

Finally, Kobra's actual plan stands revealed. And though it may spell disaster for all involved--including me...

...it will almost be worth it to see the smugness wiped from his evil face when it is spoiled!

W-WHAT?  
HOW CAN  
THIS  
BE...?

IT CAN BE  
BECAUSE YOU  
PLANNED TO  
CAPTURE US--  
DOMINATE US,  
HUMAN.

**KATANA**

**DEATH**

**AND REDEMPTION**

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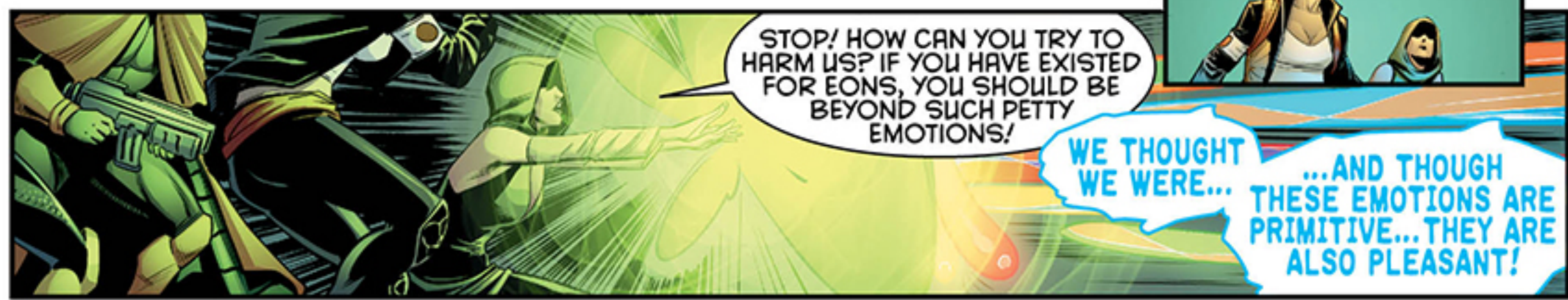




AND IT IS, BECAUSE  
WE AURAKLES HAVE  
EXISTED FOR BILLIONS  
OF YEARS...

...AND  
WE WILL NOT BE  
DOMINATED BY SACKS  
OF FLESH!

ELIMINATE  
THEM!



STOP! HOW CAN YOU TRY TO  
HARM US? IF YOU HAVE EXISTED  
FOR EONS, YOU SHOULD BE  
BEYOND SUCH PETTY  
EMOTIONS!

WE THOUGHT  
WE WERE...

...AND THOUGH  
THESE EMOTIONS ARE  
PRIMITIVE... THEY ARE  
ALSO PLEASANT!



KOBRA! IT WOULD BE  
WISE FOR US TO TABLE  
OUR FIGHT AND JOIN  
FORCES AGAINST THE  
COMMON FOE!

AGREED!



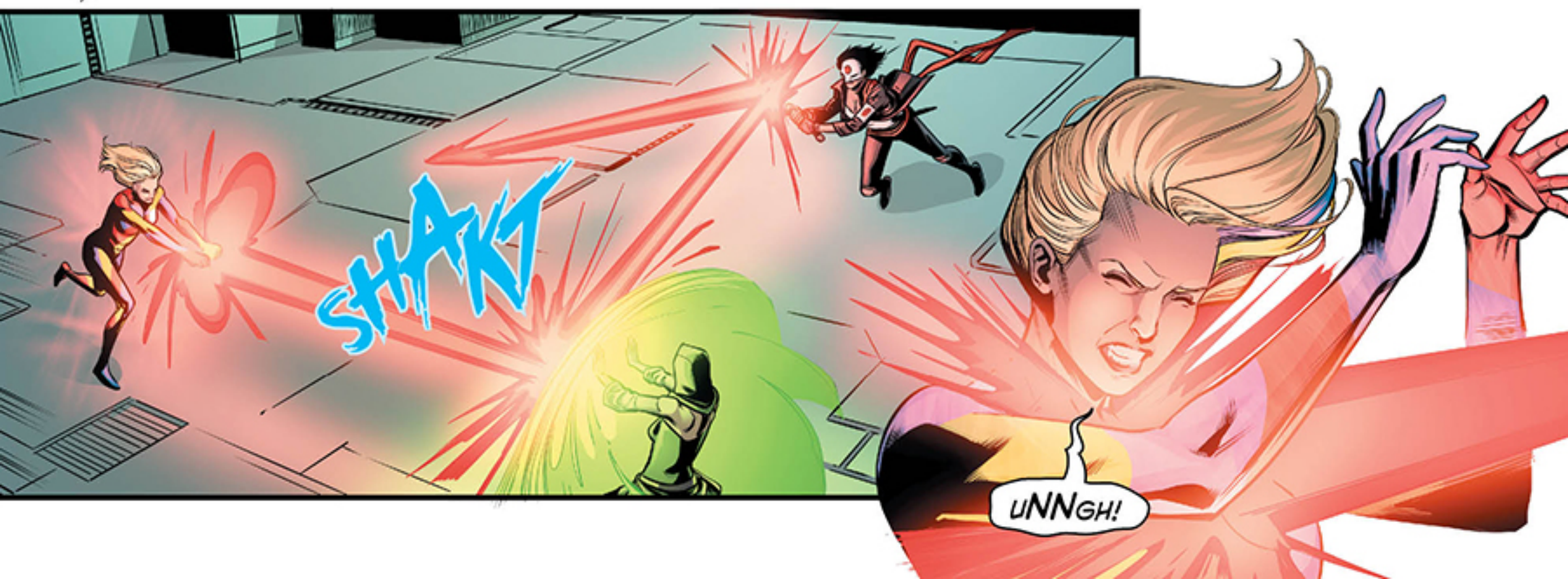
ARE  
YOU CERTAIN,  
MY LOVE? TURN  
OUR BACKS  
ON THE HATED  
KATANA?

THEIR  
BACKS WILL  
ALSO BE TURNED,  
EVE--AND WHEN THIS  
THREAT IS RESOLVED,  
WE WILL BREAK  
THEM!

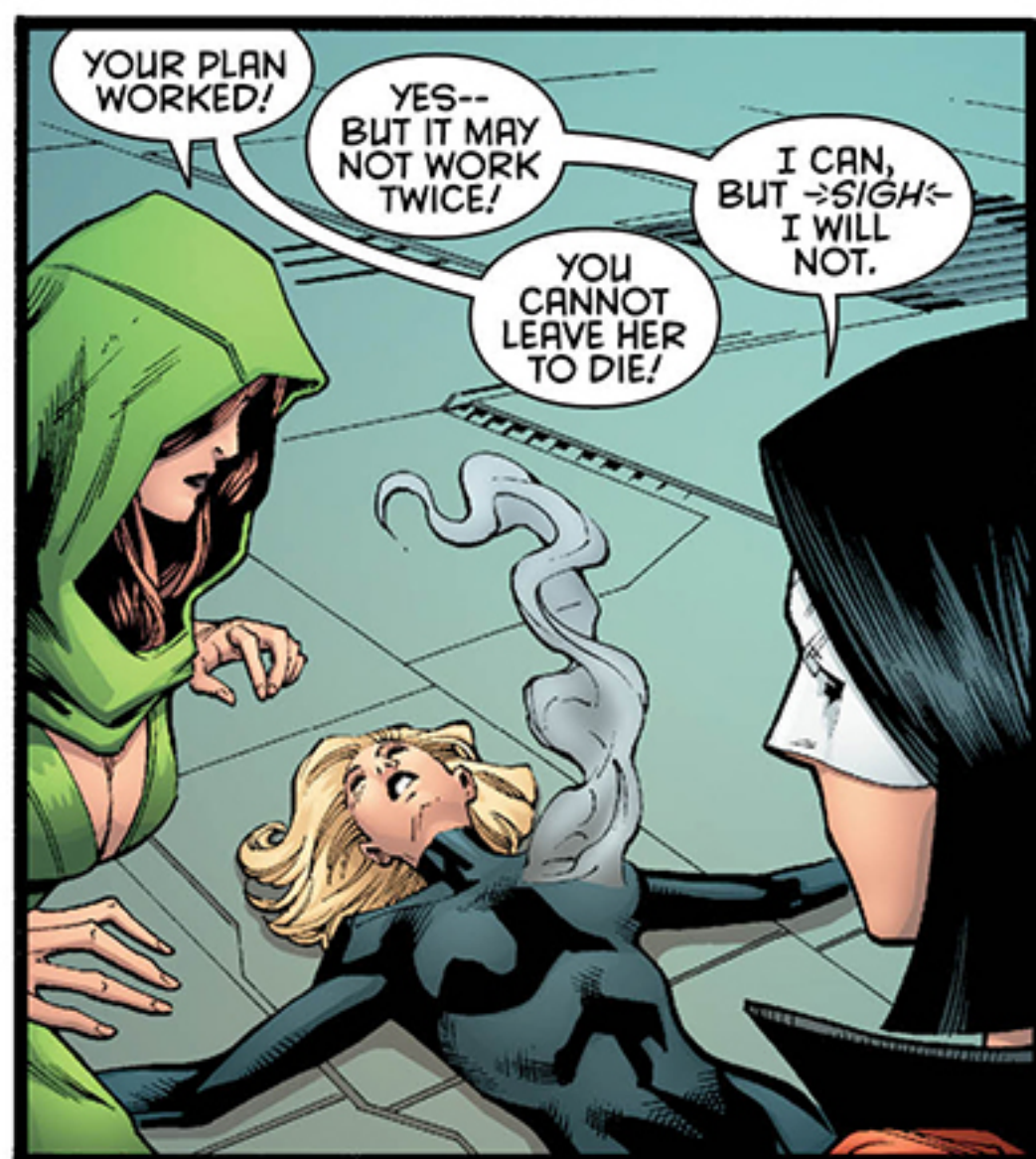














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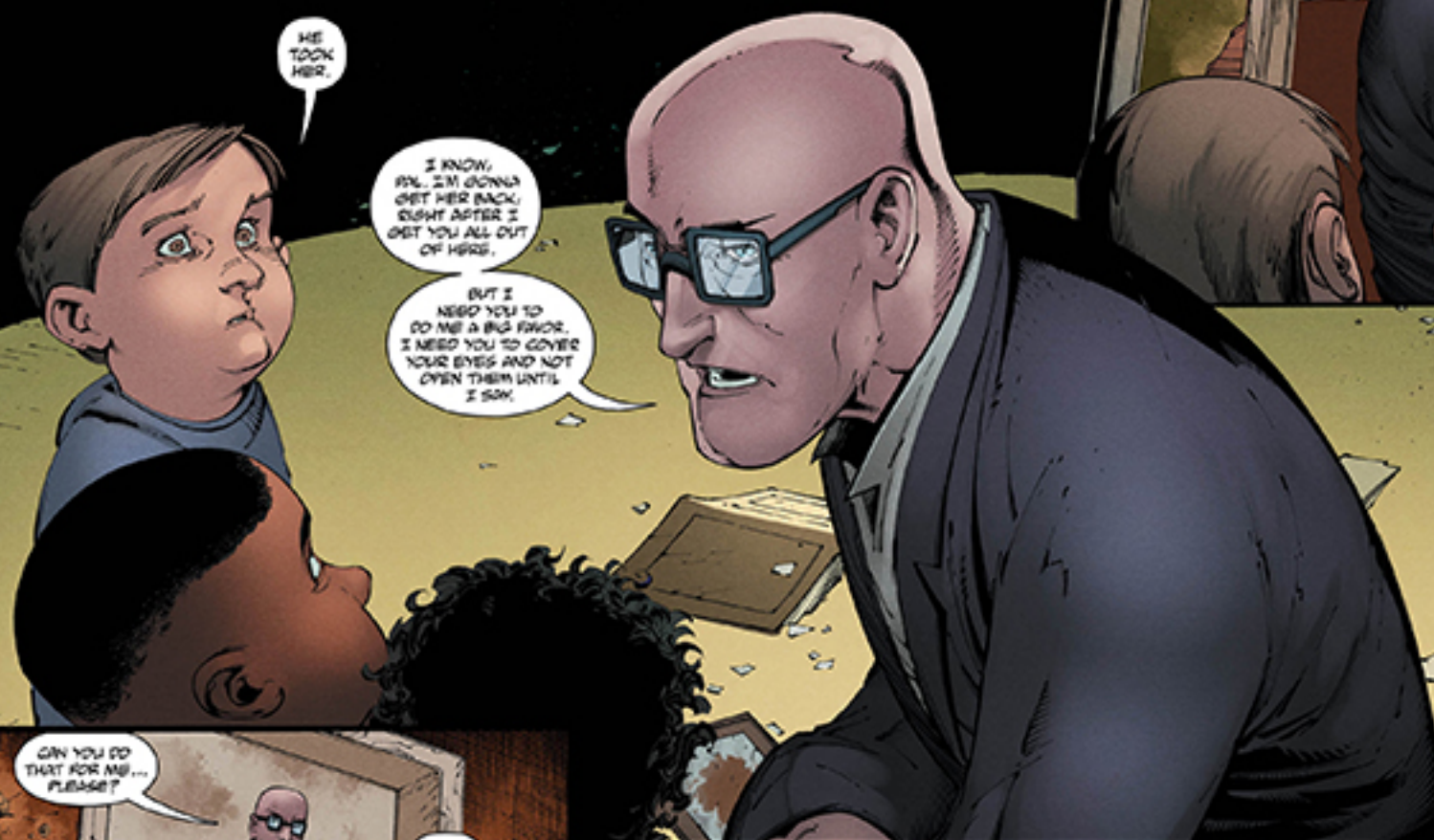
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THIS IS PROBABLY SCARY AND CONFUSING FOR YOU... BUT THERE'S A LESSON TO BE LEARNED HERE.

NO MATTER WHAT TERRIBLE THINGS HAPPEN, YOU CAN RISE ABOVE IT. IF YOU CAN FIND A PASSION IN LIFE... THERE IS HOPE.

TAKE ME FOR EXAMPLE...MY WHOLE FAMILY WAS GUNNED DOWN AND I LIVED. DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY...**UNTIL** I DISCOVERED MY CALLING.

SINCE THEN, I HAVE WORKED MY ASS OFF TO BECOME THE BEST VERSION OF MYSELF. AND NOW I HAVE A CHANCE TO REACH THE PINNACLE OF MY PROFESSION.



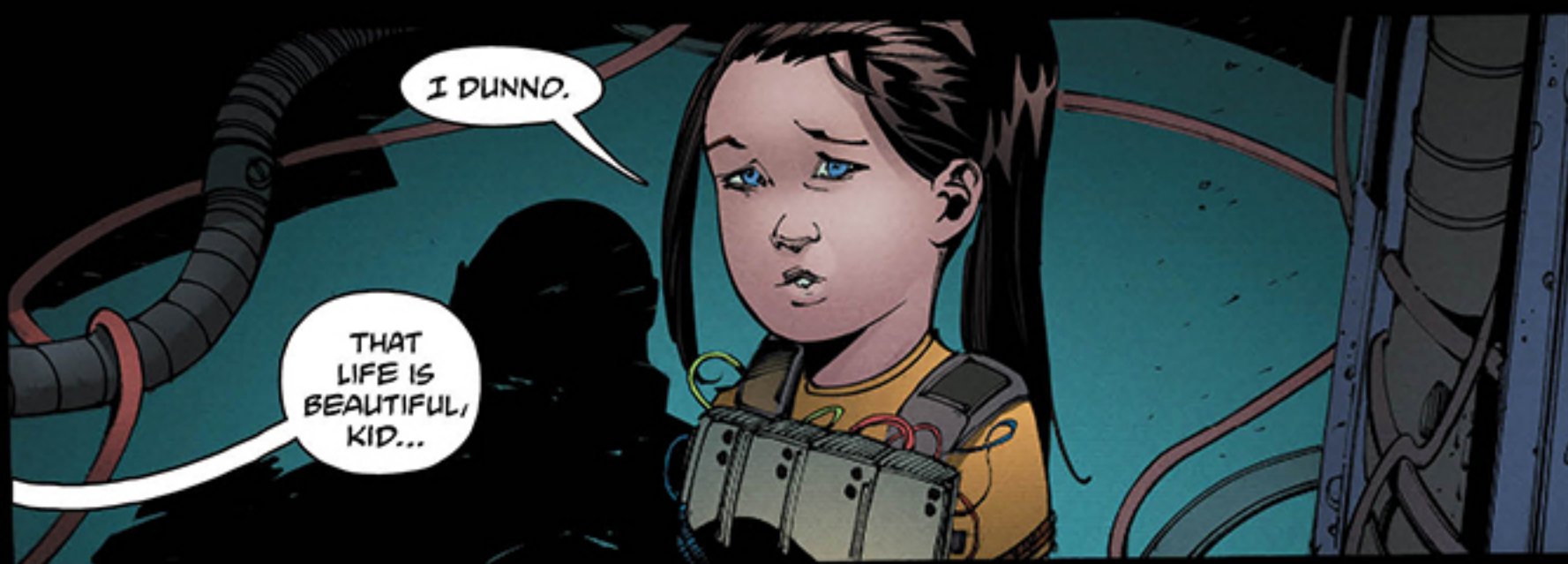
AFTER TODAY THERE WILL BE NO DOUBT THAT I'M AT THE TOP OF MY FIELD. MY FAMILY GETS MURDERED RIGHT IN FRONT OF ME, BUT HERE I AM ABOUT TO ACHIEVE MY DREAM.

WHAT DOES THAT TELL YOU?



I DUNNO.

THAT LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL, KID...





OUTSIDE OF GOTHAM.

I STILL DON'T  
AGREE WITH SENDING YOU  
IN WITH NO EQUIPMENT  
AND NO BACKUP.

IT'S  
HOW HE  
WANTED IT,  
WALLER.

BEFORE  
I GO RADIO  
SILENT, I NEED  
SOMETHING  
FROM YOU...

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR  
APOLOGIES, SAVE YOUR BREATH. I  
BET ON THE WRONG HORSE AND IT  
COST ME DEARLY. I ACKNOWLEDGE  
MY ERROR--

--NOW YOU'RE GOING  
TO REMEDY THAT.

I HAVE NO  
ILLUSIONS ABOUT OUR  
RELATIONSHIP...BUT I'M  
GONNA NEED SOMETHING  
FROM YOU IN EXCHANGE  
FOR WILL'S HEAD.

NOTHING HAS  
CHANGED. YOU'RE STILL AN  
ASSET AND YOU DON'T GET TO  
ASK FOR THINGS.

IT'S  
NOT FOR  
ME.

BUT YOU'RE  
GOING TO GIVE IT  
TO ME ANYWAY. NOT  
BECAUSE YOU OWE  
ME...NOT BECAUSE  
IT'S THE RIGHT  
THING TO DO...

YOU'LL DO IT BECAUSE  
IT'S THE **ONLY** WAY YOU'LL  
EVER GET ME BACK ON  
THE SQUAD.

I'M LISTENING...