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EARTH--A FAR-FLUNG REFUGE FOR THE GALAXY'S CAST-OFFS, BE THEY METAL OR BEAST... OR BOTH.

DURING THE PLANET'S LAST PERIOD OF GLACIATION, A SHINING SILVER STARSHIP ENDED AN EONS-LONG FLIGHT, ENGAGED IN DESPERATE SEARCH FOR--

ENERGON!

I'M GETTING AN ERRATIC ENERGON READING, DOMITIUS MAJOR... BUT IT'S DEFINITELY ENERGON.

AND WE ARE IN DIRE NEED, IF WE ARE TO COMPLETE OUR MASTER'S ORDERS.

LANDING COURSE SET--AND LIFE READINGS INDICATE WE'LL HAVE THE PLACE TO OURSELVES.

PERHAPS NOT. SOMETHING IS DIRECTING A TRANSMISSION OUR WAY.

THIS IS OPTIMUS PRIME, CALLING THE ARK-19. DO YOU READ ME, PROWL?

NOTHING. TRY TO BOOST THE SIGNAL, BUMBLEBEE.

THE INTERFERENCE IS TOO SFSZZZZT--

THE SIGNAL SEEMS FAMILIAR, DOMITIUS--BUT I CAN'T PLACE MY CLAW ON IT.

THEIR ANGULARITY IS SO UNNATURAL.

YET HE RESEMBLES YOU, DOMITIUS... AND CALLS HIMSELF PRIME.

GUYS--I JUST FIGURED OUT WHAT WAS BOUNCING THAT SIGNAL TO US...

...AND IT'S NOT GOOD!

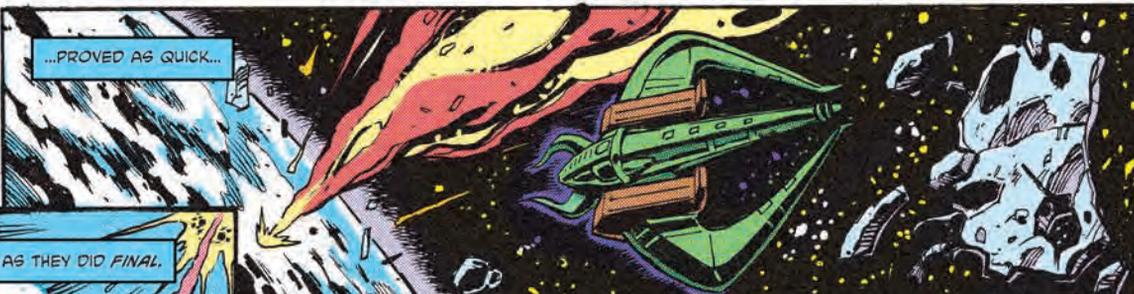


THE MYSTERIOUS STARSHIP'S ONLY REPLY--A SPRAY OF HELLFIRE DIRECTED AT THE AXALON!



ALL HANDS, READY THE--
AAUGH!

THE RESULTS...



...PROVED AS QUICK...



...AS THEY DID FINAL.



THE GOLD WINDS OF THE ICE AGE TORE THROUGH THE DOWNED SHIP...

...EVEN AS ITS DESTROYER FOLLOWED.



WAS THIS A CHANCE MEETING?

THE RESULT OF AN INTRICATE PLAN?

OR FATE PLAYING GAMES FOR ITS OWN AMUSEMENT?



WE MAY NEVER KNOW THE ANSWER.

FASCINATING.

STRANGE VISITORS

**THE IRON BUILDING.
SAN FRANCISCO.
TODAY.**

WAIT
HERE.

ONE WAY OR
ANOTHER, THIS
WILL BE OVER IN
TEN MINUTES.

DING

PENTHOUSE
FLOOR.

DAMN IT.

I TOLD
YOU TO NOT
BE HERE.

BUT MR. PAOLI,
I COULDN'T LEAVE...
YOU KNOW...

...HIM...

...ALONE.

I'VE WORKED
WITH YOU FOR
LIKE THREE
YEARS.

I KNOW
WHEN YOU
NEED
SOMEONE
AROUND.

WE'LL KNOW
THIS—YOU'RE
DONE.

GET OUT
BEFORE
I CALL
SECURITY.

UNBELIEVABLE.
I SHOULD HAVE
LISTENED TO MY
SISTER.

GUYS LIKE
YOU NEVER
CHANGE, WHAT-
EVER YOU TELL
THE TABLOIDS.

SIGH.

THE OLD ME
WOULDN'T HAVE
BOTHERED
GETTING YOU
OUT OF DANGER,
VIOLET.



YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE COME HERE.

THEY'RE ON MY TRAIL, BUT IT'S YOU THEY REALLY WANT...



...KREIGER.

THEY ALREADY FOUND ME. A GROUP OF WOULD-BE REVOLUTIONARIES INVADED KALISTAN BY IMPERSONATING YOU.

THEY LEARNED OF PROJECT: ICE MAN—

—AND THEY THREATEN BARON IRONBLOOD'S PLAN.



I RECOGNIZE THE ACTION MAN UNIFORM. BUT THE WOMAN?

G.I. JOE. CODE NAME MAYDAY.

SEEMS FITTING TO USE A FORMER COBRA COMMANDER LIKE YOURSELF AS BAIT.



I FIGURE THAT'S WHY THE BARON GAVE ME THIS.

WHAT DO YOU EXPECT ME TO TELL THEM?

MY DEAR BOY...



...IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT THE DOMINO SAYS AS IT FALLS.

BE SEEING YOU.



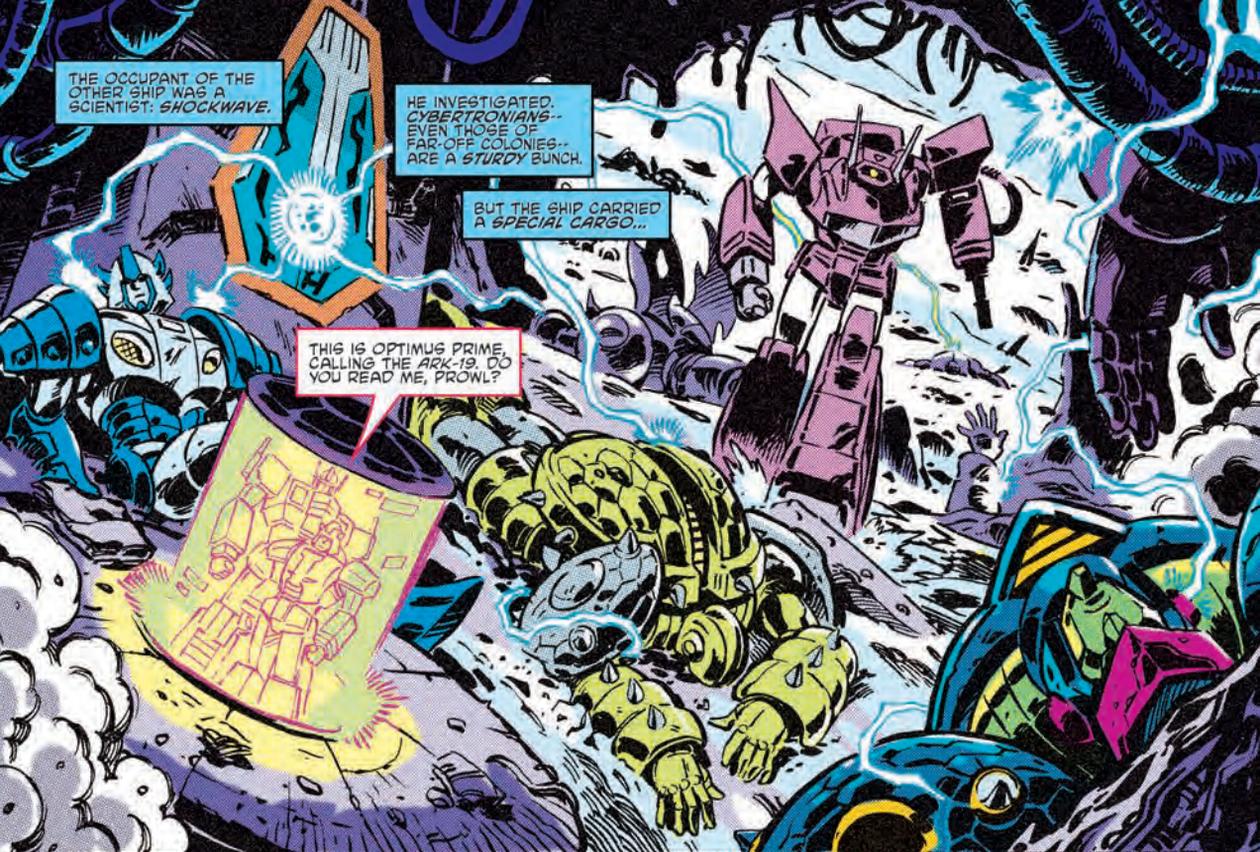
SO MUCH FOR THE NEW ME.

THE OCCUPANT OF THE OTHER SHIP WAS A SCIENTIST: **SHOCKWAVE**.

HE INVESTIGATED. **CYBERTRONIANS**-- EVEN THOSE OF FAR-OFF COLONIES-- ARE A **STURDY BUNCH**.

BUT THE SHIP CARRIED A **SPECIAL CARGO...**

THIS IS **OPTIMUS PRIME**, CALLING THE **ARK-19**. DO YOU READ ME, **PROWL?**



WHERE-- WHO--?

NOTHING. TRY TO BOOST THE SIGNAL, **BUMBLEBEE**.



THE INTERFERENCE IS TOO **SFZZZZT!**--

WHO AM I?

IS THAT ME?



AM I **BUMBLEBEE?**

WELL. WHY NOT? AFTER ALL...

...THAT MAY PROVE **ILLUMINATING**.

