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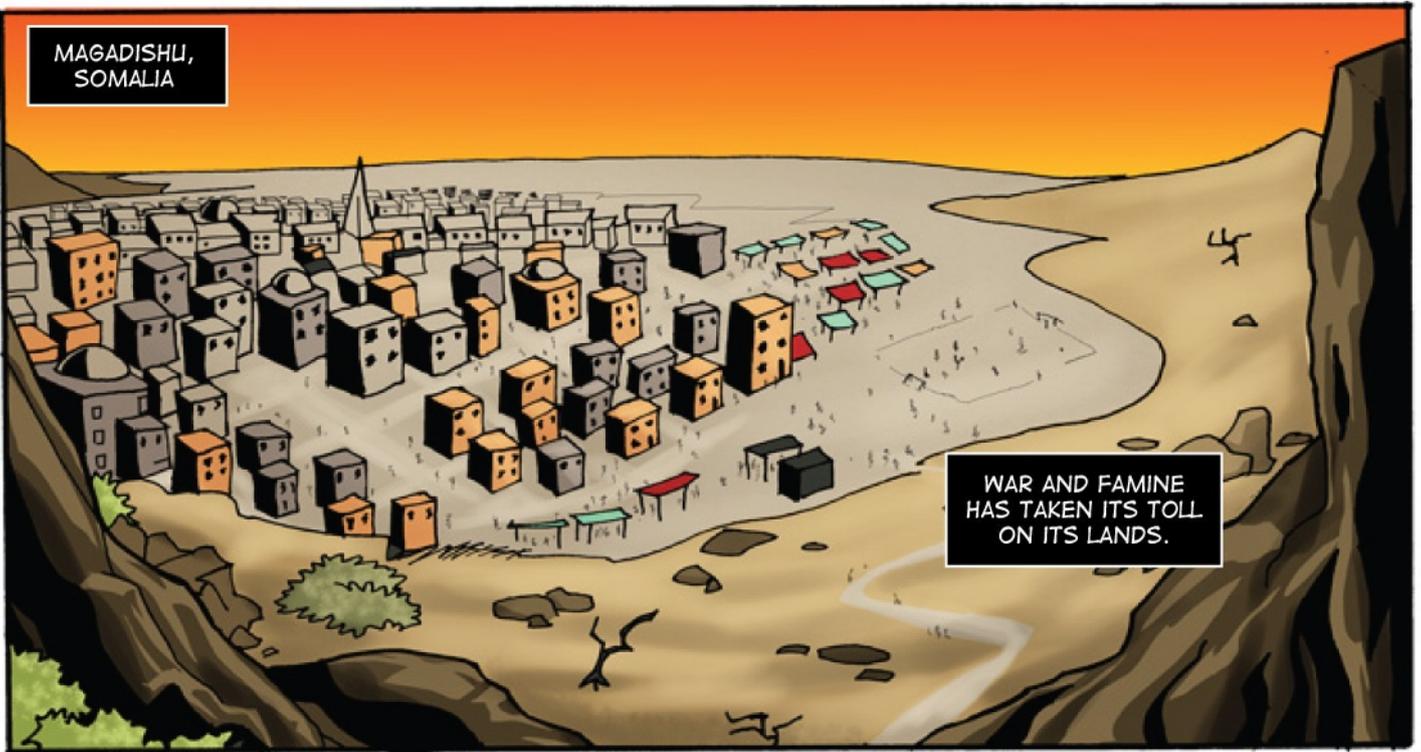
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WITHIN THE HUSTLING AND BUSTLING OF PARADISE CITY, A SHADY ORGANIZATION IS CLOSE TO REVOLUTIONIZING A NEW TYPE OF BIO-WEAPON IN THE ARMS BLACK MARKET. UNDER THE COVER OF AN ENTERTAINMENT MEDIA OUTFIT, THEY HAVE CREATED THE PERFECT TESTING GROUND IN FORM OF A LIVE COMBAT TOURNAMENT SHOW. AMID ALL THIS, A YOUNG MAN FROM OUT OF TOWN WHO ARRIVES THE BIG CITY IN SEARCH OF HIS BROTHER CROSSES PATHS WITH A LAID OFF POLICE DETECTIVE WHO IS SECRETLY ON A CASE INVOLVING THE DISAPPEARANCE OF AN OLD COLLEAGUE OF HERS. THE TWO BECOME AN UNLIKELY PAIR AS THEIR PATHS LEAD THEM TO THE LIVE COMBAT TOURNAMENT.....SHOWDOWN.

**ROAD TO PARADISE CITY**

MAGADISHU,  
SOMALIA



WAR AND FAMINE  
HAS TAKEN ITS TOLL  
ON ITS LANDS.

GREED AND THE QUEST FOR  
TERRITORIAL CONTROL HAS  
SOILED THE POLITICS AND  
REDUCED THE COUNTRY TO A  
STATE OF DECAY.



THE PEOPLE, TOO WEARY TO  
FIGHT FOR THEMSELVES.

A COUNTRY  
DIVIDED BY WAR...



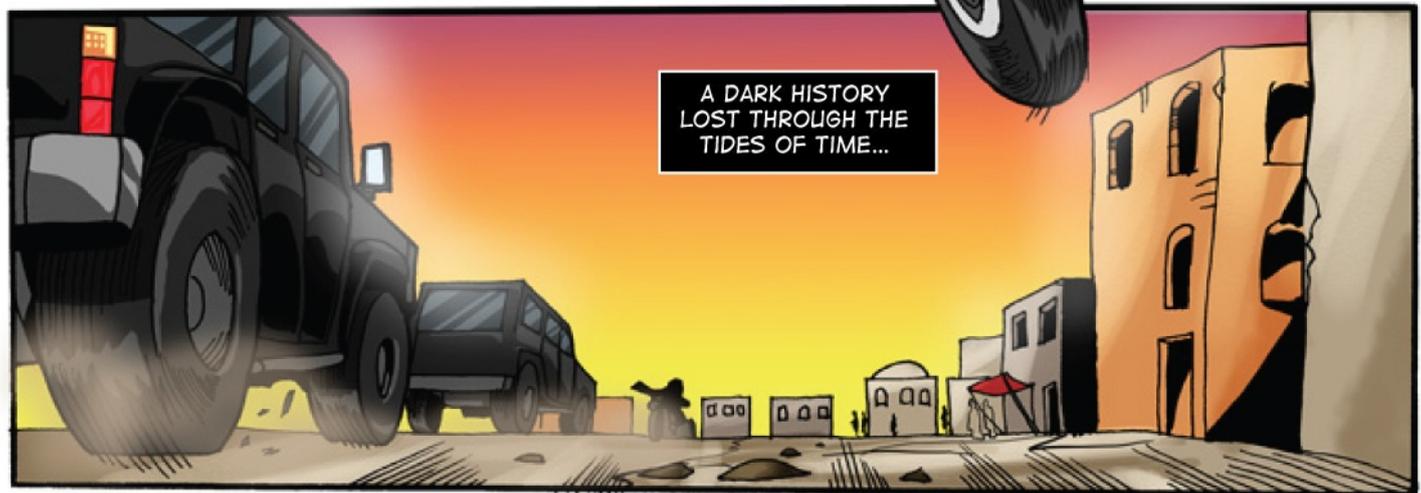
...AN ENDLESS  
WAR.





WITHIN THIS WAR TORN LAND, LIES AN OLD AND FORGOTTEN LEGEND.

A LEGEND ONLY A SELECTED FEW HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF.



A DARK HISTORY LOST THROUGH THE TIDES OF TIME...



ONLY TO BE UNRAVELED BY THE ADVANCES OF SCIENCE...AND A FEW HIRED GUNS



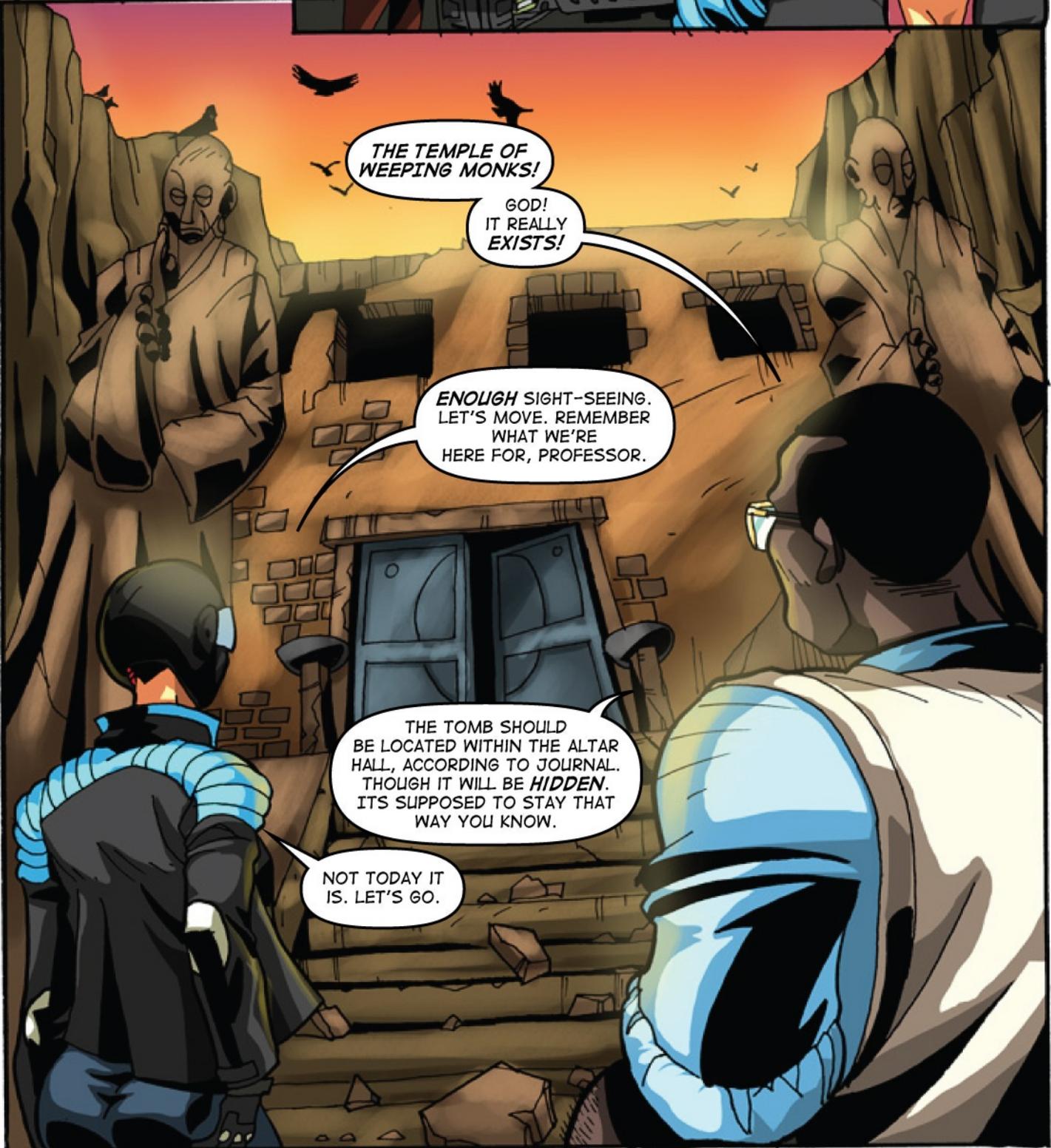
THE TEMPLE OF  
WEEPING MONKS!

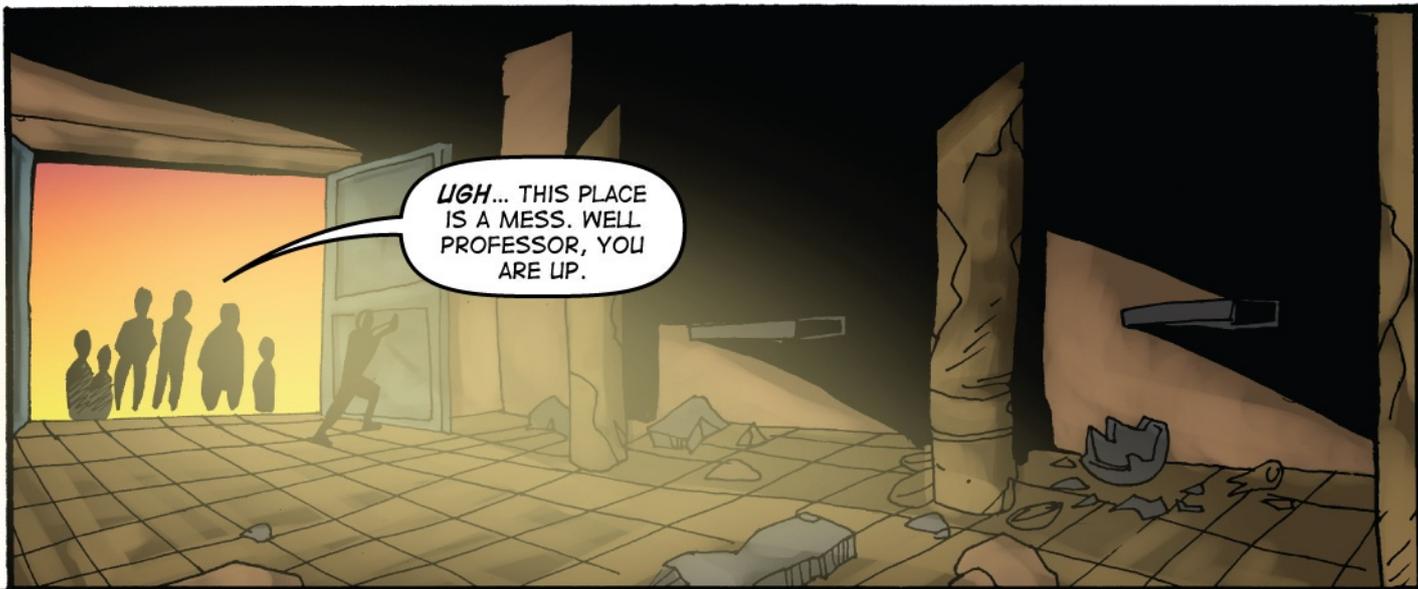
GOD!  
IT REALLY  
EXISTS!

ENOUGH SIGHT-SEEING.  
LET'S MOVE. REMEMBER  
WHAT WE'RE  
HERE FOR, PROFESSOR.

THE TOMB SHOULD  
BE LOCATED WITHIN THE ALTAR  
HALL, ACCORDING TO JOURNAL.  
THOUGH IT WILL BE *HIDDEN*.  
ITS SUPPOSED TO STAY THAT  
WAY YOU KNOW.

NOT TODAY IT  
IS. LET'S GO.





UGH... THIS PLACE IS A MESS. WELL PROFESSOR, YOU ARE UP.



THIS PLACE IS BEAUTIFUL. I NEVER EXPECTED TO FIND SUCH HISTORY STILL *INTACT*. AT LEAST, SOME OF IT. THESE WRITINGS...*REMARKABLE*.



FOCUS, OLD MAN. NEED I REMIND YOU, WE ARE ON A SCHEDULE. *GET TO WORK*

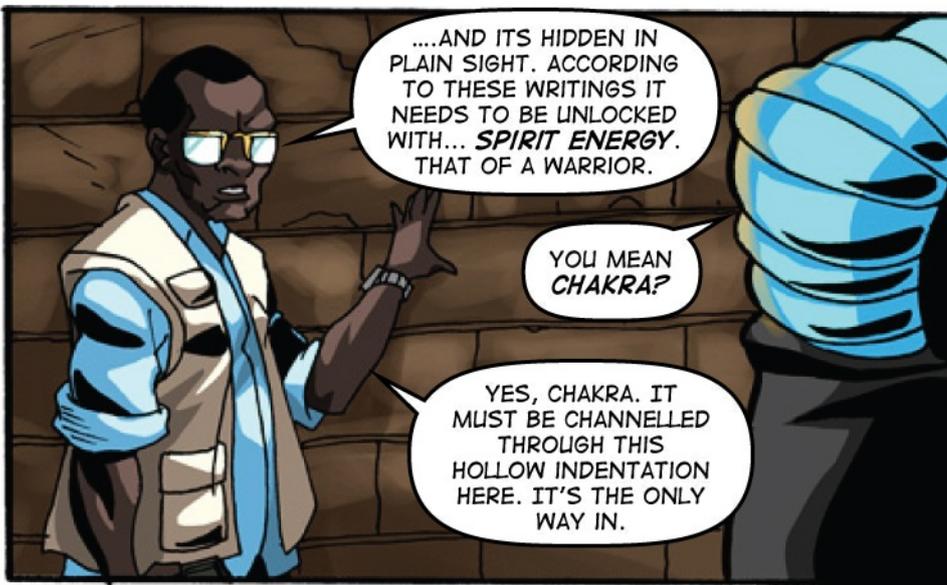


I KNOW I KNOW. THIS WRITINGS SHOULD TELL US SOMETHING...



YES. YES. THERE IS A DOOR. THIS DOOR SHOULD LEAD US TO *THE TOMB*. AND...

AND...?



....AND ITS HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT. ACCORDING TO THESE WRITINGS IT NEEDS TO BE UNLOCKED WITH... *SPIRIT ENERGY*. THAT OF A WARRIOR.

YOU MEAN *CHAKRA*?

YES, CHAKRA. IT MUST BE CHANNELLED THROUGH THIS HOLLOW INDENTATION HERE. IT'S THE ONLY WAY IN.



ALRIGHT THEN. STAND BACK.



HMMMMMMM...



HAI!



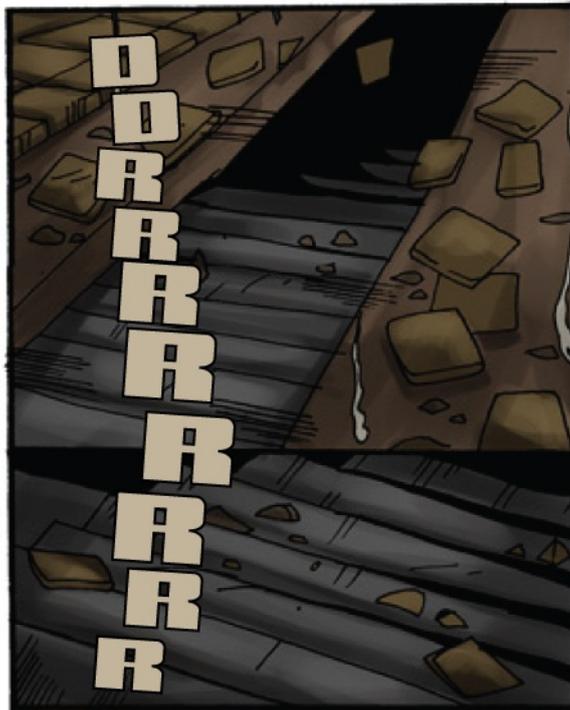
**FLASH SPEAR!**



**FWWOOOOOOOSH**



**CHLICK**



**DORRRRRRRRR**



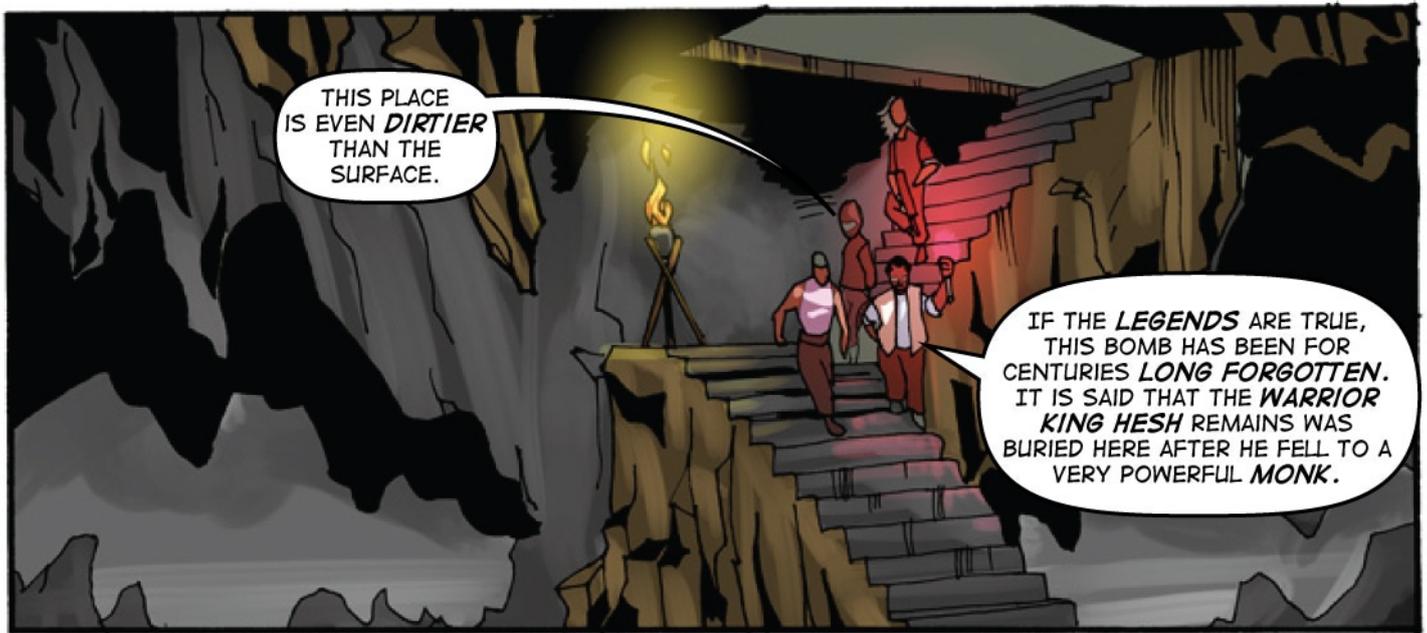
WHOA!... SPECTACULAR.

WELL... AFTER YOU, OLD MAN.



SECURE THE PERIMETER AND STAY SHARP...

...IT WOULD SEEM WE ARE NOT THE ONLY ONES LOOKING FOR THIS ITEM.



THIS PLACE IS EVEN *DIRTIER* THAN THE SURFACE.

IF THE *LEGENDS* ARE TRUE, THIS BOMB HAS BEEN FOR CENTURIES *LONG FORGOTTEN*. IT IS SAID THAT THE *WARRIOR KING HESH* REMAINS WAS BURIED HERE AFTER HE FELL TO A VERY POWERFUL *MONK*.



THAT WOULD MEAN WE WILL PROBABLY FIND A PILE OF *DUST AND BONES* AFTER BEING PUT HERE ALL THESE YEARS.



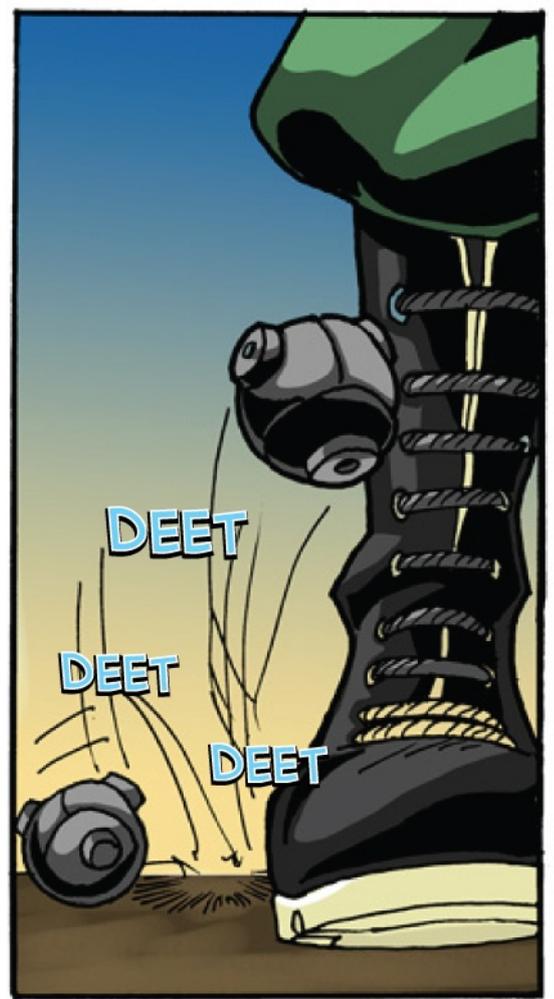
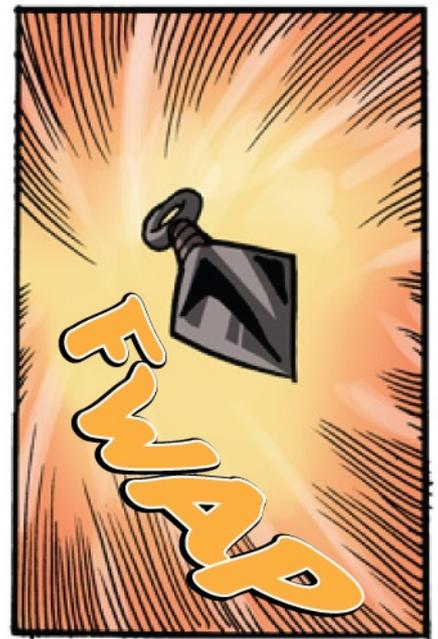
PROBABLY.



THERE IT IS...



*HESH'S TOMB!*





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WHAT WAS THAT?!

FUMIKO...

YES....HE'S HERE. PREDICTABLE.



YOU TWO, GET THE REMAINS. DJIRI COVER THE PROFESSOR I'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT DOG.



FINE. PROFESSOR, WILL THIS DO?

CAREFUL WITH THAT! I WOULD LOVE TO DO A FULL ANALYSIS ON ALL OF IT BUT....



WE ARE DONE THEN. LETS MOVE.



ALL UNITS, RENDEZVOUS AT EXTRACTION POINT. WE HAVE WHAT WE COME FOR.

COPY. ETA 10 MINUTES

LETS GO.



YOUR PRESENCE HERE IS FORBIDDEN, CHILD. YOU KNOW NOTHING OF WHAT YOU ARE ABOUT TO UNLEASH TO THE WORLD BY STEALING THAT.



LEAVE



HM. YOU KNOW..., MY CLIENTS PAID ME A GREAT DEAL OF CASH TO RETRIEVE AND SECURE THIS PACKAGE. AND I INTEND TO HOLD UP MY END OF THE BARGAIN.



I AM **GHOST**. AND BY THE LAWS OF THE **SEVENTH CHAMBER** I AM BOUND BY DUTY TO SAFE GUARD THIS SACRED GROUNDS OF WHICH YOU ARE **TRESPASSING**. I WILL NOT ASK AGAIN.

GHOST, EH... IS THAT NAME SUPPOSED TO BE SCARY OR SOMETHING? CLEARLY I'M LEAVING WITH THE **ARTIFACT** ALL THANKS TO YOUR **INCOMPETENCE** OF COURSE.

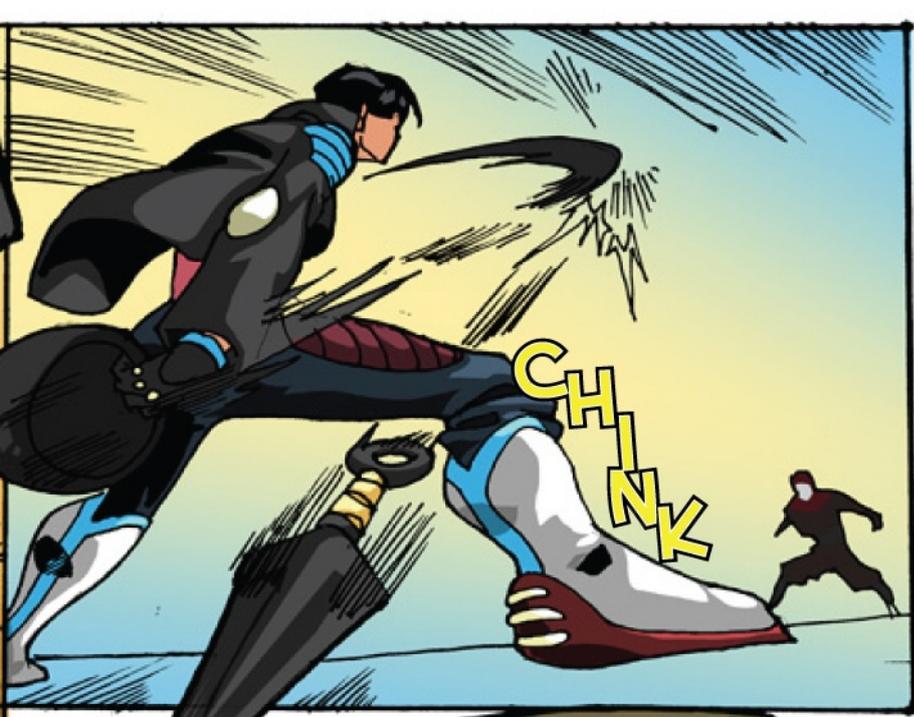
YOUR **ARROGANCE** SHALL BE THE END OF YOU IF YOU DON'T **HEED** MY WORDS.

JUST **TRY** TO STOP ME.

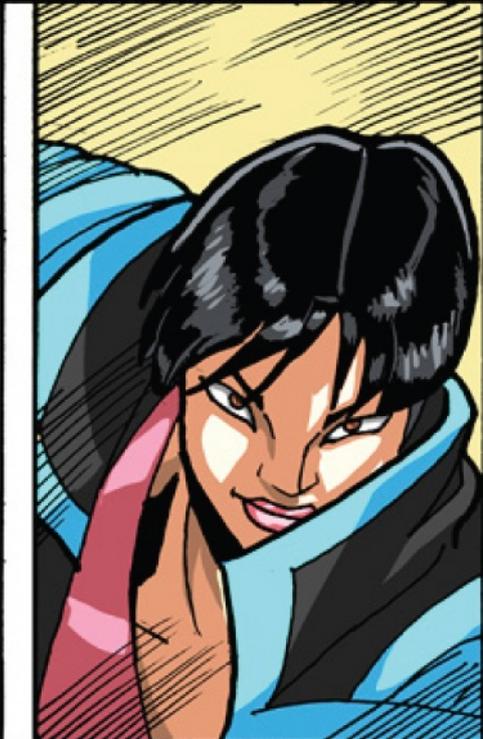
VERY WELL



THIS IS BOLD.  
WHOEVER  
THEY ARE.....



THEY ARE MORE ORGANIZED  
AND STRATEGIC.....AND NOT  
HERE FOR THE GOLD OR THE  
SILVERWARES EITHER.



COULD IT BE, AFTER  
ALL THIS TIME? I HAVE  
TO STOP THEM.

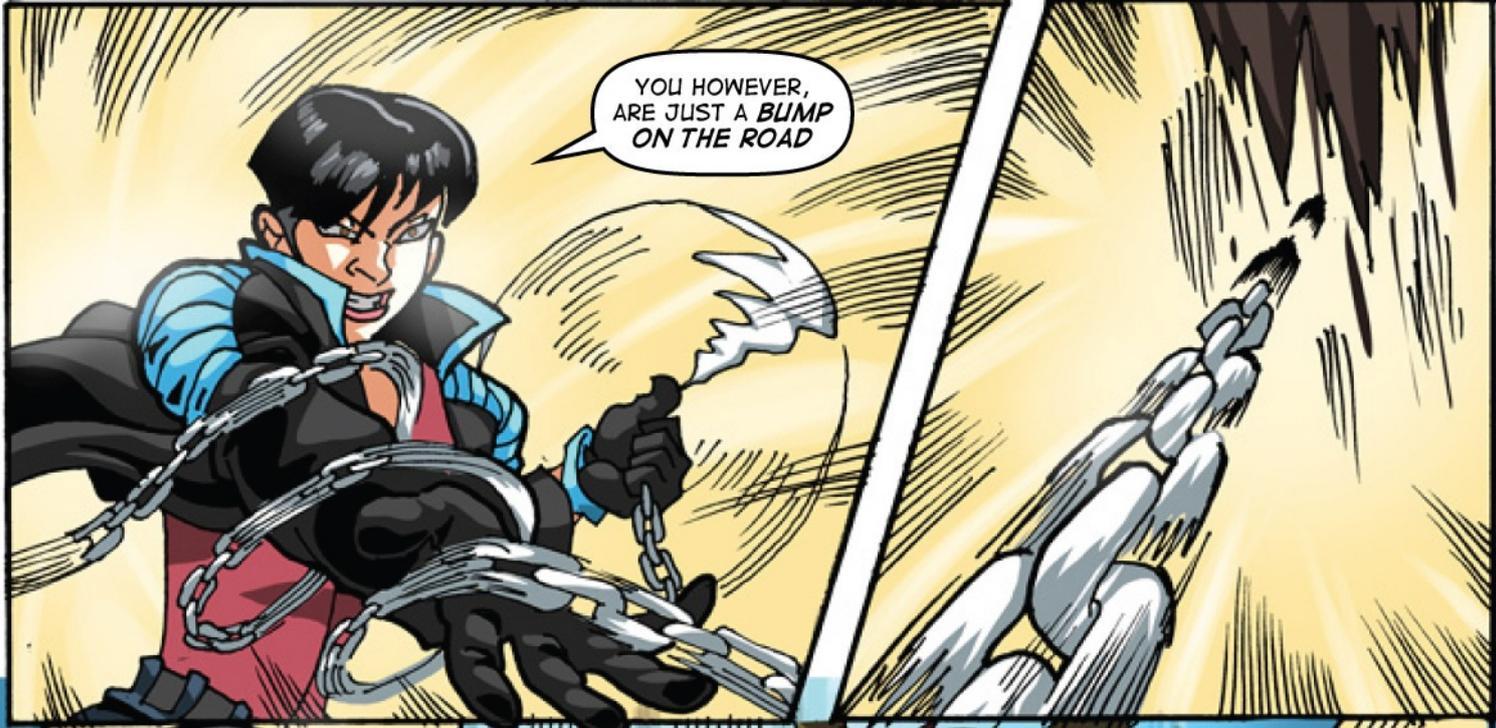


HII YAA!



YOU HAVE NO IDEA OF WHAT YOU ARE DOING, *THE THREAT* IT POSES TO THE WORLD. YOU HAVE TO END THIS *NOW*

DON'T KNOW. DON'T CARE.



YOU HOWEVER, ARE JUST A **BUMP ON THE ROAD**



OH?!



SUFFER THE ERRORS OF YOUR **MISDEEDS!**



IS THAT SO?



IT ENDS HERE.





YOU ARE STRONG, I'LL GIVE YOU THAT. BUT NOT EVEN CLOSE.

...NGGHH.



FUMIKO. GRAB THE ROPE!

WHUP  
WHUP

WHUP  
WHUP  
WHUP



HMPH. SAYONARA, NINJA.



DONT COUNT ON IT...AM NOT ALONE...HEH.

WHAT?





HOOAH!

FWOOOOSW



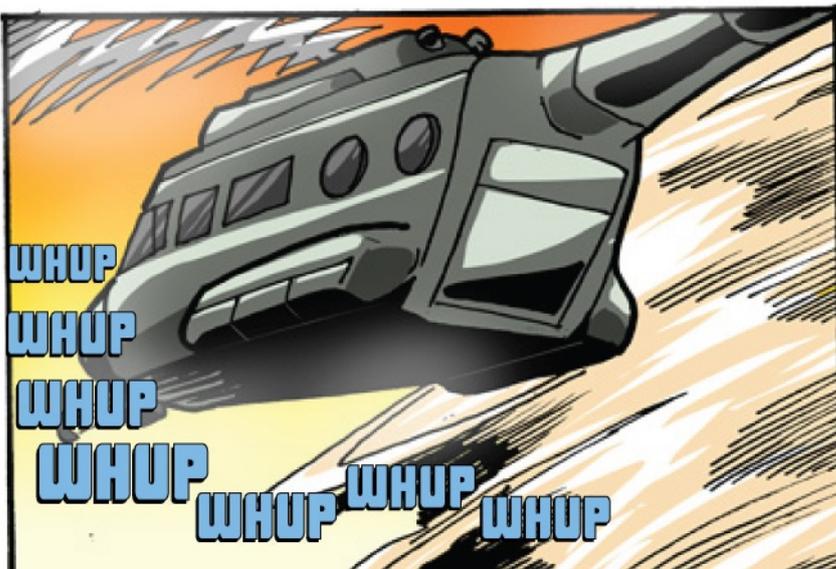
WE'VE GOT STRONG WINDS CAUSING TURBULENCE

WHUP WHUP WHUP WHUP WHUP



IGNORE IT, KEEP US IN THE AIR, FULL POWER.

NNGH...AM TRYING!



WHUP WHUP WHUP WHUP WHUP



WHUP WHUP WHUP WHUP WHUP



HEY....YOU ALRIGHT?

JAHARI, YOU ARE LATE. WHERE WERE YOU?

IT'S QUITE A LONG WAY DOWN HERE FROM TOWN, YOU KNOW SOME OF US AREN'T NINJAS

WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?



YOU APPEAR AND DISAPPEAR ANYWHERE YOU WANT TO BE, RIGHT AND I..... HAVE TO WALK OR TAKE A BUS OR SOMETHING...



...YOU KNOW WHAT...FORGET ABOUT IT.

HUPH.... THE TOMB HAS BEEN BREACHED, I TRIED TO STOP THEM AND YOU ARE HERE MAKING JOKES?!

THATS NOT A JOKE. ITS A POINT



WE NEED TO HEAD BACK TO PARADYSE AND ALERT THE CHAMBER. WE HAVE A SITUATION.



ALERT THE CHAMBER!?! OVER SOME GRAVE ROBBERS! ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THIS, GHOST? I MEAN, ITS OUR JOB TO KEEP THEM AWAY IN THE FIRST PLACE. EH.



YOU ARE RIGHT. I DON'T UNDERSTAND.

YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND... THESE PEOPLE WERE NOT THIEVES LOOKING FOR GOLD. THEY WERE HERE FOR SOMETHING MORE VALUABLE...VALUABLE AND DANGEROUS. I FEAR THE WORST IS YET TO COME.



JUST HEAD BACK TO THE CITY. I'LL CALL FOR YOU WHEN THE NEED BE. HEAVEN HELP US IF WE ARE NOT TOO LATE.



CHAOS IS  
UPON US.

....AND SO IT BEGINS.



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