

ZENTRAEDI FLAGSHIP -- AND FOR LISA HAYES, RICK HUNTER, MAX STERLING, BEN DIXON AND CAPTAIN KRAMER A BAD SITUATION JUST GOT A LOT WORSE...

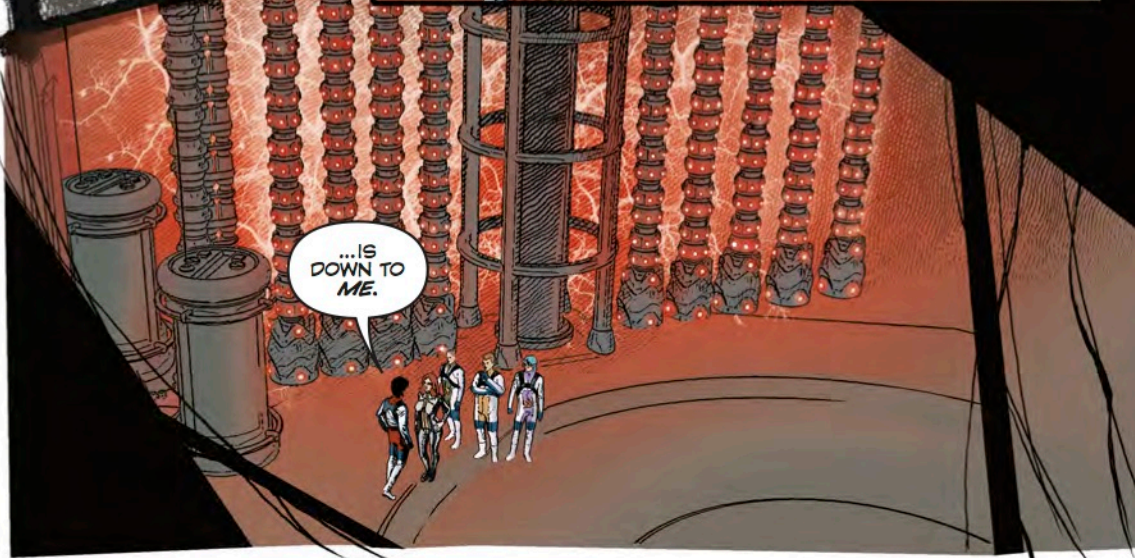
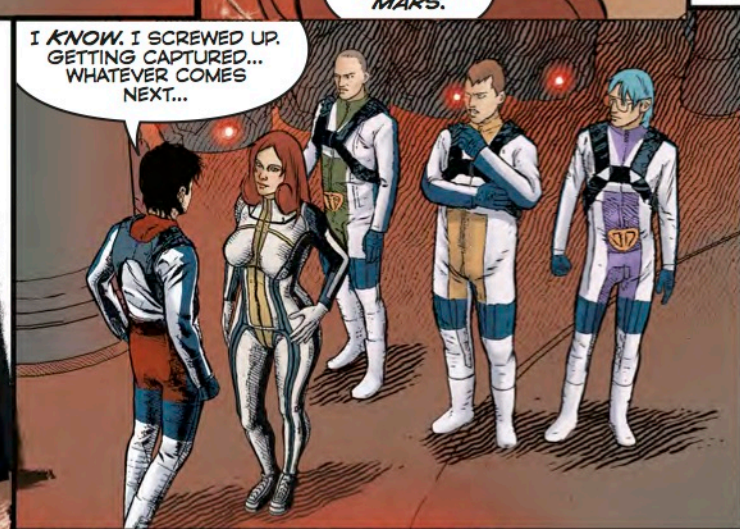
BLIND?

AS
IN... WAIT,
WHAT AM I
SAYING?

AS IN
I CAN'T SEE
ANYTHING! JUST...
A BIG BLACK HOLE
WHERE THE WORLD
SHOULD BE!

RICK...
TRY AND STAY
CALM.







YOUR LAST-GASP
MISSION TO THE
RED PLANET...



...IMPRESSED
DOLZA. MORE
SO, IT SEEMS,
THAN IF YOU'D
SNARED THE
MICRONIANS
AT THE FIRST
TIME OF
ASKING.

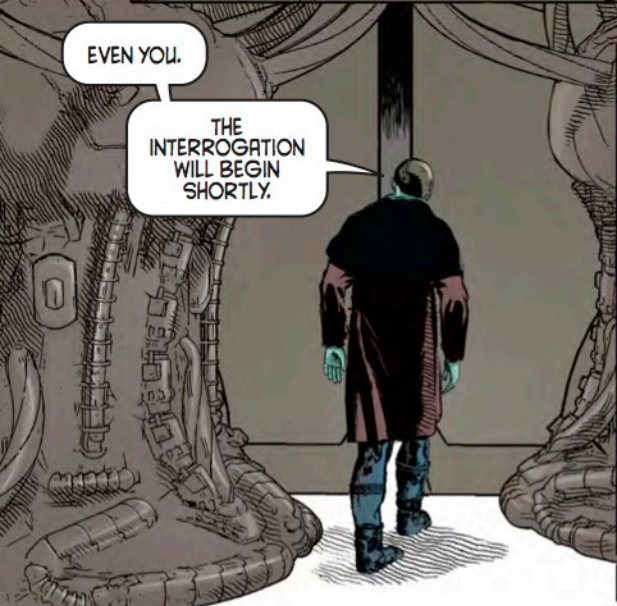
WELL
PLAYED,
BREETAI.

HIGH PRAISE...
COMING
FROM YOU.




STILL, ANOTHER SLIP
AND, WELL, THERE'D BE
NO COMING BACK.

WE *ALL* STAND
ONE IMPRUDENT STEP
FROM THE ABYSS,
AZONIA...



EVEN YOU.

THE
INTERROGATION
WILL BEGIN
SHORTLY.



"BEST *NOT*
KEEP HIM
WAITING."



LISTEN. IT WAS *MY* DECISION
TO GO BACK TO MARS. MINE
ALONE. I WALKED US
RIGHT INTO--

CAPTAIN
HAYES!



TWO OF
YOU...

...WE'VE
GOT
COMPANY...

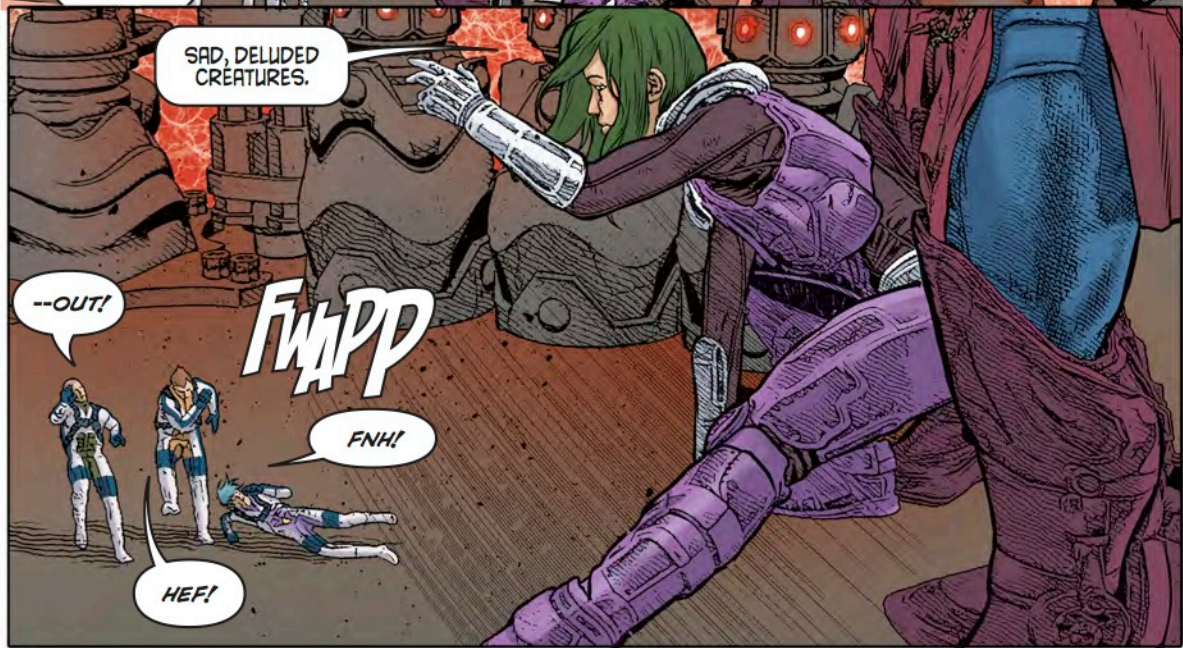
...WILL COME
WITH US.



NOT WITHOUT
A FIGHT.

YEAH!
WE'RE GONNA
SPANK YOUR SORRY
ALIEN BACKSIDES.
STARTING
NOW!

DIXON,
STERLING!
WATCH--



SAD, DELUIDED
CREATURES.

--OUT!

FWAPP

FNH!

HEF!