



THE FOREVER MEN

DOWN
FOR THE
COUNT...

SPECIAL COLLECTORS EDITION
THE ORIGIN OF

RA

HIGH ABOVE PEREZ PARK, WYLDSTAR IS PARTICIPATING IN THE SEARCH FOR RA WHEN THE COMMUNICATOR CHIRPS TO LIFE...

KAZENUSHA TO SEARCH TEAM. I HAVE LOCATED RA.

GREAT! LET'S HOPE OLE STONEY HAS A CLUE AS TO WHAT'S GOING ON.

WAKE UP WYLDSTAR, BUT RA IS DEAD.


YOU'RE JOKING...

A DEATH FIGHTING THE WICKED IS AN HONOR. I WOULD NEVER JOKE ABOUT THIS.

I KNOW YOU'RE NEW TO THE STATES AND ALL KAZENUSHA, BUT RA ISN'T DEAD. IT TAKES MORE THAN A LITTLE DECAPITATION TO STOP HIM.

BUT HOW CAN THIS BE?

COH COMIC ENTRY. STORY, SCREENSHOTS, EFFECTS: RA (FREEDOM). TEXT EDITOR: MRS. RA. SPECIAL THANKS: WYLDSTAR, SEN. JUSTICE, MEGA CORPS, THE FOREVER MEN AND CRYPTIC STUDIOS.



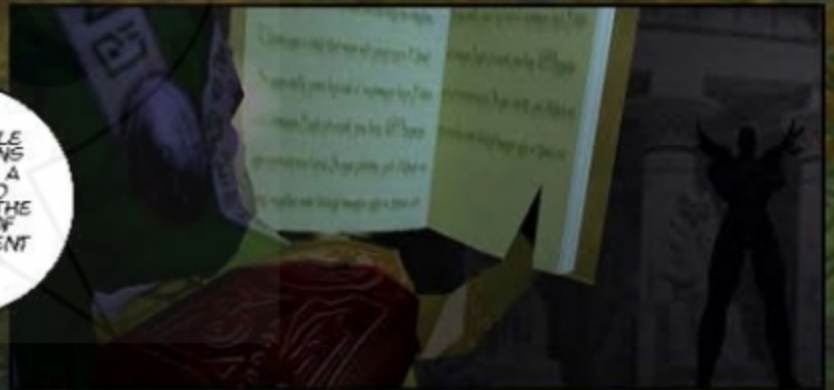
RA ISN'T HUMAN. IN FACT AFTER ALL THESE YEARS ASSOCIATED WITH MESA CORPS, WE STILL DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHAT HE IS.


WHAT WE DO KNOW IS THAT AT THE TURN OF THE MILLENNIUM IN THE RUINS OF AN ANCIENT EGYPTIAN TEMPLE...

THE CIRCLE OF THORNS HATCHED A PLAN TO CAPTURE THE POWER OF THE ANCIENT GODS.

SPECIFICALLY RA, THE SUN GOD. PRETTY MUCH THE MACK DADDY ACCORDING TO THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS. THE THORN MASTI CURSED HIM INTO A STONE EFFIGY, AND THEN TRIED TO CONTROL HIM.

THE CURSE WORKED, THE CONTROL... NOT SO MUCH. THE ONLY THING TO SURVIVE THE EXPLOSION WAS THE EFFIGY.






A FEW SCATTERED
REPORTS OF THE STATUE
WALKING ACROSS NORTH
AFRICA TRICKLED IN FOR
WEEKS. AFTERWARD, THE
LAST WITNESS SAW IT
WALKING INTO THE
ATLANTIC OFF THE COAST
OF MOROCCO.




A FEW MONTHS LATER
RA CAME WADING INTO
INDEPENDENCE PORT.



A TRISSEER HAPPY
FAMILY THUS
HAPPENED TO SEE HIM
AND OPENED FIRE, NO
BIG SURPRISE, BUT
BAD MOVE.

RAT-TAT

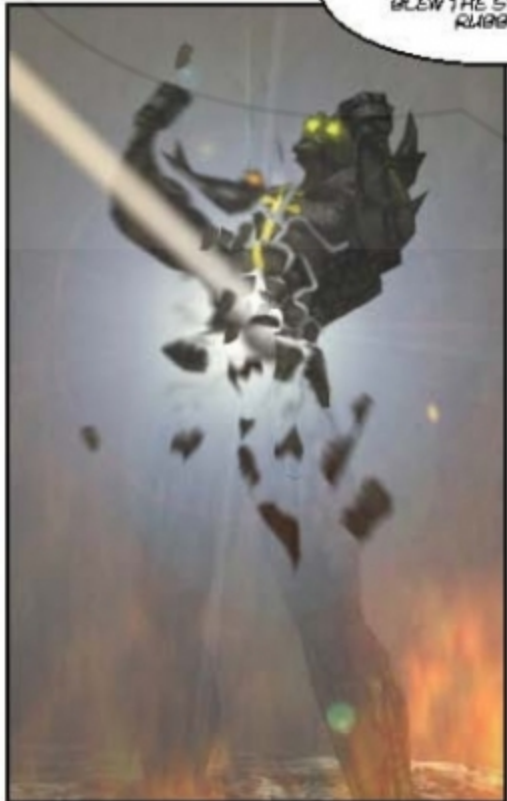


LUCKILY AMERICAN KNIGHT
PREVENTED RA FROM KILLING
THE THUS AND BECOMING A
JUDGE, JURY AND
EXECUTIONER VIGILANTE. BY
RA'S ACCOUNT, HE HAD NOT
BEEN TO EARTH IN
THOUSANDS OF YEARS. MEGA
CORP TOOK HIM FOR STUDY
AND TO BRING HIM UP TO
SPEED ON TODAY'S SOCIETY.



NOT LONG AFTER HE ARRIVED, THE RIKTI INVADED. RA WAS ONE OF THE FIRST RESPONDERS TO ARRIVE IN BOOMTOWN.

DURING THE BATTLE, RA TOOK A DIRECT ENERGY BLAST THAT BLEW THE STATUE TO RUBBLE.



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HERO FOUND ON LAST DAY OF SEARCH EFFORTS



Left: Photo of the approaching Rikti Invasion craft. Right: Statues destroyed Thursday in Boomtown.

Phillips
Reporter

PARAGON CITY, RI - Official rescue efforts in Boomtown since yesterday at 12:00 p.m. involved multiple dangerous combat rescue team and workers. Reliable sources asking asserted that increased criminal activity as well as a possible Rikti presence still in the

Yesterday morning before dawn also marked the discovery of another hero who until point had been missing in action and feared dead within the rubble of the once prosperous part of town. The statue imbued with mystical properties known as an earlier sight in the streets of Paragon City during the war. "All of its costume was blasted away,

BUT PART OF THE THORN CURSE MADE THE STATUE ALL BUT INDESTRUCTIBLE. I'M NO EXPERT IN THE RIBBITY-BOBBITY-BOO STUFF, BUT WHEN DAMAGED, THE ROCK JUST PUTS ITSELF BACK TOGETHER KEEPING RA IMPRISONED.

...y crane and truck G.I. at their request and spokeswoman sensitive psychics gone over the street detecting residual energy type found when we first returned to Paragon City." Azuria v that the energy readings have been steady now that Ra has been exposed to natural have high hopes that he, or more accurately make a full recovery. "We've found no damage and have no reason to think or believe will not survive this ordeal.

This comes as very welcome news to citizens heroes and citizens of Paragon City, if not after the monumental losses incurred during



IN 2005 WHEN HIS CORPUS WAS UNDER INVESTIGATION BY THE FRSA, RA JOINED WITH A FEW US TO FORM THE FOREVER MEN!





SHINJI RARENATI

WHEN THE CORPS WAS
CLEARED OF THE
CHARGES, STONEY HERE
STAYED WITH THE
FOREVER MEN TO FOCUS
ON MYSTICAL THREATS
TO PARAGON CITY AND
THE REST OF THE WORLD.

SPEAKING OF
THREATS, IF
YOU'RE DONE
NAFFING STONEY,
WHO DID THIS?

AGIES WAS
WAITING WHEN RA
ARRIVED...
EVIDENTLY UNDER
THE DIRECTION OF
KADIK.



AGIES HUH? WHY
WOULD HE BE
SHOWING HIS
UGLY PUSS IN
PARAGON? LAST
I HEARD HE'D
GONE TO
GROUND IN THE
ROGUE ISLES
USING THE
LEAGUE TO HIDE.

WYLDSTAR...

GENERAL JUSTICE,
GLAD YOU'RE
HERE. AGIES IS
RUNNING LOOSE,
LET'S
SPREAD OUT AND
TRACK HIM DOWN...

I THINK WE HAVE A
BIGGER PROBLEM.
POE AND RAVEN
AND ARROW FOUND
ZOMBIE AVENGER
BADLY BEATEN IN THE
CORPS SUBLEVELS.

IN THE
BASE? WHO
COULD
BYPASS THE
SECURITY?

THEY ALSO
REPORTED RA
RUNNING FROM
THE SCENE.



WHAT? RA'S
HERE, WHO DID
THEY SEE...

THE
ANDROID?
PERHAPS?

OF COURSE! THAT
WALKING TOASTER
OVEN! AGIES MUST
HAVE LURED YOU HERE
SO THE ANDROID
COULD ENTER THE
BUILDING AS YOU
UNDETECTED...

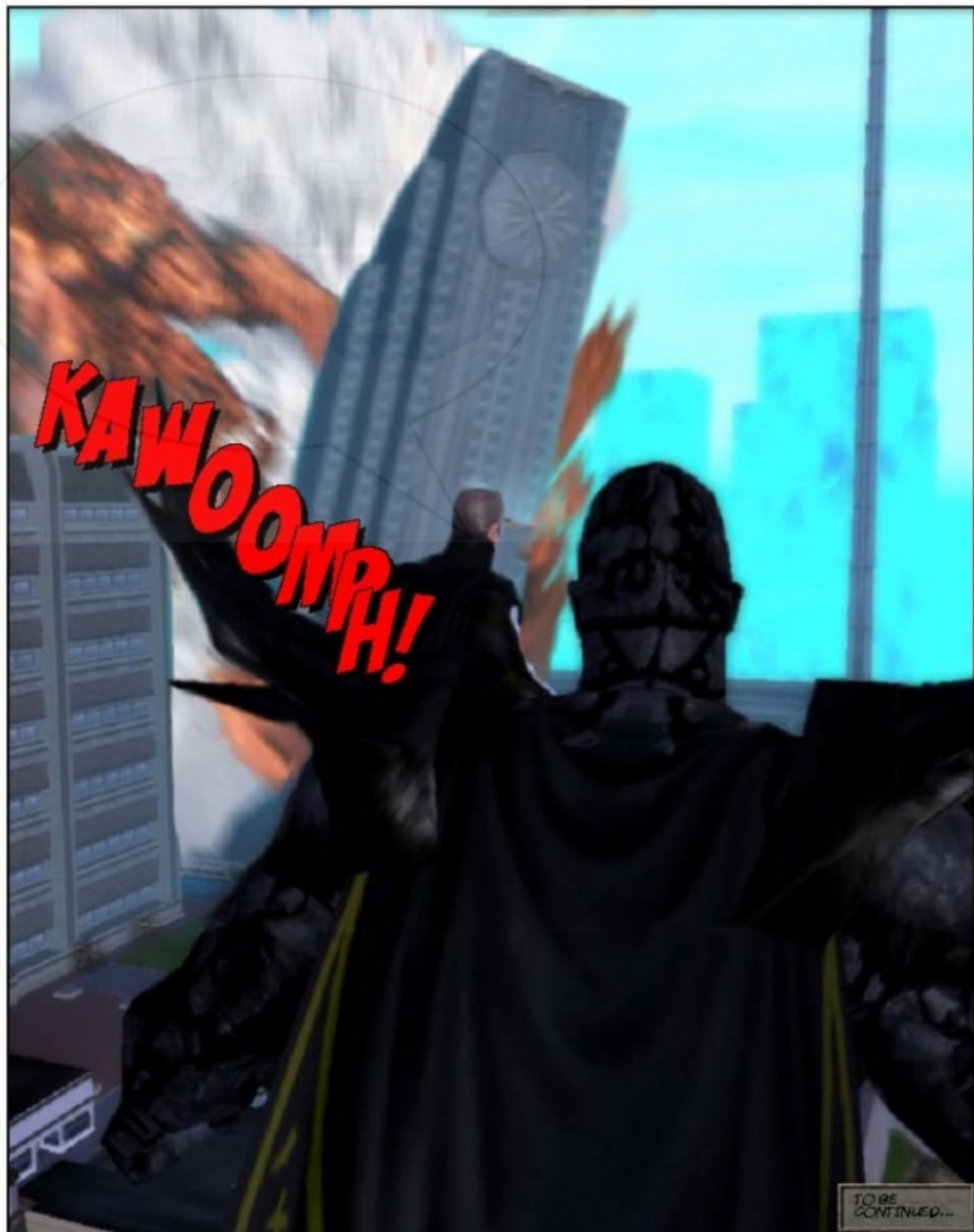
*EDITORS NOTE: THE ANDROID
DUPLICATE OF RA CONSTRUCTED BY THE
LEAGUE OF MALEVOLENCE TO FOOL
MESA CORPS, AS SEEN FOREVER MEN
ANIMATION 2 *ASSASSIN.*

WYLDSTAR ACTIVATES HIS
COMMUNICATOR. "EVERYONE
TO HEADQUARTERS, NOW!"

OUR HEROES RUSH
ACROSS STEEL CANYON
WHEN THE COMMUNICATOR
CRACKLES TO LIFE...

THIS IS ROE, WE HAVE A DEVICE
DOWN HERE. G.E.G.I.L AND
IMAGE SHOULD GET HERE AND...
**CRIPES! ... GET
EVERYONE OUT...
GET...**





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THE FOREVER MEN

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BACK ISSUES?
YOU GOT THEM!

YES! I WANT TO CATCH UP ON THE ADVENTURE!
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