

CIVIL WAR II

X-MEN

WHEN A NEW INHUMAN NAMED ULYSSES MANIFESTS THE ABILITY TO PROFILE THE FUTURE, THE SUPERHUMAN COMMUNITY IS SPLIT AS TO WHETHER HIS POWER IS AN ASSET OR A DANGER.

STORM AND HER TEAM OF X-MEN HAVE SIDED WITH CAPTAIN MARVEL AND THE PREDICTIVE JUSTICE INITIATIVE, WHILE MAGNETO FEARS ULYSSES TIPS THE SCALE IN THE ONGOING COLD WAR BETWEEN MUTANTS AND INHUMANS. NIGHTCRAWLER HAS HIS OWN RESERVATIONS ABOUT PREDICTIVE JUSTICE AND HAS JOINED MAGNETO'S TEAM IN THE SAVAGE LAND.

WHEN MAGNETO MAKES THE FIRST MOVE, SENDING FANTOMEX INTO THE INHUMAN CAPITAL, NEW ATILAN, TO GATHER INTELLIGENCE ON ULYSSES, PSYLOCKE RUSHES TO ALERT STORM'S TEAM IN HOPES OF PREVENTING WAR. FANTOMEX IS SUCCESSFULLY APPREHENDED, BUT THE RUN-IN IS NOT WITHOUT CONSEQUENCES...

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THE FUTURE



MOVE, YOU HOUNDS!

MOVE!

RUN THEM DOWN!

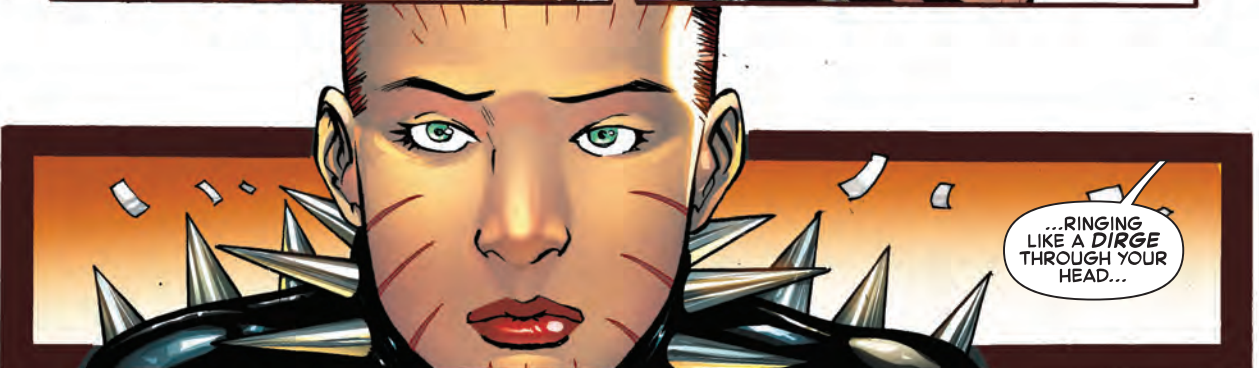
SNIFF OUT THOSE WAYWARD MUTANTS...

...SO AHAB THE HOUND-MASTER CAN PUT THEM IN THEIR GRAVES!

WHAT IS IT, GIRL?

CAUGHT A SCENT, HAVE YOU?

ALL THAT FEAR... THAT DESPERATION... DANCING THROUGH THAT BRAIN OF YOURS...



...RINGING LIKE A DIRGE THROUGH YOUR HEAD...

"...THE SWEET DEATH KNELL OF MUTANTKIND!"

RACHEL GREY

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I WONDER WHO THEY LOST.

THE WOMAN LOST A HUSBAND, THE GIRL, A FATHER.

HE HAD ONLY DISCOVERED THAT HE WAS A MUTANT A LITTLE OVER A YEAR AGO.

HE COULD TURN ELECTRICITY INTO MUSIC.

HE THOUGHT THAT ATTENDING A RALLY WOULD HELP HIM MEET OTHERS LIKE HIMSELF.

THEY CAME WITH HIM. THEY WANTED TO SUPPORT HIM.

WHEN THE TERRIGEN CLOUD PASSED THROUGH, THEY WERE UNAFFECTED.

HE DIED JUST THREE DAYS LATER.

TWO DOZEN OTHERS SHARED HIS FATE.



HOW DID YOU FIND ME?

AFTER WHAT HAPPENED WITH MY FATHER... WITH CYCLOPS...

...I'VE DONE EVERYTHING I CAN TO STAY THE HELL AWAY FROM THE X-MEN.

ESPECIALLY X-MEN OF THE TERRORIST VARIETY.

MAGNETO.



AND YET YOU HAVEN'T TURNED YOUR BACK ON THE MUTANT RACE.

YOU MOURN OUR LOSSES.

I RESPECT THAT.

FOR THAT REASON, I'VE GIVEN YOU YOUR SPACE... UNTIL NOW.



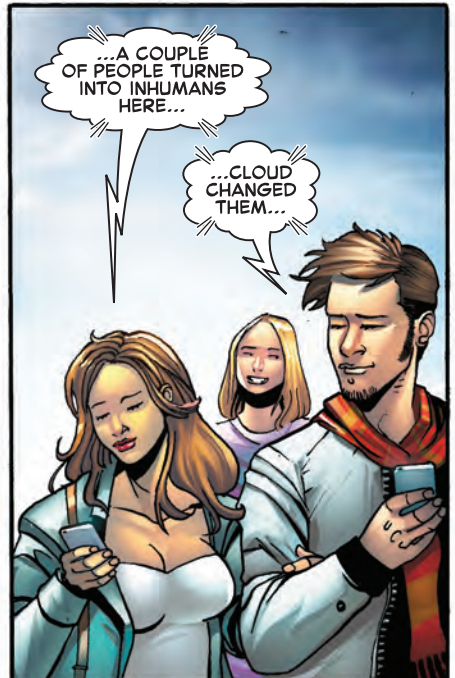
SAD-- IS IT NOT?-- THAT OTHERS DO NOT FEEL OUR PAIN IN THE SAME WAY.



...WOULD'VE DIED SOON ENOUGH ANYWAY...

...LOST CAUSE...

...PUTTING THEM OUT OF THEIR MISERY...



...A COUPLE OF PEOPLE TURNED INTO INHUMANS HERE...

...CLOUD CHANGED THEM...



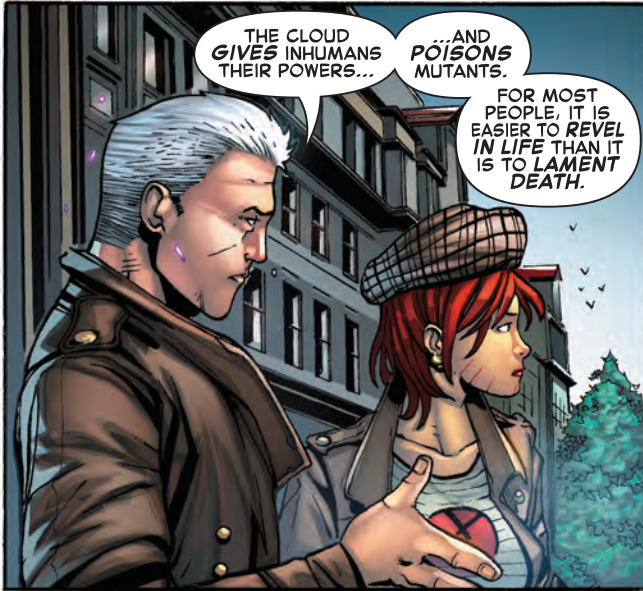
THEIR THOUGHTS...

...THEY'RE BARELY CONCERNED WITH THE MUTANTS WHO DIED BECAUSE OF THE T-MISTS.

THEY'RE MORE CURIOUS ABOUT THE NEW INHUMANS WHO WERE BORN HERE.

AH.

YES, I WOULD HAVE EXPECTED AS MUCH.



THE CLOUD GIVES INHUMANS THEIR POWERS...

...AND POISONS MUTANTS.

FOR MOST PEOPLE, IT IS EASIER TO REVEL IN LIFE THAN IT IS TO LAMENT DEATH.



WHY ARE YOU HERE, MAGNETO?

LAST I HEARD, YOU WERE ON SOME GRAND CRUSADE AGAINST THE ENEMIES OF OUR PEOPLE.

AND SO I AM.



A NEW INHUMAN HAS EMERGED, ONE WITH THE ABILITY TO FORETELL THE FUTURE.

THIS YOUNG MAN-- ULYSSES-- IS BEING USED TO PREDICT AND PREVENT CATASTROPHE.

BUT I WORRY HIS GIFTS WILL ALSO BE USED AGAINST MUTANTS.

OR AT LEAST, MUTANTS WILL NOT BENEFIT FROM HIS PREDICTIONS.



I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S FAIR.

I DON'T THINK WE KNOW ENOUGH TO--