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BURNOW ISLAND.

YOU SEEM SURPRISED TO SEE ME.

THEN IMAGINE MY SURPRISE WHEN I WAS AWAKENED FROM STASIS BY GOOD LIEUTENANT KLEVE, ONLY TO FIND OUT THAT MY IMPRISONMENT WAS THE DOING OF MY VERY OWN PEOPLE...

...THE VERY SAME PEOPLE WHOM I'VE SPENT THE BETTER PART OF MY EXISTENCE FIGHTING AND RISKING MY LIFE FOR.

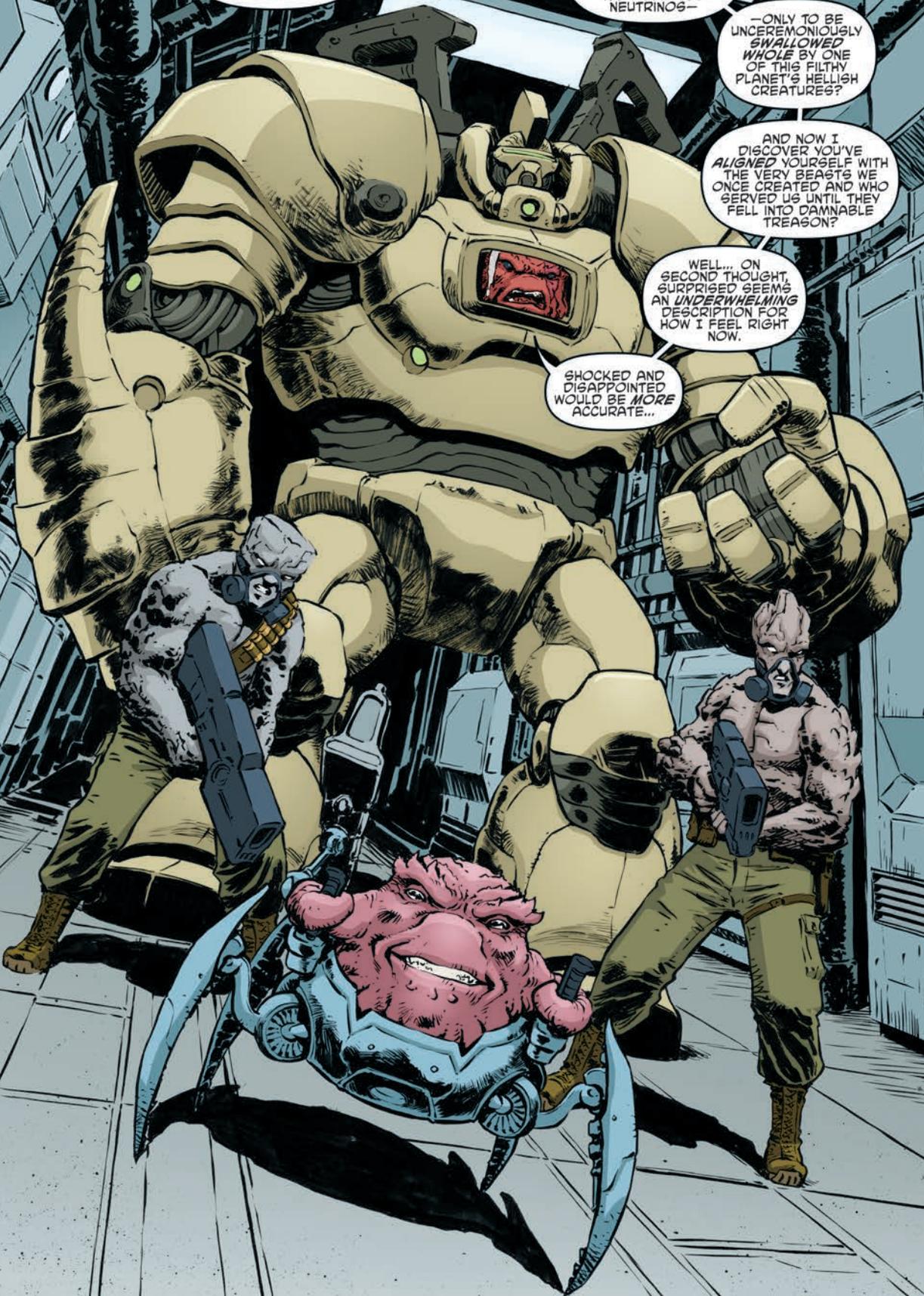
AND THEN I LEARN THAT GENERAL KRANG WAS ALSO ALLOWED TO BE MADE A PRISONER AND TRIED AS A WAR CRIMINAL BY THE ACCURSED NEUTRINOS—

—ONLY TO BE UN CEREMONIOUSLY SWALLOWED WHOLE BY ONE OF THIS FILTHY PLANET'S HELLISH CREATURES?

AND NOW I DISCOVER YOU'VE ALIGNED YOURSELF WITH THE VERY BEASTS WE ONCE CREATED AND WHO SERVED US UNTIL THEY FELL INTO DAMNABLE TREASON?

WELL... ON SECOND THOUGHT, SURPRISED SEEMS AN UNDERWHELMING DESCRIPTION FOR HOW I FEEL RIGHT NOW.

SHOCKED AND DISAPPOINTED WOULD BE MORE ACCURATE...





... DEAREST SISTER.

CH'RELL, YOU MUST UNDERSTAND. WE—



STOP RIGHT THERE. EVEN NOW, YOU DARE TO TELL ME WHAT I "MUST" DO?

THE UTTER AUDACITY, MA'RIELL.

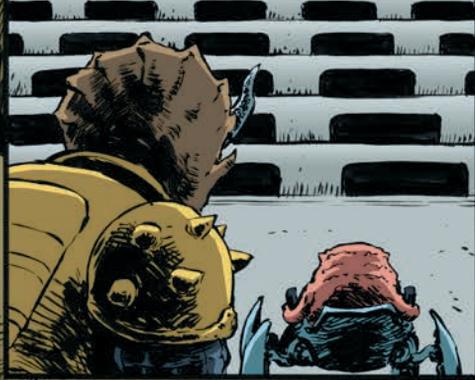


LIEUTENANT TRAGG—YOU AND GRANITOR KEEP A CLOSE WATCH ON THE DOOR... AND THE TRICERATON.

COPY THAT, COLONEL.

CORPORAL MONTUORO—SEE TO LIEUTENANT KLEVE.

YES, SIR!



NOW, WE ARE ADULT UTROMS, ARE WE NOT, SISTER?

NO NEED TO SHOUT ACROSS THE ROOM AT EACH OTHER.

THAT'S CLOSE ENOUGH, CH'RELL. WE CAN HEAR YOU FINE FROM THERE.

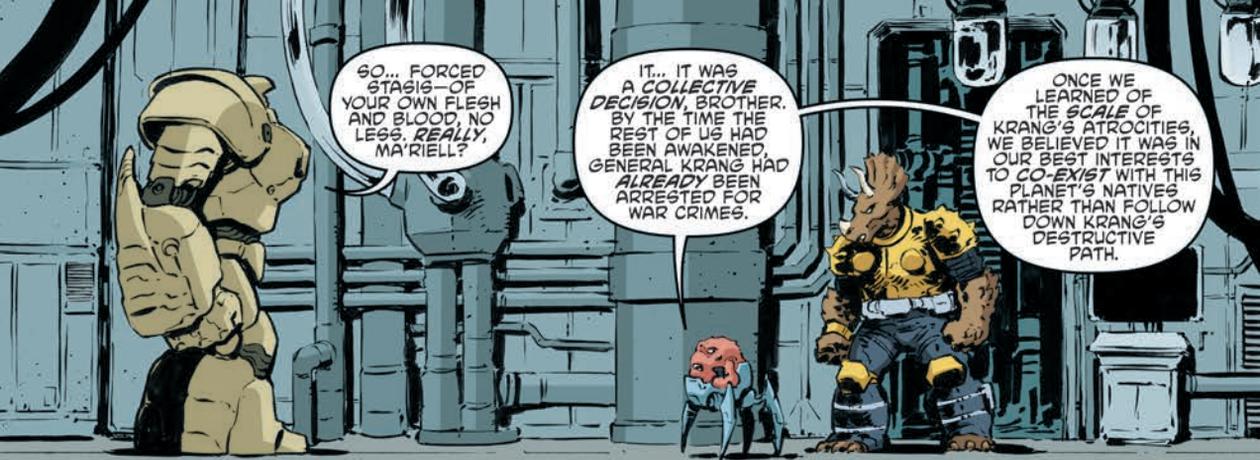


I WASN'T SPEAKING TO YOU... COMMANDER ZOM, IS IT?

AND YOU WOULD BE WISE TO HOLD YOUR TONGUE—



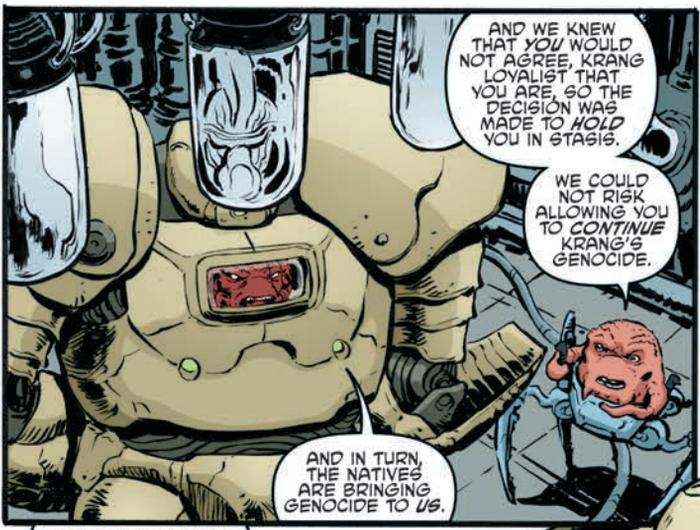
"—I'M NOT THE ONLY FORMER PRISONER HERE WITH A BONE OR TWO TO PICK."



SO... FORCED STAGIS—OF YOUR OWN FLESH AND BLOOD, NO LESS. **REALLY, MA'RIELL?**

IT... IT WAS A **COLLECTIVE DECISION, BROTHER.** BY THE TIME THE REST OF US HAD BEEN AWAKENED, GENERAL KRANG HAD **ALREADY BEEN ARRESTED FOR WAR CRIMES.**

ONCE WE LEARNED OF THE **SCALE OF KRANG'S ATROCITIES,** WE BELIEVED IT WAS IN OUR BEST INTERESTS TO **CO-EXIST** WITH THIS PLANET'S NATIVES RATHER THAN FOLLOW DOWN KRANG'S DESTRUCTIVE PATH.



AND WE KNEW THAT YOU WOULD NOT AGREE, KRANG LOYALIST THAT YOU ARE, SO THE DECISION WAS MADE TO **HOLD YOU IN STAGIS.**

WE COULD NOT RISK ALLOWING YOU TO **CONTINUE KRANG'S GENOCIDE.**

AND IN TURN, THE NATIVES ARE BRINGING GENOCIDE TO **US.**



YOU KNOW, THAT'S THE **PROBLEM WITH YOU SCIENTISTS AND ARTISTS.**

YOU SPEND ALL YOUR LIVES STUDYING AND EXPERIMENTING IN SOME DESPERATE SEARCH FOR ANSWERS TO HOW THINGS **REALLY WORK...**



...WHEN WE SOLDIERS ALREADY HAVE **ALL THE BLOODSTAINED EVIDENCE WE NEED.**



BUT NOW'S **NOT THE TIME FOR PHILOSOPHICAL OR POLITICAL ARGUMENTS.**

WE CAN DEBATE THE MORALITY OF WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO ME AND MY SOLDIERS **LATER, MA'RIELL.**

THE ENEMY IS AT THE **GATES—**

"—NOW IS THE TIME FOR KILLING."

IT APPEARS OUR ENEMIES HAVE CONSTRUCTED A HASTILY BUILT DEFENSE AT BEST, CAPTAIN MITCHELL.

COPY THAT, AGENT BISHOP...

...THEY'RE SCRAMBLING TO GET DUG IN, THAT'S FOR SURE.



