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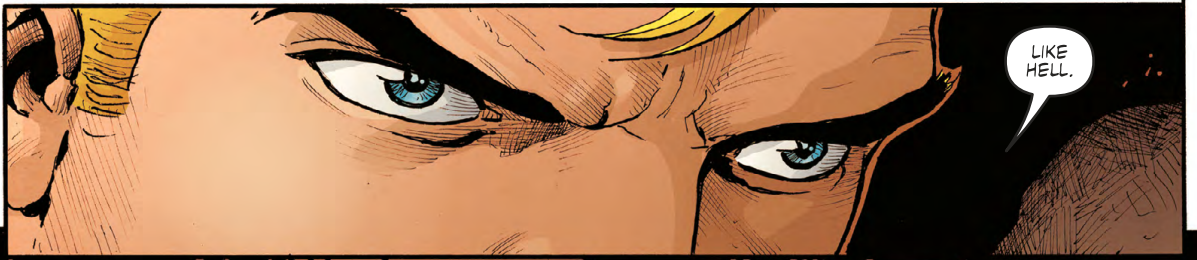
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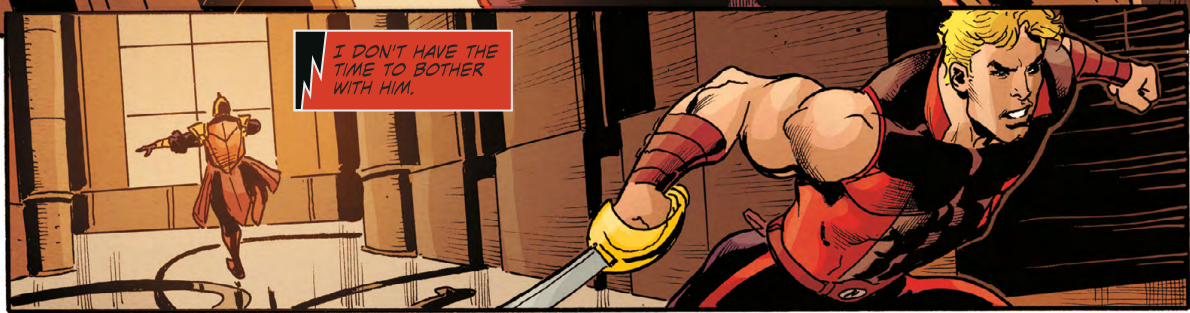








I'D RUN IF I WERE YOU...



I DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO BOTHER WITH HIM.



IF I'M GOING TO GET OUT OF HERE...IT HAS TO BE SOON.



**SLAM**

EVERYTHING I'VE WORKED FOR, BEHIND THIS DOOR...



FLASH!  
IS IT REALLY YOU?

NEW HIBERIA - 1 DAY AGO

"FLASH...IS IT REALLY YOU?"



**FLASH  
GORDON**

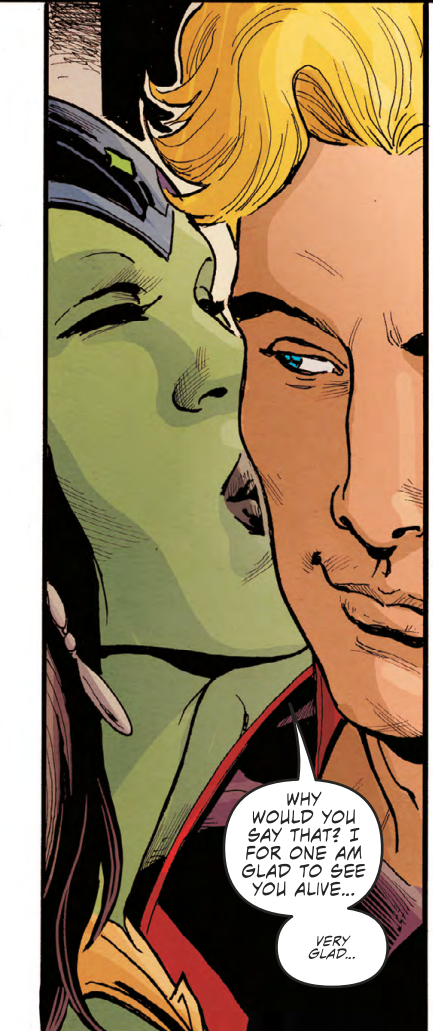
# SAVE THE PRINCESS, SAVE THE WORLD!

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WE THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD!

NO, PRINCESS AURA, THOUGH I'M NOT SURE IF THAT'S FOR THE BEST.



WHY WOULD YOU SAY THAT? I FOR ONE AM GLAD TO SEE YOU ALIVE...

VERY GLAD...



Ahem!



FLASH, MY WIFE IS RIGHT. WE ARE GLAD TO SEE YOU...BUT HOW?

YOU WERE DEAD...

I'M STILL NOT SURE WHAT HAPPENED, BARIN.

"I WAS FIGHTING MING. HE POINTED HIS CURSED UNRAVELLER AT EARTH AND I TRIED TO STOP HIM.



"I WOKE INSIDE THE BOTTOM FLOOR OF A PRISON CALLED PLANET DEATH AND WAS ABLE TO ESCAPE WITH...THE HELP OF YOUR FATHER, AURA, BUT...THAT IS A LONGER STORY.

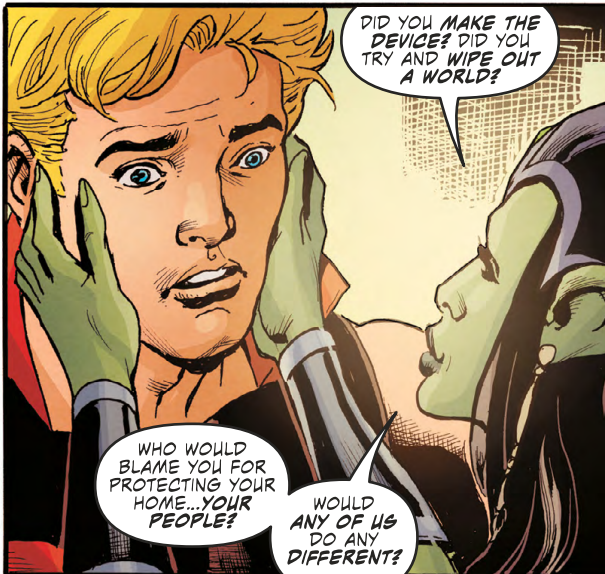


"EVENTUALLY VULTAN FOUND ME AND TOLD ME WHAT HAPPENED TO MONGO..."



PLEASE, MY FRIENDS...YOU HAVE TO BELIEVE ME. I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT MY ACTIONS WOULD DO...

OF COURSE YOU DIDN'T! HOW COULD YOU?



DID YOU MAKE THE DEVICE? DID YOU TRY AND WIPE OUT A WORLD?

WHO WOULD BLAME YOU FOR PROTECTING YOUR HOME...YOUR PEOPLE?

WOULD ANY OF US DO ANY DIFFERENT?



COME FLASH. THERE IS MUCH TO SAY...AND MY LIPS WILL BE PARCHED IN TALKING.

FIRST SENSIBLE THING I'VE HEARD SINCE COMING HERE...

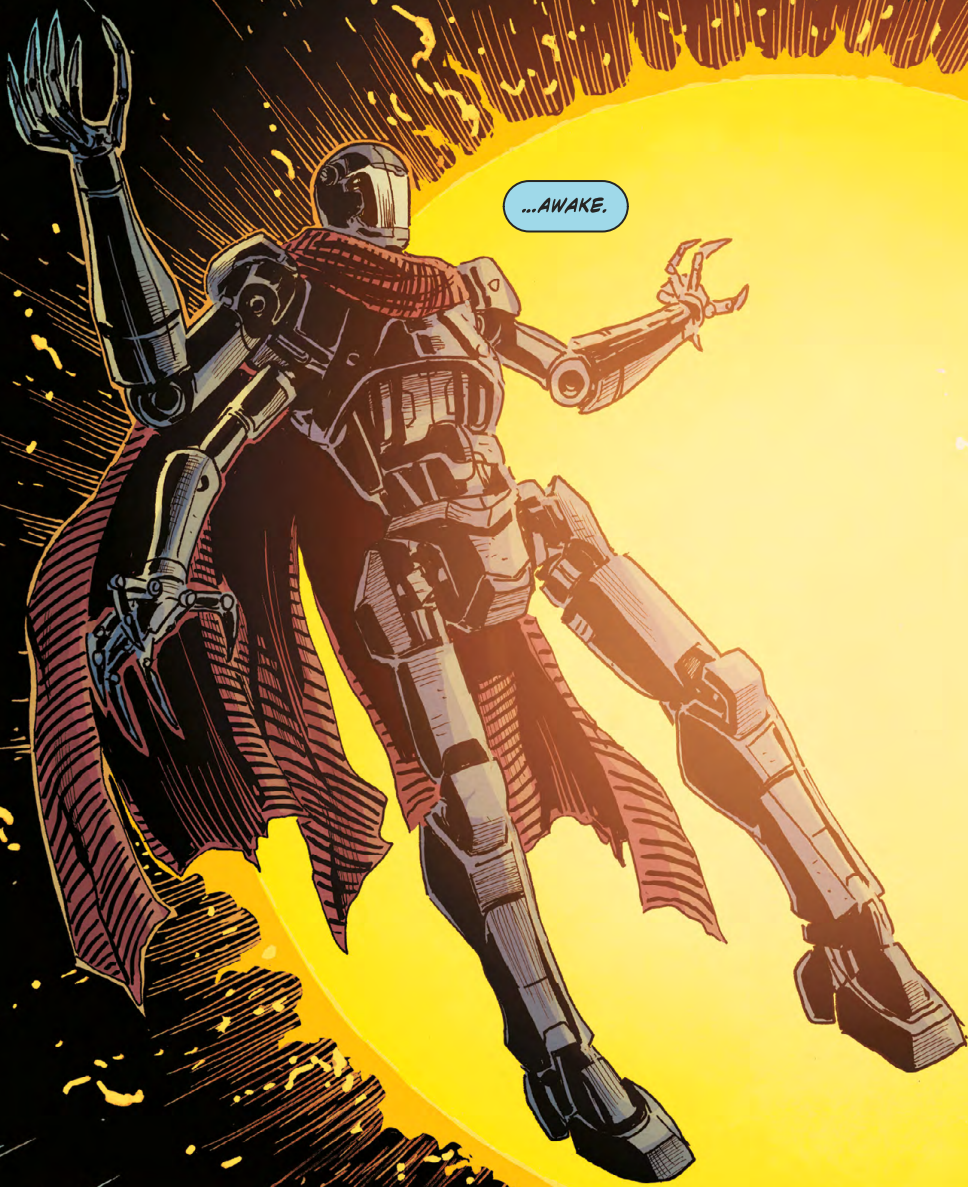
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...ZZZT...

...SOLAR  
CHARGE...78%

...SAFE  
REBOOT...

...PROGRAM  
INITIALIZING.  
VIRUS  
ELIMINATED...  
I...AM...

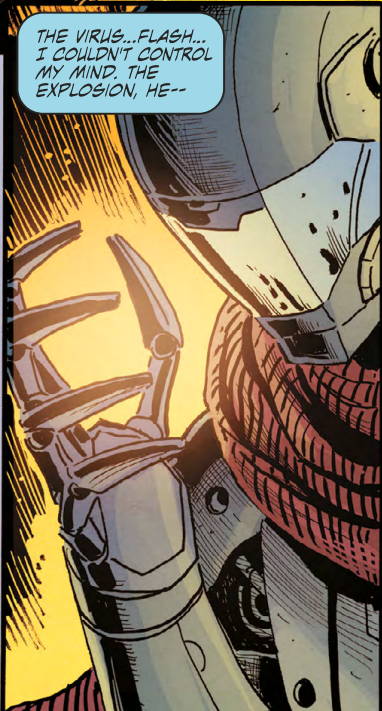


...AWAKE.

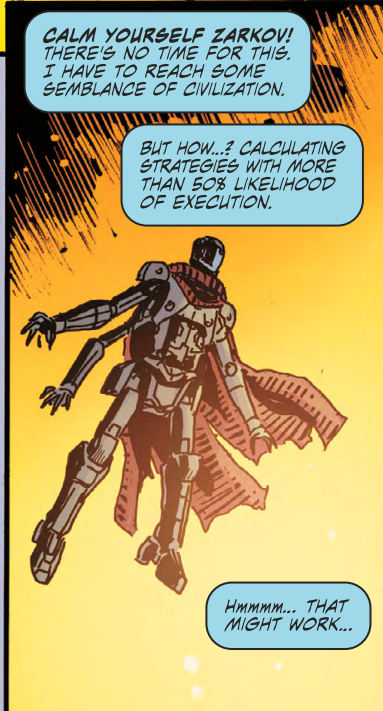


TRIANGULATING LAST LOCATION. BLAST TRAJECTORY...

I AM... LOST.



THE VIRUS...FLASH... I COULDN'T CONTROL MY MIND, THE EXPLOSION, HE--



CALM YOURSELF ZARKOV! THERE'S NO TIME FOR THIS. I HAVE TO REACH SOME SEMBLANCE OF CIVILIZATION.

BUT HOW...? CALCULATING STRATEGIES WITH MORE THAN 50% LIKELIHOOD OF EXECUTION.

HMMMM... THAT MIGHT WORK...

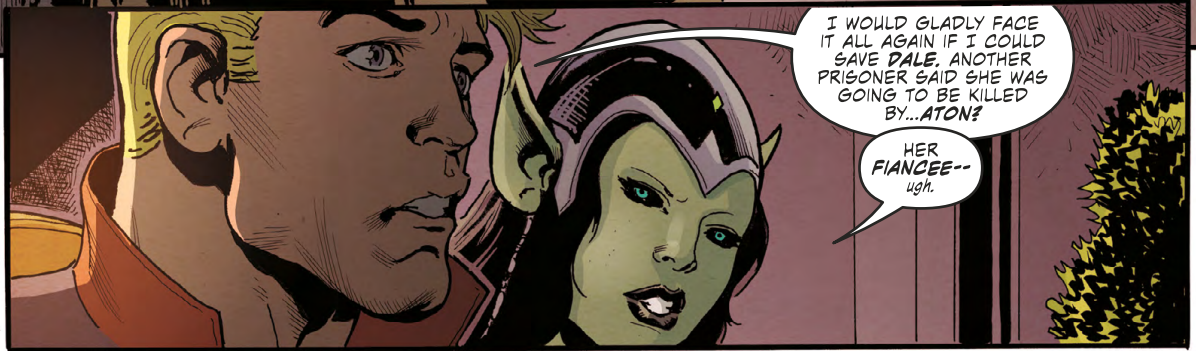


WE FOUND HIM FLOATING IN SPACE OF ALL THINGS...

...IT SEEMS FLASH HAS HAD HIS FAIR SHARES OF BRUSHES WITH DEATH...

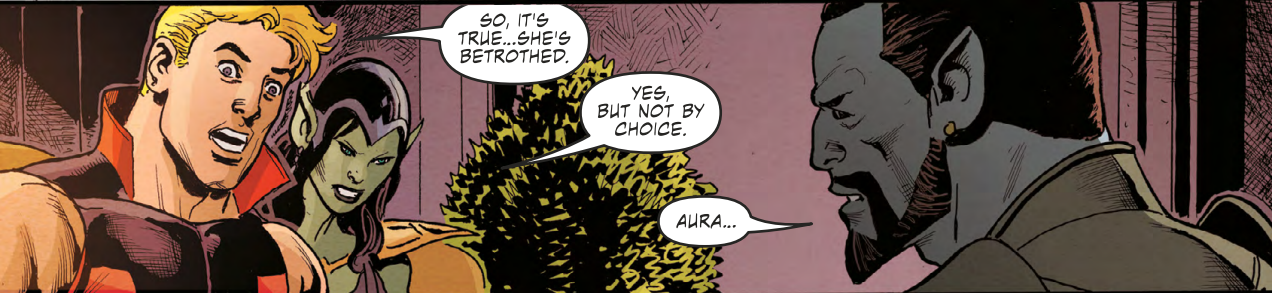
...EVEN AFTER BEING DEAD!

HAH!



I WOULD GLADLY FACE IT ALL AGAIN IF I COULD SAVE DALE. ANOTHER PRISONER SAID SHE WAS GOING TO BE KILLED BY... ATON?

HER FIANCEE--  
ugh.



SO, IT'S TRUE... SHE'S BETROTHED.

YES, BUT NOT BY CHOICE.

AURA...



DID I LIE?! SHE HAS NOT BEEN THE SAME SINCE MONGO.

AND ATON... HE WOULD FIT IN AS A SNAKE INSIDE MY FATHER'S TORTURE PITS.

BRAIN-WASHED?



WE CAN'T KNOW. NO ONE CAN. HE GUARDS HER WELL.

BUT, AURA IS RIGHT... SHE HAS NOT EVEN COME TO NEW HIBERIA AS WE SETTLED HERE.

NOR SENT ANY GREETINGS.



WELL... THAT'S NOT EXACTLY TRUE.



WIFE...I KNOW THAT LOOK. IT'S THE SAME ONE YOU GAVE ME WHEN YOU WANTED A NEW CRUISER.

Pshht. SHE MAY NOT HAVE EXTENDED ANY WANT TO SEE US--

--BUT WE HAVE RECEIVED WORD OF A BALL ATON IS PUTTING ON TO CELEBRATE HIS IMPENDING MARRIAGE.

I HAVEN'T RESPONDED BECAUSE...I LOATHE HIM. HE HAS TAKEN ON THE TRAPPINGS OF MY FATHER, MING THE MERCILESS, IN FORM AND FUNCTION.



BUT WE COULD GO.

AND A CAPABLE MAN LIKE YOURSELF CAN USE THAT TO YOUR ADVANTAGE.

IF THAT'S STILL WHAT YOU WANT...



IT IS. IT WILL ALWAYS BE.

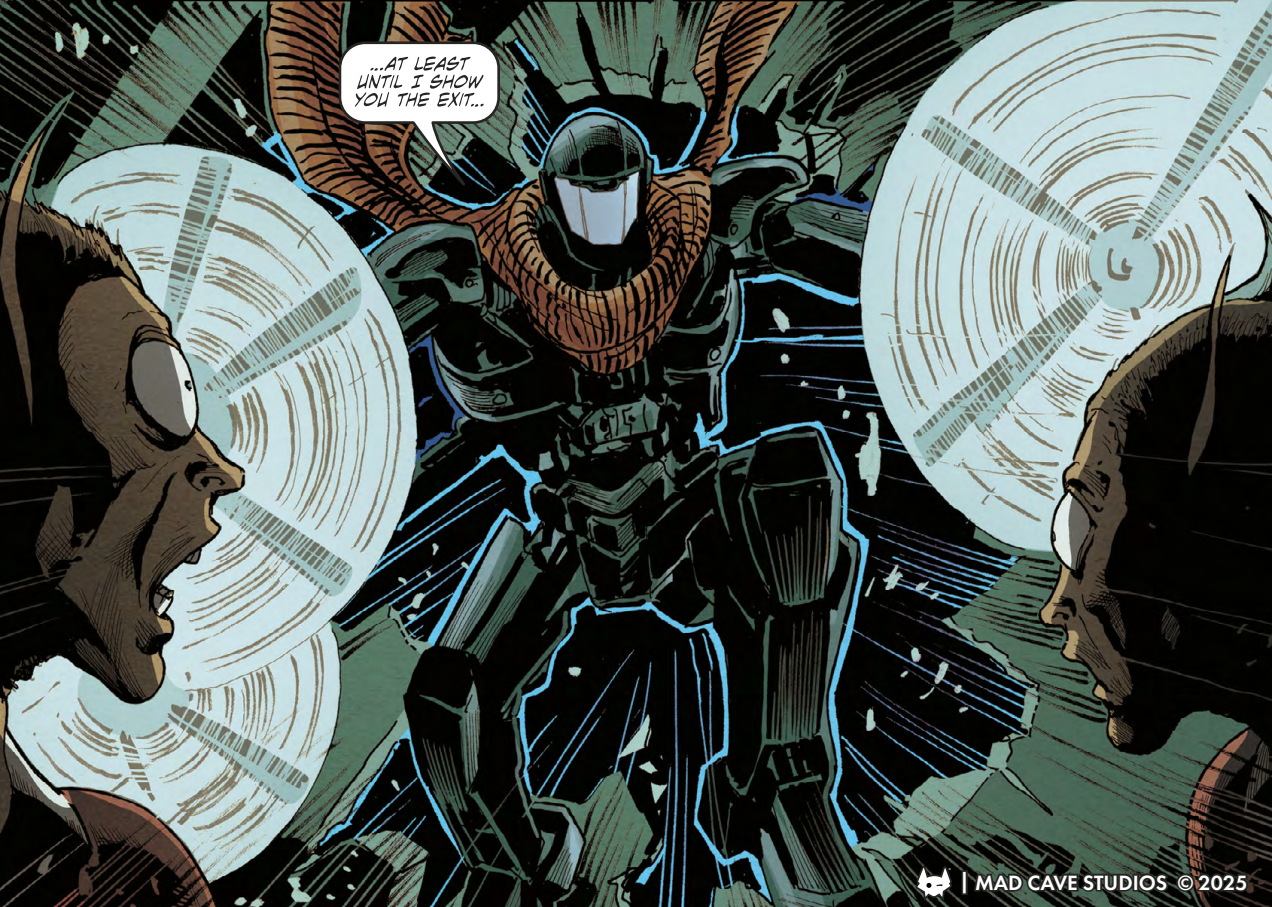
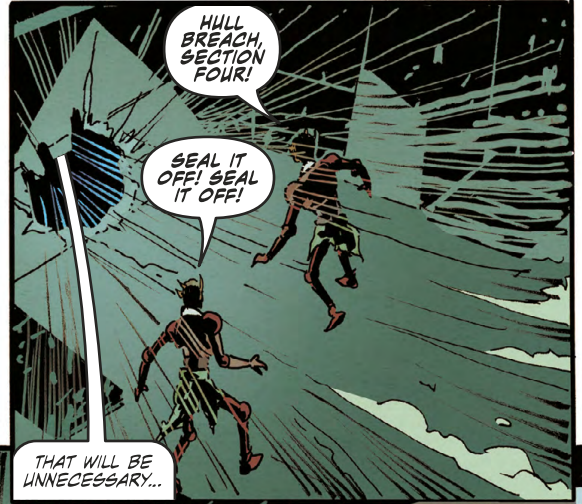
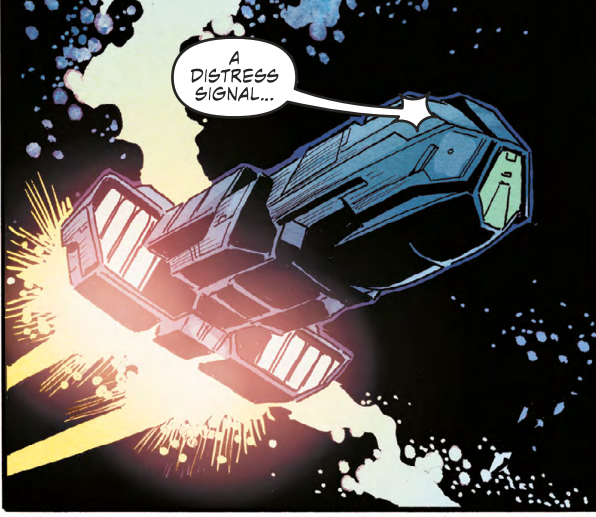


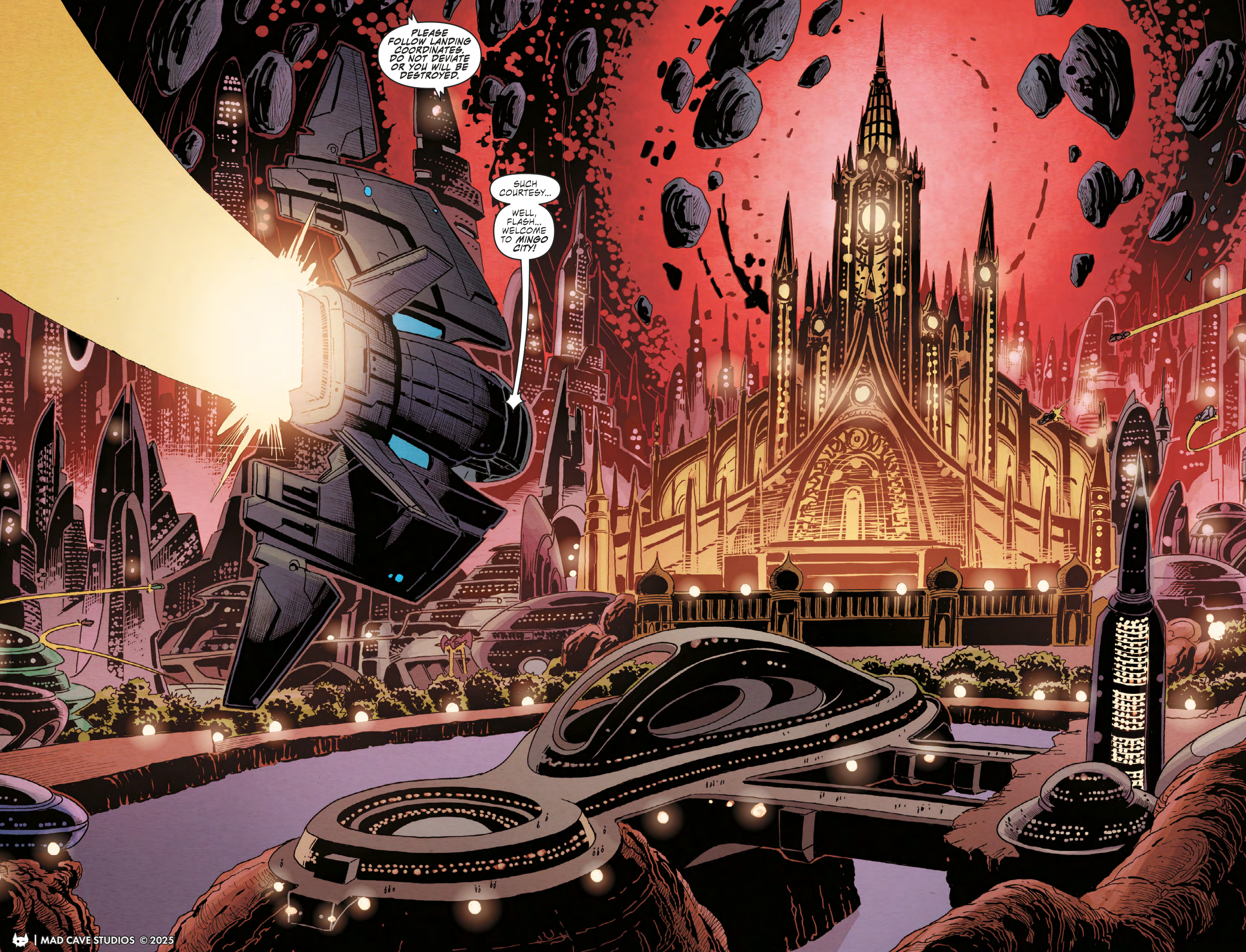
THEN IT IS SETTLED.

WE'RE OFF TO A PARTY!



AYE! A RESCUE PARTY!





PLEASE FOLLOW LANDING COORDINATES. DO NOT DEVIATE OR YOU WILL BE DESTROYED.

SUCH COURTESY...

WELL, FLASH... WELCOME TO MINGO CITY!



FINALLY...  
LET LORD  
ATON KNOW  
THEY'VE  
ARRIVED.



LORD BARIN, PRINCESS  
AURA... EMPEROR ATON  
AND EMPRESS ARDEN ARE  
GLAD YOU WERE ABLE TO  
ACCEPT OUR INVITATION...  
EVEN IF IT WAS A  
BIT... LATE.



YES, I WOULD  
HAVE ANSWERED  
SOONER, BUT... I  
JUST COULDN'T  
DECIDE ON WHAT  
TO WEAR...

HMMM.

WHERE IS  
THE EMPRESS?  
HASN'T OUR OLD  
FRIEND COME TO  
GREET US?



AS YOU CAN IMAGINE,  
THERE ARE AFFAIRS OF THE  
EMPIRE THAT SHE MUST PUT  
IN ORDER BEFORE JOINING  
US FROM HER PALACE  
TOWER. PLEASE...  
FOLLOW ME...





MY...IT SEEMS MY FATHER'S TASTE CONTINUES.



I'LL SAY!



LORD BARIN.

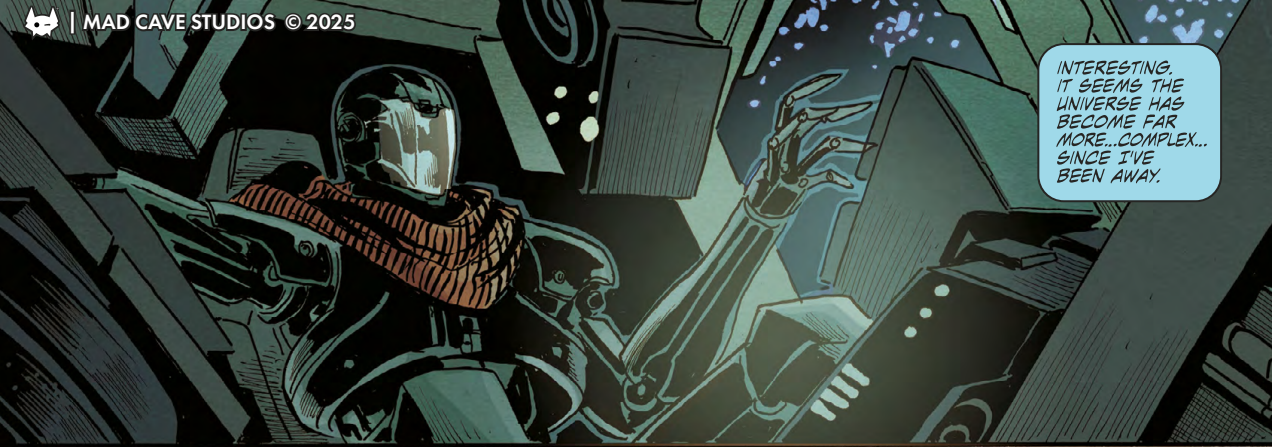
ATON.



DEAREST... YOUR DISGUSTED FACE IS SHOWING.

Oh, I KNOW.





INTERESTING, IT SEEMS THE UNIVERSE HAS BECOME FAR MORE...COMPLEX... SINCE I'VE BEEN AWAY.



EACH NATION, EACH TRIBE AND SPECIES HAVE FOUND A HOME, SPREAD OUT THROUGH THE COSMOS...AND ON THE FAR SIDE...EARTH.



WHAT'S THIS? DALE ARDEN...EMPRESS... STRANGE, STILL... IF FLASH IS ALIVE THAT'S WHERE HE'LL BE.



AND THAT'S WHERE HE'LL NEED ME...



THERE...BARIN SAID THE "EMPRESS" WAS MOST LIKELY PLACED IN THIS TOWER.



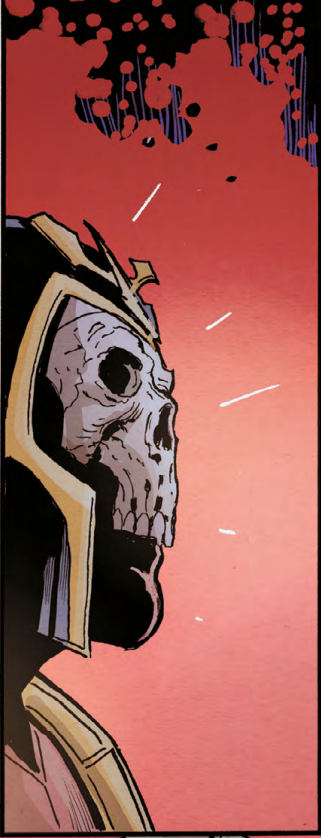
LET'S HOPE THESE MAG DISKS HAVE ENOUGH JUICE TO GET ME TO THE TOP.



KLAK



ALLEY OOP!





IT WAS NEVER GOING TO BE EASY...WAS IT?



QUICK NOW...BEFORE THEY ROUSE THE ALARM.



RUN!

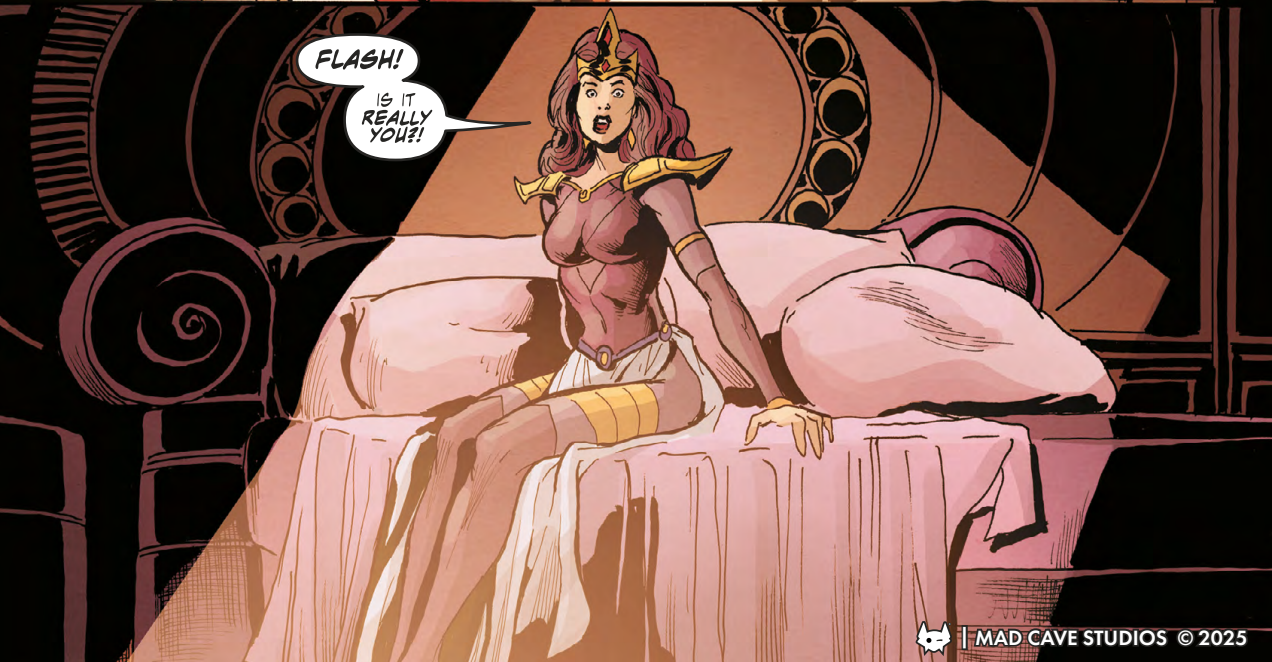


I WON'T KILL IF I DON'T HAVE TO, THOUGH I WOULDN'T MIND IF HE BROUGHT BACK THIS MAN WHO'S HELD DALE CAPTIVE...

...TO SEE IF THAT THOUGHT HOLDS.



DALE!



FLASH!

IS IT REALLY YOU?!



YES, MY LOVE.  
I'M  
HERE TO  
RESCUE  
YOU!

**NEXT: THE TALE OF DALE ARDEN**

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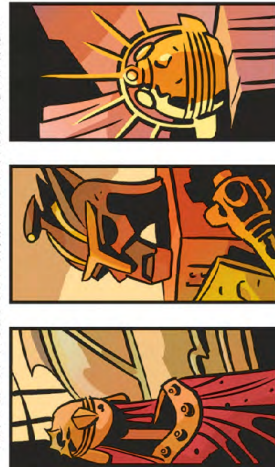
## FLASH GORDON



FLASH, DALE AND I --DR. ZARKOV-- FOLLOWED THE TRAIL OF THE MISSING PRINCE BARIN TO THIS PLACE:



A SEARCH OF THE MARKET TURNS UP ONLY THE SAD REFUSE OF A BLOODY WAR AND A FALLEN EMPIRE...



### EPISODE 12 BY DAN SCHKADE

BY THE TIME I CAME TO MY SENSES, I'D DRAGGED TWO YOUNG STRANGERS TO A PLANET AT WAR.



WE REALIZE THE TRACE WE'RE FOLLOWING -- ENERGY FROM MING'S ENGINES OF WAR -- IS ALL AROUND US.



CLEARLY, WE'VE ARRIVED AT THE RIGHT PLACE...



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# FLASH #1 GORDON QUARTERLY

"MY KING, WITH THE NEW RULER OF MONGO IN PLACE, WE SHOULD CONSIDER PLACING AN AMBASSADOR AT THE PALACE..."

...PERHAPS THE PRINCE?

TALON? HA! EVEN IN THIS SO-CALLED TIME OF PEACE, HE IS FAR FROM READY.

I'M MORE THAN READY, FATHER! YOU KNOW THAT AND I BEG YOU TO STOP CALLING ME "TALON."

IT IS A CHILD'S NICKNAME.

YOU'LL ALWAYS BE MY LITTLE TALON, AT LEAST UNTIL I'M READY TO CALL YOU--

MY LIEGE, WE HAVE INCOMING!

# THE FALL OF KING VULTAN

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LETTERS BY CHARLES PRITCHETT / EDITED BY CHAS! PANGBURN



**MING'S  
MERCENARIES!**  
YOU DARE  
CHALLENGE THE  
HAWK MEN?

YOU DARE  
CHALLENGE  
KING VULTAN THE  
MAGNIFICENT?!

DAMN IT ALL!  
FIND COVER,  
BOY!

I CAN  
HANDLE  
MYSELF!

FOOL!  
BEHIND  
YOU!

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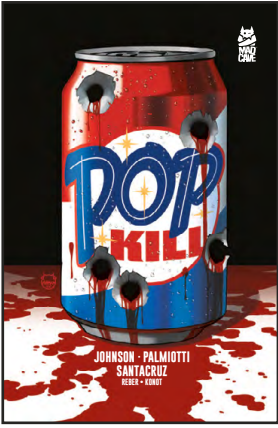
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