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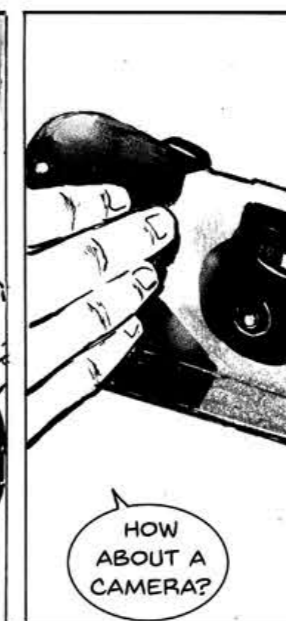
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YOU KNOW,

THEY SAY THAT THIS REASON WHY THE VILLAGE IS IN SUCH AN INACCESSIBLE PLACE... ONE OF THE VERSIONS...



...IS THAT IT WAS BUILT BY PIRATES, AS A REFUGE.

THAT'S WHY I THOUGHT OF BRINGING YOU.

AH.

WAIT, WHAT?

IS THAT HOW YOU SEE US?

AS PIRATES?



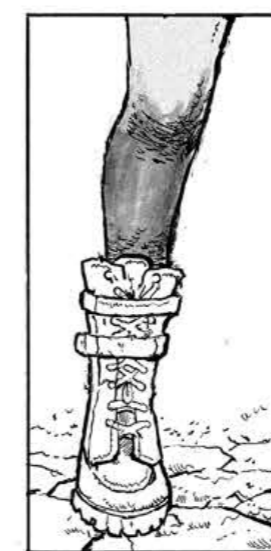
AH...

NO, 'COURSE NOT.



MOST OF OUR RESOURCES COME FROM HONEST DEALINGS! OK, MANY OF THE SHIPS ARE FROM THE EBI, BUT BEYOND THAT...

YEAH, OBVIOUSLY.



EITHER YOU TREAT ME BETTER OR I'LL HAVE YOU CLEANING LATRINES WHEN WE GET TO THE BASE.



"BUT SERIOUSLY, IT WOULD BE A GOOD BASE".



HM?

THIS PLACE.

DON'T YOU THINK? WE WOULD BE IN THE SUN.

BIT TOO SMALL, NO? WE WOULD HAVE TO MAKE MORE BUILDINGS.

MY PALACE WOULD BE AT THE VERY TOP.

PALACE? HOW AMBITIOUS.

YEP, A PALACE, TWO HUNDRED SQUARE METERS.

TWO HU...? HAH, WHAT? THAT'S A PALACE FOR YOU?

HEY! DON'T LAUGH! MY FATHER WAS ALWAYS MOVING US AROUND, BACK IN RUSSIA. WE LIVED HUMBLLY.

BUT LISTEN! WHO KNOWS, IF THINGS KEEP BEING SO GOOD BETWEEN US, MAYBE THERE WOULD BE A BUILDING CONNECTED TO MINE.

THE ROOM OF THE CON-CUBINE.

HM?

Y'KNOW, UNTIL YOU SHOW LEADERSHIP SKILLS...

...HIGHEST TITLE YOU COULD HAVE IS THAT OF TROPHY HUSBAND.

SO... A POSITION WITH NO RESPONSIBILITIES, BEYOND PLEASING YOU?

SOUNDS GOOD.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN "SOUNDS GOOD"?

IT'S SUPPOSED TO HURT YOUR PRIDE OR SPUR YOU ON OR SOMETHING!

YOU WEREN'T LIKE THIS TWO WEEKS AGO, HUM.

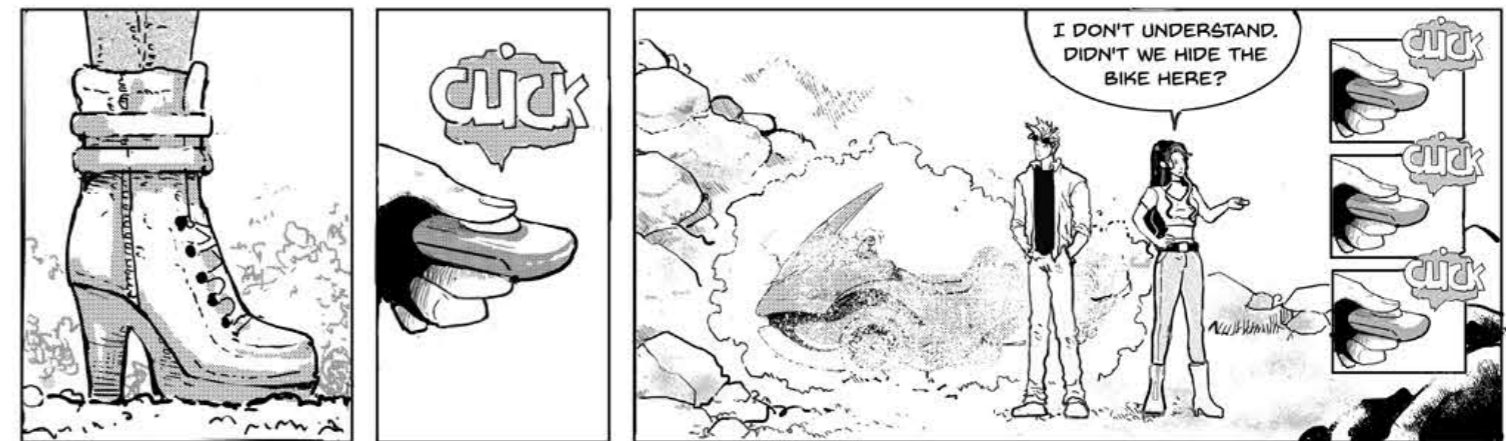
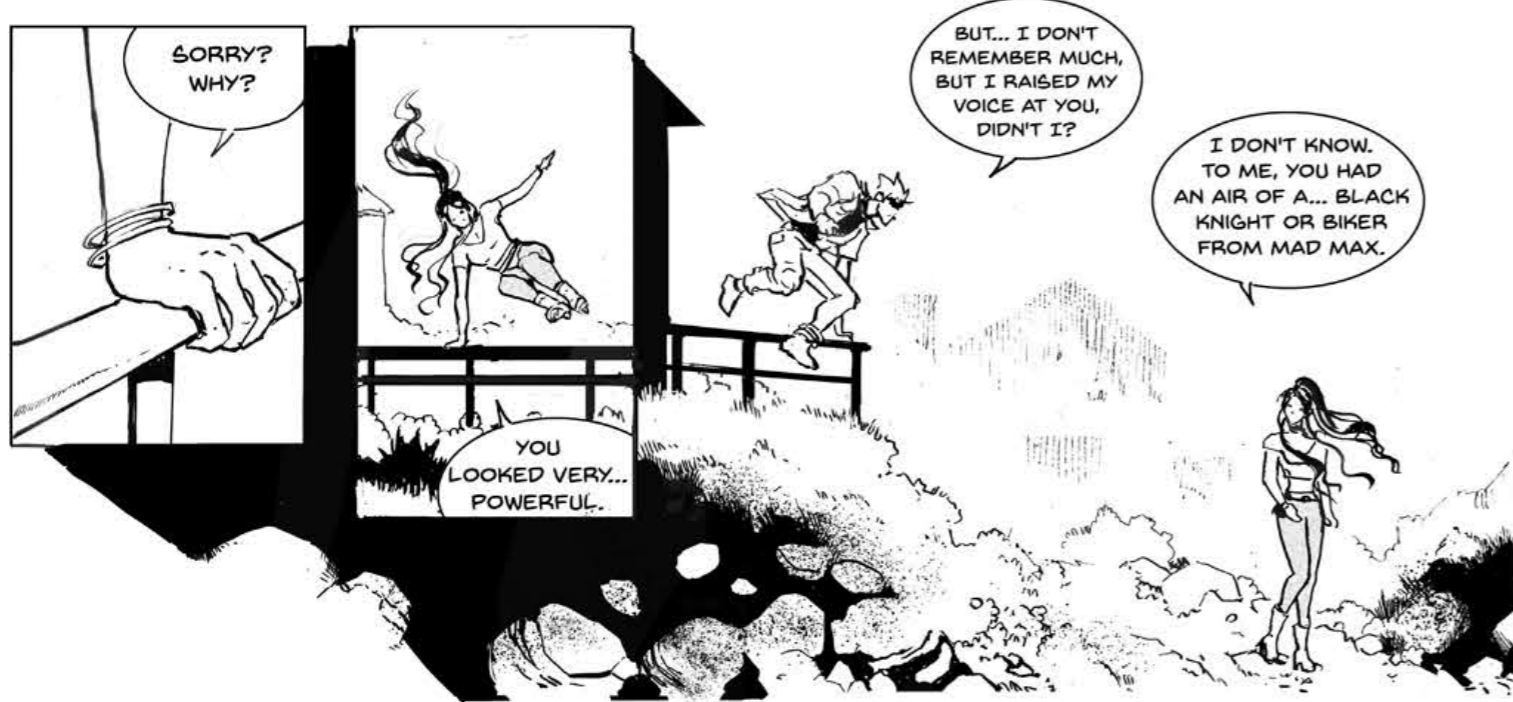
UH?

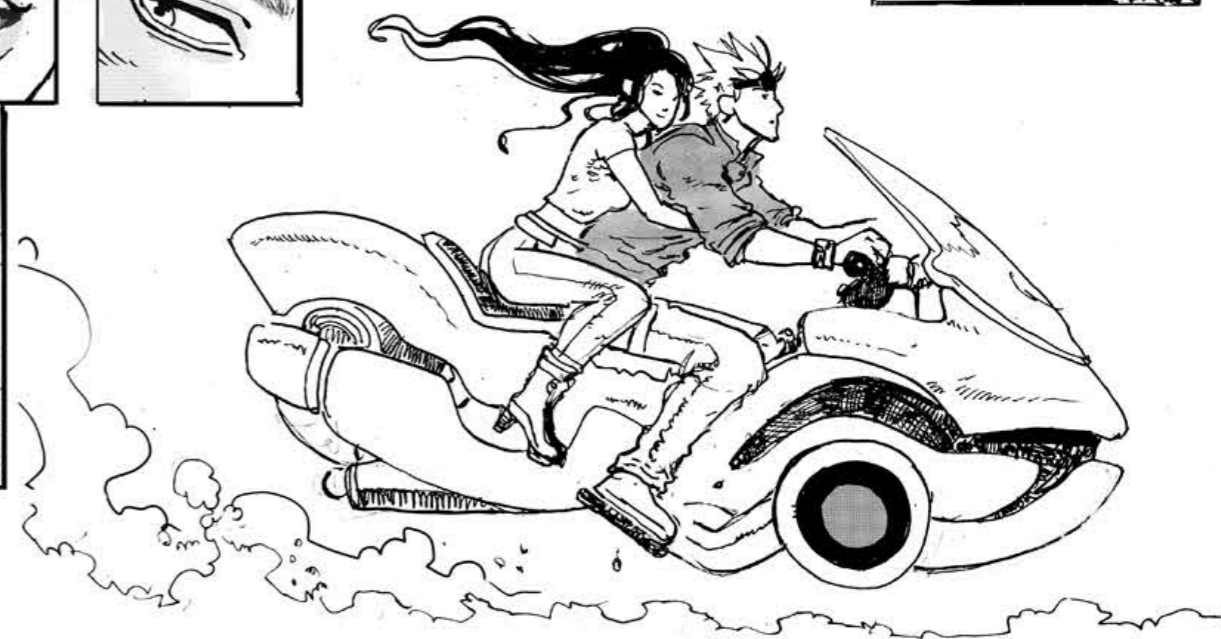
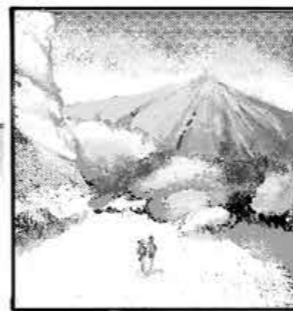
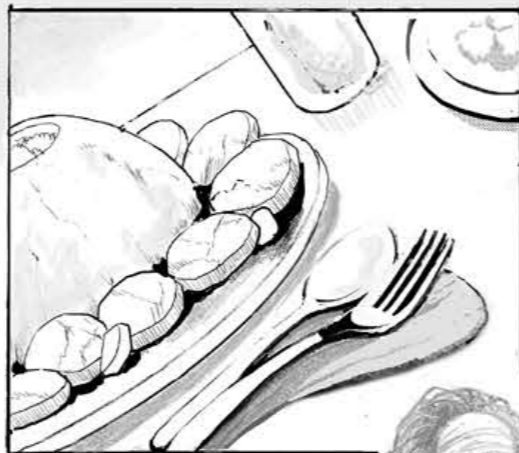
"IN ROME, WHEN WE FOUND THE FBI'S SECRET LAB, IN THE ABANDONED SUBWAY?"

ADAM, YOU...!

SHUT UP.

AH, WHEN THE HAND POSSESSED ME. SORRY.

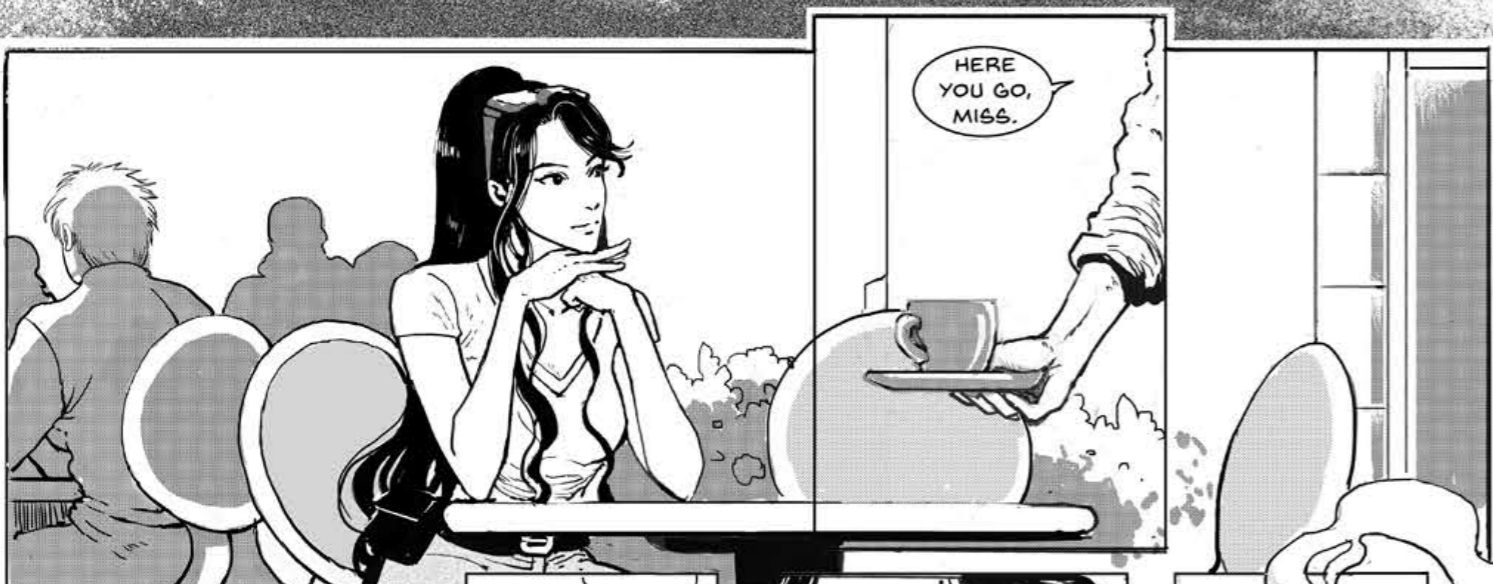






GO TO GA-RACHICO.

I'LL LOAD THE BIKE ON THE SUBMARINE. BE RIGHT BACK.



HERE YOU GO, MISS.



SHIT. THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A TECHNOLOGY LAB, NOT SHADOWGENE.

CHARIOT! EVERYTHING OK?

YES. A SHADOWGENE ATTACKED ME.

...ALMOST CUT ME BEFORE I TRANSFORMED.

EMPRESS!

I DON'T LIKE THESE CREATURES AT ALL.

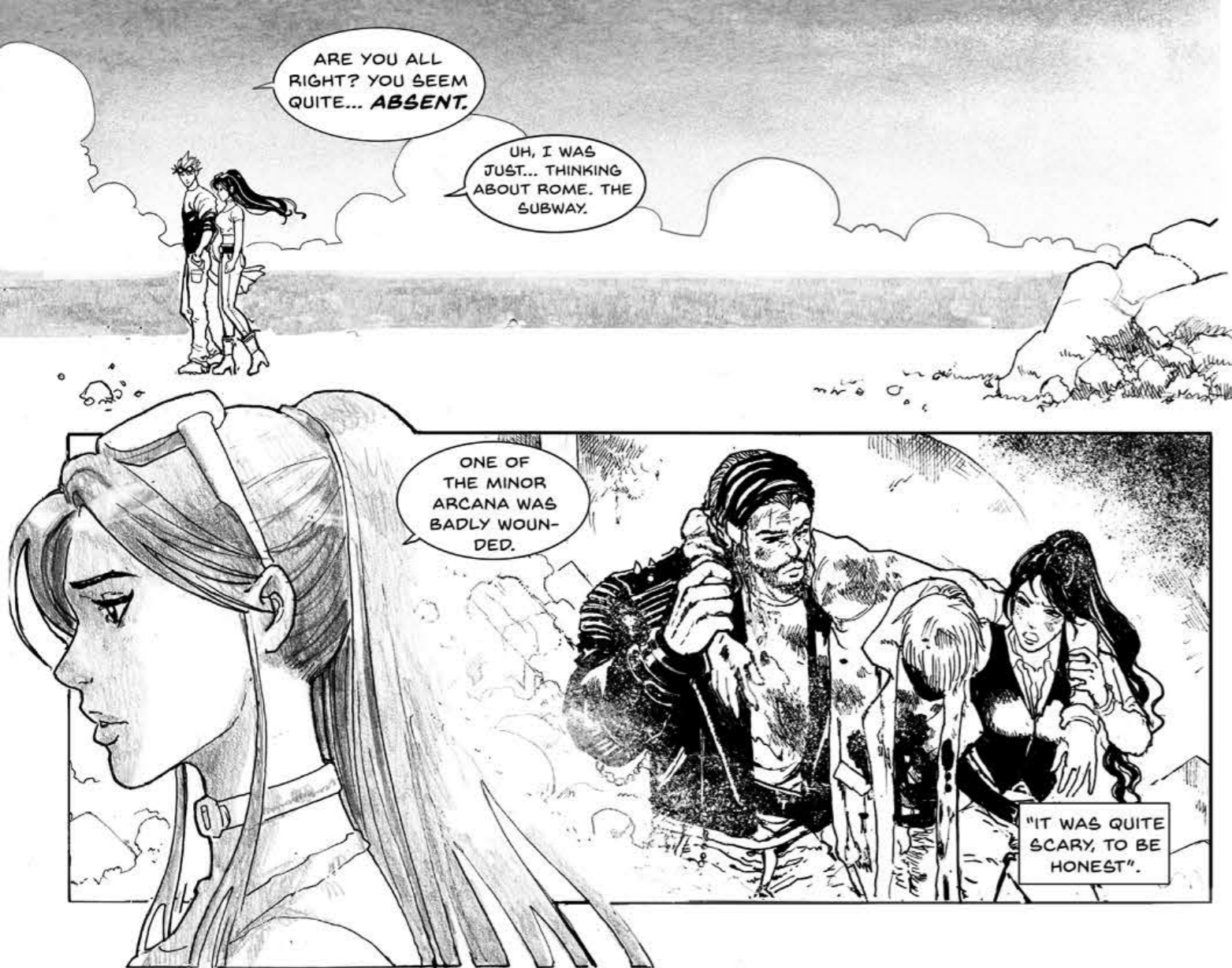
WE'VE GOT A MAN DOWN! HE'S BITTEN IN THE NECK!

WHAT?

"LET'S EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY!"



RIN!



ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? YOU SEEM QUITE... **ABSENT**.

UH, I WAS JUST... THINKING ABOUT ROME. THE SUBWAY.

ONE OF THE MINOR ARCANA WAS BADLY WOUNDED.

"IT WAS QUITE SCARY, TO BE HONEST".



BUT YOU SAVED HIM, RIGHT?

BETWEEN YOU, YOUR CRYSTALS AND CHARIOT... I DON'T THINK YOU'D HAVE ANY PROBLEMS.

ESPECIALLY YOU. THOSE CRYSTALS THAT LEVITATE AROUND YOU AND RELEASE ENERGY... I CAN'T DECIDE IF YOU LOOK LIKE YOU COME FROM THE FUTURE OR FROM SOME FANTASY PAST, LIKE ATLANTIS...

NO, BUT... I DON'T... CALVIN, THE AGENT...

HE'LL RECOVER, BUT... A FEW MORE MINUTES AND...

WE BARELY MADE IT OUT. IT'S ALWAYS BARELY.



NAH, YOU SAY THAT, BUT IN SICILY I SAW YOU FIGHTING...

EH?

WITH THAT HEREMITE - HE DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO BLINK!

EXPLOSION WITH THE CRYSTALS, THEN A BEAM WITH YOUR SWORD, DONE.

A TEN SECOND FIGHT, IT WAS AMAZING!

ADAM! THAT WAS DIFFERENT!

IN ROME, A SHADOWGENE CAME OUT OF NOWHERE AND ALMOST KILLED US!

YOU AND CHARIOT? COME ON, MAN.



YOU PROBABLY DID THAT SAMURAI SHIT OF HAVING THE BATTLE ALREADY DECIDED JUST BY LOOKING AT HIM!

ADAM...



YOU CAN DO IT, WITH THOSE EYES.

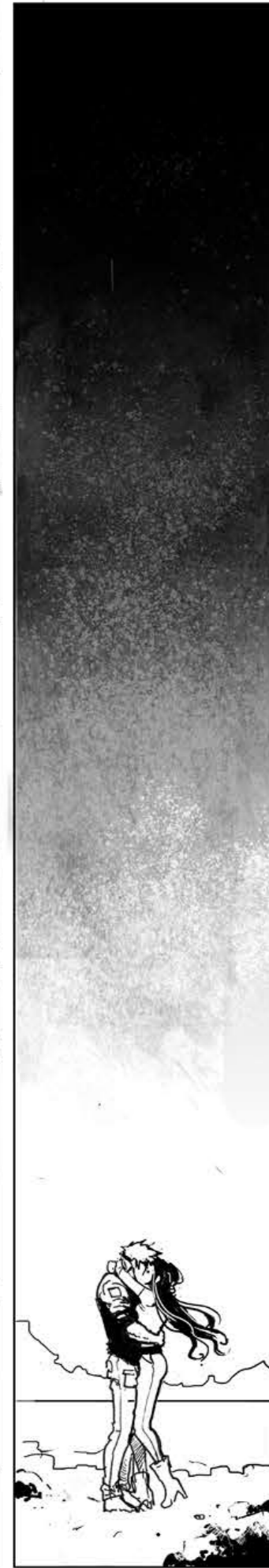
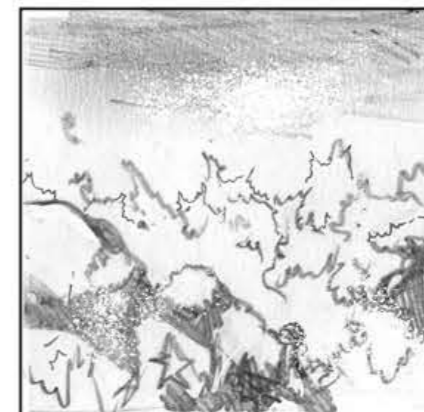
OH, PLEASE...



YOU KNOW THAT CHARIOT TOLD ME A PHRASE IN RUSSIAN TO SAY TO YOU? A COMPLIMENT ABOUT YOUR EYES. I LOOKED IT UP IN THE TRANSLATOR AND IT SAID: "YOUR ASS IS SO HARD THEY USED IT TO BUILD PYRAMIDS".



HAHAHA!





NOW...  
COME TO  
THINK OF  
IT.

YOU NEVER  
EXPLAINED WHY  
IT TOOK YOU SO  
LONG TO COME  
BACK.

HM?

IN  
ROME.

WHEN YOU  
WERE ALL,  
LIKE, "GET OUT  
OF THE WAY,  
DOLL".



WE ESCAPED  
WITH CALVIN,  
AND YOU THREE  
WERE STILL...

OH.

YES.

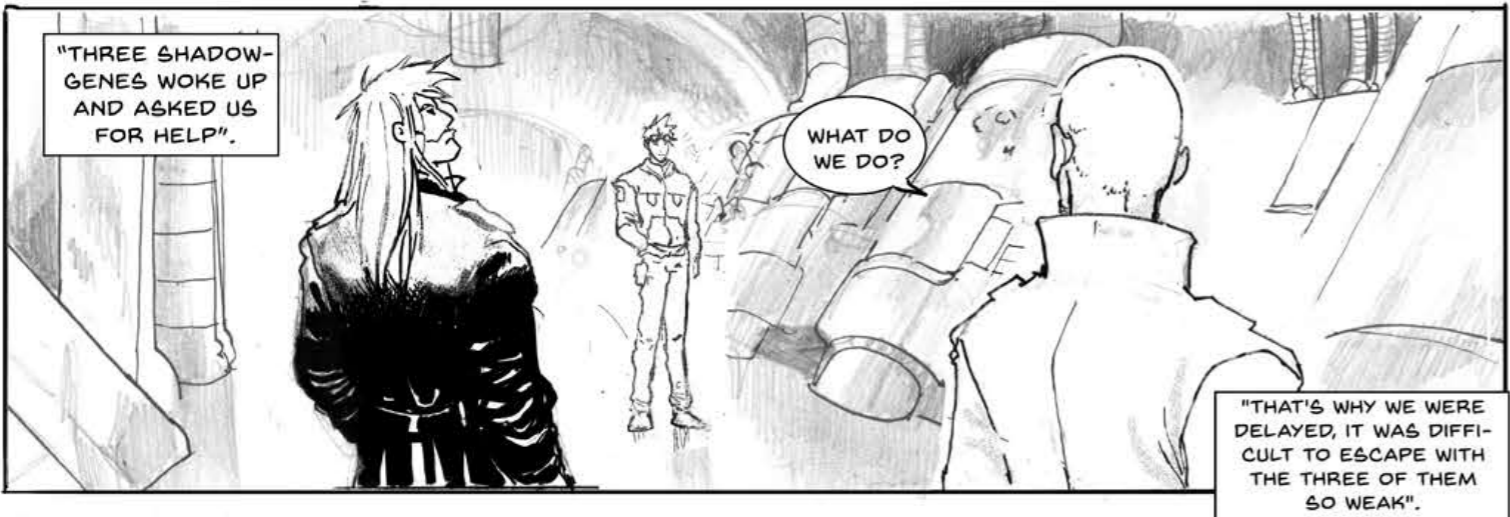
WELL, WE  
WERE LOOKING  
FOR INFORMATION  
ABOUT THE  
SHADOWGENE.



"WE DIDN'T FIND  
ANYTHING..."

PLEASE  
...

"BUT DURING THE  
INCURSION, I GUESS  
THE FIGHTS CAUSED  
SEVERAL PODS TO BE  
DEACTIVATED".



"THREE SHADOW-  
GENES WOKE UP  
AND ASKED US  
FOR HELP".

WHAT DO  
WE DO?

"THAT'S WHY WE WERE  
DELAYED, IT WAS DIFFI-  
CULT TO ESCAPE WITH  
THE THREE OF THEM  
SO WEAK".



YOU...  
WHAT?

UH...  
YEAH?

WHAT?

WHAT'S THE  
PROBLEM? ISN'T  
THE BASE A RE-  
FUGE FOR EVERY-  
ONE WHO...?

ARE Y...? ARE  
YOU SAYING YOU  
BROUGHT THEM TO  
THE BASE? MY  
BASE?

FOR  
MONSTERS  
WHO HAVE  
INJURED OUR  
FRIENDS?

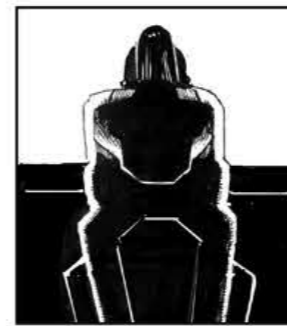
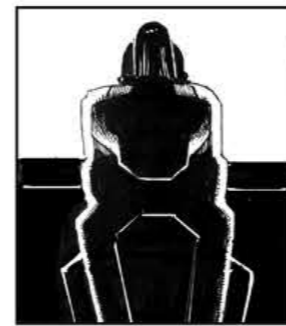
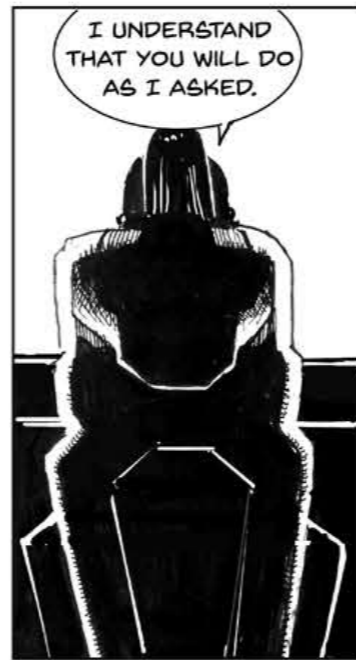
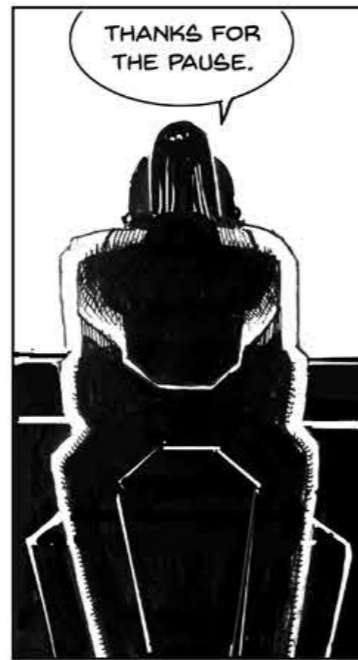
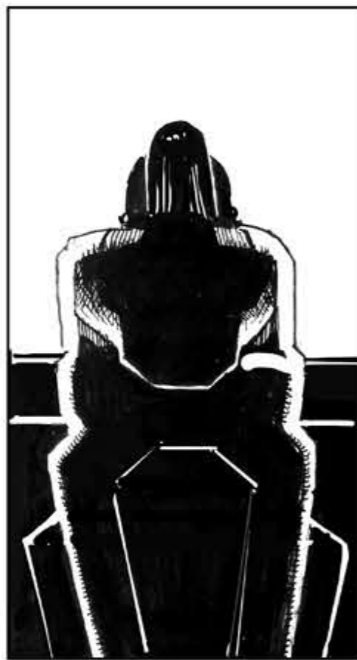
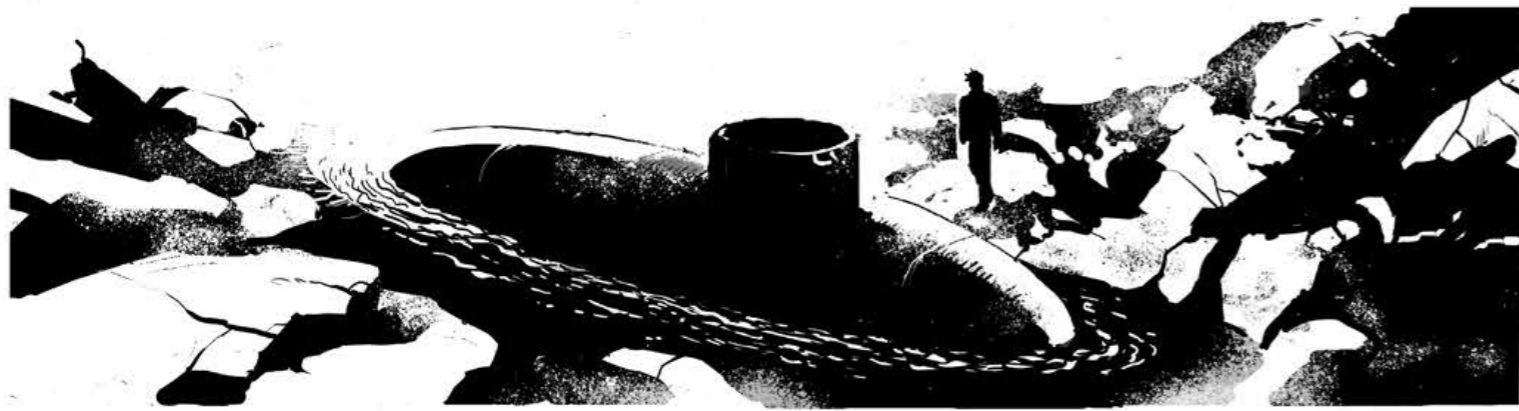
OF COURSE!  
THEY'RE THE  
EBI'S PROBLEM,  
THEY'LL KNOW  
WHAT...!

HOW... DON'T  
YOU UNDER...  
OH?

MONSTERS? THEY'RE VIC-  
TIMS! MOST ARE **KID-  
NAPPED**, IT'S NOT LIKE  
THEY ASKED... WHAT WAS I  
SUPPOSED TO DO, LEAVE  
THEM THERE WHILE THEY  
ASKED US FOR HELP?

REALLY? THEY  
GET INJECTED SOME-  
THING AGAINST THEIR  
WILL AND THEY NO  
LONGER COUNT AS  
REFUGEES?







## ...TO BE CONTINUED

UPSURGE IS AN ALMOST MONTHLY (40 DAYS) SERIES THAT STILL HAS A LONG WAY TO GO TO REACH THE INTENDED ENDING. HOWEVER, WE CAN'T KEEP DOING IT FOR "FREE" INDEFINITELY. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN HELPING US WHILE ALSO GETTING **EARLY ACCESS** TO AN ISSUE, **PREVIEWS** OF FUTURE EPISODES, OR **VIDEOS** AND TEXTS ABOUT OUR CREATIVE PROCESS, PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING US THROUGH PATREON AT THE 3\$ PLEDGE LEVEL (LINK BELOW). IF WE HAVE ENOUGH HELP, WE'LL TURN UPSURGE INTO A **MONTHLY** SERIES. THANK YOU!

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