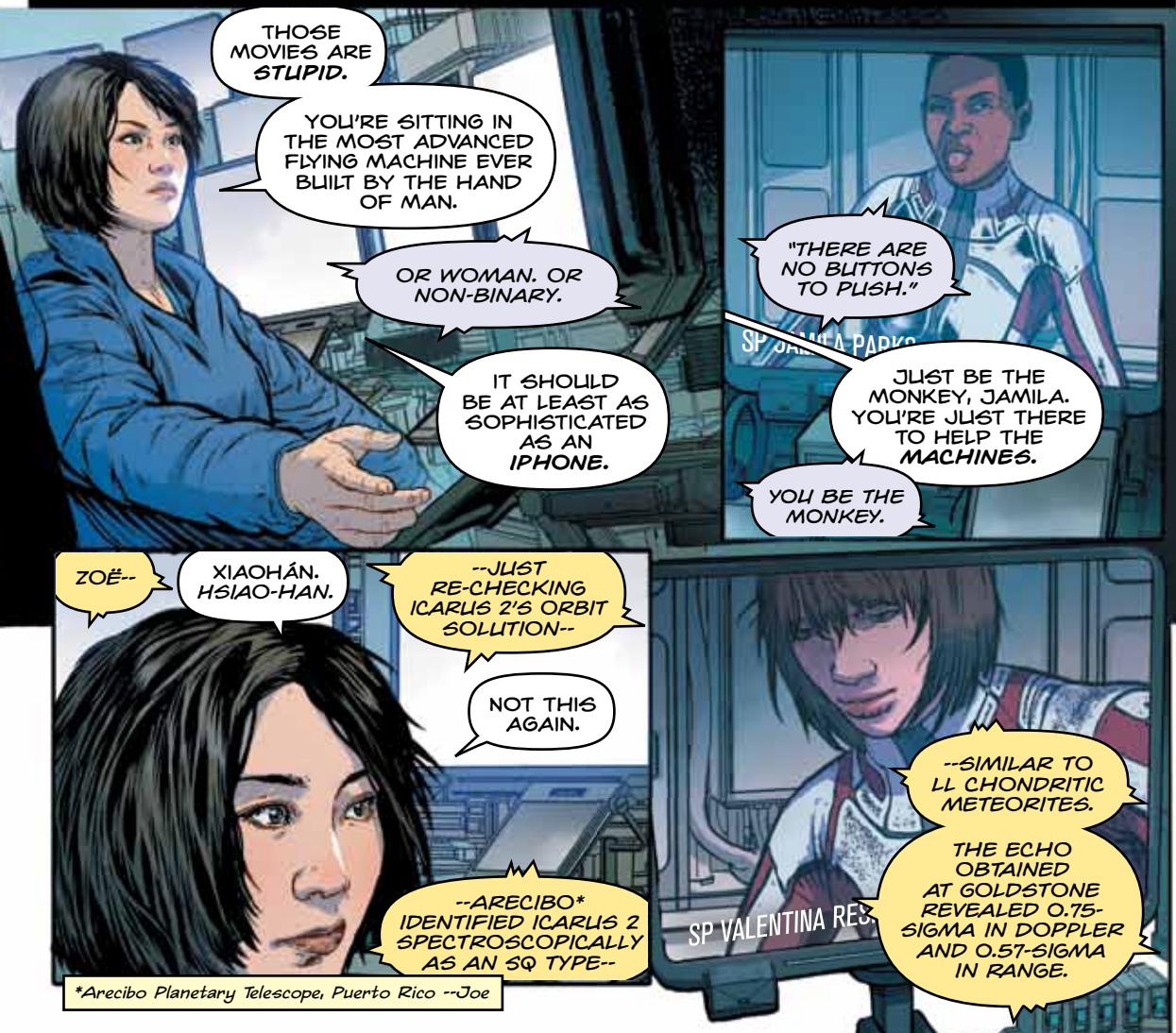
NO, YOU
SHOULD
EMPHATICALLY
NOT BE DOING
ANYTHING.

WE SHOULD
BE PUSHING
BUTTONS. IT'S WHAT
ASTRONAUTS
DO.

IT'S IN,
LIKE, EVERY
MOVIE.

"Monkeys"

FORESIGHT AMERICO LUNAR PLATFORM
ONE WEEK BEFORE THE EVENT



THOSE
MOVIES ARE
STUPID.

YOU'RE SITTING IN
THE MOST ADVANCED
FLYING MACHINE EVER
BUILT BY THE HAND
OF MAN.

OR WOMAN. OR
NON-BINARY.

IT SHOULD
BE AT LEAST AS
SOPHISTICATED
AS AN
IPHONE.

"THERE ARE
NO BUTTONS
TO PUSH."

JUST BE THE
MONKEY, JAMILA.
YOU'RE JUST THERE
TO HELP THE
MACHINES.

YOU BE THE
MONKEY.

ZOË--

XIAOHÁN.
HSIAO-HAN.

--JUST
RE-CHECKING
ICARUS 2'S ORBIT
SOLUTION--

NOT THIS
AGAIN.

--ARECIBO*
IDENTIFIED ICARUS 2
SPECTROSCOPICALLY
AS AN S_Q TYPE--

SP VALENTINA RES.

--SIMILAR TO
LL CHONDRITIC
METEORITES.

THE ECHO
OBTAINED
AT GOLDSTONE
REVEALED 0.75-
SIGMA IN DOPPLER
AND 0.57-SIGMA
IN RANGE.

*Arecibo Planetary Telescope, Puerto Rico --Joe

THOSE ARE
STATISTICALLY
SMALL VARIANCES,
DR. BAKER.

DOES IT BOTHER
ANYBODY ELSE THAT
WE'RE LAUNCHING
FROM AN ORBITAL
PLATFORM--

--NAMED
AFTER AN
EXPLORER WHO
CIRCLED THE NEW
WORLD A DOZEN
TIMES BUT NEVER
FOUND IT--?

VESPUCCI WAS
UNDERRATED...

THAT'S
MY POINT,
ZOE--

VESPUCCI--?

I MEAN, WHAT IF
WE BUMP A CURB
OUT THERE.

THEN I GUESS
YOU'LL HAVE TO
WING IT.

EXCUSE
ME--?

GUESS,
DR. BAKER.
JUST KNOW THAT
GOING MANUAL
MIGHT KILL
ELEVEN BILLION
PEOPLE.

ZOE--

FOR CRYING
OUT LOUD...

--THERE'S
NO SPRITE
UP HERE.

THERE'S
SOMETHING
CALLED "SIERRA
MIST" BUT, YOU
KNOW, WHAT
THE HELL,
ZOE?

I SAY WE
ABORT.

HOW ABOUT
YOU, AL--?

AL--?
AL--?!

SP MAJ ALISTAIR MEATH

SP DAVID POWELL

--LET'S
GO TO
MARS.

ICARUS 2 IS
ONLY 216,924 MILES
FROM LUNA,
COMMANDER--

COMING
UP ON EVENT
HORIZON,
FOLKS--

MISSION CMDR EVAN CHESSE

--HATE TO
SPOIL THE FUN,
BUT IF DR. BAKER
CAN TOLERATE
OUR BEING A FEW
CENTIMETERS
OFF--

--AND IF THE
GOOD MAJOR
IS THROUGH
REVIEWING HIS
LUNCH--

LET'S GO
TO MARS
ANYWAY.

MIGHT WANT
TO WORK ON
DEVELOPING A
SENSE OF HUMOR,
DR. BAKER.

WE'RE
GOING TO BE
FLYING TOGETHER
FOR A **WEEK**
BEFORE WE FIND
THAT ROCK OUT
THERE.

Who is Lorena Payan--?

GLOBAL NOW

LORENA

**HOW THE
FATE OF THE
WORLD CAME
TO REST IN
HER HANDS**

LESS THAN A YEAR AGO, RESEARCHERS AT THE WORLD-RENOWNED FORESIGHT CORPORATION IN CHIAPAS, MEXICO MADE AN ALARMING DISCOVERY.

AN ASTEROID THE SIZE OF HOUSTON, TEXAS ON A COLLISION COURSE WITH EARTH.

ONLY FORESIGHT'S ADVANCED, SOME CALL IT "FRINGE," SCIENCE HAS DEVELOPED A VIABLE PLAN TO SAVE MANKIND.

BUT WHAT DO WE REALLY KNOW ABOUT THIS CLOSELY-HELD MEXICAN CONGLOMERATE AND ITS CONTROVERSIAL CEO?

In less than ten years, Lorena Payan built the Foresight Corporation into a global titan through innovations in aerospace development, space exploration and so-called "fringe" science.

A native of the impoverished Mexican state of Chiapas, Payan lost her mother at age twelve. She and her brother Ramon were raised by their paternal grandmother Isabel, while their father Enrique Payan attended M.I.T. in the United States.

Payan's father founded The Foresight Corporation in Silicon Valley when she was a teenager, using wealth accumulated from his various business ventures in Mexico.

After immigrating to America, Payan studied under the tutelage of the eminent physicist, Dr. Parker "Shep" Bingham, who has served as her mentor and most trusted advisor.

While Payan lived in America with her father, her brother returned to Mexico, where Ramon Payan rose within the political structure. While Enrique Payan planted himself and his daughter in the ground of the American Dream, Lorena's brother chose to fight for his people back home, to work within the system to pull Mexico out of corruption and save it from the drug cartels.

Ramon Payan inherited the leadership of Foresight upon their father's death and relocated the corporation's central office to Chiapas. The Payan siblings hired a near 100% Mexican labor force in every section of the company and revolutionized the local economy while bringing global attention to the plight of Chiapas's indigenous tribes and social conflicts. Lorena Payan assumed control of Foresight after her brother was killed in a car bombing.



SHEP,
YOU'RE IN
THE LADIES
ROOM.

OF COURSE.
THAT'S WHERE
THE LADIES
ARE.

YOU DO
KNOW YOU
HAVE A PRIVATE
BATHROOM,
YES?



WHAT
THE HELL
DIFFERENCE
DOES IT
MAKE.

GOTTA STAY
STRONG FOR
THE TROOPS.

THESE PEOPLE
ARE NOT COMING
BACK, SHEP.

THEY'RE
NOT.



AND NOBODY CAN SAY
FOR SURE OUR PLAN WILL
ACTUALLY STOP THAT THING
FROM HITTING EARTH.

I'M SENDING
FIVE PEOPLE TO
THEIR DEATH ON
A HUNCH.

YAH.
THEY
KNOW.



THEY WON'T
EVER SAY IT, BUT
THESE PEOPLE ARE
TOO SMART NOT
TO KNOW.

BULL\$#!*ING
OUR WAY THROUGH
THIS IS THE WAY WE
HONOR THEM.



ALL
RIGHT,
ZOE--

--LET'S
GET 'EM
TUCKED
IN.

ROGER THAT,
CONTROL.

T-MINUS
TEN... NINE...
EIGHT...



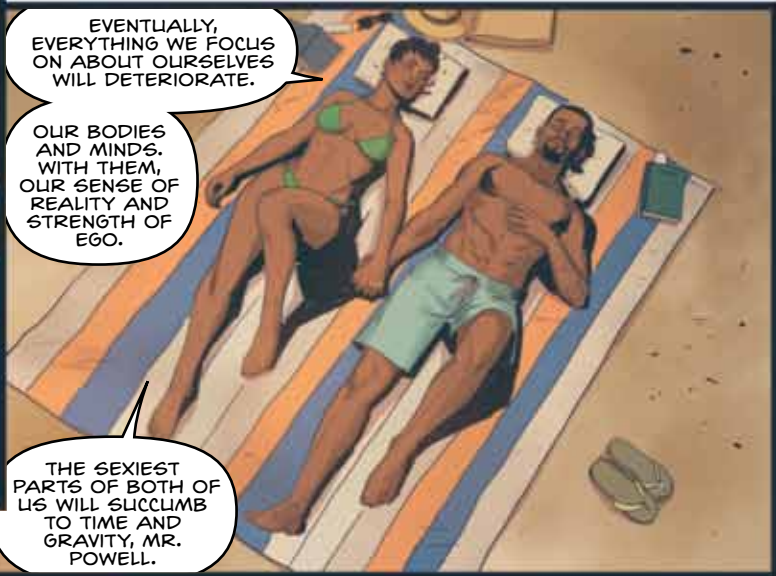
C'MON, ASTRID.

DAVID-- I'M SERIOUS!

EVENTUALLY, EVERYTHING WE FOCUS ON ABOUT OURSELVES WILL DETERIORATE.

OUR BODIES AND MINDS. WITH THEM, OUR SENSE OF REALITY AND STRENGTH OF EGO.

THE SEXIEST PARTS OF BOTH OF US WILL SUCCEMB TO TIME AND GRAVITY, MR. POWELL.



YOU KNOW HOW SHALLOW YOU SOUND?

I'M JUST BEING HONEST.

POINT IS, AT THE END OF IT ALL, WHEN WE'RE LIVING OFF SOFT FOODS AND TAKING TEN TRIPS TO THE BATHROOM A DAY--



--I'LL NEED SOMEONE AROUND TO MAKE ME LAUGH.

I'LL NEED YOU, DAVID.

SO PROMISE ME.

OKAY: I PROMISE I WON'T DIE.

UNTIL?



UNTIL WE'RE AT LEAST A HUNDRED AND TWENTY YEARS OLD.

"AND I'LL STILL LOVE YOU."

AND I'LL STILL LOVE YOU.

LIAR--



"--YOU'LL BE HITTING ON YOUR DAY NURSE..."

HOW'S THE WEATHER UP THERE, DOC...?

SP DAVID POWELL

"Icarus"

THIRTY MINUTES BEFORE THE EVENT



DOC...?

ABOUT
WHAT I
EXPECTED,
ZOE.

I REALIZE
WE'RE ABOUT .07
CENTIMETERS OUT
OF POSITION,
DR. BAKER. MY
APOLOGIES--

SP VALENTINA RESNICK E

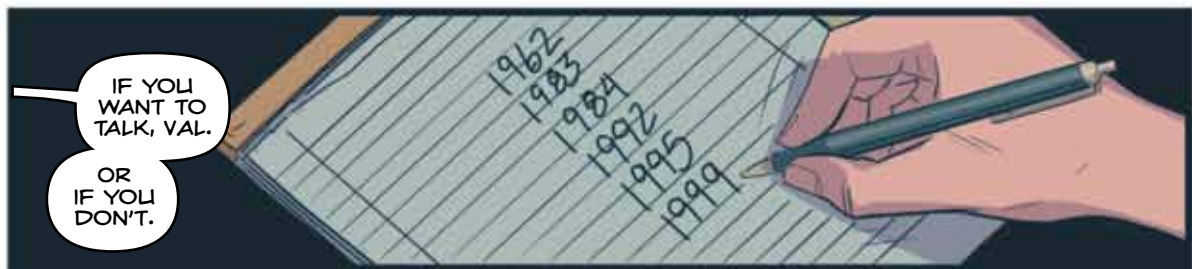


--I KNOW HOW
IMPERFECTION
ANNOYS
VULCANS.

HILARIOUS,
ZOE.

BURN
SIMULATIONS
COMPLETE. READY
FOR THE REAL
THING--?

ROGER
THAT--



IF YOU WANT TO TALK, VAL.

OR IF YOU DON'T.



IT'S ALL RIGHT. THIS IS YOUR TIME.

BUT... SEEING AS HOW THIS MAY BE OUR LAST SESSION...

...I JUST WANT TO BE SURE YOU'RE NOT, FOR WHATEVER REASON...



...HOLDING BACK ANYTHING.

SHE SAID TO ME...

SHE WHO?

THE ONLY "WHO" THAT MATTERS HERE.

"YOU'RE THE ONLY PERSON I TRUST, OUT OF ALL THE SKILLED MINDS HERE, TO DO THIS THING," SHE TOLD ME.

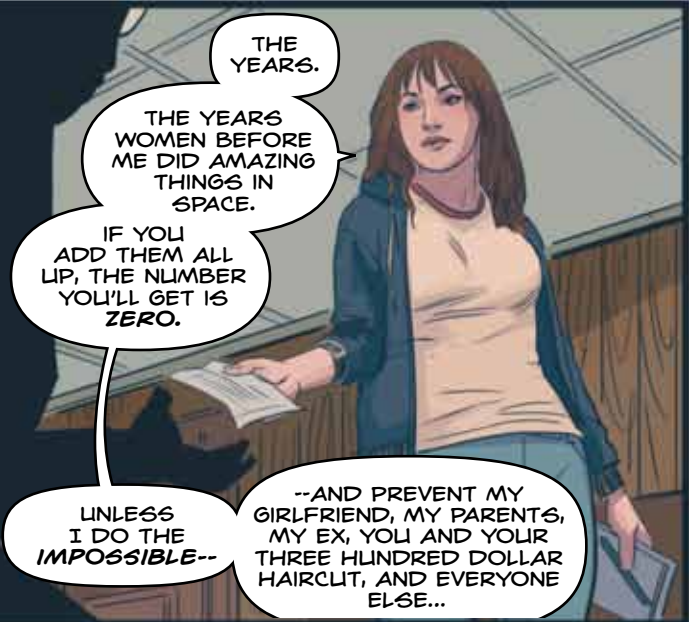
KNOWING I HAVE NEVER DISAPPOINTED HER.



BECAUSE SHE AND I BOTH KNOW THE TRUTH, DOCTOR.

LIFE IS MADE UP OF A STRING OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

WHAT'S THIS?



THE YEARS.

THE YEARS WOMEN BEFORE ME DID AMAZING THINGS IN SPACE.

IF YOU ADD THEM ALL UP, THE NUMBER YOU'LL GET IS **ZERO**.

UNLESS I DO THE **IMPOSSIBLE--**

--AND PREVENT MY GIRLFRIEND, MY PARENTS, MY EX, YOU AND YOUR THREE HUNDRED DOLLAR HAIRCUT, AND EVERYONE ELSE...

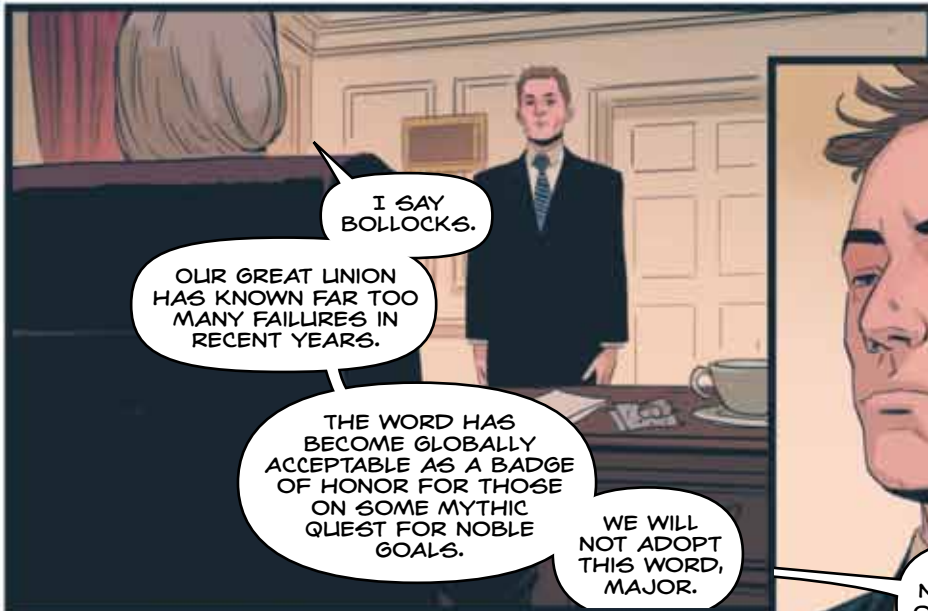


"...FROM GOING THE WAY OF THE DINOSAUR."



"SUCCESS IS NOT FINAL,
FAILURE IS NOT FATAL: IT IS
THE COURAGE TO CONTINUE
THAT COUNTS."

THOSE WERE
CHURCHILL'S
WORDS.

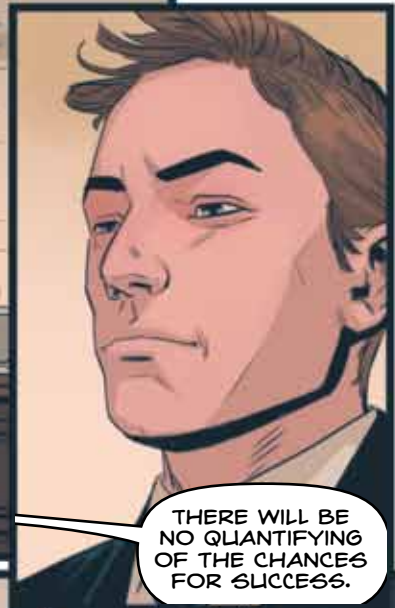


I SAY
BOLLOCKS.

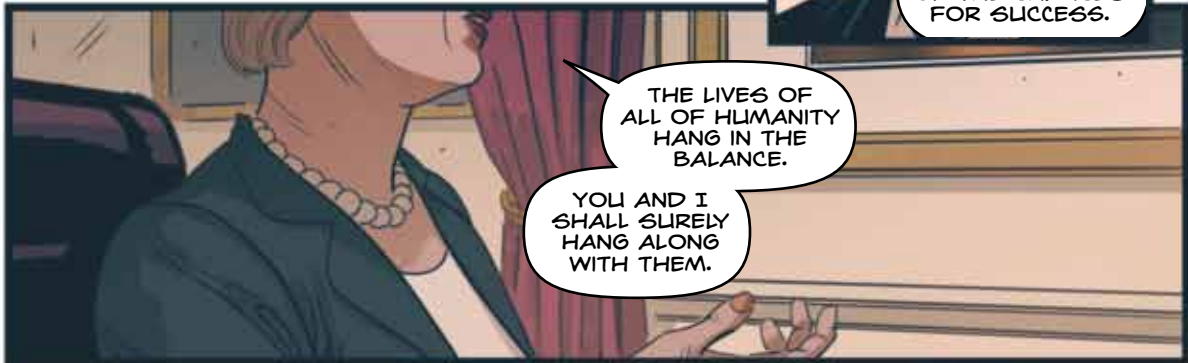
OUR GREAT UNION
HAS KNOWN FAR TOO
MANY FAILURES IN
RECENT YEARS.

THE WORD HAS
BECOME GLOBALLY
ACCEPTABLE AS A BADGE
OF HONOR FOR THOSE
ON SOME MYTHIC
QUEST FOR NOBLE
GOALS.

WE WILL
NOT ADOPT
THIS WORD,
MAJOR.

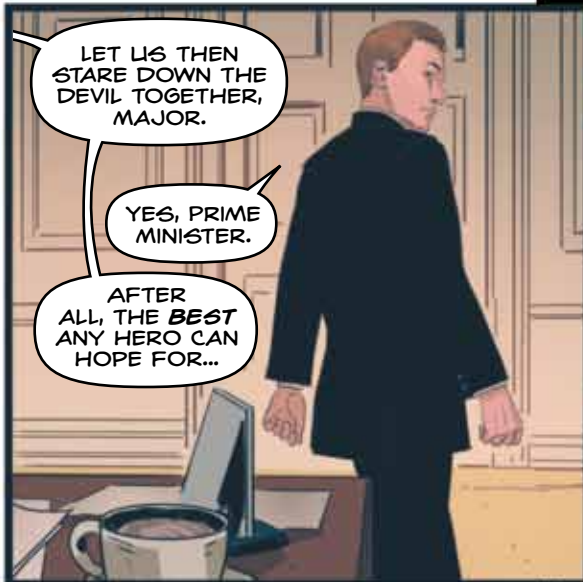


THERE WILL BE
NO QUANTIFYING
OF THE CHANCES
FOR SUCCESS.



THE LIVES OF
ALL OF HUMANITY
HANG IN THE
BALANCE.

YOU AND I
SHALL SURELY
HANG ALONG
WITH THEM.



LET US THEN
STARE DOWN THE
DEVIL TOGETHER,
MAJOR.

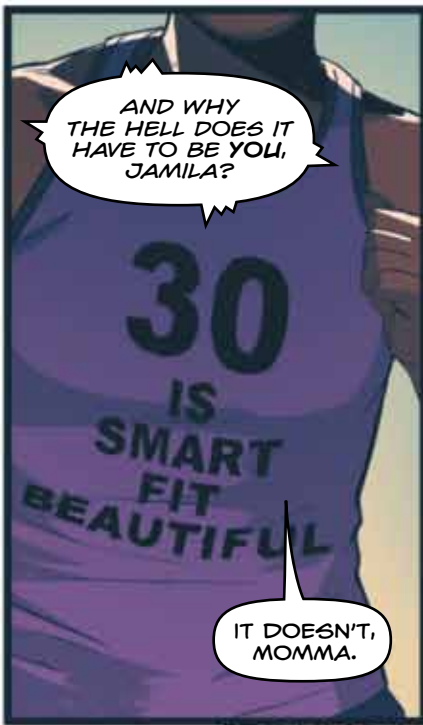
YES, PRIME
MINISTER.

AFTER
ALL, THE **BEST**
ANY HERO CAN
HOPE FOR...



"...IS A QUICK DEATH
AND THE PILLOCKS
GETTING THE LIKENESS
RIGHT ON ONE'S
STATUE."

SP MAJ ALISTAIR MEATH



AND WHY THE HELL DOES IT HAVE TO BE YOU, JAMILA?

IT DOESN'T, MOMMA.



MY CALL.

HAS IT EVER OCCURRED TO YOU THIS IS ALL PROPER?

MAYBE IT'S THIS WORLD'S TIME. THE LORD--

WILL OF THE FATHER?

THE MYSTERY OF HIS WILL.

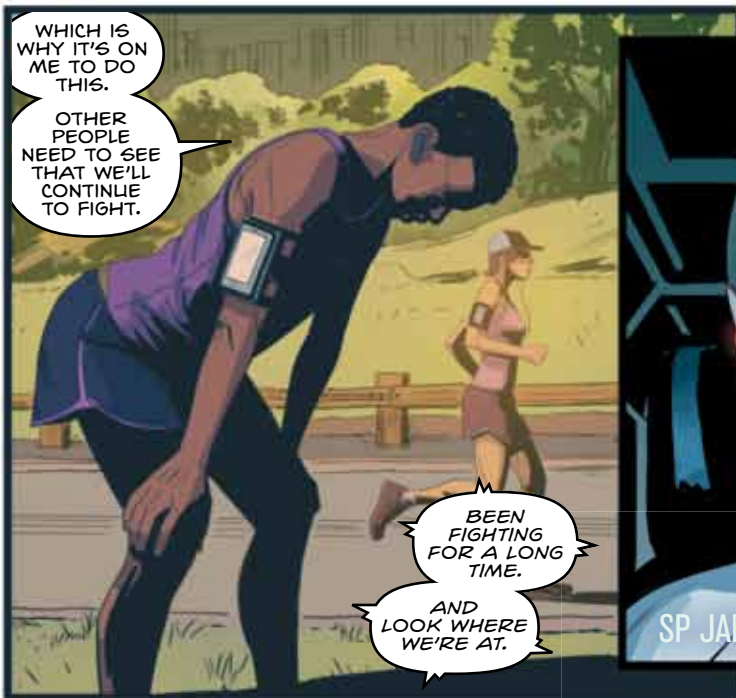
WHAT ABOUT OUR WILL, MOMMA-- THE **FREE** WILL HE GAVE US?



ALONG WITH THE SENSE TO KNOW THOSE PEOPLE DON'T MIND SENDING YOUR BLACK ASS INTO SPACE, TO DIE FOR WHAT?

YOU'LL BE GONE. THEY'LL BE RIGHT HERE, CONTINUING TO DO WHAT THEY ALWAYS DO--

--VOTING REPUBLICAN.



WHICH IS WHY IT'S ON ME TO DO THIS.

OTHER PEOPLE NEED TO SEE THAT WE'LL CONTINUE TO FIGHT.

BEEN FIGHTING FOR A LONG TIME.

AND LOOK WHERE WE'RE AT.



"IN THE WORLD BUT NOT OF IT, BABY."

SP JAMILA PARKS



MY CHINA--?

BUD LIGHT.

ALL RIGHT, CHESS. YOU MAY CONTINUE TO LIVE.



42 PEOPLE ARE ABOUT TO COME THROUGH OUR FRONT DOOR. TRY NOT TO **GLARE** AT THEM.

I HATE PARTIES.

WHY I **THREW** ONE FOR YOU.

YOU'LL BE TRAINING ON THE LUNAR STATION FOR SIX MONTHS BEFORE YOUR MISSION EVEN BEGINS.



WHO KNOWS IF YOU'LL BE **BACK** FOR YOUR NEXT BIRTHDAY.

MY HUSBAND-- MISSION COMMANDER, TIME MAGAZINE MAN OF THE YEAR, SPACE COWBOY...

...AND ME, LITTLE OL' HOUSEWIFE... REVERSE COWGIRL...



CHESS, WHEN THE MEN INEVITABLY DRIFT TO THE STUDY TO WATCH **FOOTBALL**--

LET'S PLEASE REMIND THEM TO--

CHESS?!?

CHESS, COME IN!!

"Eleven Billion"

SIXTY SECONDS BEFORE THE EVENT



CHESS--
WE LOST
CHESS.

COULD BE A
COMM SIGNAL
FAILURE-- A
SOLAR
FLARE--

I'M READING
METALLIC
DEBRIS. HE'S
DEAD.

SP JAMILA PARKS

THAT'S
BLOODY WELL
IT, THEN,
CHAPS.

IT'S
OVER.



DON'T BE
RIDICULOUS...
WE'RE IN ORBIT
AROUND THE
THING NOW--

--AND
SHORT ONE
SPACECRAFT.

SP MAJ ALSTAIR M



WAIT--
ONE.

CHESS WAS
THE BLOODY
COMMANDER--!

JUST GIVE
ME A DAMN
MINUTE.

SP VALENTINA RESNICK BAKER



A MINUTE TO
DO WHAT?

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING,
VALENTINA--?!

SP DAVID POWELL

WINGING
IT--





ENCRYPTED LEVEL 12

Keep this off the air... |



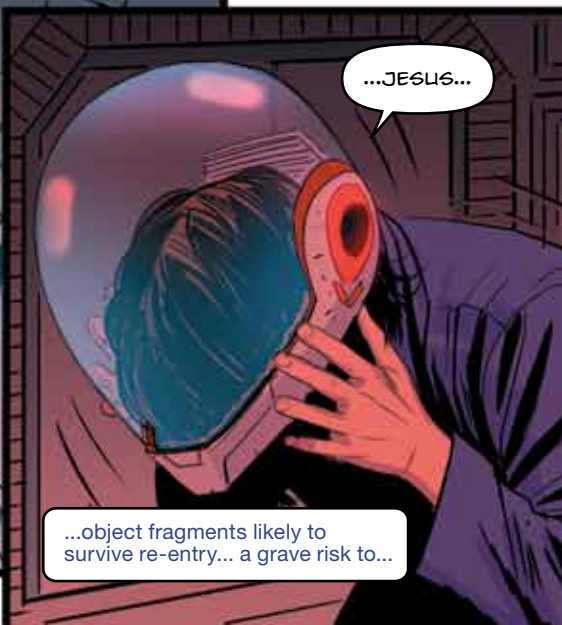
...object disintegration
at errant coordinates...



... collision with Foresight
Americo imminent...



...JESUS...



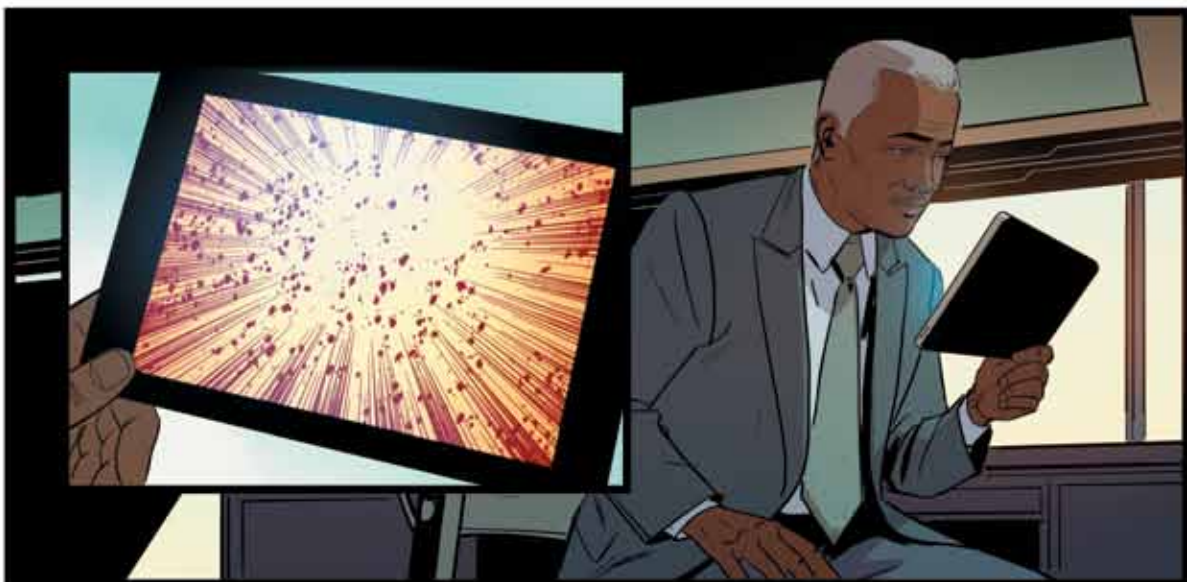
...object fragments likely to
survive re-entry... a grave risk to...



"The Beginning"

THE EVENT





"Clouds"

TWO WEEKS AFTER THE EVENT

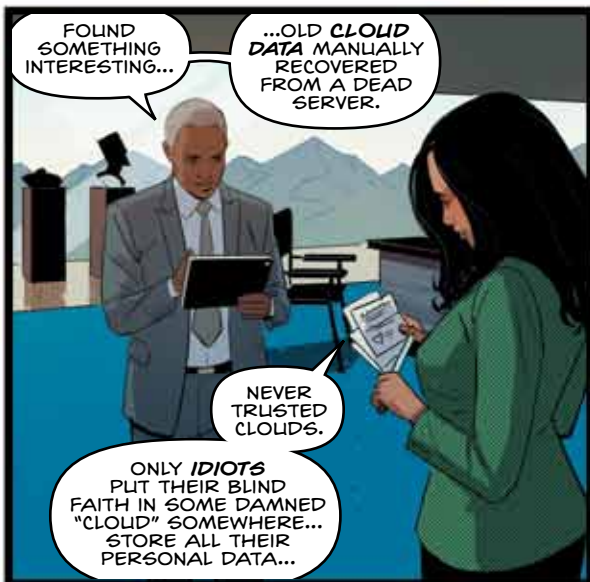




A LITTLE
ROUGH ON
MARIKA,
MAYBE?

NEED TO
PUT A **CORK**
IN THIS HERO
WORSHIP,
SHEP.

EVERYBODY
TRYING TO SPIN
ME... EVERYBODY
TRYING TO **FOX**
NEWS ME...

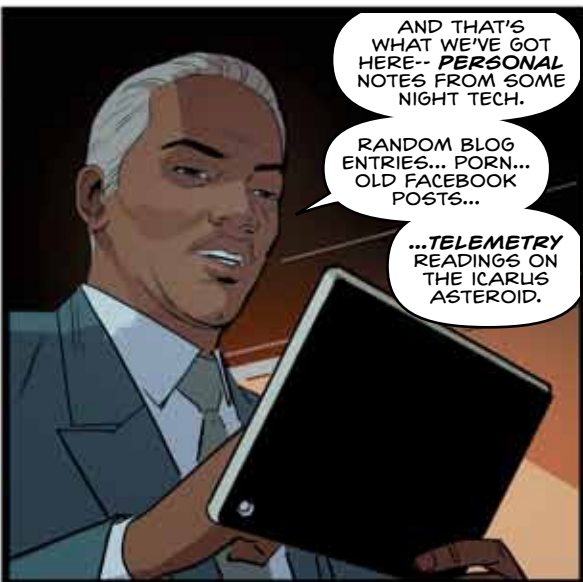


FOUND
SOMETHING
INTERESTING...

...OLD **CLOUD**
DATA MANUALLY
RECOVERED
FROM A DEAD
SERVER.

NEVER
TRUSTED
CLOUDS.

ONLY **IDIOTS**
PUT THEIR BLIND
FAITH IN SOME DAMNED
"CLOUD" SOMEWHERE...
STORE ALL THEIR
PERSONAL DATA...



AND THAT'S
WHAT WE'VE GOT
HERE-- **PERSONAL**
NOTES FROM SOME
NIGHT TECH.

RANDOM BLOG
ENTRIES... PORN...
OLD FACEBOOK
POSTS...

...**TELEMETRY**
READINGS ON
THE ICARUS
ASTEROID.



OUTSIDE
OF OUR
SYSTEM...

...THESE
READINGS
DON'T LINE
UP WITH
OURS.

WELL,
THERE'S A
SHOCK.

READINGS OFF
SOMEBODY'S
BACK YARD
TELESCOPE...



THESE
READINGS
ARE FROM
ARECIBO.

AND
HUBBLE.

I'VE
KICKED THE
TIRES ON THIS,
LORIE. IF THESE
NUMBERS ARE
CORRECT--



--ICARUS
WAS **NEVER**
GOING TO
IMPACT
EARTH.

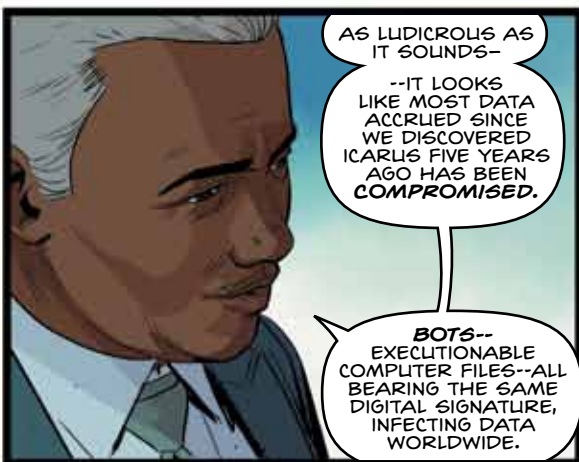


EVEN WEIRDER--

--EVERYBODY WHO EVEN **MIGHT** HAVE KNOWN THAT IS **DEAD**.

ASTRONOMERS KILLED IN CAR WRECKS... YOUNG TECHS OVERDOSING ON DESIGNER DRUGS.

MUGGINGS. ACCIDENTAL FALLS.



AS LUDICROUS AS IT SOUNDS--

--IT LOOKS LIKE MOST DATA ACCRUED SINCE WE DISCOVERED ICARUS FIVE YEARS AGO HAS BEEN **COMPROMISED**.

BOTS-- EXECUTIONABLE COMPUTER FILES--ALL BEARING THE SAME DIGITAL SIGNATURE, INFECTING DATA WORLDWIDE.



IT'S AS IF SOMEONE **WANTED** TO KEEP THIS TELEMETRY INFO **SECRET**.

OR, MORE SUCCINCTLY--



--WANTED **FALSE** TELEMETRY OUT THERE.

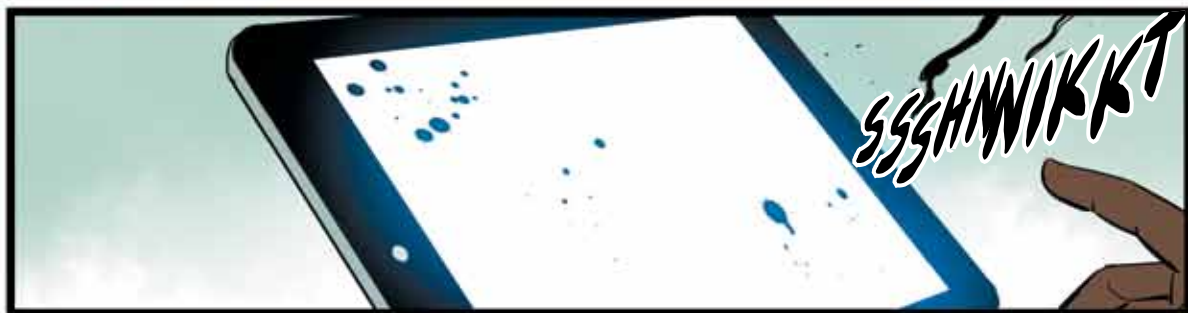
WANTED TO CONVINCE EVERYONE THE **WORLD** WAS ABOUT TO **END--**



--SO **SHE** COULD POSITION HERSELF AS THE **ONLY PERSON** WHO COULD **"SAVE"** US.

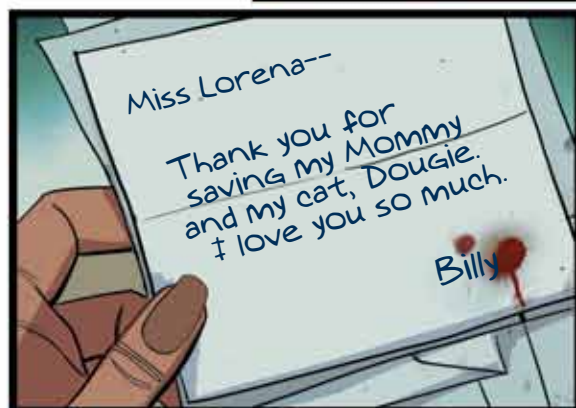
WHAT'S GOING ON, LORIE?

WHAT ON **EARTH** HAVE YOU **DONE--?**



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NEXT:
FOLLOW THE WORLD OF
CATALYST PRIME, STARTING WITH **NOBLE #1**,
ON SALE NOW!