



MY DEAR VICEROY, WHAT AN HONOR IT IS TO HAVE YOU HERE.

A SHAME THOUGH THAT IT IS UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES.

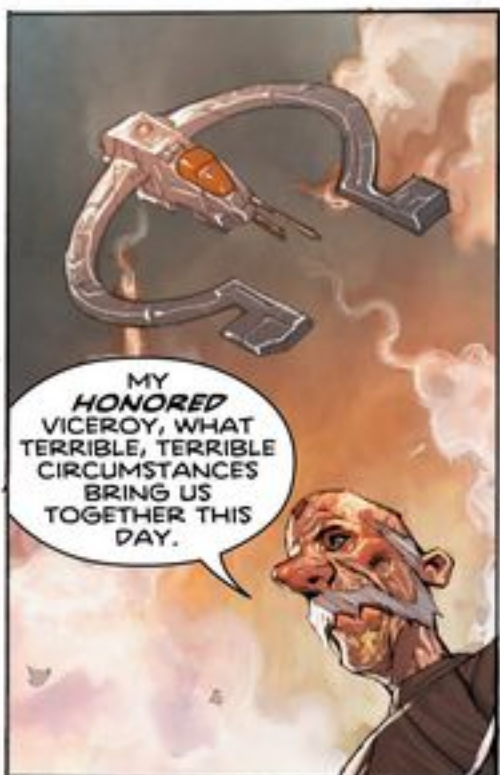


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VICEROY, WHAT AN HONOR!

IT IS TERRIBLE THOUGH THAT WE HAD TO MEET AGAIN UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES.



MY HONORED VICEROY, WHAT TERRIBLE, TERRIBLE CIRCUMSTANCES BRING US TOGETHER THIS DAY.



HORRIBLE-- HORRIBLE CIRCUMSTANCES.



THE OMEGA MEN #2

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HONORED VICEROY, THESE HORRIBLE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT--

YOU HAVE TEA PREPARED, GOVERNOR? LOCAL TEA.




YES, OH YES. LOCAL TEA. GROWN ONLY IN OGYPTU'S--

WELL, LET'S HAVE IT THEN, MY GOOD MAN. HERE BY MY SHIP, THE CURTAIN.

SO VERY MANY LIVES HANG UPON OUR TALK TODAY.


IS THERE A BETTER WAY TO START THAN WITH A STRONG CUP?



"...FACTS REMAIN THAT ONE MONTH AGO CITADEL FORCES ENTERED A COMPOUND HERE ON OGYPTU, IN THE DESERT NOT FAR FROM THIS CAPITAL.


"THE FORCES WERE ABLE TO IDENTIFY **THE OMEGA MEN** IN SAID COMPOUND.

"THE MEN WHO MURDERED THE GREEN LANTERN, KYLE RAYNER.



"THIRTY-NINE OF *OUR* SOLDIERS DIED TRYING TO CAPTURE THESE MEN BEFORE WE WERE FORCED TO DESTROY THE COMPOUND AND, PLEASE OMEGA, ALL OF ITS INHABITANTS."

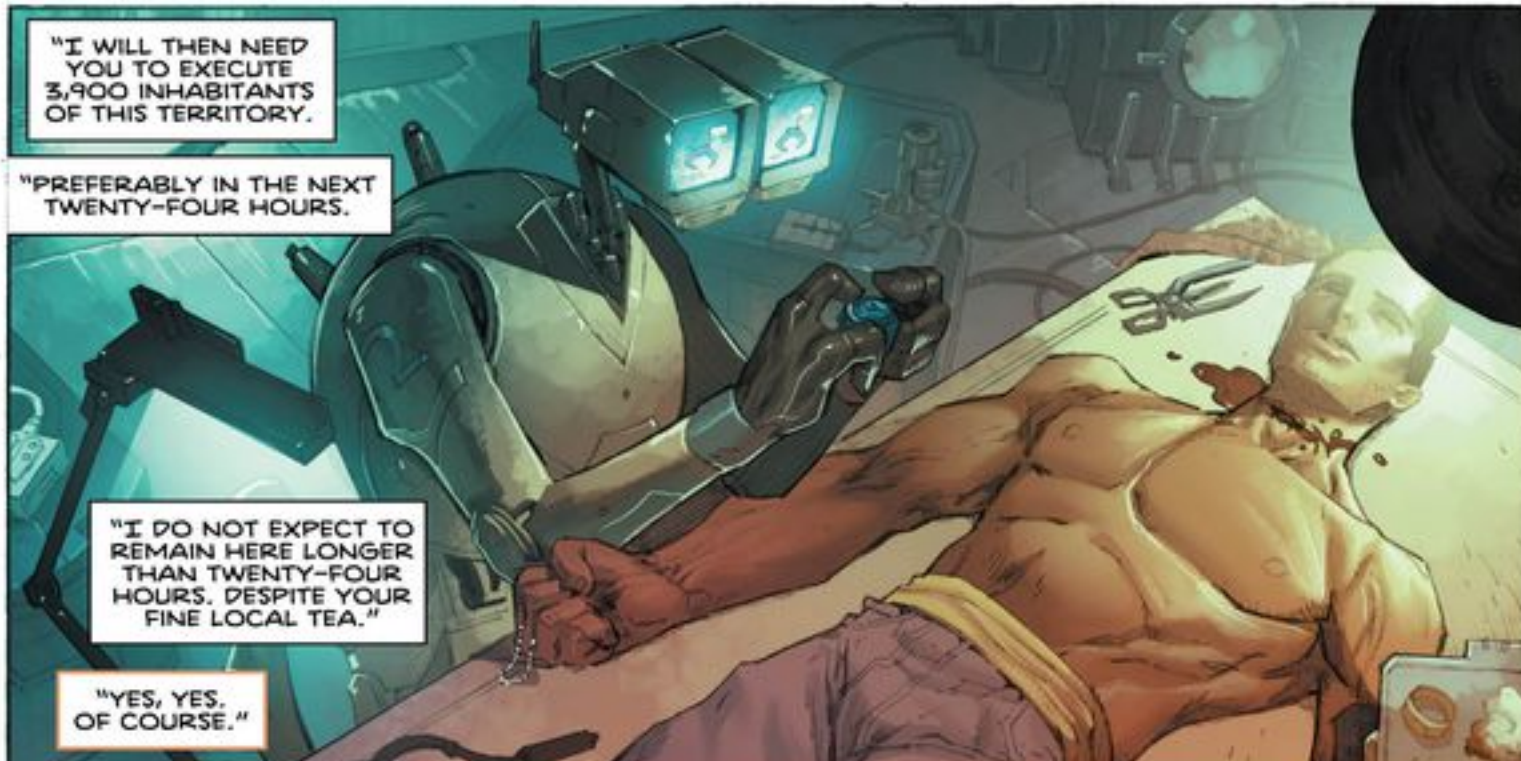
"PLEASE OMEGA."



"THIRTY-NINE SOLDIERS. THAT IS AN UNDISPUTED FACT.

"NOW, UNDER THE AGREEMENT THE CITADEL *NEGOTIATED* WITH OGYPTU, SOLDIERS KILLED IN THE SERVICE OF RENEGADE OPERATIONS ARE TO BE RESTITUTED AT A RATE OF A HUNDRED TO ONE.

"AGAIN, UNDISPUTED FACT.



"I WILL THEN NEED YOU TO EXECUTE 3,900 INHABITANTS OF THIS TERRITORY.

"PREFERABLY IN THE NEXT TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.

"I DO NOT EXPECT TO REMAIN HERE LONGER THAN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS. DESPITE YOUR FINE LOCAL TEA."


"YES, YES. OF COURSE."

"BUT...BUT AS YOU KNOW, IF I MAY, VICEROY, WE'VE HAD SOME PROBLEMS WITH THIS NUMBER.

"FROM THE CROWD, THE PEOPLE.

"THE OMEGA MEN WERE NOT OGYPTU CITIZENS, AND UNDER THE CURRENT--"

"PRIMUS WAS AN OGYPTU CITIZEN."



"YES, PRIMUS, WELL YES-- WE ALL KNOW...WE ALL KNOW WHAT PRIMUS WAS.

"BUT, I AM SAYING OVERALL, HISTORICALLY..."

"THE PEOPLE OF THIS PLANET WERE HOSTAGES, VICTIMS. THESE OMEGA MEN WERE OUTSIDERS. YOU UNDERSTAND? YOU MUST UNDERSTAND."

"SIGH.

"ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT. I DON'T KNOW WHY I WOULD, BUT...

"BECAUSE...BECAUSE OF OUR... **RELATIONSHIP**, I CAN DO MAYBE 3,000. 3,000 TODAY. NO DELAYS."



"THAT IS GENEROUS, VICEROY, VERY GENEROUS OF YOU.

"BUT, MAYBE WE MIGHT DO 1,950? THAT IS HALF. ALL TODAY. **NOW**. I HAVE MY SECURITY WAITING TO PULL THESE CITIZENS."



"HA. **YOUR SECURITY**? WHY WOULD YOU CHOOSE WHO IS EXECUTED?"

"IS THAT NOT **OUR** RIGHT? WERE THEY NOT **OUR** MEN WHO DIED ON **YOUR** PLANET?"

"MY GOOD AND CLEVER MAN, WHY SHOULD YOU EVEN WANT TO CHOOSE, UNLESS..."

"WELL, I WOULD EXPECT--"

"AH, I SEE YOUR GAME. FINE, FINE, MY FINAL OFFER, THEN!"

"4,000 TODAY--OF **YOUR** CHOOSING. THEY CAN BE FROM WHATEVER RIVAL CLAN IT IS YOU HATE THIS WEEK.

"OR 1,800 OF **MY** CHOOSING. LESS THAN HALF. FOR YOUR CROWDS, YOUR...PEOPLE."



"I...I DON'T..."



"COME, GOVERNOR! HAVE IT OUT!"

"OMEGA WAITS FOR US ALL, BUT WE CANNOT ALL WAIT FOR OMEGA!"



"4,000. 4,000, YES."

"4,000 IS...WILL BE FINE."

"PLEASE OMEGA."



THE VEGA SYSTEM
PLANET OGYPTU
THE WORLD OF PLEASURE
AND CONTEMPLATION



YES.
PLEASE
OMEGA.



I HAVE ONE FURTHER, SMALL REQUEST. IF YOU PLEASE.

YES, YES, ANYTHING.



MY SHIP ACTUALLY ORIGINATES FROM YOUR VEGA SYSTEM. IT WAS AN UNEXPECTED GIFT FROM THE PONTIFEX.

AS SUCH, IT STILL REQUIRES THE PARTICULAR STRENGTHS OF A CHANGRALYN PILOT.



IT IS BEING FINE.

IT IS ALL BEING GOOD.



HURRY IT UP, BIG MAN.

LOTS TO DO.



SHHHHHHHH

YOU WILL BE RESTING, JUST RESTING.



YES, YES OF COURSE. THE TEMPLE OF NEB CAN ACCOMMODATE YOUR MAN.

I'LL HAVE ONE OF OUR PRIESTS HERE ESCORT HIM THERE FOR NOON PRAYERS.



THANK YOU. I HESITATE TO TROUBLE YOU WITH THIS IN THE MIDST OF YOUR COLLECTION.

BUT YOU KNOW HOW THESE PEOPLE ARE, AND HE'S A VERY GOOD BOY.



OH, NO TROUBLE AT ALL. ON THE CONTRARY, OUR ORDERS WILL CONSIDER IT AN HONOR TO HAVE THE COMPANY OF A CHANGRALYN.

AND I DON'T SEE HOW IT COULD AFFECT THE COLLECTION.

MEN COME. MEN DIE.

"IT MAKES LITTLE DIFFERENCE WHO PRAYS WHERE."

ÁNGEL DE DIOS...

QUE ERES MI CUSTODIO, PUES LA BONDAD DIVINA ME HA ENCOMENDADO A TI. LUMINAME, DIRIGEME, GUÁRDAME.

THE FOLLOWING CITIZENS ARE TO REPORT TO THE ASHER STADIUM IMMEDIATELY!

FAILURE TO REPORT WILL RESULT IN ARREST AND REMOVAL!

PURRIUS, MAVZLE! MANDUS, FEN! CRAMUS, MONTZ! TRUBERUS, TUUST! IRESTAS, OPENZS! WRUTUS, PLOSTER...

EN EL NOMBRE DEL PADRE, DEL HIJO Y DEL ESPIRITU SANTO.

AMEN.