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THE FOREVER MEN

NAZIS TAKE PARIS!
Government May ... Again;
Italy: French Attack Rejected



SHADOWS OF THE PAST

**GUEST-STARRING
MEGA COOPS
FLAMES
MASTER**



SPECIAL THANKS TO ALEX AEON, JORDAN F., HARBINGER OF RA, POWER PRINCESS, LIBERTY LASS AND FLAMES MASTER FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE AND TIME.

BENEATH PARAGON CITY WHERE THE INCREDIBLE IS COMMON PLACE, THE IMPOSSIBLE HAPPENS.



LAVA POOLS INTO A FACE THEN RISES INTO THE SHAPE OF A MAN.



THE SAME DREAM... AND ALL I CAN REMEMBER IS FROST LAUGHING... I GOTTA TALK TO SOMEBODY.



HE WAS ONCE A MAN, UNTIL AN ENCOUNTER WITH COSMIC DEBRIS ALTERED HIM FOR EVER.

A LONG TIME AGO HE HAD BEEN FRED FIZZBIN.

NOW THE WORLD AT LARGE KNOWS HIM BY ANOTHER MORE APT NAME FLAMES MASTER!

COMLINK

ACTIVE.

POWER PRINCESS, YOU WOULDN'T BE AROUND WOULD YOU?



MEANWHILE IN
TALOS ISLAND...



KNIGHT SAID I
WOULD FIND YOU
SOMEPHACE LIKE
THIS.





GREETINGS
LIBERTY GIRL..

HOW DO
YOU
KNOW MY
NAME?

RA KNOWS
MANY
THINGS.

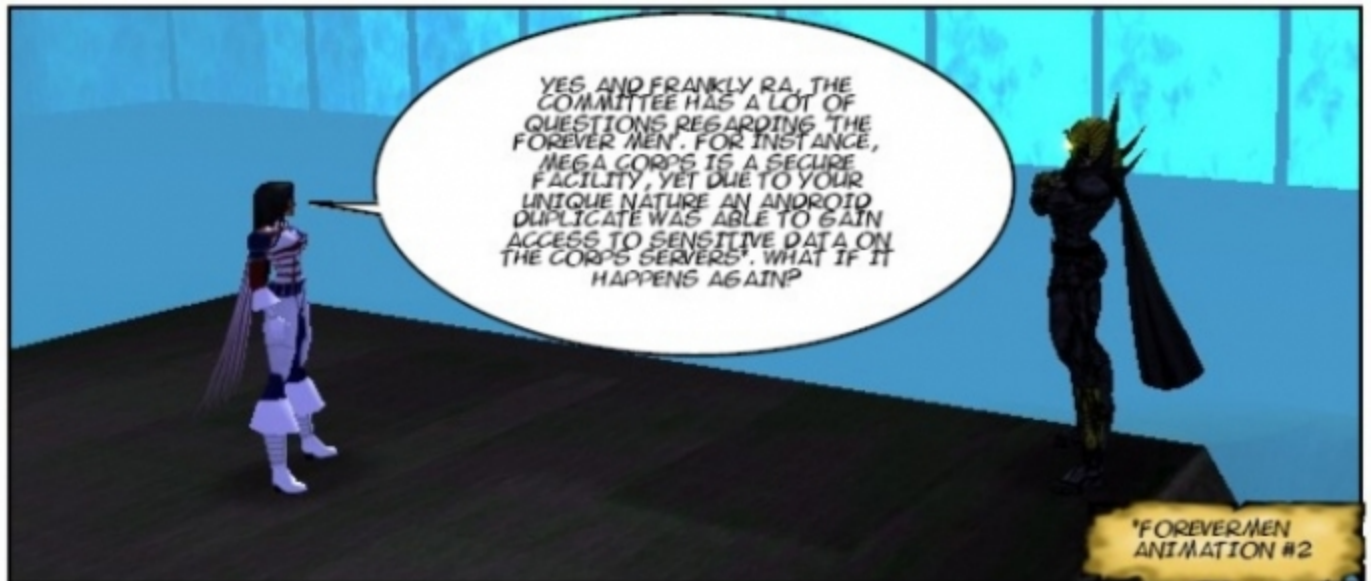
RIGHT...



AND DOES RA KNOW I'VE
BEEN SELECTED AS THE
SENATE OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE LIASON
FOR MEGA CORP'S
WHILE AMERICAN
KNIGHT IS ON
ASSIGNMENT?



INDEED?



YES AND FRANKLY RA, THE
COMMITTEE HAS A LOT OF
QUESTIONS REGARDING THE
FOREVER MEN. FOR INSTANCE,
MEGA CORP'S IS A SECURE
FACILITY, YET DUE TO YOUR
UNIQUE NATURE AN ANDROID
DUPLICATE WAS ABLE TO GAIN
ACCESS TO SENSITIVE DATA ON
THE CORP'S SERVERS. WHAT IF IT
HAPPENS AGAIN?

*FOREVERMEN
ANIMATION #2



VIRTUALLY NONE OF THE FOREVER MEN HAVE ANY SORT OF OFFICIAL CLEARANCE OR IDENTIFICATION, WHICH I MIGHT ADD INCLUDES YOU. THERE ARE BEINGS CLAIMING TO BE FROM ALL SORTS OF PLACES. VAMPIRES, FEY, DEMONS AND EVEN WHAT CLAIMS TO BE A GOBLIN! EVEN THE MAN NAMED POE IS QUESTIONABLE. NO MEMORY? NO FINGERPRINTS? IT RAISES EYEBROWS RA...



YOU UNDERSTAND THIS RIGHT?



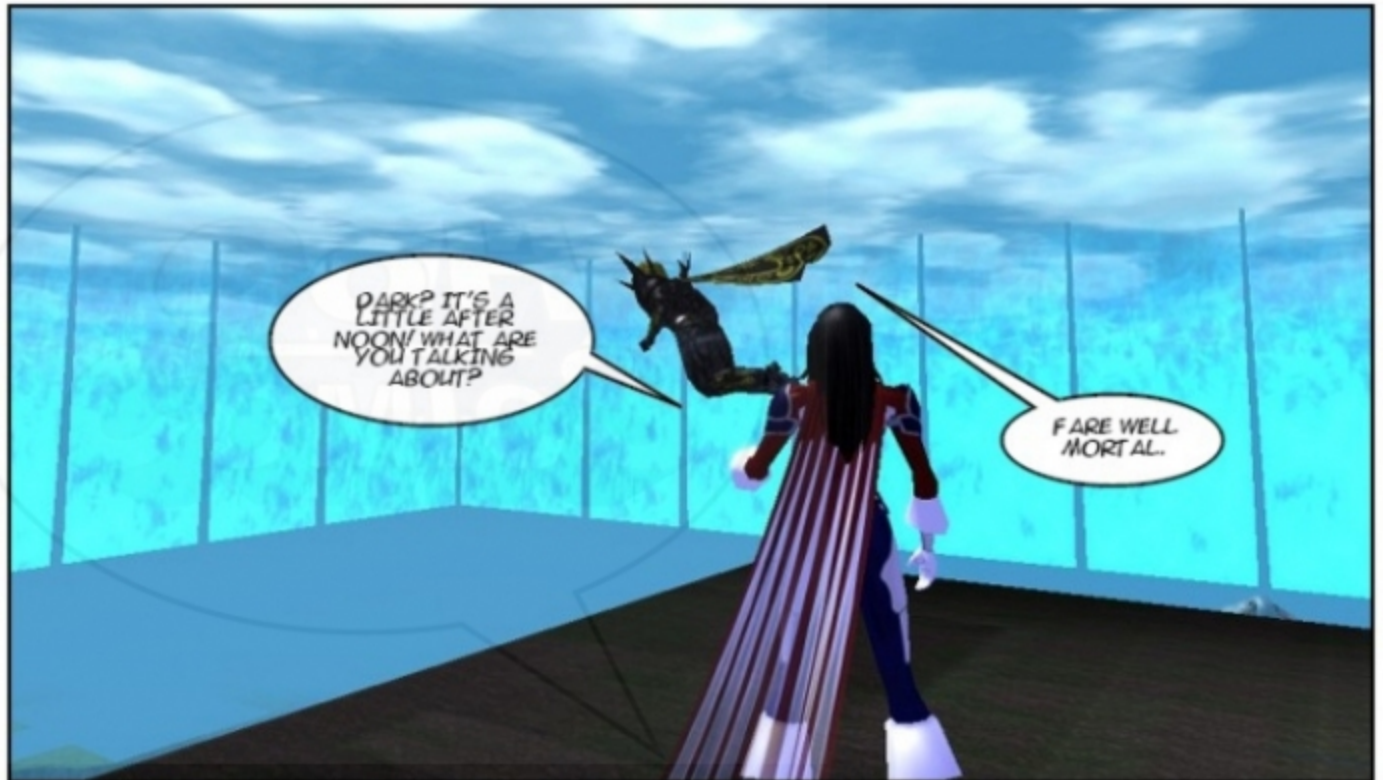
RA DOES NOT UNDERSTAND WHY MORTALS OCCUPY THEIR TIME WITH SUCH MATTERS... THE FATE OF REALITY ITSELF IS IN QUESTION AND YET YOU CONCERN YOURSELVES WITH SUCH TRIVIAL THINGS.

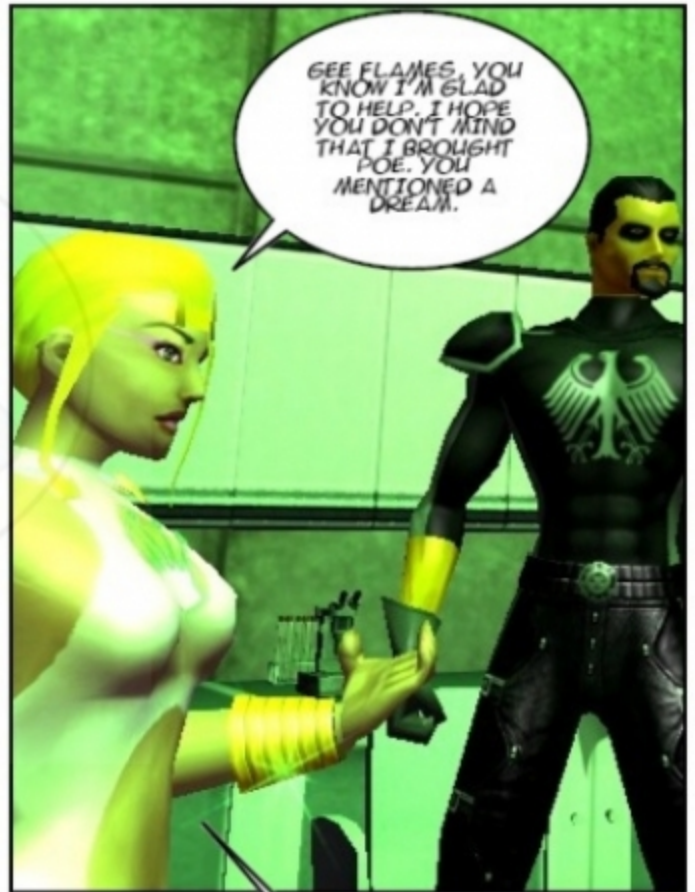


RA, THIS ISN'T TRIVIAL. THIS IS NATIONAL SECURITY. YOU HAVE TO...

WAIT! WHERE ARE YOU GOING, WE'RE NOT THROUGH!

RA MUST DEPART. THE DARKNESS GATHERS.





POWER PRINCESS AND POE LISTEN AS FLAMES MASTER TRIES TO DESCRIBE THE DREAM.

IT'S NOT
A
DREAM...

I MEAN IT IS
A DREAM, BUT
THE SOURCE
IS A
MEMORY. I
CAN FEEL IT.
POEP

GREAT. THE GUY WITH
NO MEMORY IS
GOING TO POKE
AROUND MINEP

TRY TO THINK OF
IT AS MORE OF
PEEKING THAN
POKING.

JUST RELAX,
THIS WON'T
HURT...

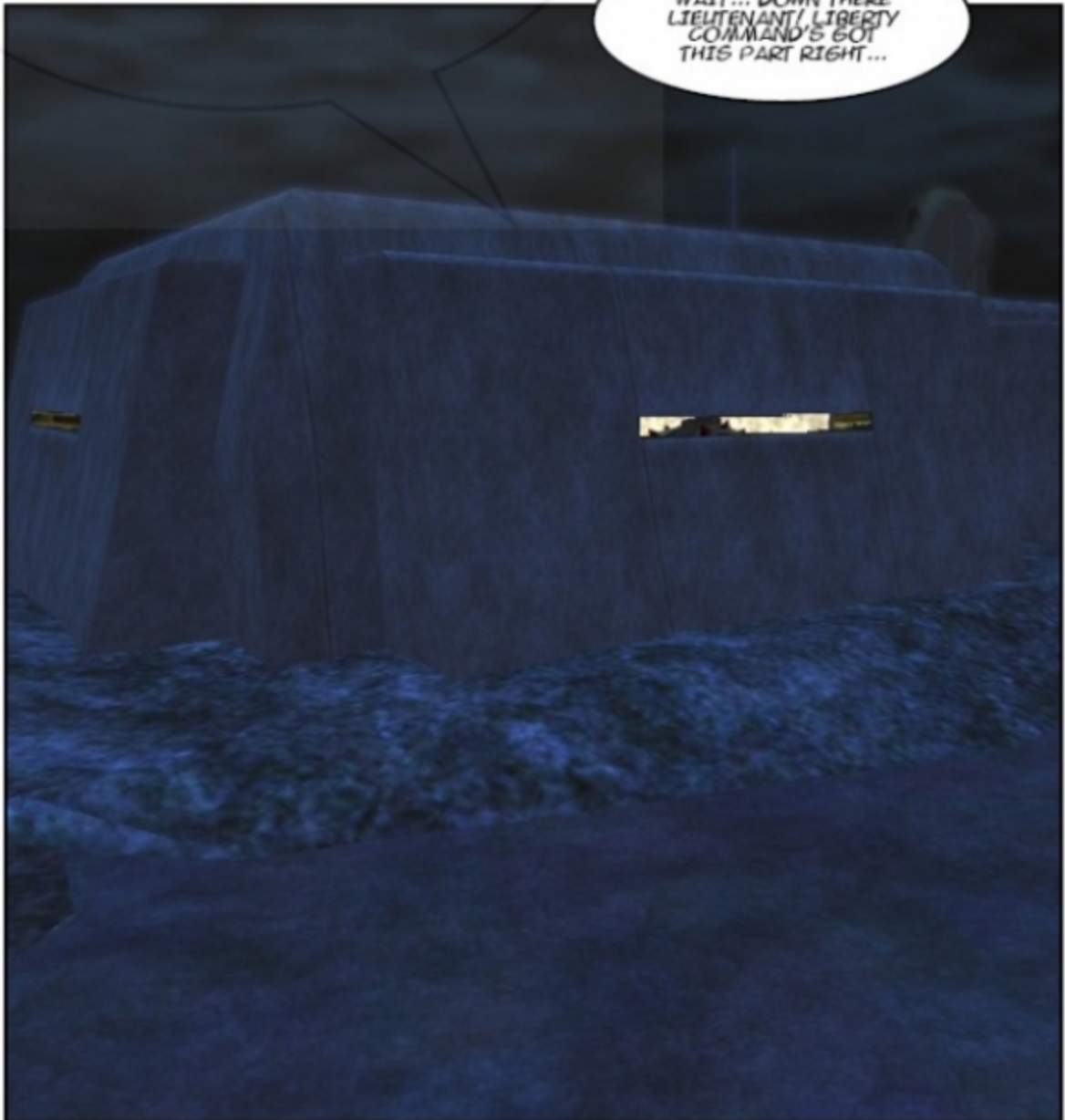
THERE IT IS... A MEMORY
BLOCK... PROFESSIONAL
WORK TOO. MAYBE I CAN GET
AROUND IT....

"HANG ON
CAPTAIN WE'RE
GOING FOR A..."

EUROPE, 1942...

...RIDE!!!

UGH, I HATE FLYING...
WAIT... DOWN THERE
LIEUTENANT LIBERTY
COMMAND'S GOT
THIS PART RIGHT...








YES
COLONEL
FROST, BUT
GESTAPO
AND THE
FIFTH
COLLIARY ARE
WATCHING
OUR USE OF
MATERIALS
VERY
CAREFULLY.

SILENCE HERR
MYSTIKER! YOU
WOULD
QUESTION
MEISTER
FROST? WOULD
YOU LIKE TO
JOIN THE
SAPIENS FATE?

FRAU ELEKTRISCH
THIS IS TREASON
AGAINST THE
FUHRER AND THE
REICH ITSELF. WE
MUST TREAD
CAREFULLY!

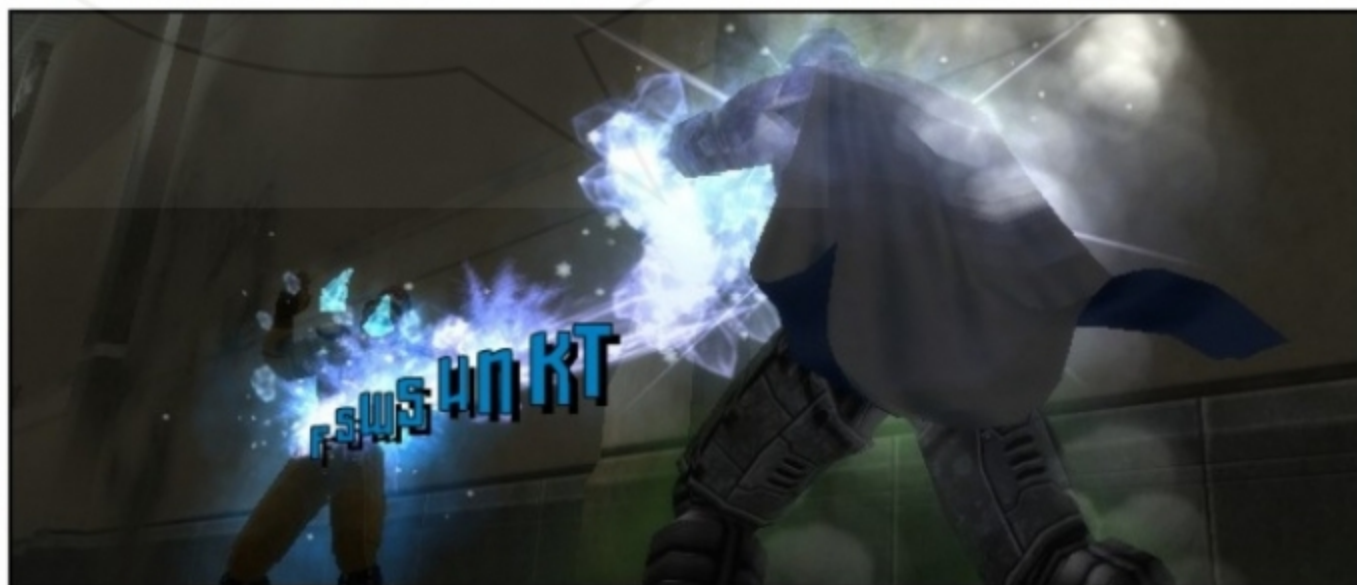


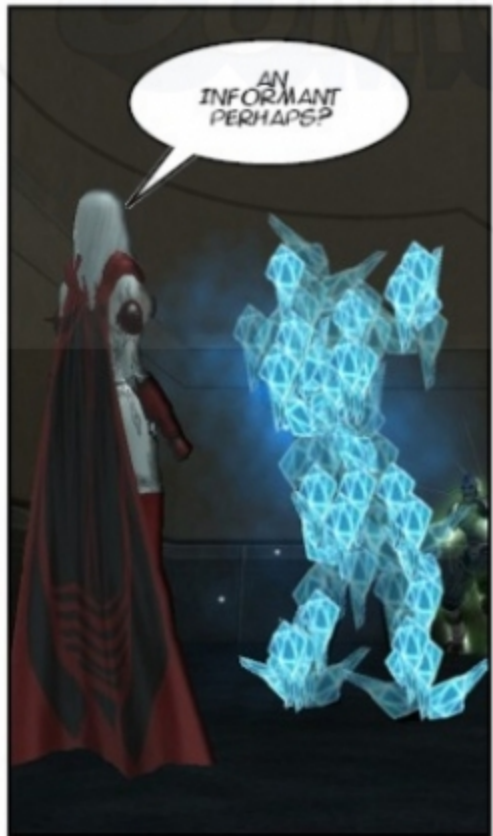
ENOUGH! BOTH OF YOU! HERR
MYSTIKER, THE REICH WILL KEEP
THE WORLD BUSY UNTIL WE HAVE
COMPLETED THE DEVICE. DO NOT
FORGET WHERE YOUR LOYALTIES
LIE. THE HOMO SAPIENS ARE
UNFIT TO RULE THE WORLD LET
ALONE SURVIVE. NATURE HAS
SELECTED US AS THE STRONG.
NAZI, BRITISH, AMERICAN, IT
DOES NOT MATTER. THEY WILL ALL
SURRENDER TO OUR RULE OR DIE!













INSURANCE
AGAINST THE
INEVITABLE
FAILURE OF
THESE FOOLS
NO DOUBT.



RETURN TO YOUR
COMMANDS.
FAUST, FIND THE
INFORMANT AND
DEAL WITH THEM.



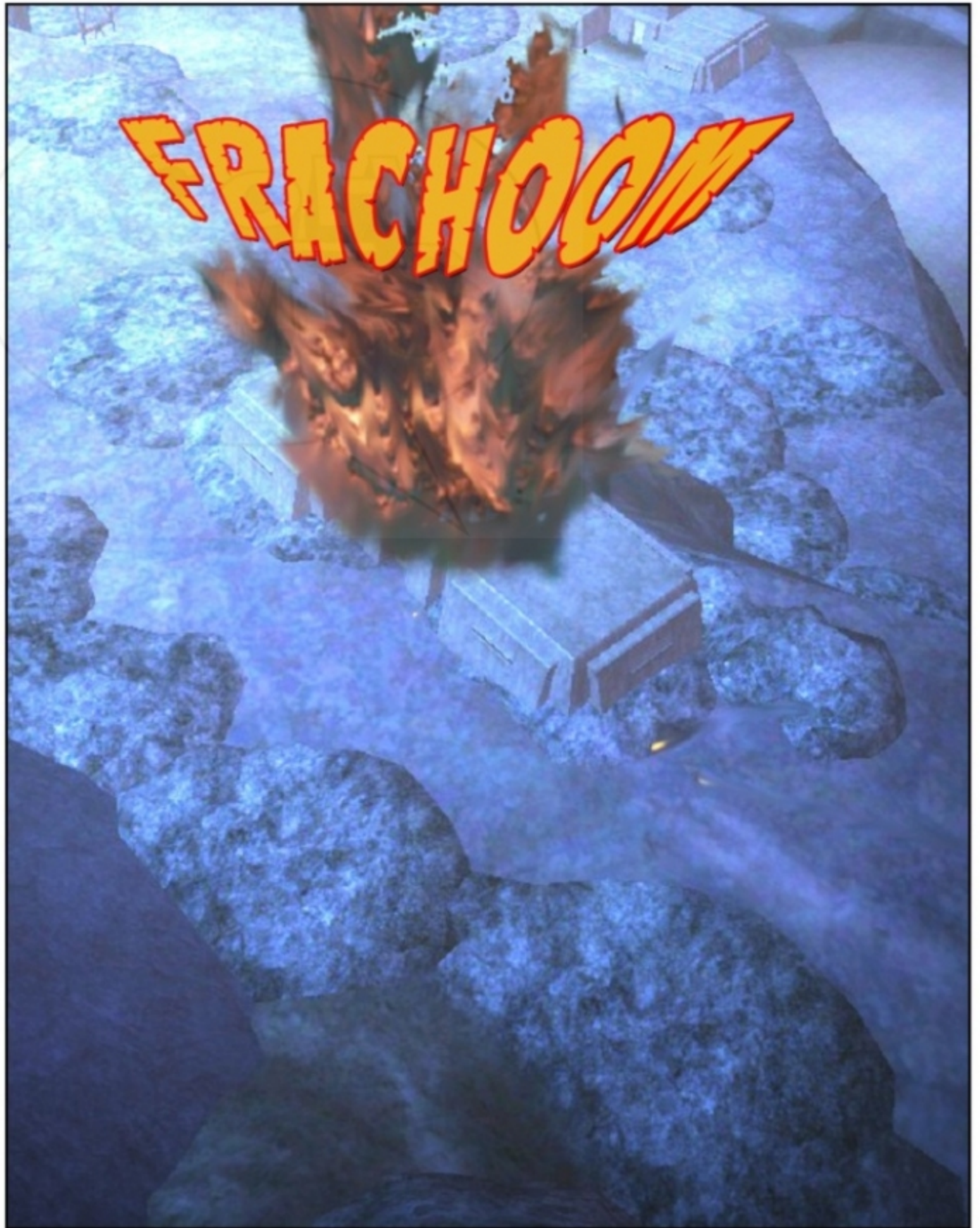
FRED FIZZBIN
LISTENS AS
FROST AND HIS
CADRE DEPART
MINUTES DRAG
BY...

I STILL CAN'T BREATHE,
BUT I'M STILL ALIVE? I
GOTTA GET OUT OF
THIS ICE. C'MON FRED,
CONCENTRATE.



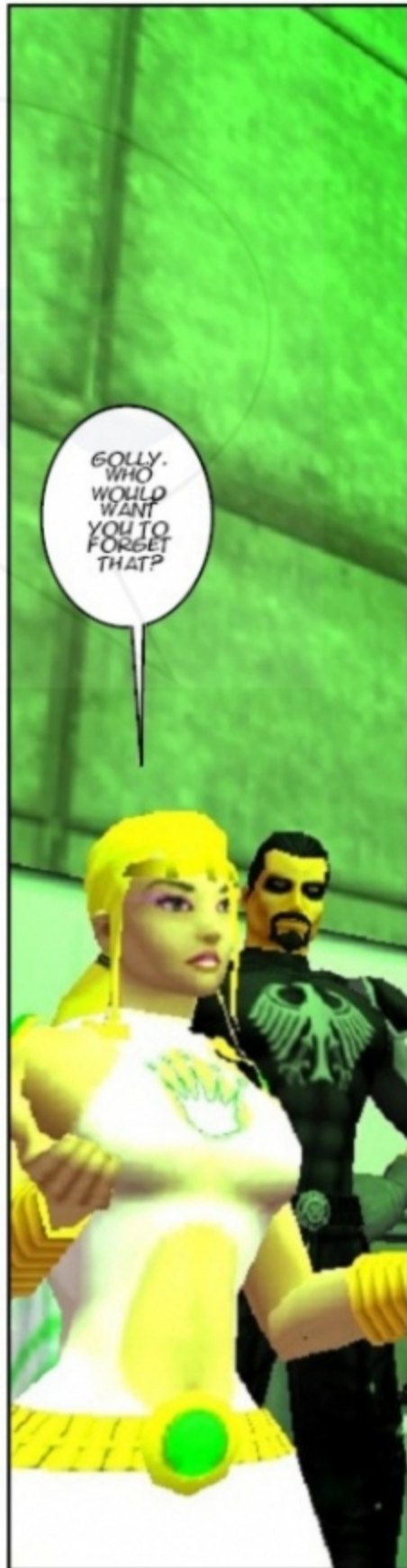
F W O S K







THAT'S...
THAT'S
IT.



GOLLY.
WHO
WOULD
WANT
YOU TO
FORGET
THAT?



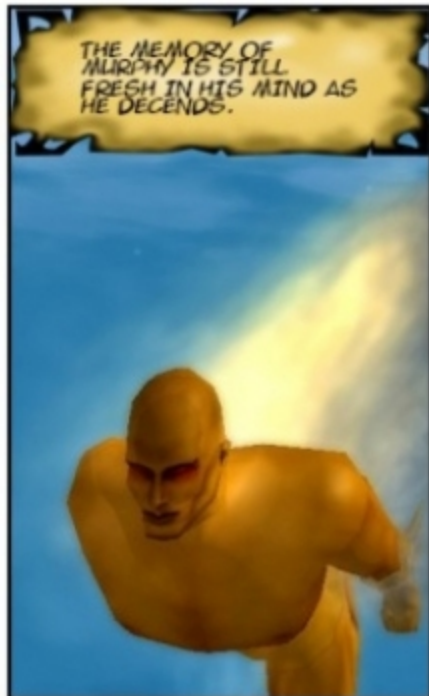
LIBERTY COMMAND. IT WASN'T UNCOMMON BACK THEN. WE RAN INTO ALL SORTS OF THINGS THAT SHOULDN'T... COULDN'T GET OUT. PROBABLY SOMETHING TO DO WITH FROST'S GENOCIDE DEVICE. I CAN FIGURE IT OUT LATER... THERE IS SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT I HAVE TO DO. THANKS GUYS.

*MORE IMPORTANT?
POE, HIS MEMORY WAS
TAMPERED WITH, WHAT
COULD BE MORE
IMPORTANT?

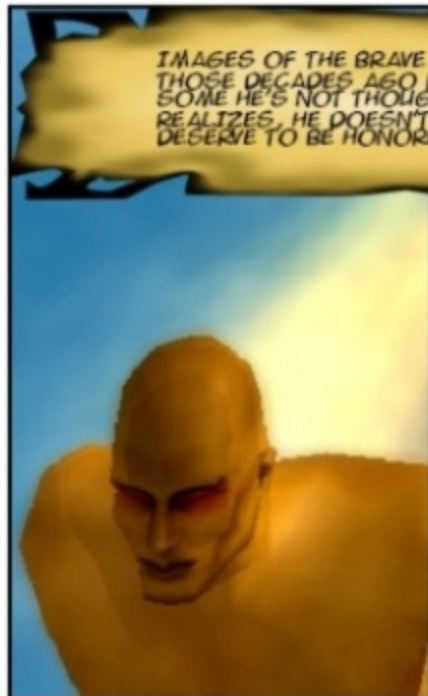
A SHORT TIME LATER
OVER WASHINGTON D.C. ...



THE MEMORY OF
MURPHY IS STILL
FRESH IN HIS MIND AS
HE DESCENDS.



IMAGES OF THE BRAVE SOULS HE SERVED WITH ALL
THOSE DECADES AGO FOLLOW CLOSE BEHIND.
SOME HE'S NOT THOUGHT OF IN YEARS, SOME, HE
REALIZES, HE DOESN'T REMEMBER AT ALL... THEY ALL
DESERVE TO BE HONORED...



END.

MEGA Corps

THE FOREVER
MEN

THE NEW
BATTALION

*League
of
Malevolence*

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