

PURPORTED TO BE THE NEXT STAGE IN HUMAN EVOLUTION, MUTANTS MANIFEST SUPERHUMAN POWERS AND ABILITIES UPON REACHING ADOLESCENCE. BUT RATHER THAN BEING CELEBRATED FOR THEIR GIFTS, MUTANTS ARE HATED AND FEARED. WITH THE FATE OF THEIR RACE HANGING IN THE BALANCE, MUTANTKIND NEEDS HEROES WHO WILL LEAD THEM INTO THE FUTURE. MUTANTKIND NEEDS...

# EXTRAORDINARY X-MEN

A CLOUD OF TERRIGEN MIST HAS BEEN CIRCLING THE GLOBE SINCE BLACK BOLT, THE FORMER INHUMAN LEADER, RELEASED IT FROM THE INHUMAN CITY OF ATILAN. TRADITIONALLY RESERVED AS PART OF A COMING-OF-AGE CEREMONY, THE TERRIGEN TRIGGERS TRANSFORMATION (AND IN MANY CASES UNLEASHES LATENT POWERS) FOR INHUMANS. AS THE TERRIGEN SPREADS ACROSS THE PLANET, MANY PEOPLE WHO WERE PREVIOUSLY UNAWARE OF INHUMAN DNA IN THEIR GENETIC MAKEUP HAVE BEEN TRANSFORMING AS THEY COME INTO CONTACT WITH THE MIST. CASE IN POINT: NINE-YEAR-OLD LUNELLA LAFAYETTE, WHO'S USING HER GENIUS INTELLECT TO TRY TO REVERSE HER CONDITION.

BUT THERE IS ANOTHER SIDE EFFECT OF THE MIST: IT IS A DEADLY POISON TO ANYONE WITH THE MUTANT X-GENE. TO MAINTAIN A SAFE DISTANCE FROM THE MIST, THE X-MEN HAVE ESTABLISHED A REFUGE CALLED X-HAVEN IN THE DIMENSION OF LIMBO WHERE THE TERRIGEN CANNOT REACH.

BUT THERE ARE STILL OTHER MUTANTS ON EARTH WHO NEED TO MAINTAIN A SAFE DISTANCE FROM THE ROLLING MIST...

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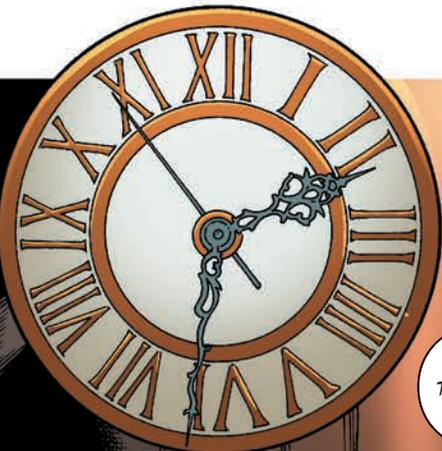
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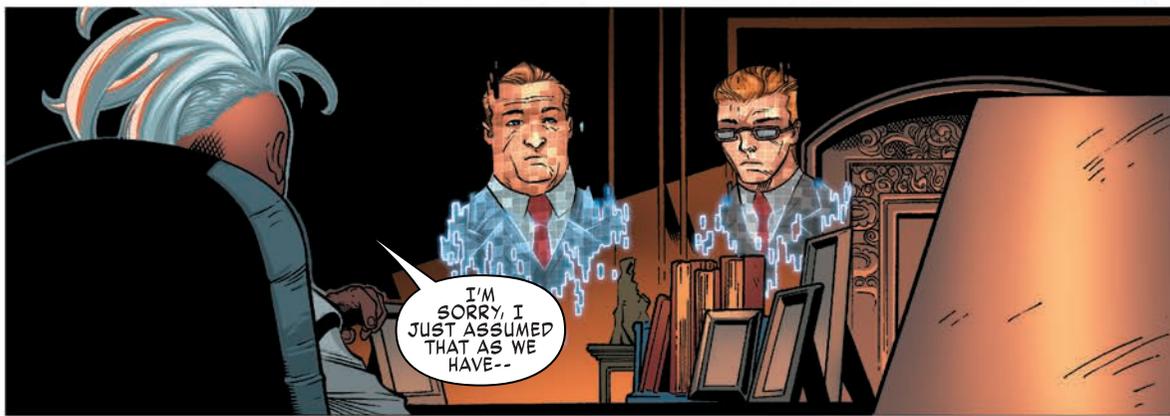
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IF YOU  
HAVE SOMEWHERE  
MORE IMPORTANT  
TO BE, MS. MUNROE,  
PLEASE DON'T  
LET US KEEP  
YOU.



I'M  
SORRY, I  
JUST ASSUMED  
THAT AS WE  
HAVE--



--ROUGHLY  
FORTY MINUTES BEFORE  
THE TERRIGEN MIST  
ROLLS OVER ONE OF  
YOUR SUPER-POWERED  
PRISONS--

--WHERE TWO  
MUTANTS ARE  
CURRENTLY BEING HELD  
WHO WILL LIKELY **DIE**  
IF THEY COME INTO  
CONTACT WITH THE  
CLOUD--

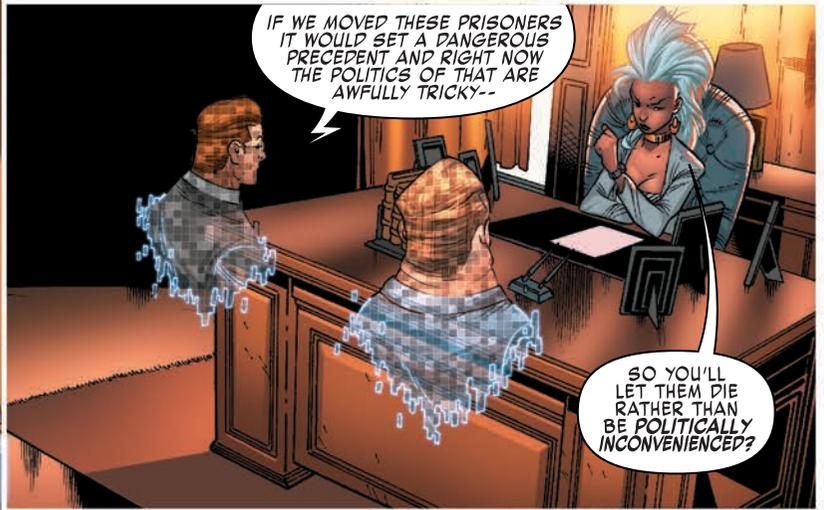


--IT  
MIGHT BE  
A GOOD IDEA  
TO KEEP AN  
EYE ON THE  
TIME.

BUT IF  
YOU'RE TELLING  
ME THE BRITISH  
GOVERNMENT WON'T  
DO ANYTHING TO HELP,  
I GUESS IT ISN'T  
IMPORTANT.

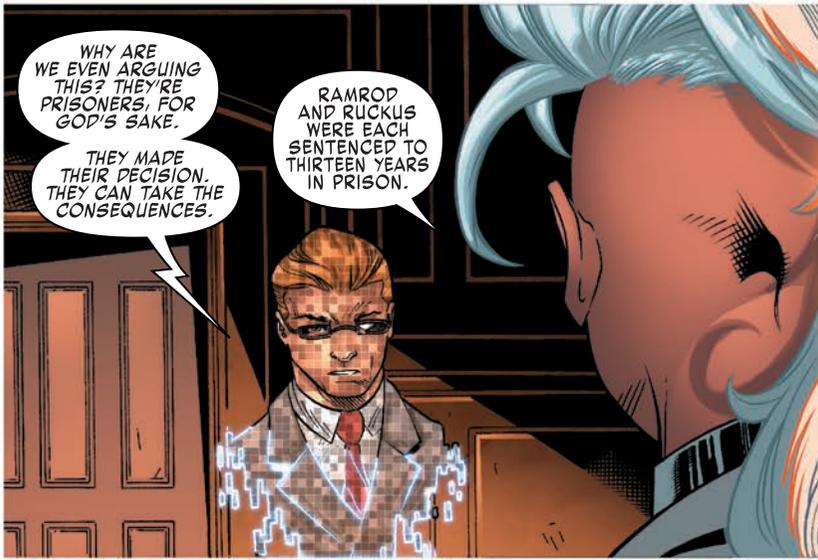


THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT HASN'T OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED THE TERRIGEN MIST AS HARMFUL TO MUTANTS.



IF WE MOVED THESE PRISONERS IT WOULD SET A DANGEROUS PRECEDENT AND RIGHT NOW THE POLITICS OF THAT ARE AWFULLY TRICKY--

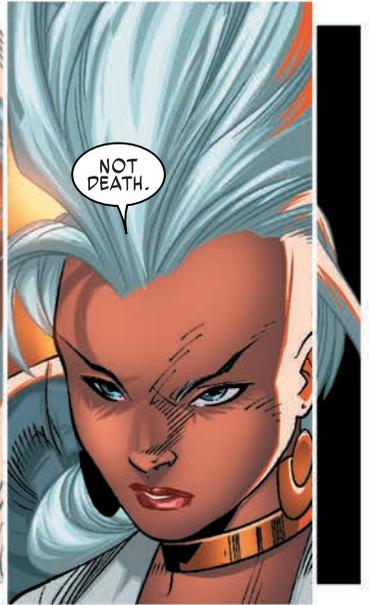
SO YOU'LL LET THEM DIE RATHER THAN BE POLITICALLY INCONVENIENCED?



WHY ARE WE EVEN ARGUING THIS? THEY'RE PRISONERS, FOR GOD'S SAKE.

RAMROD AND RUCKUS WERE EACH SENTENCED TO THIRTEEN YEARS IN PRISON.

THEY MADE THEIR DECISION. THEY CAN TAKE THE CONSEQUENCES.



NOT DEATH.



I'M SORRY, BUT THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO.



I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT.

JEAN? I'VE HIT A BRICK WALL. LOOKS LIKE IT'S UP TO YOU NOW.



**THE WORKSHOP,  
X-HAVEN.**

OKAY, STORM, WE'LL MOVE ON TO PLAN B.

THEN WE NEED TO GET MOVING. I WISH WE HAD MORE PREP TIME...



WHERE'S LOGAN?



LOGAN?



THIS BETTER BE GOOD, JEANNIE. I'M TYING ONE ON HERE.



WE NEED YOU TO BREAK INTO A PRISON.



WELL, OKAY, THAT'S PRETTY GOOD.



I TOLD YOU IT'S NOT A BIG DEAL...



...IT'S JUST ROCKET SCIENCE.



OW!

# FORGE, WE HAVE A PROBLEM.



I TOLD YOU TO HOLD STILL, FORGE.



USE YOUR OTHER HAND.



LUNELLA!

THIS IS NOT HOW YOU DO THINGS.

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FIRE-CONTROL NEEDS TO ACCOUNT FOR VARIABLES. THE THRUSTERS WON'T COMPENSATE. ENGINEERING-WISE, ALL YOU'RE DOING IS GETTING NOWHERE FAST.

TAKE IT FROM ME. I HAVE EXPERIENCE IN THESE THINGS...



...I KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT...

**LOWER EAST SIDE.**  
AN EMPTY LOT ON YANCY STREET.  
T-MINUS 5 MINUTES TO LIFTOFF.



...THIS THING WILL NEVER FLY!