

The Kremlin.

NIGHT FALLS QUICKLY THIS
EARLY IN THE YEAR...

...THE TEMPERATURE ON RED SQUARE
PLUNGING FROM FRIGID TO ARCTIC
IN A MATTER OF MINUTES.

BUT INSIDE, THE LITTLE MAN
RESPONSIBLE FOR OVER
TWENTY YEARS OF TERROR
IS WARM AND DRY...

...REREADING AN ERNEST
HEMINGWAY NOVEL WHILE
HIS STAFF QUIVERS IN
TERROR AT WHATEVER HIS
NEXT TEMPESTUOUS
OUTBURST MIGHT BE.

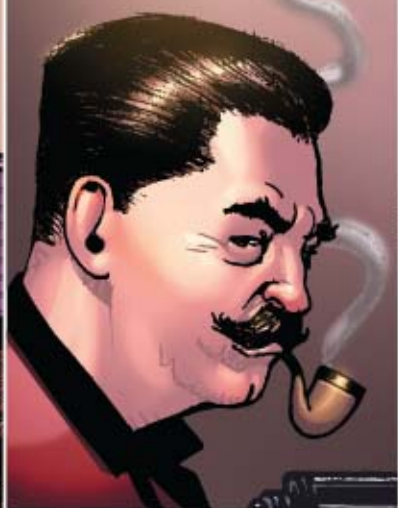
GENERAL PUDOVKIN
GIVES HIM A GIFT...

...NATURALLY, JOSEF STALIN
ASSUMES THE GENERAL
HAS SOMETHING TO HIDE.

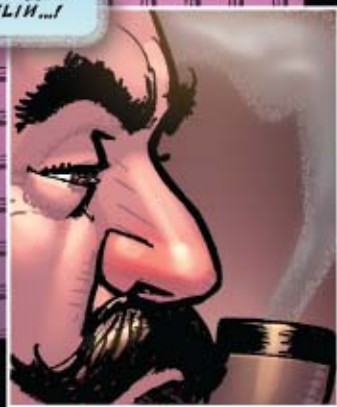
THE MVD OFFICERS WILL
COLLECT HIM SOMETIME
AROUND THREE THIS
MORNING...

...AND IF HE SURVIVES
THE INTERROGATION...

...IT'S A CERTAINTY
THAT THE GULAG
WILL KILL HIM.



СОМЯДОЗ
СТЛИН...!



THE SPAN

MIDNIGHT IN

...YOU ARE IN
A VERY
DANGER.

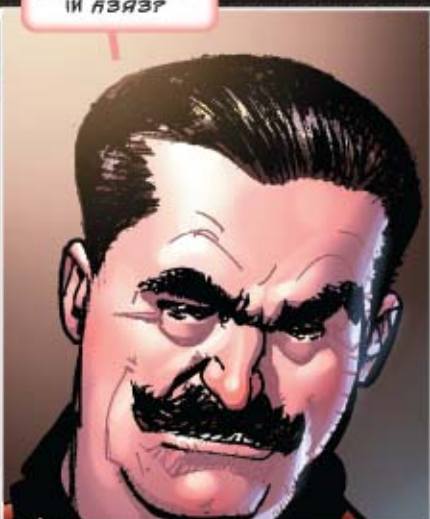
WHAT IS THE
MEANING
OF THIS-

--WHO IS THIS
SUICIDE
MADMAN--



007 MOSCOW PART 6

--ДИД КОШ ВДБ
НЗ ДВЛЗ ТО ГЗТ
ИИ АЗЯЗ?




1 ДИ ТНЗ ПДИ
ТНЗУ СДЛ
ТНЗ ВАДРОЩ--



--ДИД ТНЗЯЗ ДЯЗ
НО ШДЛЛБ ТНДТ
СДИ STOP ME.



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ENDGAME...

...OR, AT THE VERY LEAST,
TOP OF THE NINTH...

...AS TIME--FOR THE SHADOW,
AT LEAST--SEEMS TO STOP.

TIK...TIK...TIK...TIK...



THE ENGLISH TOYMAKER,
McSHEEN, CRAFTED A
PERFECT CRADLE FOR THIS
MINIATURIZED NIGHTMARE.

THE SHADOW HAS NO LOVE
FOR THIS BRUTAL MAN AND
HIS LETHAL REGIME...

TIK...TIK...TIK...TIK...




BLAM! BLAM!!

...BUT IF A WORLD
IS TO BE SAVED...

...THE WORK MUST
BE DONE...

...ONE STEP AT A TIME,

TIK...TIK...TI...



УОУЯ ПІЗІ
ДЯЗ ДЗІД,
СОПЯДЗ...

...BUT УОУЯ
ЛІЗ ІЗ
БРДЯЗД.

ІТ'Є ТЯЦЗ
СОПЯДЗ--



THIS ПЛАН HAS
БЛУЗД УОЦ,
ТНЗ СОЦИТАУ--



--AND РЭЯНДРЗ
ТНЗ ШОЯЛД.

I'M NOT СУЯЗ I'D
БЗ QUIТЗ ТНАТ
ГЯДНОЮБЗ, BUT
СОПЯДРЕ ВУЛГДКОВ
НАБ Д POINT.

YOU ДЯЗ TO
ВУЯСТ INTO
MY OFFICE--

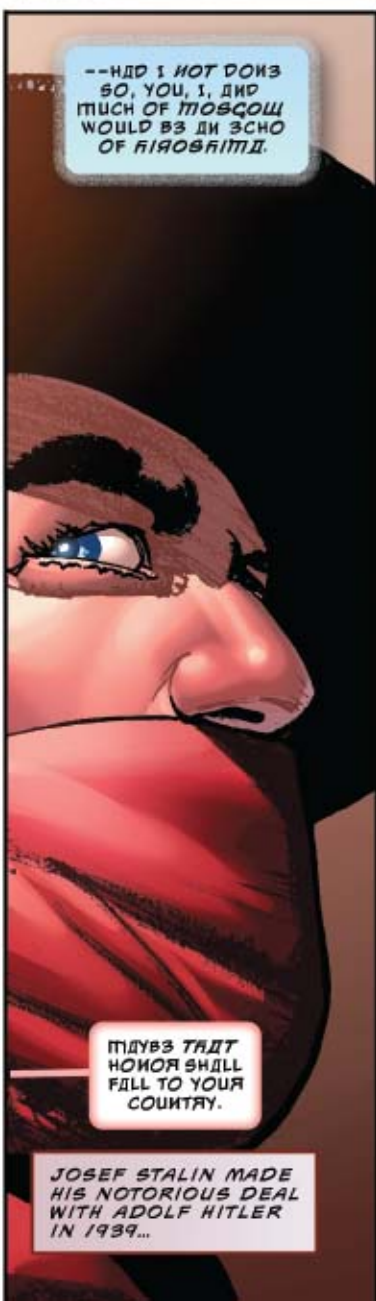


--ЖИЛ ТШО
ВОРУБДЯРЗ--

ДССЭРТ
ТНЗ ЕЛТС
OF LIFE,
СОПЯДРЕ
БДЛИН--



--НАД I NOT ДОИЗ
SO, YOU, I, ДНО
МУСН OF MOSCOW
WOULD БЗ ДИ ЗСНО
OF РЯОВБПД.



ПДЮБЗ ТАДТ
НОЮЯ БНДЛЛ
FALL TO YOUR
COUNTRY.

JOSEF STALIN MADE
HIS NOTORIOUS DEAL
WITH ADOLF HITLER
IN 1939...