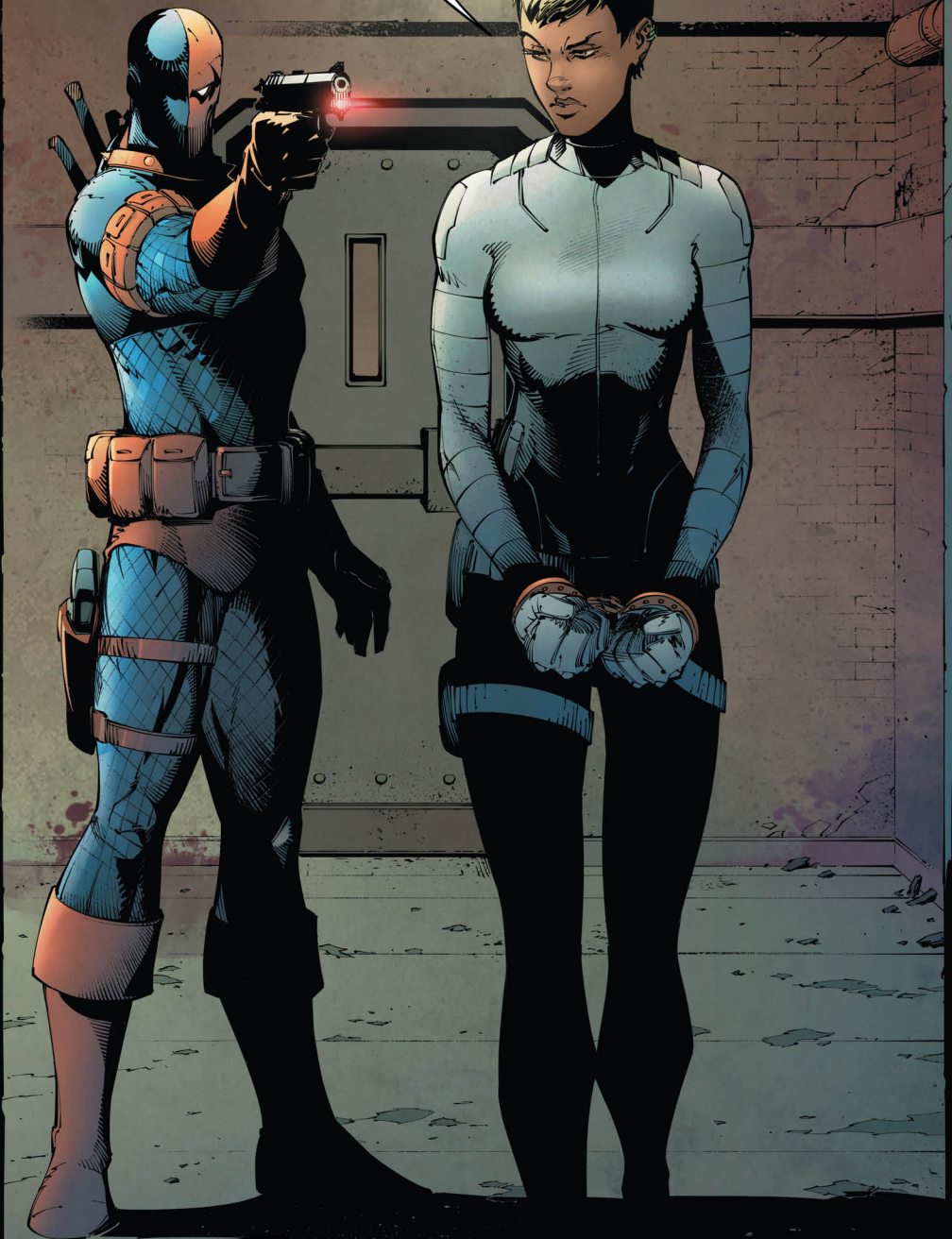


YOU GOING
TO *SHOOT* ME,
DEATHSTROKE?

OR
JUST STAND
THERE LIKE A
%\$%\$%?



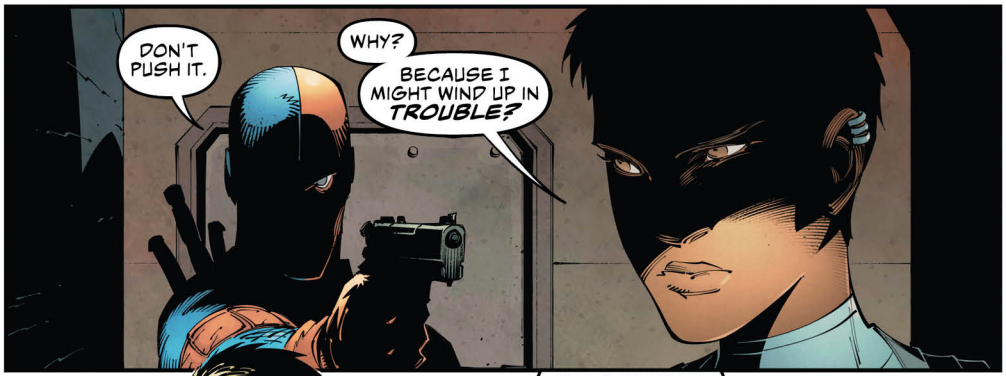
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DON'T PUSH IT.

WHY?
BECAUSE I MIGHT WIND UP IN TROUBLE?



IF YOU WANTED ME DEAD, YOU'D HAVE KILLED ME ALREADY.

THIS ISN'T REVENGE, BECAUSE REVENGE IS UNPROFESSIONAL, AND WHATEVER ELSE YOU ARE, DEATHSTROKE, YOU'RE A PROFESSIONAL.

SO... WHAT THE %&% ARE WE DOING?



THE UNDERLIFE IS BEING **TORN APART** BY THE LEVIATHAN CIVIL WAR.

I NEED YOU TO GO **STOP** THAT WAR.

I'VE RETIRED.

THAT'S **MEANINGLESS**. YOU'RE PART OF THIS.

STOP LYING TO YOURSELF.

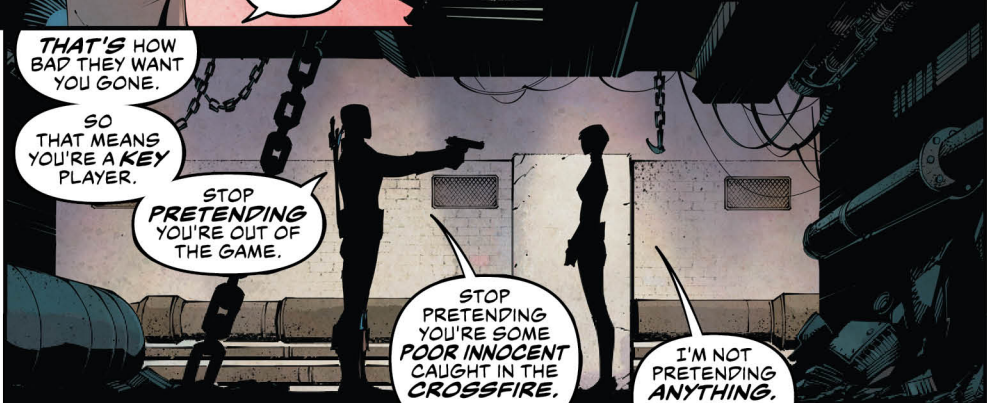
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A LEVIATHAN UNDERBOSS... I'M GUESSING THAT PSYCHO **QUIETUS**... LURED YOU TO THE LOCAL MAULMART, AND THEN **ANNIHILATED** THE PLACE WITH AN ORBITAL WEAPONS PLATFORM.*

*IN THE SILENCER #3... IT WAS QUITE INSANE. --PAUL



AN **ORBITAL WEAPONS PLATFORM**.
LET THAT **SINK IN**.



THAT'S HOW BAD THEY WANT YOU GONE.

SO THAT MEANS YOU'RE A **KEY PLAYER**.

STOP PRETENDING YOU'RE OUT OF THE GAME.

STOP PRETENDING YOU'RE SOME **POOR INNOCENT** CAUGHT IN THE **CROSSFIRE**.

I'M NOT **PRETENDING ANYTHING**.



I KNOW HOW **POWERFUL** LEVIATHAN IS.

THEIR REACH EXTENDS **EVERYWHERE.**

ALL DREAMED UP BY THEIR **SPECIALIZED DIVISIONS.**

AND THEY HAVE TECH YOU WOULDN'T **BELIEVE.**



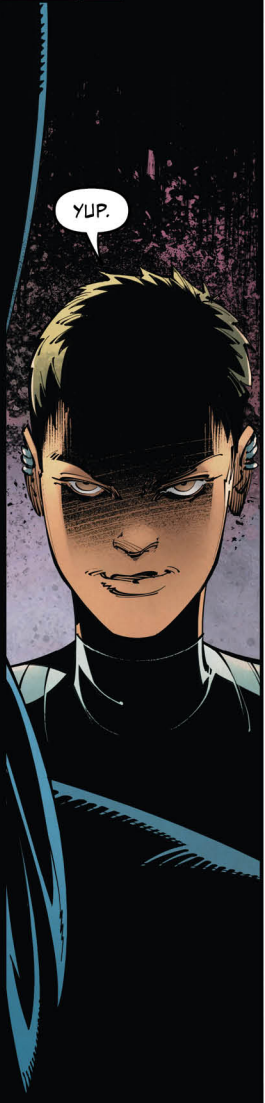
THINGS LIKE **MALWARE** THAT CAN RE-TASK ORBITAL WEAPONS PLATFORMS.

OR MY **BODYSUIT.** YOU KNOW, THE **NANITES** THAT WEAVE IT CAN BE SET TO PERFORM **INDIVIDUAL TASKS...**



...LIKE, FOR EXAMPLE, EATING THROUGH TEMPERED STEEL.

SON OF A--



YUP.



CHING

LIGHNN!

BAMMM

NGHH!

STOP!

BAM BAM

LISTEN TO ME!

GHHRRKKK!

TH-THE UNDERLIFE IS FALLING APART!

ALL THE OLD C-CODES AND AGREEMENTS ARE BROKEN!

MMGNFFF!

THE WHOLE SYSTEM IS COLLAPSING BECAUSE OF THIS DAMN WAR!

BAD FOR BUSINESS, HUH?

EXTREMELY.

RUUNNGHH!