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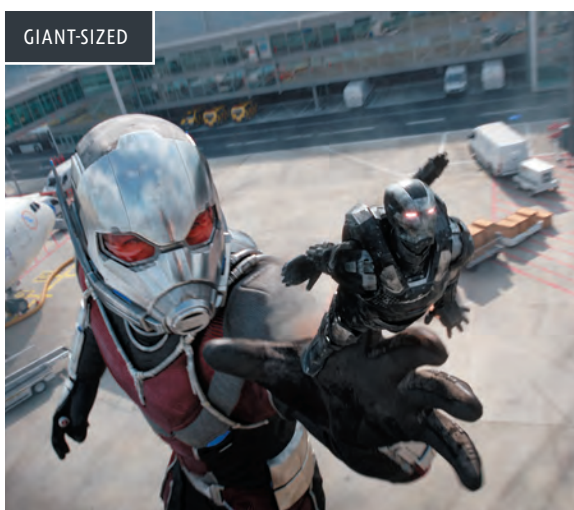
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ANT-MAN UPDATE

FIRST APPEARANCE: *Ant-Man* (2015)

When Captain America and Falcon needed reinforcements in their independent struggle against Sokovian terrorist Helmut Zemo's revenge plans against the Avengers, Falcon suggested recruiting Ant-Man. Lang was enthusiastic when he met Cap's Avengers contingent at a German airport, and was unconcerned that the mission would label him a fugitive. When confronted by Iron Man, who had been tasked by the United Nations to capture Cap and his allies, Ant-Man shrunk to insect-size and hitched a ride on Cap's shield, waiting to reveal his presence. When Iron Man's ally Spider-Man seized the shield, Ant-Man retrieved it by enlarging to normal size and kicking Spi-

der-Man in the jaw. A fight between the two squads soon erupted, and Ant-Man briefly squared off against Black Widow before assisting Cap by enlarging a shrunken fuel tanker after Cap threw it; after the truck exploded, Lang admitted he thought it was a water truck.

When Vision halted Cap's squad's attempt to escape in an Avengers Quinjet, Ant-Man shrank himself and boarded one of Hawkeye's arrows, which Hawkeye fired at Iron Man. Entering Iron Man's armor between plates, Ant-Man pulled random wires to create technical malfunctions, jokingly claiming to be Iron Man's long-silent conscience; Lang was flushed out by the armor's fire suppression systems. Upon learning that his

squad would need a diversion to allow Cap and the Winter Soldier to pursue Zemo, Ant-Man used his suit's Pym Particles to grow to gigantic size, asking his teammates to continue without him if he ripped himself in two. Announcing that Iron Man's squad would have to get through him to stop Cap, Ant-Man battled nearly all of Iron Man's allies at once until Spider-Man webbed up his legs, tripping and defeating the giant, who returned to normal size. Arrested and incarcerated at the underwater Raft prison, Lang taunted a visiting Tony Stark, and appeared disappointed when Stark seemingly did not recognize him; Cap later broke his allies out of the Raft. ☒

FACT SHEET

- ▶ FALCON NICKNAMED ANT-MAN "TIC-TAC," AND REFERRED TO HIS DEFEAT BY ANT-MAN IN THEIR PREVIOUS ENCOUNTER AS A GREAT AUDITION THAT WOULD NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN.
- ▶ AT GIANT-SIZE, ANT-MAN'S STRENGTH AND DURABILITY APPARENTLY INCREASED EXPONENTIALLY, ALLOWING HIM TO RIP APART AIRPLANES AND WITHSTAND ATTACKS FROM SUPERHUMANLY STRONG OPPONENTS WITHOUT HARM.
- ▶ PRIOR TO FIGHTING IRON MAN'S SQUAD, LANG HAD BECOME GIANT-SIZED ONCE BEFORE IN A LAB, BUT PASSED OUT DOING SO.
- ▶ AFTER THE BATTLE WITH IRON MAN'S TEAM, LANG ASKED IF ANYONE HAD ORANGE SLICES, THE TREAT COMMONLY DISTRIBUTED AFTER A SPORTING EVENT.





AVENGERS UPDATE

FIRST APPEARANCE:

***Iron Man* [2008] (CONCEPT); *Marvel's The Avengers* [2012] (ACTUAL)**

Locating the terrorist Crossbones in Lagos, Nigeria, Captain America took an Avengers squad (Black Widow, Falcon, and the Scarlet Witch) to prevent him from obtaining a biological weapon. Cornered, Rumlow killed himself with a suicide vest, hoping to also kill Cap as revenge for his defeat at Cap's hands during the fall of S.H.I.E.L.D. The Scarlet Witch telekinetically contained

the explosion, but inadvertently caused civilian deaths by deflecting the blast into a nearby building. Soon after, U.S. Secretary of State Thaddeus Ross presented the Avengers with the Sokovia Accords: A reaction to the damage left behind after the Avengers' various battles, including the devastation caused by Ultron in Sokovia, the multi-national Accords would put the Avengers under the jurisdiction

of the United Nations. Iron Man, War Machine, Black Widow, and Vision signed the treaty; Hawkeye deferred by saying he was retired; and Captain America, Falcon, and the Scarlet Witch declined, concerned the Accords would restrict freedom, eliminate personal responsibility, and prevent the Avengers from operating whenever and wherever they were needed due to bureaucratic oversight.



ACCORDS BRIEFING



Blaming the Avengers for his family's death, Sokovia survivor Helmut Zemo detonated a bomb at the Sokovia Accords ratification conference in Vienna, killing several, including Wanda's King T'Chaka, then framed the Winter Soldier for the act. Concerned for his childhood friend, Cap found the Winter Soldier before the U.N. could, but was arrested for vigilantism because he had not signed the Accords. Iron Man nearly convinced Cap to sign, but he declined upon learning the Scarlet Witch, deemed a weapon of mass destruction, was confined to Avengers Headquarters. Acting as a psychiatrist, Zemo

activated the Winter Soldier's old brainwashing, and he went on a rampage in Interpol's Task-force headquarters until Cap re-

The Sokovia Accords: A reaction to the damage left behind after the Avengers' various battles.

captured him and escaped; recovering, the Soldier told Cap that Zemo intended to reawaken

other Winter Soldiers in stasis at an abandoned Hydra base. Cap assembled a team of allies (Ant-Man, Falcon, Hawkeye, the Scarlet Witch, and the Winter Soldier) to apprehend Zemo. Given 36 hours by Secretary Ross to arrest the fugitive Cap, Iron Man called in the official Avengers and recruited more allies: the hyper-agile Black Panther (T'Chaka's son, T'Challa, the new Wakandan king), and Spider-Man (high school student Peter Parker, who used spider-like abilities to protect New Yorkers). During the ensuing clash, Black Widow defected to help Cap, and



DEBATING THE ACCORDS