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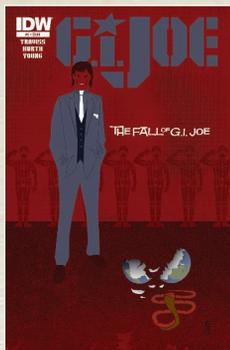
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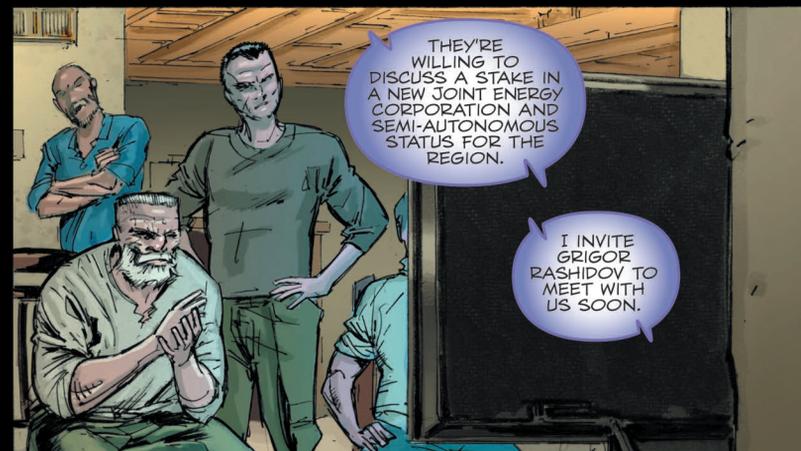
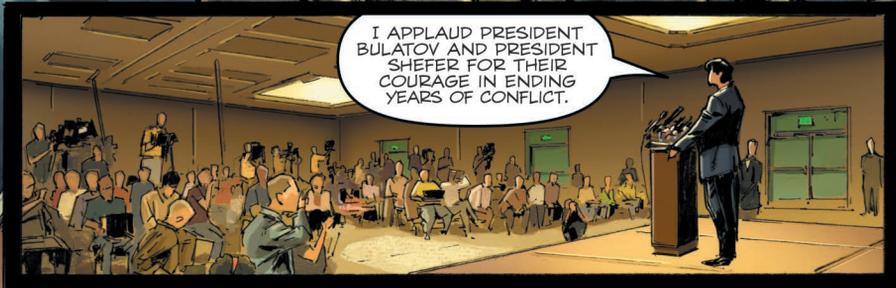


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WE'VE NOW REACHED A BROAD AGREEMENT FOR A PERMANENT TREATY BETWEEN GALIBI AND SCHLETEVA.

DAGIL, SCHLETEVA: COBRA NEWS CONFERENCE.





I THINK HE JUST SENT YOU AN INVITATION TO THE BALL, GRIGOR.

SEMI-AUTONOMY IS A FANCY WORD FOR WHAT WE HAVE NOW.



WE CAN'T ACCEPT ANYTHING LESS THAN BEING PART OF SCHLETEVA.



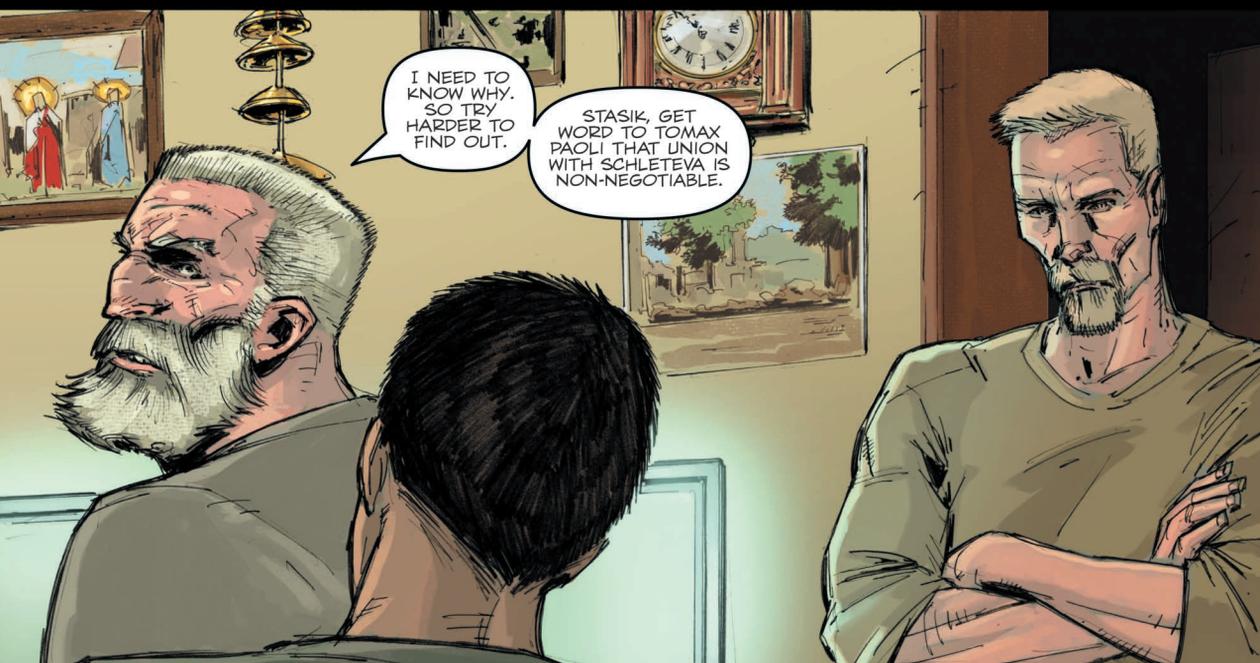
BUT SURELY WE CAN LISTEN TO WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY ABOUT GAS REVENUE.



YURI, WHICH PART OF THE TERM *SEPARATIST* DO YOU NOT UNDERSTAND? IT'S NON-NEGOTIABLE. WE ARE SCHLETEVAN.

AND HOW CAN WE SAFELY MAKE CONTACT WITH THEM?

WE'RE LOSING COURIERS. DMITRI SAYS BOGDAN IS DEAD. DOSKEN HAS DISAPPEARED.



I NEED TO KNOW WHY. SO TRY HARDER TO FIND OUT.

STASIK, GET WORD TO TOMAX PAOLI THAT UNION WITH SCHLETEVA IS NON-NEGOTIABLE.

JOSEPH B. COLTON  
GENERAL U.S. ARMY

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND.

COME IN.

IT'S HARD TO KNOW WHERE TO START, GENERAL. MAY I JUST BLURT OUT FACTS TO YOU?

BLURTING'S GOOD FOR ME, CAPTAIN. I'VE GOT A MEETING.

THIS LOOKS LIKE THE GUY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE USHKIRLI BOMBING. HIS NAME'S ISAAC. HE'S 16.

I BELIEVE HIS FULL NAME IS ISAAC CRAFT, AND I GOT THE PICTURE FROM DUKE AND A BRIT YOU MIGHT RECALL. DAVID BENNETT.

WELL, WELL. WE DO LIVE IN INTERESTING TIMES. DON'T WE?

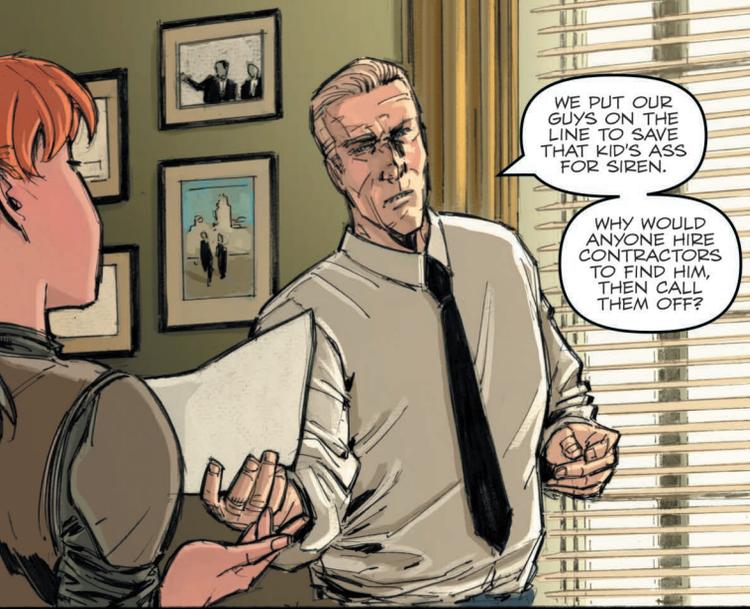
OUT OF MY LONG LIST OF WHAT-THE-HELLS, "DUKE"?

THEY'RE WORKING AS PRIVATE CONTRACTORS. THEY WERE TASKED TO FIND ISAAC AND TOLD THAT HE WAS WITH RASHIDOV'S MILITIA.

THEY DIDN'T KNOW WHO HE WAS. THEY DO NOW.

AND THEY WERE CALLED OFF AFTER THE BOMBING. NO REASON GIVEN.

BUT BEFORE YOU ASK, SIR, I DON'T PLAN TO SHARE THIS WITH ANY OTHER AGENCY. EVEN OPERATIONAL SUPPORT.



WE PUT OUR GUYS ON THE LINE TO SAVE THAT KID'S ASS FOR SIREN.

WHY WOULD ANYONE HIRE CONTRACTORS TO FIND HIM, THEN CALL THEM OFF?



PERHAPS THEY KEPT SIREN OUT OF THE LOOP AND SHE BLEW IT BY TRYING TO FIND OUT WHERE HE'D GONE.

SO NOW THEY'VE BEEN FORCED TO TELL HER IT'S ALL FINE—HE'S JUST BEEN SENT TO STOKE UP THE SEPARATISTS.

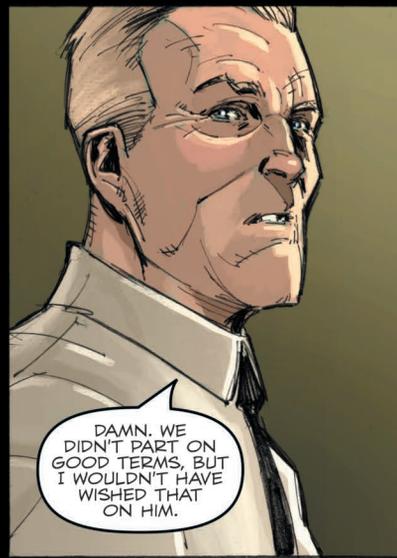


I'D BUY THAT. SHE TOOK A BIG RISK CONTACTING US FOR HELP LAST TIME SHE MISPLACED HIM.

BUT ARE YOU SURE DUKE DIDN'T KNOW WHO WAS PAYING HIM?

WE STILL DON'T KNOW HOW HE BANKROLLS HIS WIFE'S MEDICAL CARE.

AH... SHE DIED, SIR.



DAMN. WE DIDN'T PART ON GOOD TERMS, BUT I WOULDN'T HAVE WISHED THAT ON HIM.



TO MAKE THINGS REALLY MESSY—IT LOOKS LIKE COBRA'S KILLING SEPARATIST QUARTERMASTERS.

WHAT THE HELL WOULD PAOLI STAND TO GAIN FROM PEACE TALKS AND STIRRING UP A GUERRILLA WAR?

I DON'T KNOW. SO I'D LIKE TO ASK SIREN A FEW QUESTIONS. IN PERSON.



YOU WANT ME TO SANCTION SOME HALF-ASSED JAUNT TO LONDON? YOU'RE THE **COMMANDER** NOW, SCARLETT. THE DESK IS A SAD FACT OF LIFE.

COMMANDING A HANDFUL OF TEAMS. ONLY ONE OF WHICH IS NOW DEPLOYED.

THIS HAD BETTER BE CONVINCING.



SIREN'S THE WEAK LINK. HER WEAKNESS IS HER SON. I CAN LEAN ON HER.

BLACKMAIL? THREATS?

YOU BET. LET ME WORK UP A PLAN.

"WE WERE RIGHT ABOUT COBRA, SIR. THEY'RE JUST REGROUPING. WE DIDN'T PUT THEM OUT OF BUSINESS AFTER ALL."

I WISH YOU'D KNOWN YOUR FATHER, ISAAC. I REALLY WISH HE COULD HAVE KNOWN YOU.

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