

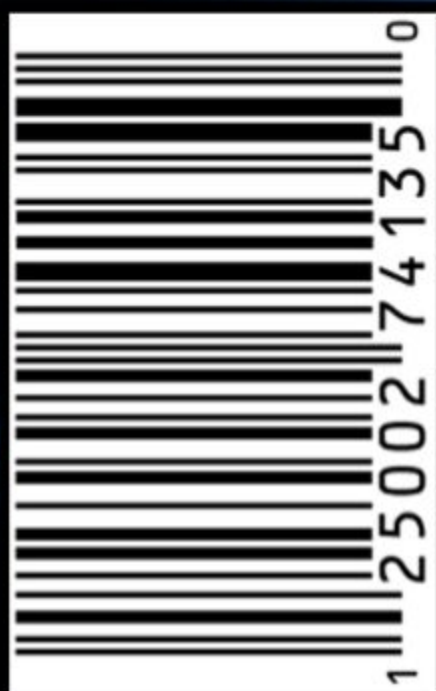
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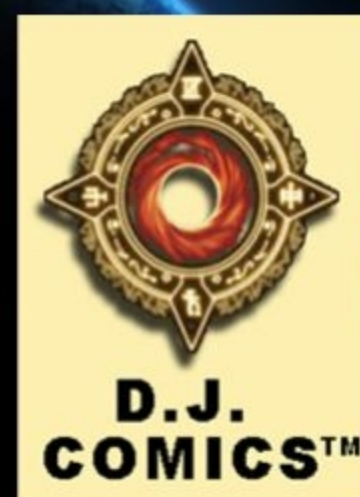
# FRONTIER



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## ELITE'S HISTORY

BOTH ELITE & ELITE II FRONTIER COMPUTER GAMES MADE HISTORY WHEN THEY WERE DEVELOPED BY DAVID BRABEN & IAN BELL. EVEN TODAY 25 YEARS AFTER ELITE HIT THE SHELVES FOR THE BBC MICRO COMPUTER, THE ELITE SERIES IS STILL A BIG HIT WITH MILLIONS OF GAMERS ALL OVER THE WORLD. THERE IS A HUGE FOLLOWING ON THE INTERNET WITH COUNTLESS WEBSITES, FORUMS AND PROGRAMMERS THAT CONTINUE TO TWEAK THE GRAPHICS AND GAME PLAY TO BRING BACK THE APPEAL. ELITE HAS ALSO INSPIRED MANY OTHER GAMES USING THE SAME OR SIMILAR GAME STYLE, SUCH AS EVE ONLINE, X3 TERRAN CONFLICT AND EVEN A COMMUNITY BASED GAME IN DEVELOPMENT CALLED PIONEER. THERE IS ON AND OFF TALK OF A 4TH INSTALMENT OF THE SERIES. PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD ARE PLEADING WITH DEVELOPER BRABEN TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE GAME AS IT HAS BEEN A LONG AWAITED SEQUEL THAT COULD BRING NEWER AND YOUNGER PEOPLE INTO THE FRANCHISE. I PERSONALLY HOPE THAT BRABEN AND HIS TEAM DO FINALLY START WORKING ON ELITE 4 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE...

## THE COMIC

THIS COMIC IS FOR NON PROFIT REASONS & IS MEANT PURELY AS FICTIONAL ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE FANS AND GAMERS OF THE 90'S THAT SPENT MANY MONTHS EVEN YEARS PLAYING FRONTIER: ELITE 2. THE STORY FOLLOWS JOHN JAMESON THE GRANDCHILD OF NOTORIOUS SPACE ADVENTURER PETER JAMESON, WHO IS KILLED BY PIRATES AND SUBSEQUENTLY THROWS JOHN INTO THE WORLD OF SPACE EXPLORATION. IT WILL COVER AS MUCH FROM FRONTIER AS POSSIBLE, KEEPING THE STORY ORIGINAL AND AS CLOSE TO THE GAME AS POSSIBLE, WITH AN IN DEPTH STORYLINE AND ILLUSTRATED WITH STATE OF THE ART COMPUTER GRAPHICS. ALL RIGHTFUL COPYRIGHTS BELONG TO DAVID BRABEN AND HIS TEAM, HOWEVER THIS COMIC IS DEDICATED TO BRABEN AND ALL THE FANS OF THIS TRULY AMAZING GAME.

STORY, ARTWORK & TEXT

DAVE JONES

ORIGINAL STORY

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# TIMELINE

- 1950S - FIRST MAN IN SPACE, CONTROLLED NUCLEAR FISSION, TRANSISTOR, START OF THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE.
- 1960S - FIRST MAN ON MOON, COMMERCIAL FISSION POWER, INTEGRATED CIRCUITS, COMPUTERS.
- 1970S - PROBES IN SOLAR STSTEM.
- 1980S - END OF FIRST NUCLEAR ARMS RACE.
- 1990S - FIRST PROBE LANDED ON MARS
- 2000S - FIRST SIGNS OF GLOBAL WARMING, GOVERNMENTS LOOK AT GREEN ENERGY SOLUTIONS.
- 2010S - FIRST SERIOUS POPULATION PROBLEMS ON EARTH.
- 2020S - FIRST INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, FIRST COMMERCIAL SPACE STATION.
- 2030S - MAJOR ENERGY CRISIS, FOSSIL FUEL RESTRICTIONS, RELIGIOUS UNREST, FIRST BABY BORN OFF EARTH.
- 2040S - WORLD WAR III. HUGE TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS, HUGE LOSS OF LIFE, DREADFUL ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE.
- 2050S - WAR GRADUALLY ABANDONED DUE TO POPULAR REBELLIONS. COMMERCIAL FUSION POWER.
- 2060S - REBUILDING. DOMINANCE OF CORPORATIONS INCREASED.
- 2070S - FIRST MAN ON MARS, FIRST PERMANENT MOON BASE.
- 2080S - MANNED EXPLORATION OF SOLAR SYSTEM, ORBITAL CITIES AROUND EARTH, FIRST INTERSTELLAR PROBES LAUNCHED.
- 2090S - FIRST PERMANENT MARS BASE, HEAVY INDUSTRY ON MOON.
- 2100S - DISCOVERY OF FOSSILS ON MARS BASE, "HYPERSPACE" DISCOVERED, HUMANS THROUGHOUT SOLAR SYSTEM.
- 2110S - ARRIVAL OF MESSAGE FROM FIRST INTERSTELLAR PROBE TO ALPHA CENTAURI SYSTEM. FIRST PICTURES TAKEN OF AN EXTRA-SOLAR PLANET IN THE LAGRANGE POINT ON THE TWO MAIN STARS.
- 2120S - PRESENCE OF LIFE ON TAU CETI 3 DETECTED, FIRST ARMED CONFLICT IN SPACE OVER RIGHTS IN THE ASTEROID BELT.
- 2130S - HYPERSPACE CAPABLE PROBES SENT TO ALL NEARBY SYSTEMS.
- 2140S - MANNED SPACE CRAFT SENT TO TAU CETI.
- 2150S - COLONY ESTABLISHED ON TAU CETI 3. MAJOR CORPORATIONS SENDING FIRST PRIVATE COLONY SHIPS.
- 2160S - THE RACE FOR THE STARS. ENOURMOUS PRODUCTION EFFORT TO PRODUCE SHIPS, AND MASS EXODUS STARTED.
- 2170S - FIRST ATTEMPT TO TERRA-FORM MARS STARTED.
- 2180S - LIFE ON DELTA PARVONIS DISCOVERED AND MADE EXTINCT IN SAME YEAR FROM BACTERIOLOGICAL INFECTION.
- 2190S - DISCOVERY OF LIFE ON BETA HYDRI 4, ALTAIR 5. HUMAN COLONIALS SPREADING OUT OF CONTROL.
- 2200S - EARTH ENVIRONMENTAL RECOVERY PROGRAM STARTED, TERRAFORMING OF MARS ABANDONED.
- 2220S - EXTINCTIONS ON TAU CETI 3 INCREASING. EARTH THREATENS TO SEND A POLICE FORCE IF NOTHING IS DONE ABOUT IT.
- 2230S - ULTIMATUM SENT TO TAU CETI IGNORED.
- 2240S - FIRST INTERSTELLAR BATTLE, FORMATION OF THE FEDERATION, FOUNDER MEMBERS: EARTH, TAU CETI, DELTA PAVONIS, ALTAIR, BETA HYDRI.
- 2260S - SPREAD OF FEDERATION INFLUENCE.
- 2270S - SECOND ATTEMPT TO TERRA-FORM MARS STARTED.
- 2280S - DISCOVERY OF FIRST NON-HUMAN RELIC IN SPACE. ORIGIN STILL UNKNOWN IN 3200.
- 2290S - FIRST MAN "OUTSIDE" ON MARS (IE BREATHING UNAIDED) ON COMPLETION OF TERRAFORMING.
- 2300S - REMAINING INDIGENOUS LIFE ON TAU CETI 3 PRESERVED IN SPECIAL ENCLOSURES.
- 2310S - NEWS OF ELIMINATION OF A REPUTEDLY SENTIENT RACE ON ACHENAR 6D BY PRIVATE COLONISTS CAUSES OUTRAGE IN THE FEDERATION. ACHENAR REFUSES TO JOIN FEDERATION, MANY TERRA-FORMING PROJECTS STARTED.
- 2320S - FEDERATION SENDS WAR FLEET TO ACHENAR. RESULTING ENORMOUS SPACE BATTLE WON BY ACHENAR.
- 2330S - SPREAD OF EMPIRE FROM ACHENAR TO SURROUNDING WORLDS. WAR BETWEEN EMPIRE AND FEDERATION.
- 2340S - CONTINUING BATTLES BETWEEN FEDERATION AND EMPIRE.
- 2350S - SIRUS CORPORATION FOUNDED, AND GREW RICH SUPPLYING THE WAR FLEETS.
- 2380S - TREATY SIGNED BETWEEN EMPIRE AND FEDERATION. THE COLD WAR BEGINS....



THE BATTLE BETWEEN THE FEDERATION & EMPIRE TOOK HOLD IN A FIERCE BARRAGE OF CANNON FIRE & MISSILES. THE DARK VOID OF SPACE LIT UP LIKE A CHRISTMAS TREE. BOTH SIDES DOMINATED THE STARS CLASHING LIKE GODS. THE FEDERATION OUT-GUNNED, RELYING ONLY ON LUCK & SUPERIOR COMMANDERS...



CAPTAIN, WE HAVE MULTIPLE OSPREY FIGHTERS CLOSING IN.

SCRAMBLE EVERYTHING WE HAVE, OUR HANGERS SHOULD BE EMPTY BY NOW, I WANT ALL FIGHTERS OUT THERE.

ALL SHIELD UNITS ACTIVE & HOLDING.



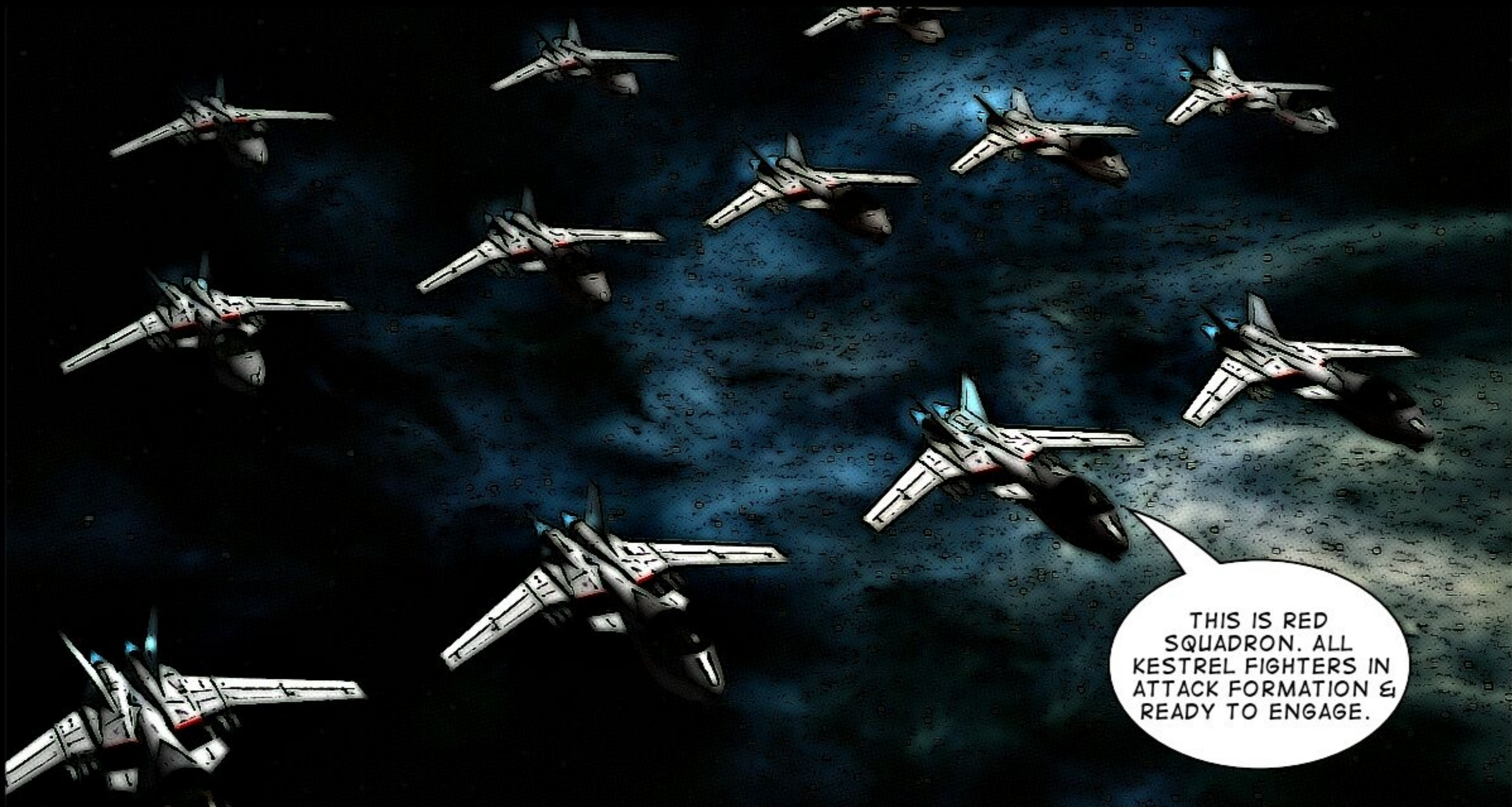


MADISON, I WANT YOU TO CUT ALL SHIELD UNITS & TRANSFER THE POWER CELLS DIRECTLY INTO OUR WEAPON SYSTEMS.

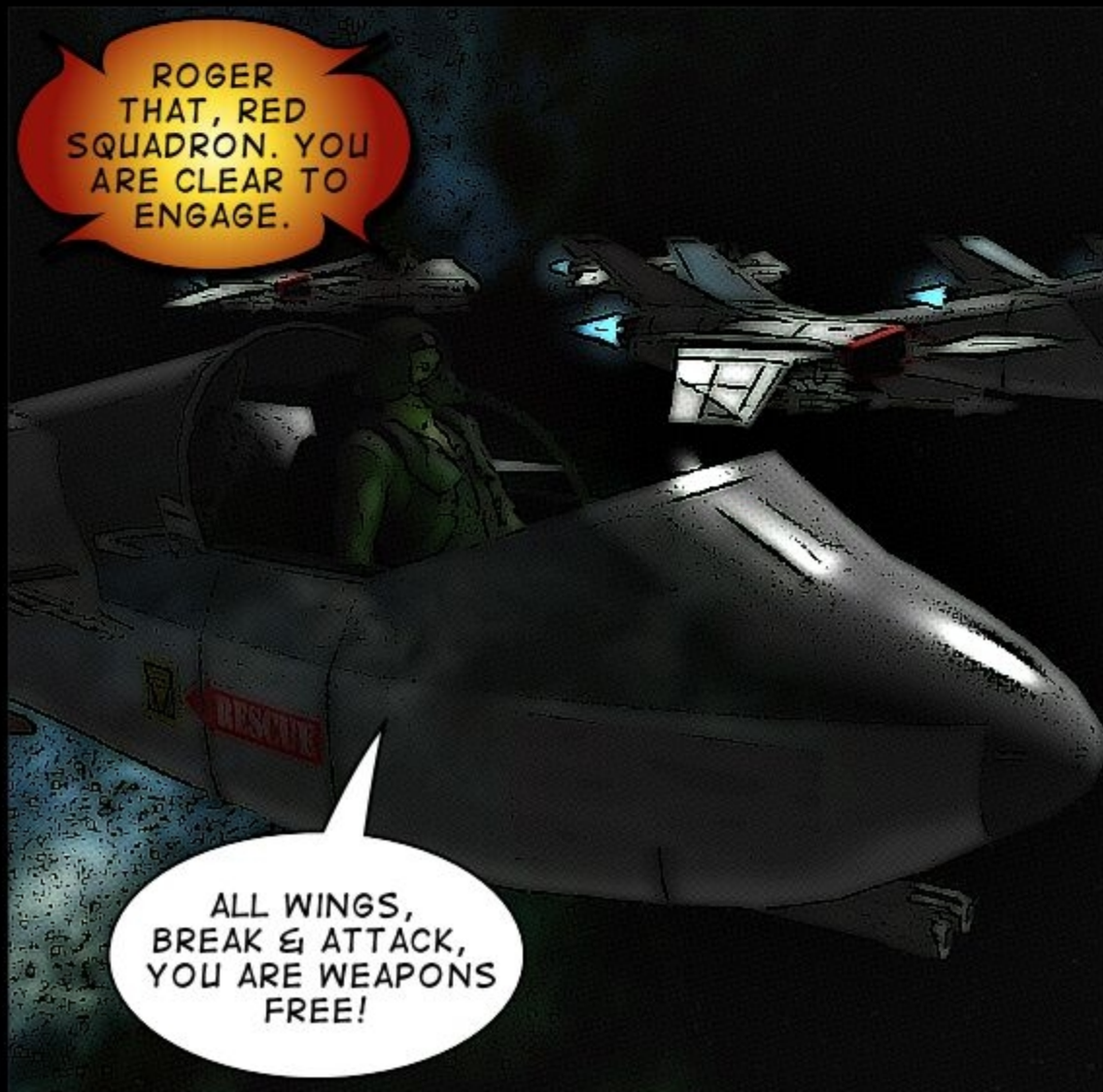


CAPTAIN, I RECOMMEND YOU DO NOT DEACTIVATE THE SHIELDS--

DO NOT QUESTION MY ORDERS, THIS SHIP IS NOT A COBRA, IT CAN WITHSTAND QUITE A BEATING. SAVE OUR SHIELDS FOR WHEN WE NEED THEM. RIGHT NOW, WE NEED OUR WEAPONS A LOT MORE.



THIS IS RED SQUADRON. ALL KESTREL FIGHTERS IN ATTACK FORMATION & READY TO ENGAGE.



ROGER THAT, RED SQUADRON. YOU ARE CLEAR TO ENGAGE.

ALL WINGS, BREAK & ATTACK, YOU ARE WEAPONS FREE!



EAT THIS!

THE FIGHT WAS INTENSE, SHIPS FROM BOTH SIDES WERE DESTROYED IN SECONDS FROM THE DEVASTATING FORCE OF LARGE PLASMA ACCELERATORS...





IS THIS THE GREAT FEDERAL MILITARY I KEEP HEARING ABOUT? WE HAVE ALREADY DESTROYED THREE OF YOUR CAPITAL SHIPS & COUNTING. YOUR FLEET IS FAILING YOU, ADMIRAL.



WE WILL DIE BEFORE I LET THE EMPIRE TAKE OUR SYSTEMS AWAY FROM US. BY MY COUNT WE HAVE DESTROYED TWO OF YOUR BATTLESHIPS.



AS FOR YOU, CAPTAIN JAMESON, I PROMISE YOU WILL NOT SURVIVE THIS BATTLE. THE JAMESON BLOODLINE HAS BEEN NOTHING BUT A THORN IN THE EMPIRE'S SIDE.

I AM NO LONGER GOING TO PARTAKE IN THIS MACHO WORD SLANGING TRASH TALK. ALL FIGHTERS, CONCENTRATE ALL FIRE POWER ON THE MAIN CAPITAL SHIP.



THAT MAY BE A PROBLEM, SIR. WE HAVE OUR HANDS FULL WITH ENEMY FIGHTERS.





HAWKINS, LOCK ON TO THE CLOSEST ENEMY FRIGATE. FIRE THE MAIN PLASMA ACCELERATOR, I WANT TO BRING DOWN AS MANY OF THEIR SHIPS AS POSSIBLE.

TARGET LOCKED, PLASMA ACCELERATOR CHARGED. FIRING NOW!



DIRECT HIT, SHIP DESTROYED.

**KA-BOOM!**

...OUR PLASMA ACCELERATORS DESTROYED ANYTHING IN THEIR PATH. THE ENEMY SHIPS WENT DOWN IN NO TIME AT ALL, BUT THEY HAD A BIGGER FLEET & THEY USED THE SAME WEAPONS AGAINST US. WE WERE LOSING SHIPS FASTER & OUR LUCK WAS BEGINNING TO RUN OUT...

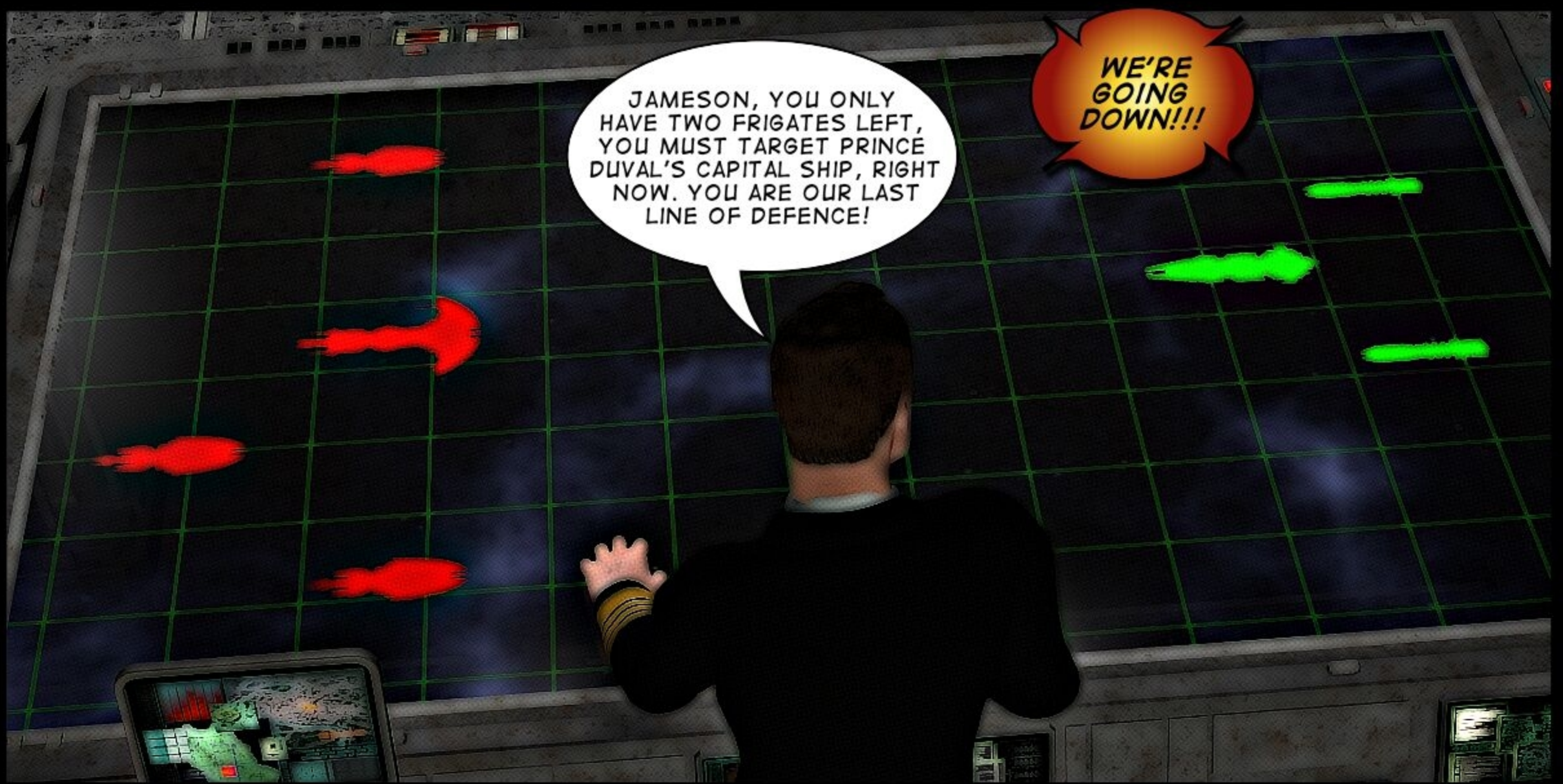


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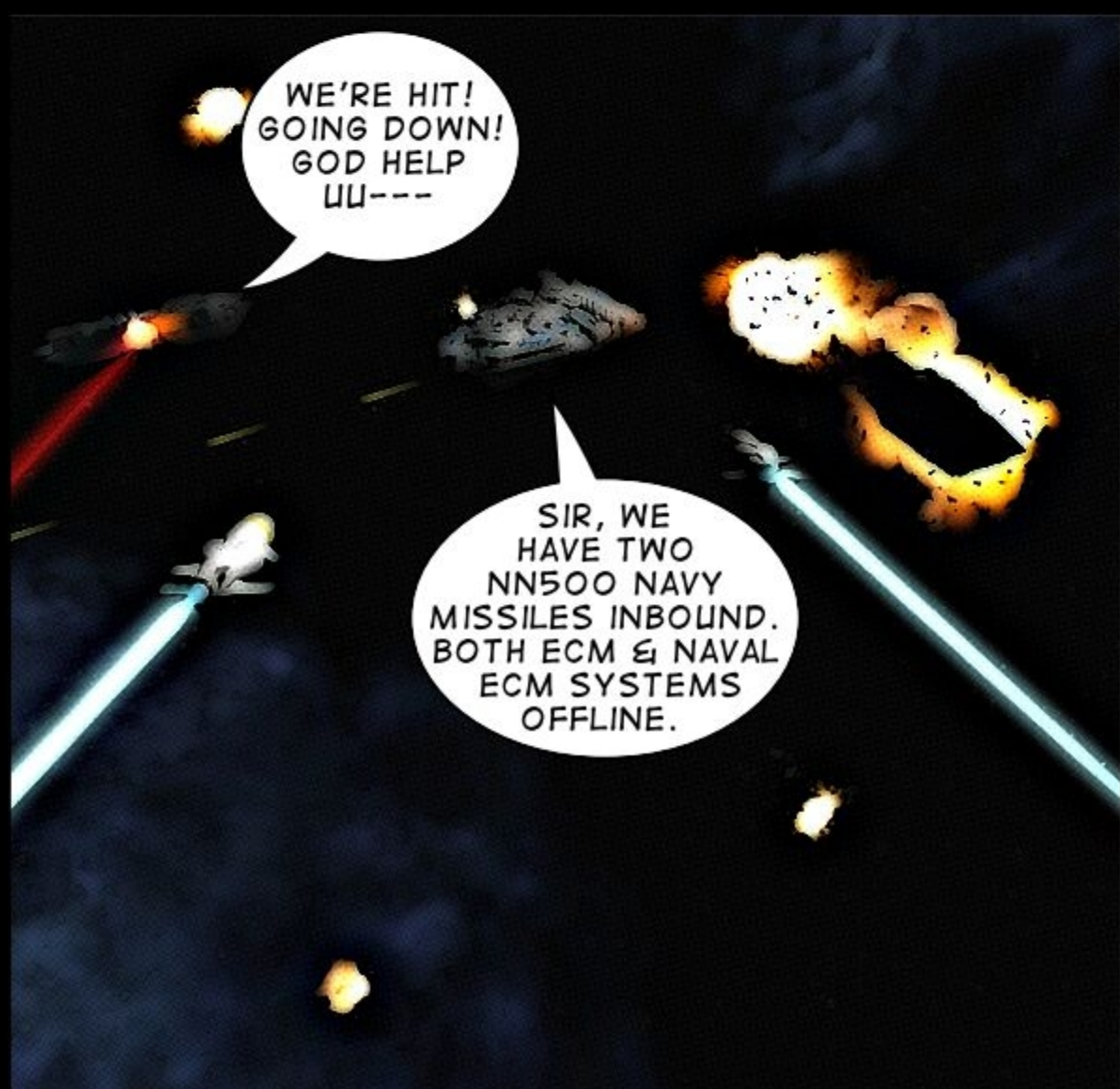
WE'RE HIT. BEAM LASER HAS PENETRATED OUR SHIELDS. MULTIPLE HULL BREACHES.

...OUR SHIP WAS NOW TAKING DAMAGE AT AN ALARMING RATE, OUR DEFENCES WERE DOWN & WHAT REMAINED OF THE ENEMY FLEET CONCENTRATED THEIR FIRE POWER ON US...









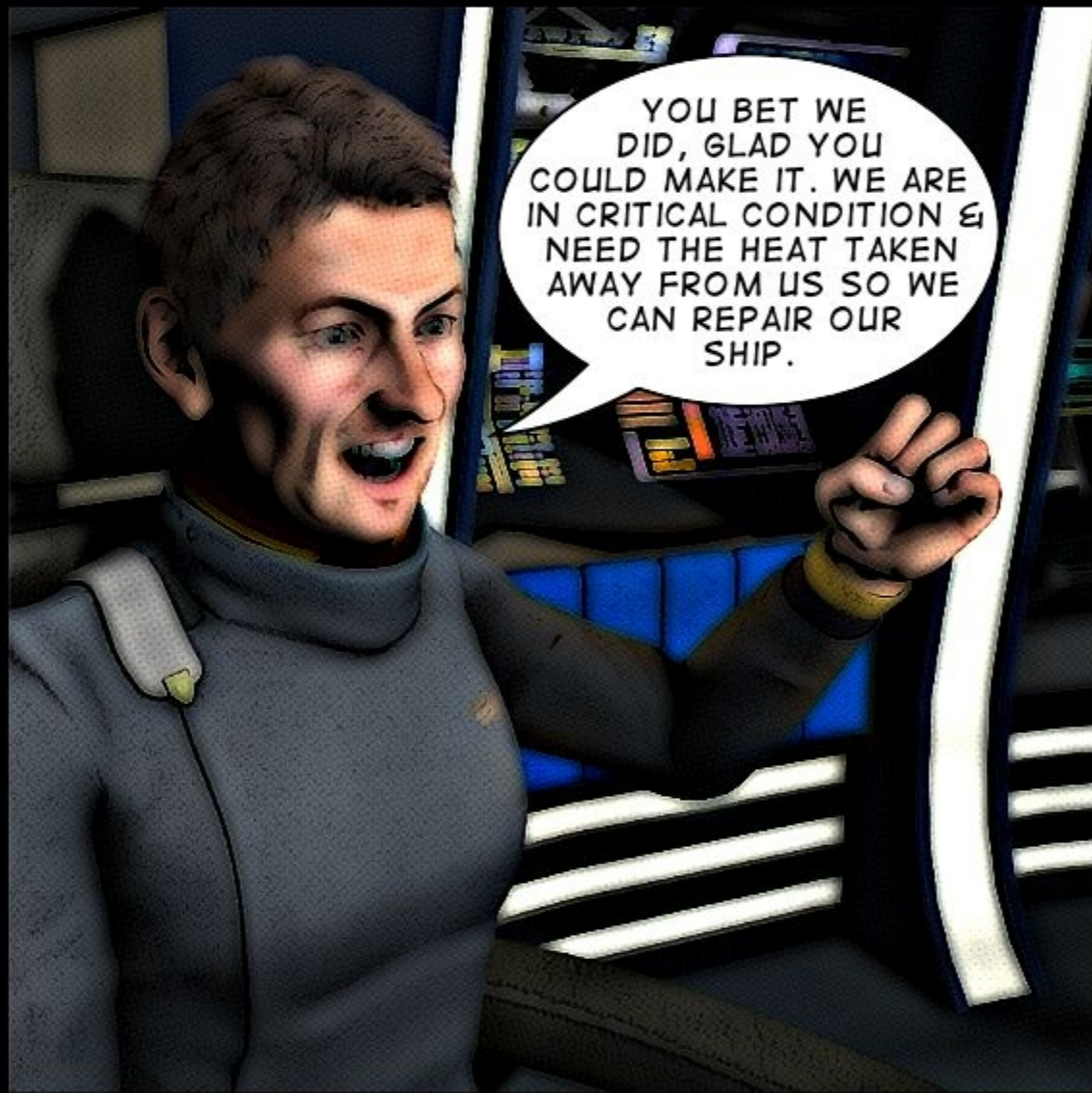


SUDDENLY THE STARS LIT UP BRIGHT FROM THE EXPLOSIVE ENERGY OF MULTIPLE ARRIVAL CLOUDS...



DID SOMEONE CALL FOR REINFORCEMENTS?

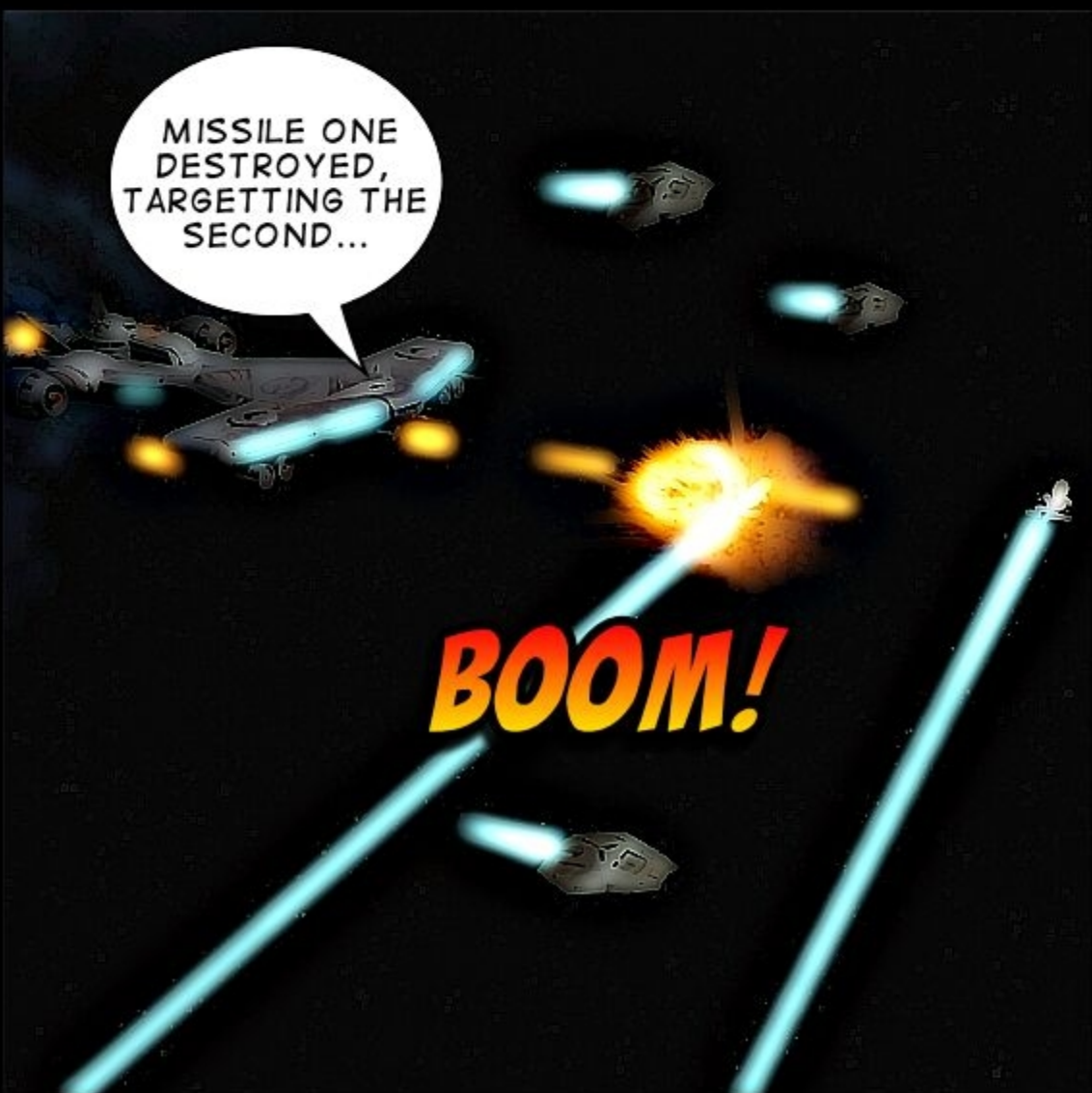
... A SQUADRON OF ASP EXPLORERS & A LION TRANSPORT MADE IT HERE FROM THE FOMALHAUT SYSTEM...



YOU BET WE DID, GLAD YOU COULD MAKE IT. WE ARE IN CRITICAL CONDITION & NEED THE HEAT TAKEN AWAY FROM US SO WE CAN REPAIR OUR SHIP.



ALL FIGHTERS, TARGET THOSE SHIPS, I WANT THEM ALL DESTROYED.



MISSILE ONE DESTROYED, TARGETTING THE SECOND...

**BOOM!**



**BOOM!**

DAMN! WE COULDN'T GET IT IN TIME.



WARNING! LIFE SUPPORT SYSTEM HAS BEEN DESTROYED. THIS SHIP WILL HAVE AN UNBREATHABLE ATMOSPHERE IN APPROXIMATELY TEN MINUTES.

DAMN THEM ALL TO HELL! HOW LONG TILL WE CAN FIRE?

THE PLASMA ACCELERATOR IS STILL COOLING DOWN & RECHARGING, SIR. FULL CHARGE CYCLE WON'T BE COMPLETE FOR ANOTHER FIFTEEN MINUTES.

IT'S AMAZING WE ARE STILL ALIVE NOW. HULL BREACHES THROUGHOUT THE SHIP & THE MAIN REACTOR HAS BEEN DAMAGED.

THE ENEMY COULD OPEN FIRE WITH THEIR NEW WEAPON AT ANY MOMENT, WE MUST DESTROY THEM, OR ITS ALL OVER. OUR HOME, OUR HISTORICAL HERITAGE, EVERYTHING.

CAPTAIN, OUR CURRENT CONDITIONS HAVE NOW FULFILLED ALL MISSION FAILURE PARAMETERS. THERE ARE NO LONGER ANY POSITIVE OBJECTIVES TO CONTINUE. I SUGGEST WE BEGIN EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROTOCOLS.

ARE YOU SAYING YOU WANT ME TO MAKE AN ABANDON SHIP ORDER?

THAT IS CORRECT. WE HAVE NOTHING MORE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS BATTLE. PRESERVING THE LIVES OF OUR CREW IS NOW OUR ONLY PRIORITY.

... UPON HEARING OUR SOS POLICE VIPERS FROM THE SPACE STATION ABRAHAM LINCOLN SCRAMBLED TO JOIN THE FIGHT...

GET YOUR PEOPLE TO SAFETY, CAPTAIN. WE WILL DO WHAT WE CAN TO HELP.

... IN A JOINT EFFORT BY ALLIED FORCES, THEY HAMMERED PRINCE DUVAL'S CAPITAL SHIP. THE HUGE BARRAGE OF FIRE, FINALLY BROUGHT DOWN THEIR SHIELDS & THEY STARTED TO MAKE REAL DAMAGE TO THE HULL...

**BOOM!**

**BOOM!**

**BOOM!** KTZZZZT!

**BOOM!**





SHIELDS DOWN. WE ARE NOW TAKING HULL DAMAGE, FROM MULTIPLE ENEMY FIGHTERS

I WILL NOT TOLERATE THIS INCOMPETENCE. THEY SHOULD HAVE ALREADY BEEN TAKEN CARE OF.



ACTIVATE THE ENERGY BOMB IMMEDIATELY!

Y-Y-YES MY MASTER.



ENERGY BOMB ACTIVATED.

**BOOM!** **BOOM!** **BOOM!**

MAYDAY! AAAARRRGHH!

... AN ENERGY BOMB IS THE WORST ENEMY TO ANY SMALL CLASS SHIPS WITHOUT SHIELD PROTECTION. THE CHARGE CAUSES THE HYPERDRIVE TO OVERLOAD & EXPLODE...



WHEN THIS IS OVER I WILL HAVE THE WHOLE CREW OF THIS SHIP WORKING THE SALT MINES IN THE LAVE SYSTEM FOR THE REST OF YOUR WORTHLESS LIVES UNLESS YOU SHOW SOME IMPROVEMENT. I AM NOT IMPRESSED.

IT LOOKS LIKE JAMESON JUNIOR'S SHIP IS MINUTES AWAY FROM DESTRUCTION. HE IS AN EMBARRASSMENT TO HIS GRANDFATHERS NAME

GET ADMIRAL ALEXANDER ON SCREEN I WANT TO CONGRATULATE HIM ON OUR VICTORY. I WANT TO SEE THE LOOK OF DEFEAT IN HIS EYES THE SECOND WE FIRE THE MAIN WEAPON.









JOHN! MOST OF THE ESCAPE SHUTTLES HAVE ALREADY GONE

DON'T WORRY, THERE WILL BE ENOUGH FOR EVERYONE, WE JUST HAVE TO MOVE FAST.

I CAN'T BREATHE! THE AIR IS SO THIN.



**WARNING! THIS SHIP NOW HAS A LOW BREATHABLE ATMOSPHERE, YOU MUST EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY!**

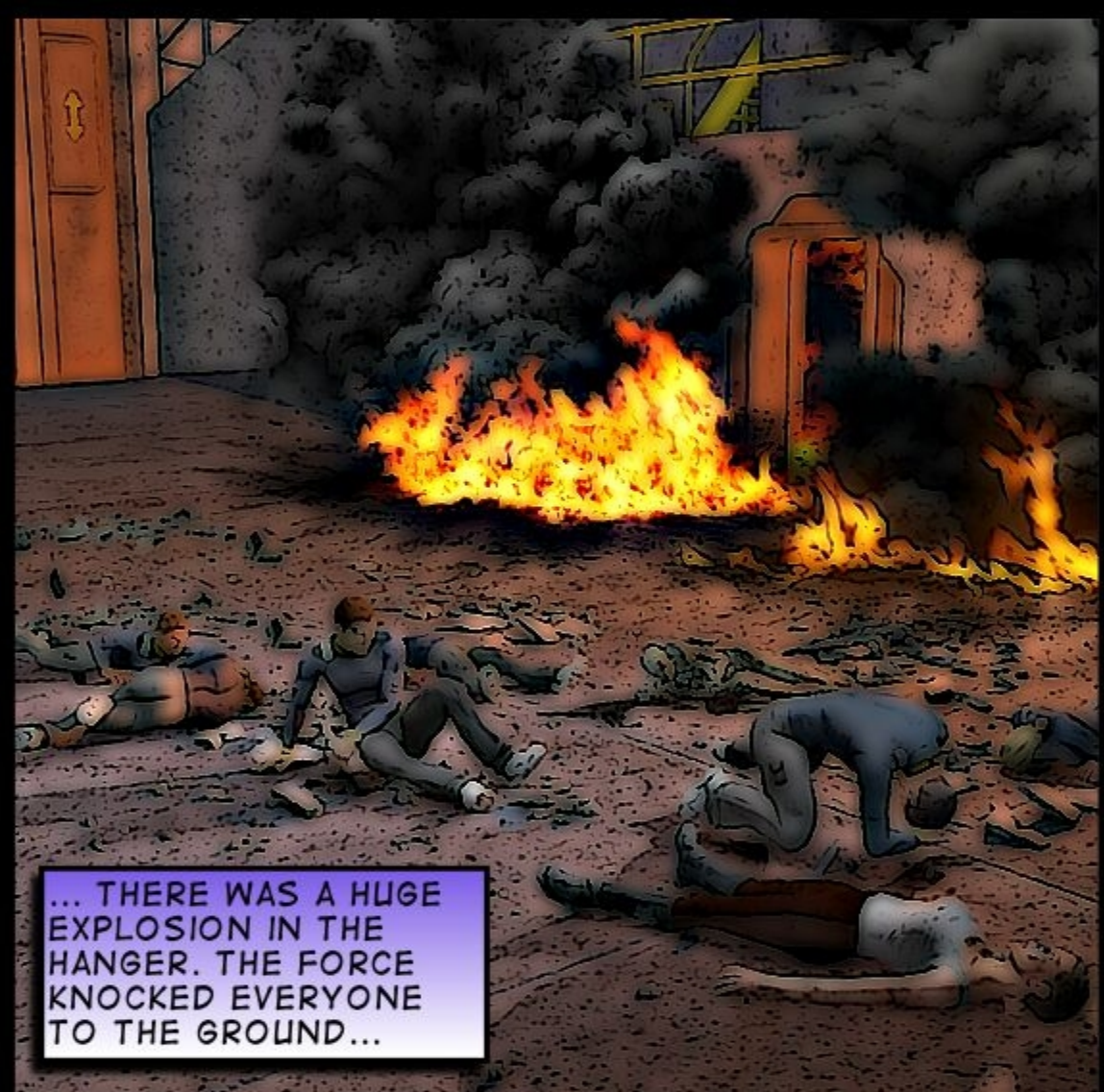
COME ON, WE ARE OUT OF TIME! IT'S NOW OR NEVER.





AAAAAARRGH!

KA-BOOM!

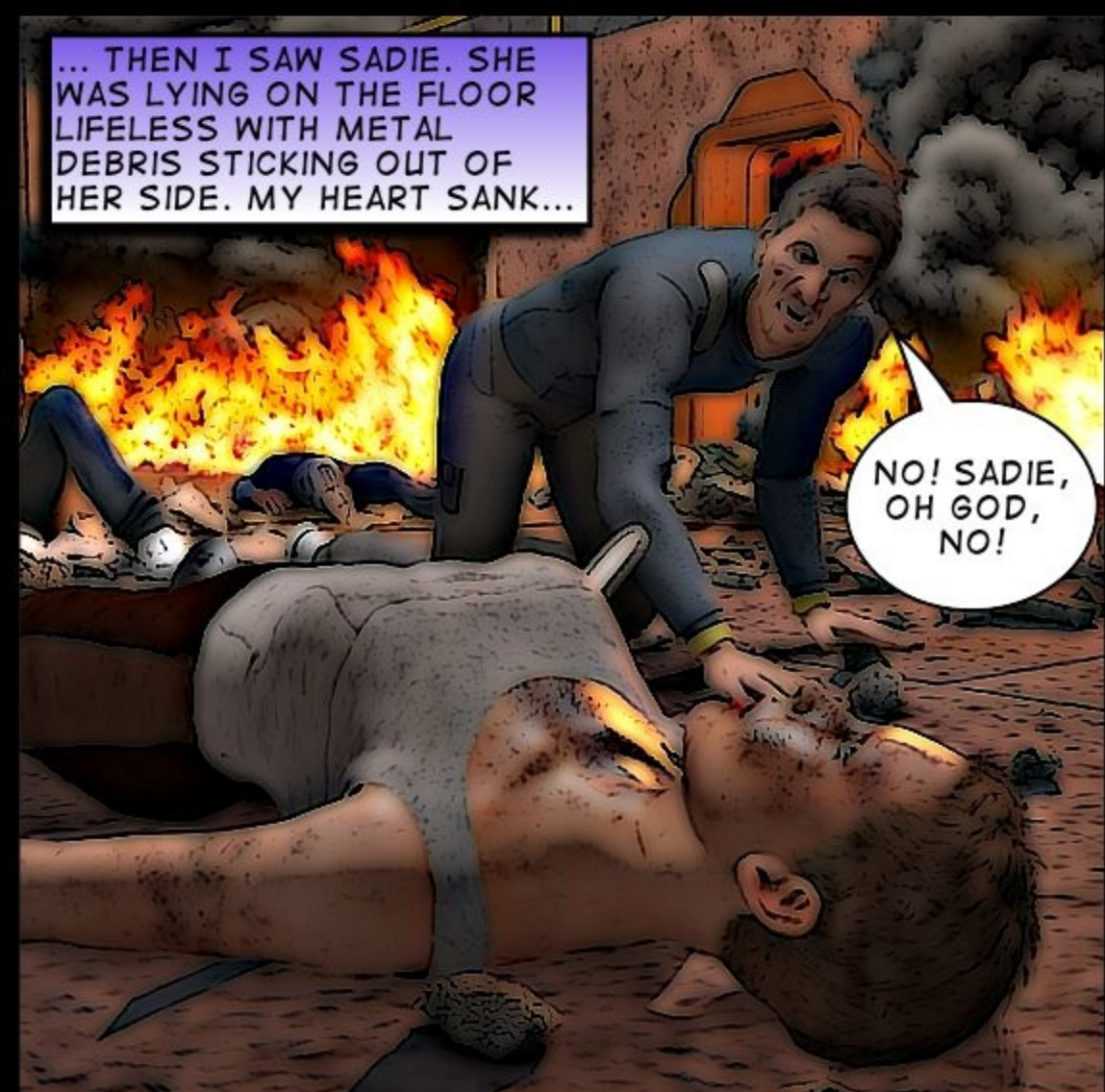


... THERE WAS A HUGE EXPLOSION IN THE HANGER. THE FORCE KNOCKED EVERYONE TO THE GROUND...



AAAARGH!  
WHAT THE HELL?

... IT WAS A MESS, BODIES ALL OVER THE PLACE. THIS SHIP WAS STARTING TO FALL APART...



... THEN I SAW SADIE. SHE WAS LYING ON THE FLOOR LIFELESS WITH METAL DEBRIS STICKING OUT OF HER SIDE. MY HEART SANK...

NO! SADIE,  
OH GOD,  
NO!



SADIE,  
PLEASE WAKE  
UP! I'M NOT  
LEAVING YOU  
HERE!





SIR! WE LOST MURRAY, SANCHEZ & STANTON, THEY DIDN'T MAKE IT. YOU GOTTA PICK HER UP & GET ON THE SHUTTLE, WE ARE OUT OF TIME.

PLEASE, IT WASN'T SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE THIS, I JUST GOT YOU BACK! PLEASE WAKE UP!

CAPTAIN, I CONCUR WITH COMMANDER COOPER. THIS SHIP'S ATMOSPHERE IS UNSUITABLE FOR HUMAN SURVIVAL.



OKAY... OKAY, DAMMIT, LET'S GO.



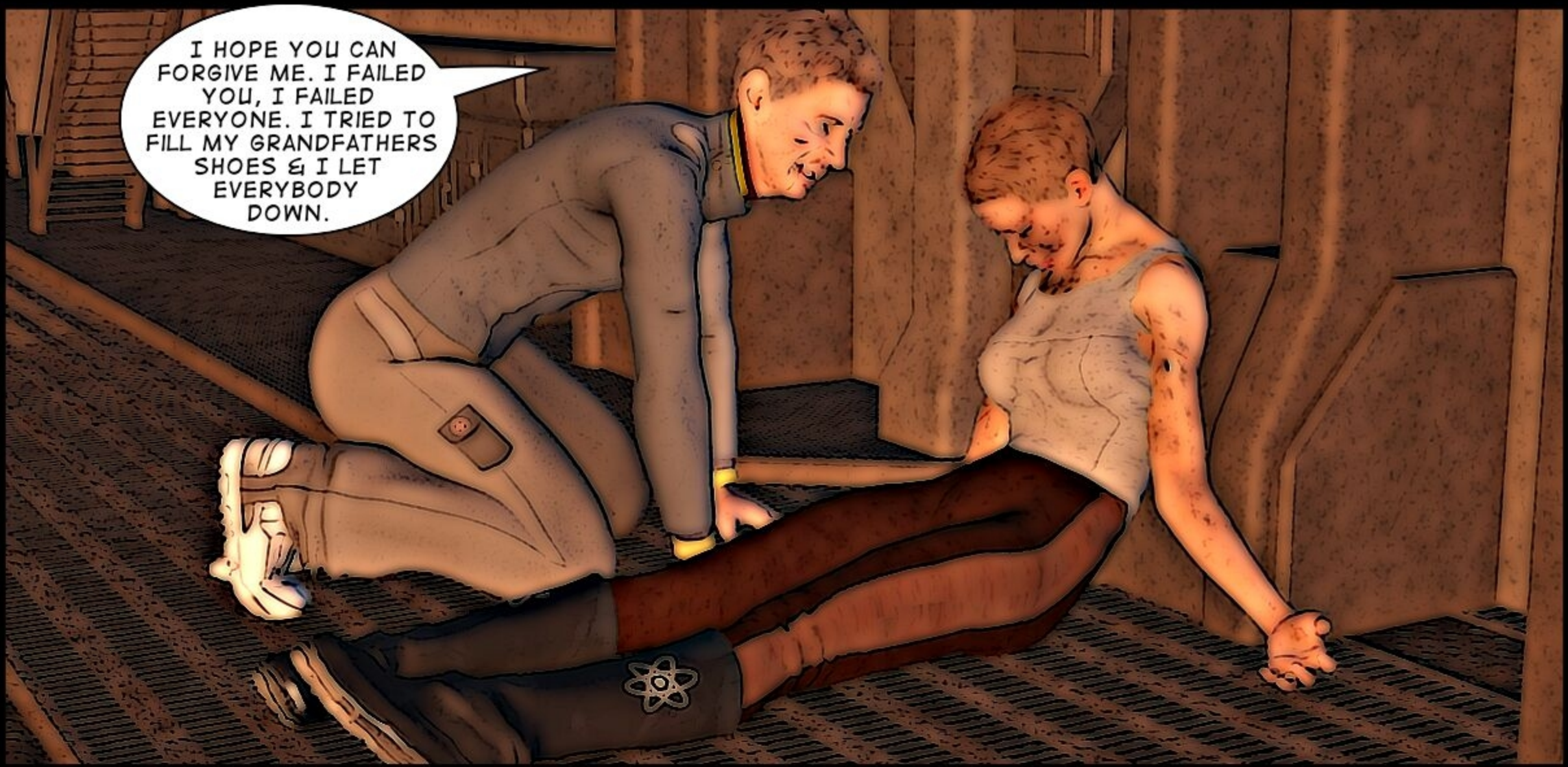
COME ON, THIS SHUTTLE OVER HERE IS POWERED UP & READY TO GO.



HOLD THE SHUTTLE, WE ARE THE LAST OF THE CREW.

COME ON, HAWKINS I KNOW IT HURTS, JUST A FEW MORE STEPS & WE ARE OUT OF HERE.





I HOPE YOU CAN FORGIVE ME. I FAILED YOU, I FAILED EVERYONE. I TRIED TO FILL MY GRANDFATHERS SHOES & I LET EVERYBODY DOWN.



SIR YOU NEED TO STRAP YOURSELF IN.

AAAAHHH!



GET OUT OF HERE, ALL OF YOU. DO WHAT EVER YOU NEED TO DO, JUST SURVIVE.

CAPTAIN, THIS IS SUICIDE, YOU WILL DIE IF YOU STAY.

JOHN, WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING? GET YOUR ASS BACK ON THIS SHUTTLE, I'M NOT EVEN KIDDING.





GO! GET OUT OF HERE! **NOW!**

OH SHIT! IS THAT CAPTAIN JAMESON?

YEAH, IF HE WANTS TO GO DOWN WITH HIS SHIP, HE WILL BE DOING IT ALONE.

... I SEALED THE DOOR & WAVED THE PILOTS TO LEAVE. MY HEART FILLED WITH SADNESS & ANGER. MY HEAD DIZZY AS A RESULT OF THE LOW OXYGEN ON BOARD...



... I HEARD THE SHUTTLE LAUNCH BEHIND ME, MY EYES NOW SEEING DOUBLE, I DIDN'T HAVE LONG BEFORE SUFFOCATION. I EXPECTED THE SHIP TO EXPLODE BEFORE THAT, BUT DIDN'T COUNT ON IT...

<HUFF! HUFF! HUFF!>



THIS IS SHUTTLE FORTY NINER. WE HAVE CLEARED THE SAROS SEVEN. THE CAPTAIN HAS REMAINED ON BOARD, HIS MOTIVES ARE UNCLEAR, BUT HE WON'T SURVIVE LONG.



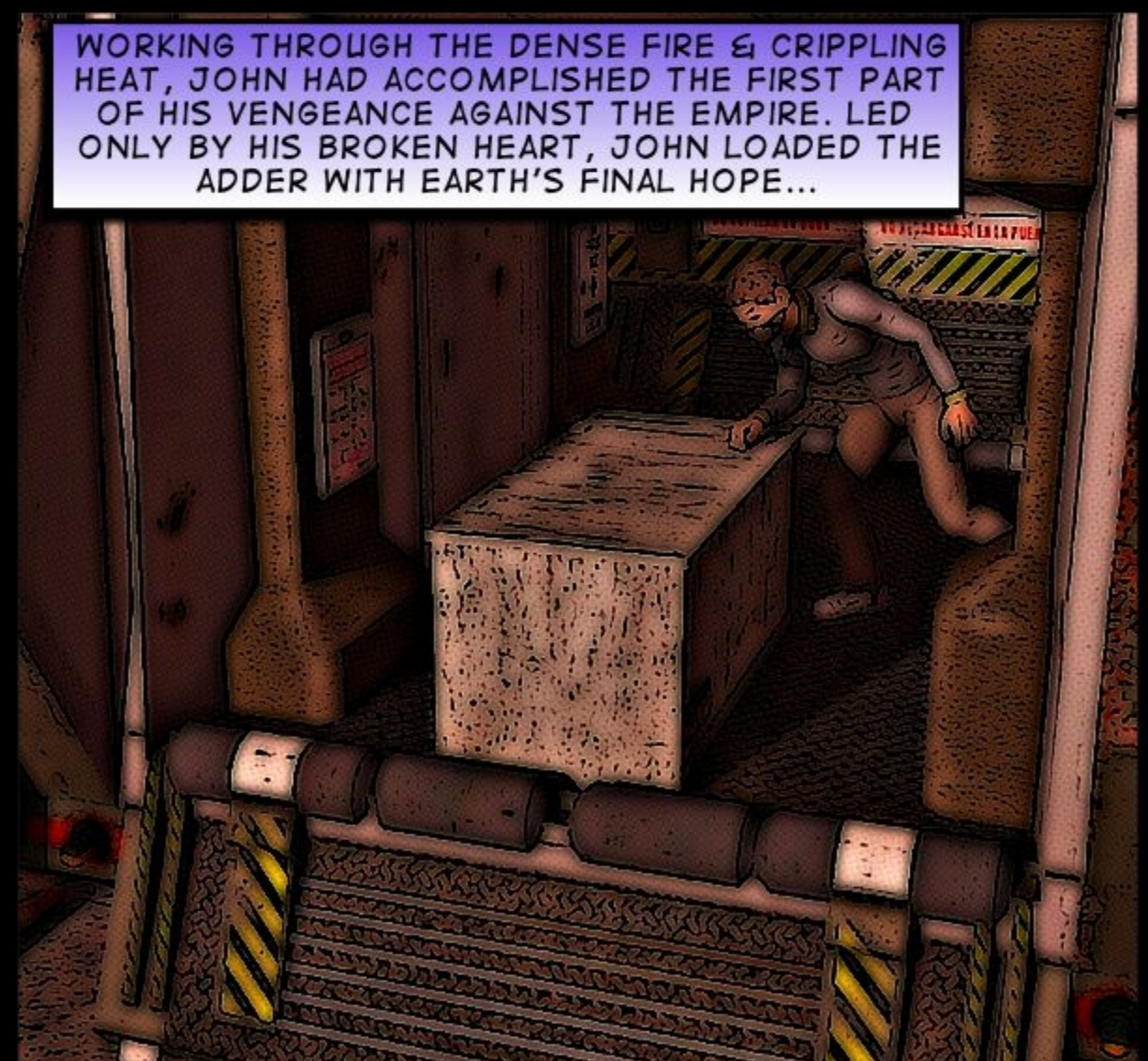
ROGER THAT SHUTTLE FORTY NINER. YOU'RE ADVISED TO CHANGE COURSE FOR MARS, YOU ARE CURRENTLY IN EARTH'S BLAST ZONE.

COPY THAT. DAMN, THE EMPIRE REALLY ARE GOING TO DESTROY EARTH.



GODAMMIT JOHN, YOU STUBBORN BASTARD! WHY DID YOU STAY ON BOARD?









I WILL NOT LET THEM BEAT ME. I STILL HAVE AIR IN MY LUNGS, THEY HAVE NOT WON YET.



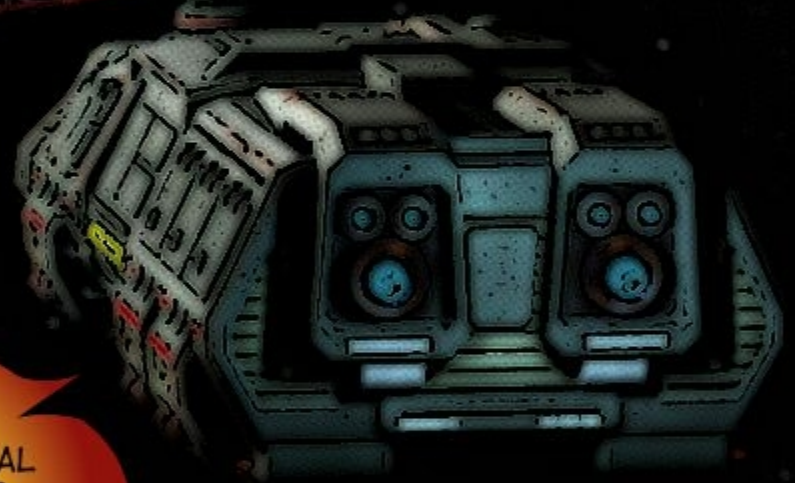
... I TOOK THE ADDER OUT OF THE DOCK AT FULL THRUST. ALL I WANTED WAS REVENGE, I HAD LOST HOPE IN EVERYTHING ELSE, I HAD NOTHING LEFT TO LOSE...

... EARTH HADN'T BEEN DESTROYED SO I STILL HAD A CHANCE TO FINISH THIS, ONCE & FOR ALL...



FEDERAL COMMAND, THIS IS CAPTAIN JOHN JAMESON, ON BOARD AN ADDER LIGHT TRANSPORT SHIP. I NEED YOU TO DO ANYTHING YOU CAN TO DISTRACT THAT SHIP. I HAVE A DELIVERY TO MAKE.

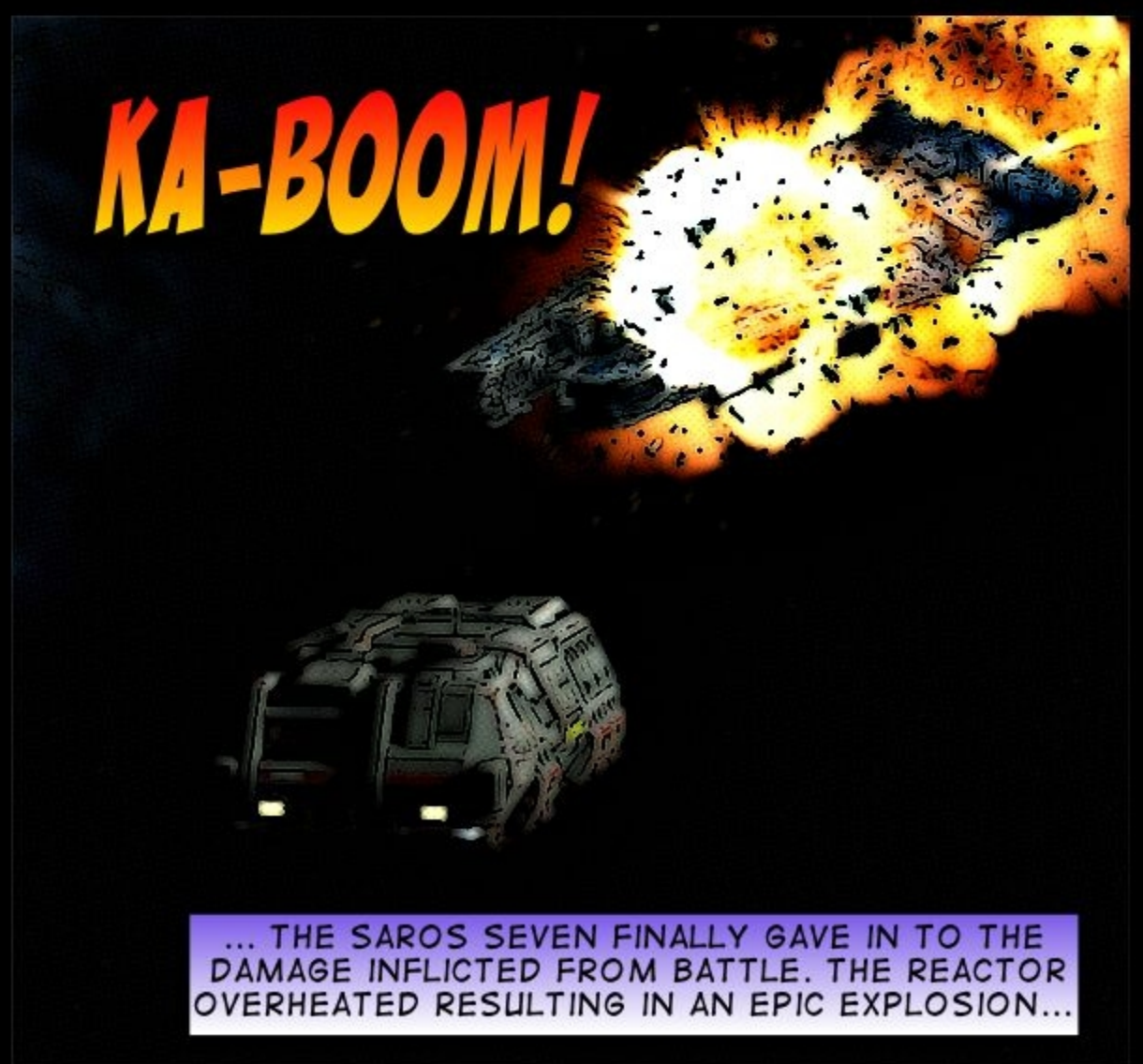
ROGER. ADMIRAL ALEXANDER IS TALKING TO THE PRINCE VIA COM.



JUST KEEP HIM TALKING & KEEP ALL TRAFFIC AWAY FROM THAT SHIP.

DO WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO, CAPTAIN. THE WHOLE PLANET IS COUNTING ON YOU.

... THIS IS IT, JOHN. YOU ARE NOW YOUR GRANDFATHER, MAKE HIM PROUD...



... THE SAROS SEVEN FINALLY GAVE IN TO THE DAMAGE INFLECTED FROM BATTLE. THE REACTOR OVERHEATED RESULTING IN AN EPIC EXPLOSION...



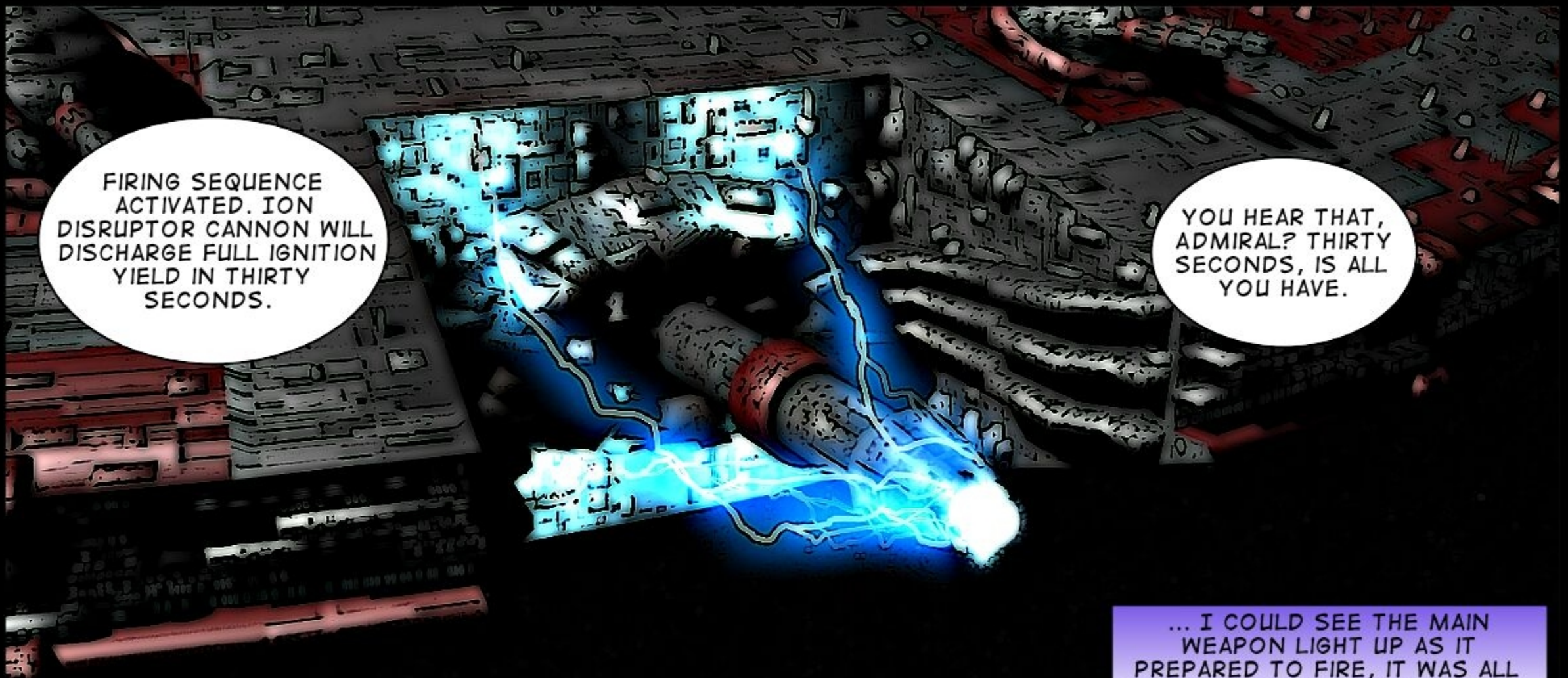


I HOPE YOU HAVE MADE PEACE WITH YOUR GOD, ADMIRAL. I ALMOST PITY THE FEDERATION.

KEEP YOUR PITY. THE OTHER SYSTEMS WILL NOT TOLERATE THIS ACT OF TERRORISM. WHAT YOU DO TO EARTH NOW WILL ONLY SEAL YOUR FATE WITH YOUR END IN AN EXECUTION CHAMBER.



TARGET LOCKED INITIATING FIRING SEQUENCE.



FIRING SEQUENCE ACTIVATED. ION DISRUPTOR CANNON WILL DISCHARGE FULL IGNITION YIELD IN THIRTY SECONDS.

YOU HEAR THAT, ADMIRAL? THIRTY SECONDS, IS ALL YOU HAVE.

... I COULD SEE THE MAIN WEAPON LIGHT UP AS IT PREPARED TO FIRE, IT WAS ALL OR NOTHING, NO LOOKING BACK...



YOU ARE WRONG, DUVAL. IT IS YOU THAT ONLY HAS THIRTY SECONDS TO LIVE. A JAMESON ALWAYS KEEPS HIS PROMISE & I DON'T PLAN ON BREAKING MINE.

JAMESON, THIS IS ADMIRAL ALEXANDER, IF YOU HAVE SOME MIRACLE UP YOUR SLEEVE, YOU BETTER PULL IT OUT NOW.





MY GRACE, WE HAVE A SMALL SHIP CLOSING IN AT FULL SPEED. AN ADDER CLASS TRANSPORTER.

HENGIST. YOU SAID I WOULDN'T SURVIVE THIS BATTLE... YOU MAY BE RIGHT, BUT NEITHER WILL YOU.

GUNNERS, OPEN FIRE ON THAT SHIP! DESTROY IT NOW!

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JAMESON! WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING? HELP! GET ME OUT OF THIS THING!



I HAVE TO STOP HIM!

COOPER! WHAT IS GOING ON?



TAPOW!  
TAPOW!  
TAPOW!

JOHN, YOU HAVE FIFTEEN SECONDS. WHAT CAN YOU POSSIBLY ACCOMPLISH IN THAT PATHETIC SHUTTLE?

ITS NOT THE SIZE OF THE SHIP, YOU NEED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT.





HEY! YOU CAN'T BE IN HERE!

JAMESON! COME IN, THIS IS COOPER, STOP WHATEVER YOU ARE PLANNING TO DO!



SADIE IS STILL ALIVE. MADISON IS PATCHING HER UP AS WE SPEAK. DON'T DO THIS FOR THE WRONG REASONS, JOHN.

I'M NOT... I'M DOING THIS FOR ALL THE RIGHT REASONS.



TELL HER I LOVE HER & I'M SORRY THAT I WON'T BE COMING HOME THIS TIME.

JOHN, NO! DON'T DO IT!



PRIMARY IGNITION IN FIVE SECONDS.... FOUR SECONDS...



YOU ARE TOO LATE, JAMESON. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, RAM US?

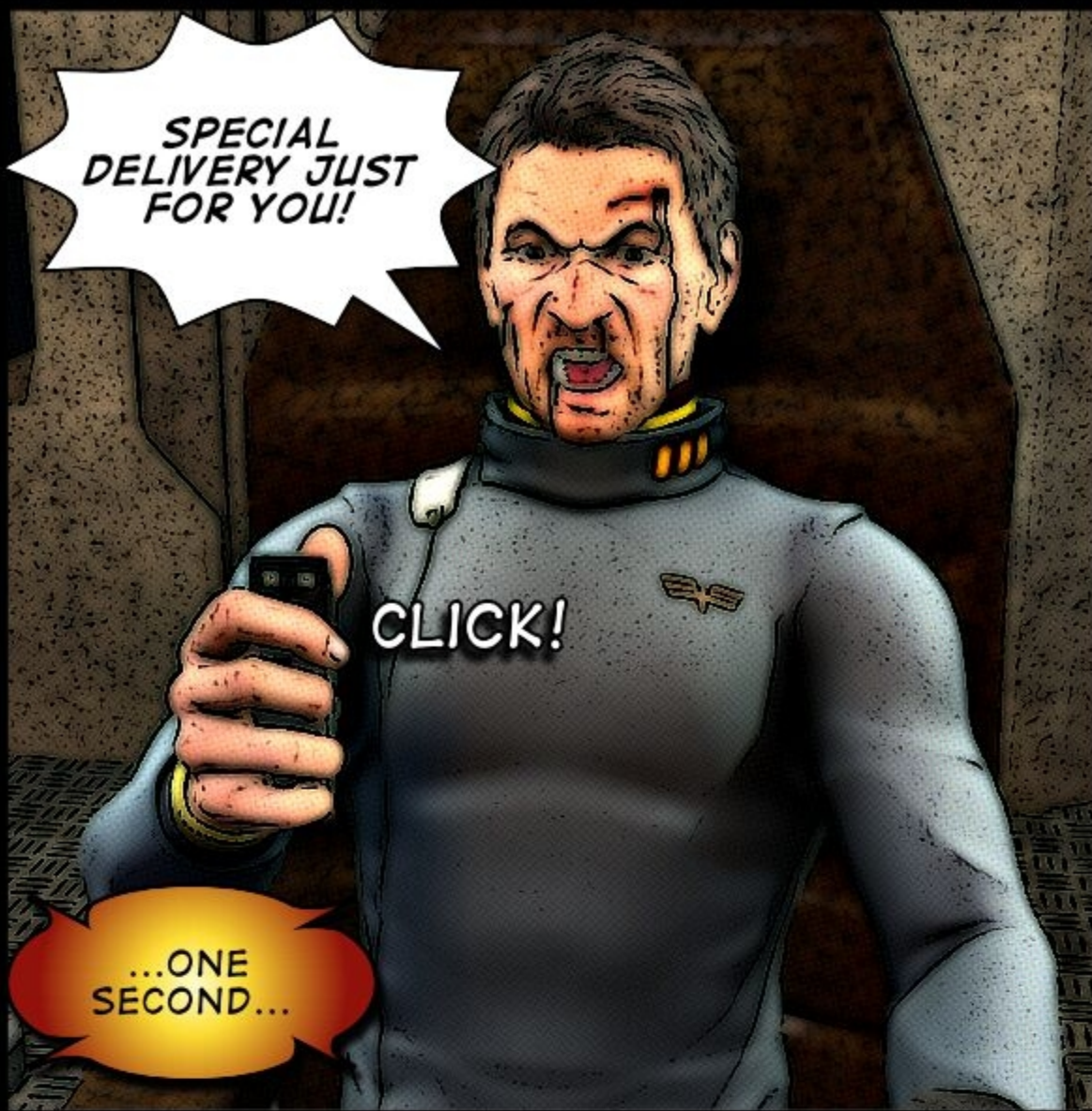
...THREE SECONDS...



WOAH! WOAH WOAH! HE IS GOING TO RAM US!

...TWO SECONDS...





SPECIAL  
DELIVERY JUST  
FOR YOU!

CLICK!

...ONE  
SECOND...



BEEP! BEEP!

...IGNITION...



KA-BOOM!

NUCLEAR  
DETONATION, ON  
THE IMPERIAL  
SHIP.





AAAH! MY EYES!  
DAMN YOU, JOHN,  
DAMN YOU!



IMPERIAL SHIP  
DESTROYED.

THANK YOU JOHN.  
12 BILLION PEOPLE  
ARE IN YOUR DEBT.



COOPER!  
WHAT  
HAPPENED?  
WHERE'S  
JOHN?

I'M SO  
SORRY. HE  
DIDN'T MAKE  
IT.

NO. NO  
NOOOOOO!



TRY TO  
REMAIN CALM,  
YOU HAVE LOST  
A LOT OF  
BLOOD.

YOU SAID  
WE WOULD  
NEVER PART  
AGAIN, YOU  
PROMISED.



THE SURVIVORS ON THE  
NUMEROUS ESCAPE  
SHUTTLES, PLOTTED A  
COURSE FOR EARTH...

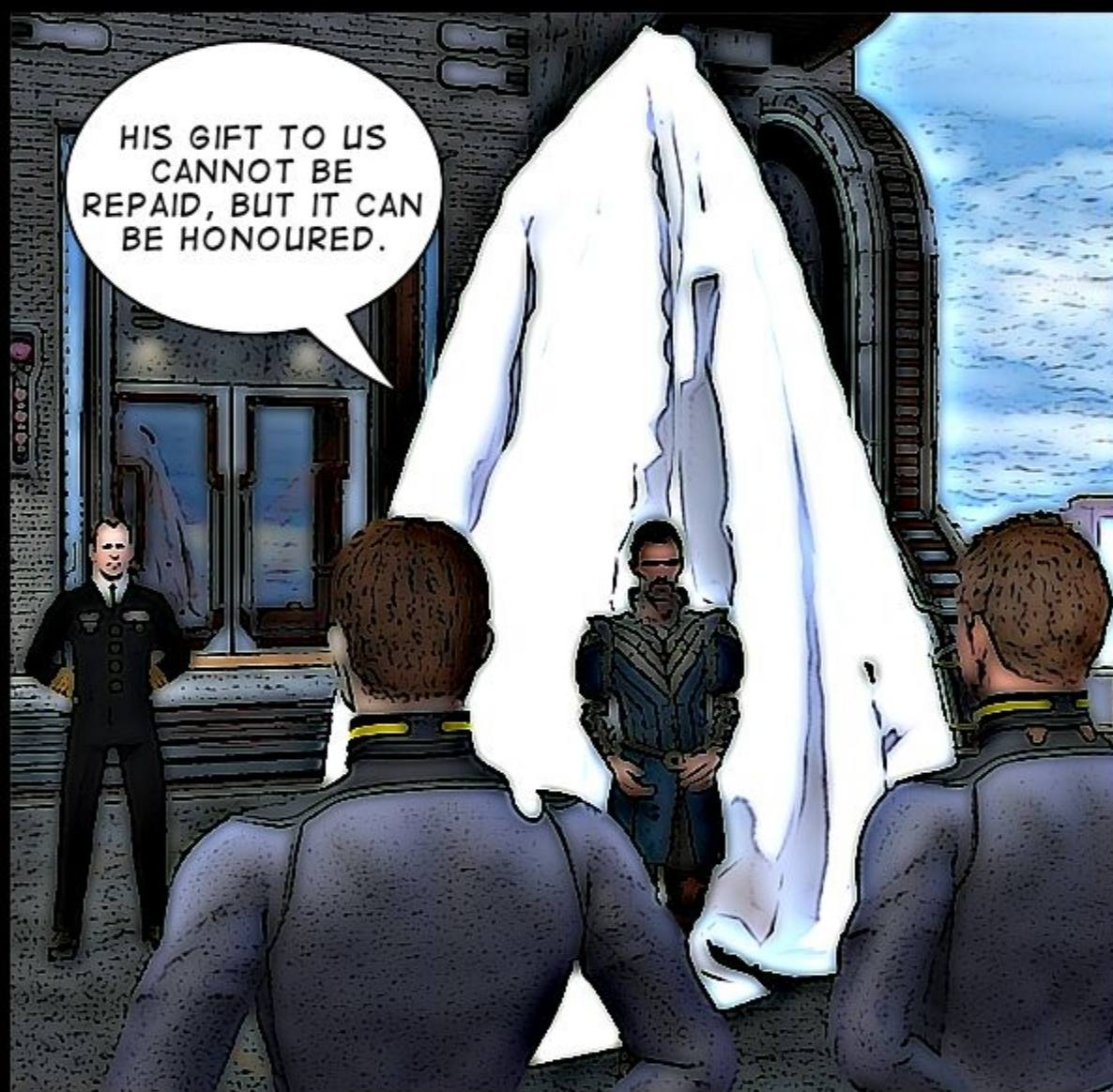


SIX MONTHS LATER, FEDERATION HEADQUARTERS NEW WASHINGTON...

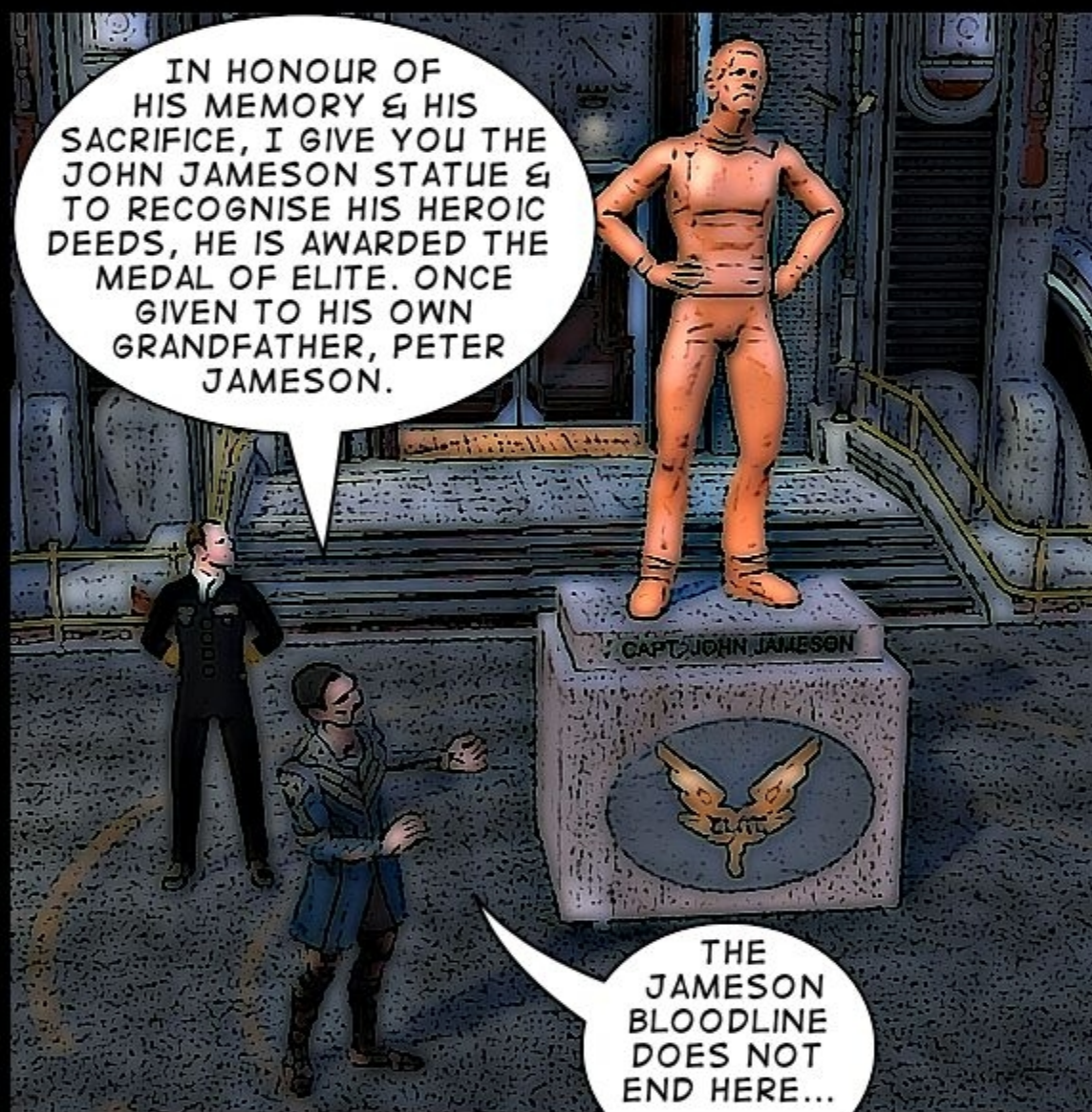
EVERY DAY ON EARTH IS A GIFT, EVERY DAWN IS A MIRACLE. WE ARE BLESSED TO WAKE UP EACH MORNING BECAUSE OF A SACRIFICE MADE BY A TRUE HERO.

CAPTAIN JOHN JAMESON COULD HAVE TURNED HIS BACK, HE COULD HAVE PANICKED & FLED WITH THE OTHER ESCAPE SHUTTLES, BUT HE DIDN'T. JOHN JAMESON KNEW HIS FATE HAD COME TO AN END & HE EMBRACED IT.

BECAUSE OF HIS BRAVERY & DEFIANCE TO CRUMBLE UNDER UNSPEAKABLE ODDS, HE PREVAILED AGAINST OUR GREATEST ENEMY. EVERY CITIZEN ON EARTH OWES HIM THEIR LIVES.



HIS GIFT TO US CANNOT BE REPAID, BUT IT CAN BE HONOURED.



IN HONOUR OF HIS MEMORY & HIS SACRIFICE, I GIVE YOU THE JOHN JAMESON STATUE & TO RECOGNISE HIS HEROIC DEEDS, HE IS AWARDED THE MEDAL OF ELITE. ONCE GIVEN TO HIS OWN GRANDFATHER, PETER JAMESON.

THE JAMESON BLOODLINE DOES NOT END HERE...



... BECAUSE THE BIRTH OF HIS SON WILL CONTINUE HIS LEGACY.



... WHAT WE DO TODAY, ECHOES TOMORROW, WE SURVIVE BATTLES, WE LOSE FRIENDS, BUT WE CARRY ON TO FIGHT ANOTHER DAY.

THE END