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THE TRANSFORMERS[™] DRIFT EMPIRE OF STONE

Cast off from the Autobots after taking the blame for a crime he didn't commit, the former Decepticon Drift wanders the galaxy righting wrongs. Drift and his frenemy Ratchet investigate the headquarters of a captured Decepticon called Brit—and are captured by Gigatron, a Deception warlord who remembers Drift from the old days. Escaping their captors, Drift, Ratchet, and the branded-a-traitor Brit find a stone army, which Drift seems to know something about. But before they can act—Gigatron's cruel second-in-command Hellbat confronts the trio.

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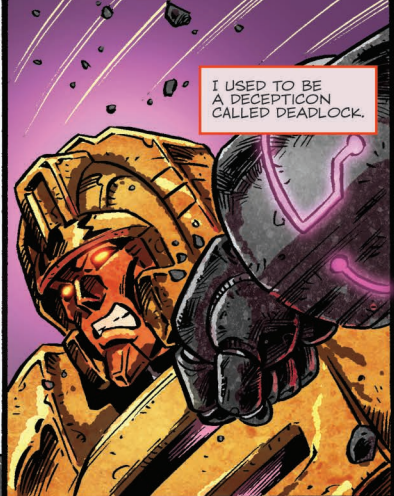


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MY NAME
IS DRIFT.



I USED TO BE
A DECEPTICON
CALLED DEADLOCK.



AFTER THAT I WAS
AN AUTOBOT FOR,
WELL, NOT ALL THAT
LONG ACTUALLY.



RIGHT NOW...

I KIND OF
FEEL LIKE
THIS IS ALL
MY FAULT.

EARLIER.

THIS IS
ALL YOUR
FAULT.

HELLBAT?!

SO YOU KNEW?
YOU KNEW THE
ARMY WAS HERE
ALL ALONG? BUT
GIGATRON...

GIGATRON
BELIEVES
WHATEVER
I TELL HIM.

I CAME
ACROSS THE
ARMY WITHIN
DAYS OF ARRIVING
HERE. HIDING AND
RESTRICTING ITS
LOCATION WAS
SIMPLE.

YOU'RE
EXPERIMENTING
ON THEM.

THEY'RE
COMPLEX
LIFEFORMS BUT
THEY REFUSE TO
WAKE. NOTHING
I DID WOULD
WORK.

I EXPECT THE **MONKS**
COULD HAVE WOKEN
THEM BUT THEN, THEY'RE
NO LONGER WITH US,
ARE THEY, DRIFT?

MONKS?

SO YOU
FOUND
ANOTHER
WAY TO
CONTROL
THEM.

IT TOOK A LOT
OF WORK AND A LOT
OF DEAD AUTOBOTS...
AND DECEPTICONS...
BUT I FOUND A WAY.

