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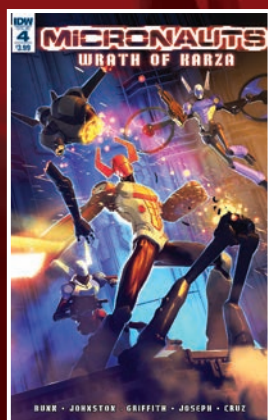
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WE CAN MAKE THIS AS EASY OR HARD AS YOU WANT, MEMBROS.

MOST OF US WOULD PREFER THE HARD WAY, BUT I AM A REASONABLE MAN.



AND A PACIFIST. WHENEVER POSSIBLE, OZ PREFERS TO RESOLVE SITUATIONS WITHOUT VIOLENCE.

NOT PARTICULARLY HELPFUL RIGHT NOW, MICROTRON. BUT THANKS FOR TRYING.

I HAVE TRIED AND TRIED, BUT I KEEP RUNNING ACROSS PEOPLE LIKE YOU WHO MAKE IT VERY TOUGH TO *STAY* A PACIFIST.



I'M *NOT* A PACIFIST. I WOULD PREFER IF WE WERE LEAVING BITS OF YOU ON THE FLOOR DURING OUR DISCUSSION.

MISS PHI, DON'T MINIMIZE IT. THIS IS AN INTERROGATION.

CALL IT WHAT IT IS, YES?

ALTHOUGH I WILL READILY ANSWER ANYTHING YOU ASK OF ME.



ONE OF MY CREW... MY FRIEND... IS MISSING.

WHERE IS ACROYEAR?



THERE ARE SOME QUESTIONS YOU WON'T LIKE THE ANSWER TO, YES?

YOUR FRIEND IS NOT HERE, BUT EVEN WHERE HE IS, HE PROBABLY IS NO LONGER.

OUR GOOD FRIEND KARZA WAS HAVING HIM RECONDITIONED. REPROGRAMMED FOR THE MINISTRY OF WAR.



COMMANDER RAITH HAS ALREADY RETURNED TO KARZA'S SIDE.

THAT TELLS ME THAT YOUR FRIEND IS ONCE AGAIN A SOLDIER FOR BARON KARZA, YES?



IF ACROYEAR ISN'T "HERE," THEN WHERE IS HE? AND WHERE IS HERE?

YOU HAVE FINALLY ACHIEVED PART OF YOUR GOAL, OZIRON RAEI.

YOU ARE NO LONGER ON EARTH. THIS PRISON IS PART OF A FACILITY ORBITING THE PLANET. A SMALL PART OF IT.

THE SMALL PART FOR SMALL PRISONERS, THE BIG PART FOR BIG PRISONERS, YES?



WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? BIG PRISONERS?

ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT THE GIANTS OF EARTH?

HEH.

THEY MAY BE BIGGER THAN YOU AND I, BUT THEY ARE NOT BIG.

THE ONES WHO ENERCHANGE FREELY BETWEEN ROBOTS AND CARS... NOW THEY ARE BIG, YES?

AND EVEN THEY ARE NOT BIG COMPARED TO SOME.



BIOTRON HAS ACCESSED THE PRISON COMPUTER SYSTEMS, OZ.

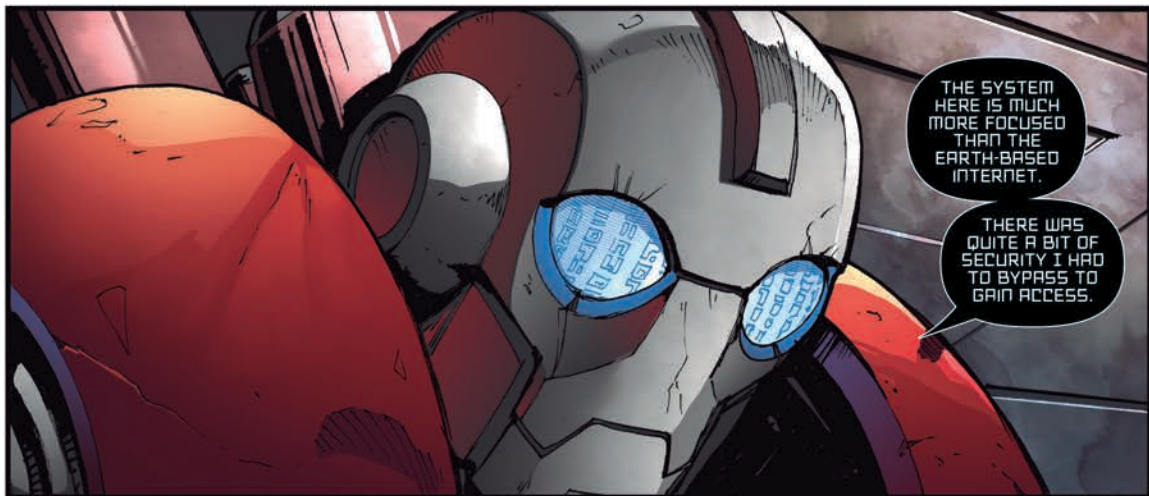
BUT YOU AREN'T GOING TO LIKE WHAT HE FOUND.

PHEN, STAY WITH OUR NEW PAL MEMBROS FOR A MINUTE, WILL YOU?



AND NOW WE GET TO THE FUN PART OF INTERROGATION, YES?

FUN FOR ONE OF US ANYWAY.



THE SYSTEM HERE IS MUCH MORE FOCUSED THAN THE EARTH-BASED INTERNET.

THERE WAS QUITE A BIT OF SECURITY I HAD TO BYPASS TO GAIN ACCESS.



JUST TELL ME WHAT YOU FOUND OUT. DO YOU KNOW WHERE ACROYEAR IS?

I KNOW THAT AND MUCH MORE.

I REGRET TO TELL YOU THAT ACROYEAR HAS COMPLETED THE RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM AND HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO SQUADRON 225X.



THIS IS A MAP OF THE ORBITAL SPACE PRISON.

THE RED DOT IS A PRISONER SECTION WHERE THEY ARE HOLDING SEVERAL OF THE TRANSFORMERS WE WORKED WITH WHEN WE FIRST ARRIVED ON THIS PLANET.

MICROTRON AND HIS CREATIONS HAVE VENTURED OFF TO FREE THEM.

AND WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER SPOT?



THAT ONE IS EVEN BETTER NEWS.

THE SHIP THAT DESTROYED THE HELIOPOLIS IS DOCKED HERE.

WITH THE CREW ON BOARD.

TELL MICROTRON TO MEET US THERE AFTER HE FREES THE OTHER PRISONERS.

I HAVE AN IDEA...

"...AND IT INVOLVES US GETTING A NEW SHIP!"

I TRUST THAT YOUR PRESENCE BEARS GOOD NEWS FOR ME, COMMANDER RAIH.



OF COURSE, BARON.

THE ROGUE ACROYEAR THAT WAS WITH OZIRON RAEH HAS COMPLETED HIS RECONDITIONING AND BEEN ASSIGNED TO A SQUADRON OF ACROYEAR 3S.

AND WHAT OF RAEH AND HIS COMPANIONS?



THOSE THAT SURVIVED ARE SAFELY INTERRED AND BEING SUBJECTED TO INTERROGATION FROM MEMBROS.

EXCELLENT NEWS.

WITH THEM REMOVED FROM THE FIELD OF BATTLE, OUR VICTORY HERE IS ASSURED.



TELL ME COMMANDER, HOW DO YOU THINK THE CAMPAIGN IS PROCEEDING?

I BELIEVE THE BATTLE SHALL BE WON WITHIN A WEEK.

BUT IT COULD BE WON MUCH SOONER IF...

IF WHAT, COMMANDER?

SPEAK FREELY. THERE SHALL BE NO RECRIMINATIONS HERE TODAY.





IF WE WERE TO COMMIT ALL OUR FORCES TO THE BATTLE, THE EARTH GOVERNMENTS WOULD HAVE TO CONCEDE WITHIN DAYS.

AS PLANS PROCEED, THEY SHALL BE CONCEDED WITHIN DAYS.

IN A WAR, ONE MUST ALWAYS HAVE REINFORCEMENTS READY TO ASSIST WHEN NEEDED.

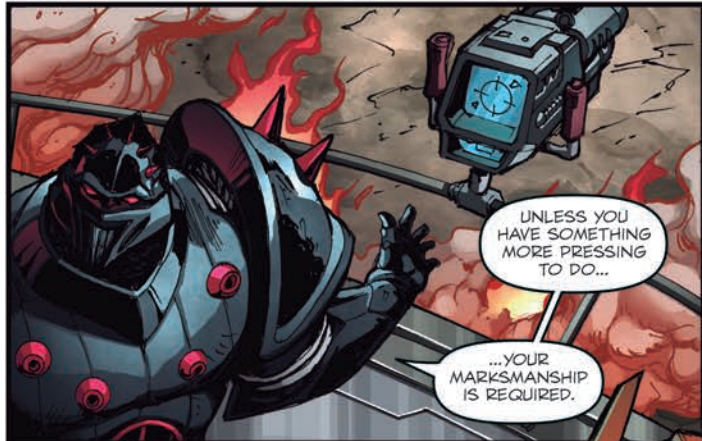


THIS PLANET IS ILL PREPARED TO DEFEND AGAINST AN INVADING ARMY.

THE INVASION TODAY IS THE SALVATION OF MICROSPACE TOMORROW.

WITH SO MUCH LAND, EVERY PLANET IN MICROSPACE CAN BE SAVED FROM THE ENTROPY STORM.

AND ONCE I HAVE CONQUERED EARTH, WE SHALL MAKE SURE NO ONE CAN TAKE IT FROM US.



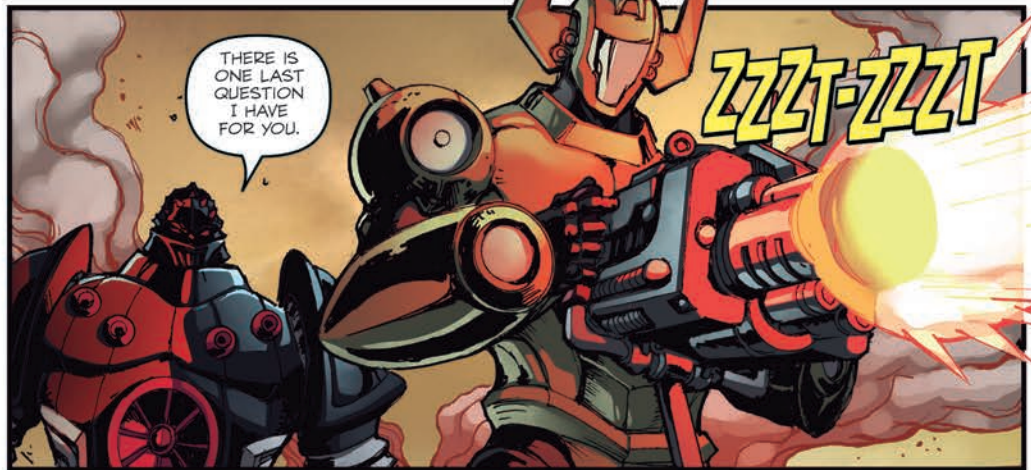
UNLESS YOU HAVE SOMETHING MORE PRESSING TO DO...

...YOUR MARKSMANSHIP IS REQUIRED.



WITH PLEASURE.

I ENJOY THIS ALMOST AS MUCH AS FIGHTING HAND-TO-HAND WITH THE ENEMY.



THERE IS ONE LAST QUESTION I HAVE FOR YOU.

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