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# TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES



**INVASION OF THE TRICERATONS**

**PART  
THREE**



**The Story So Far:** The Triceratons have arrived on Earth and were met with hostility by Bishop and the Earth Protection Force. The Triceratons have responded in kind and brought a full battalion to take over New York City!

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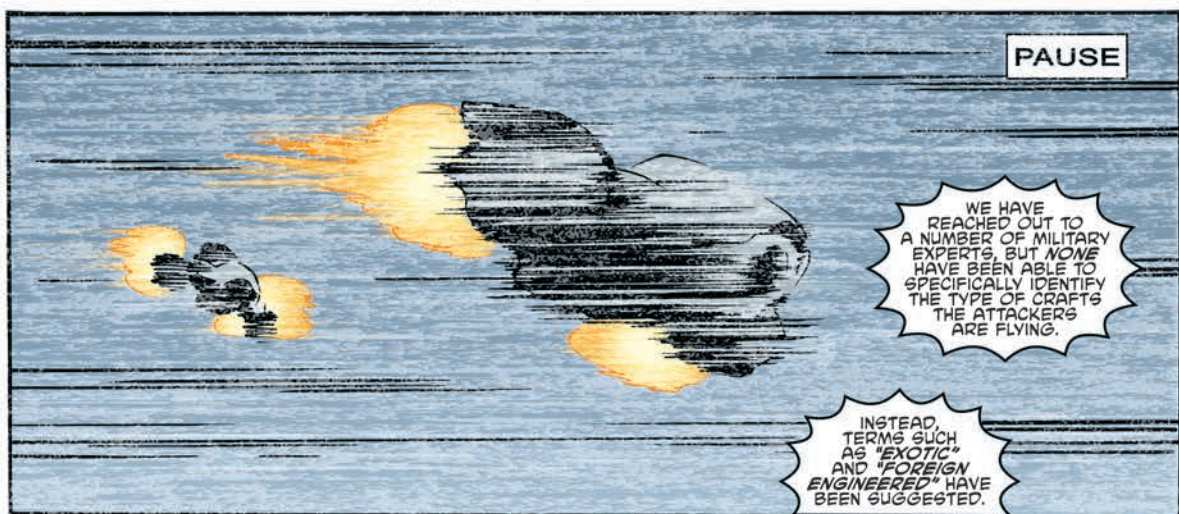








THE FOLLOWING AMATEUR VIDEO WAS SENT TO OUR STUDIO AND APPEARS TO DEPICT ENEMY AIRCRAFT ENGAGED IN A FIREFIGHT WITH A BRAVE GROUP OF NEW YORK'S FINEST.



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WE HAVE REACHED OUT TO A NUMBER OF MILITARY EXPERTS, BUT NONE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF CRAFTS THE ATTACKERS ARE FLYING.

INSTEAD, TERMS SUCH AS "EXOTIC" AND "FOREIGN ENGINEERED" HAVE BEEN SUGGESTED.

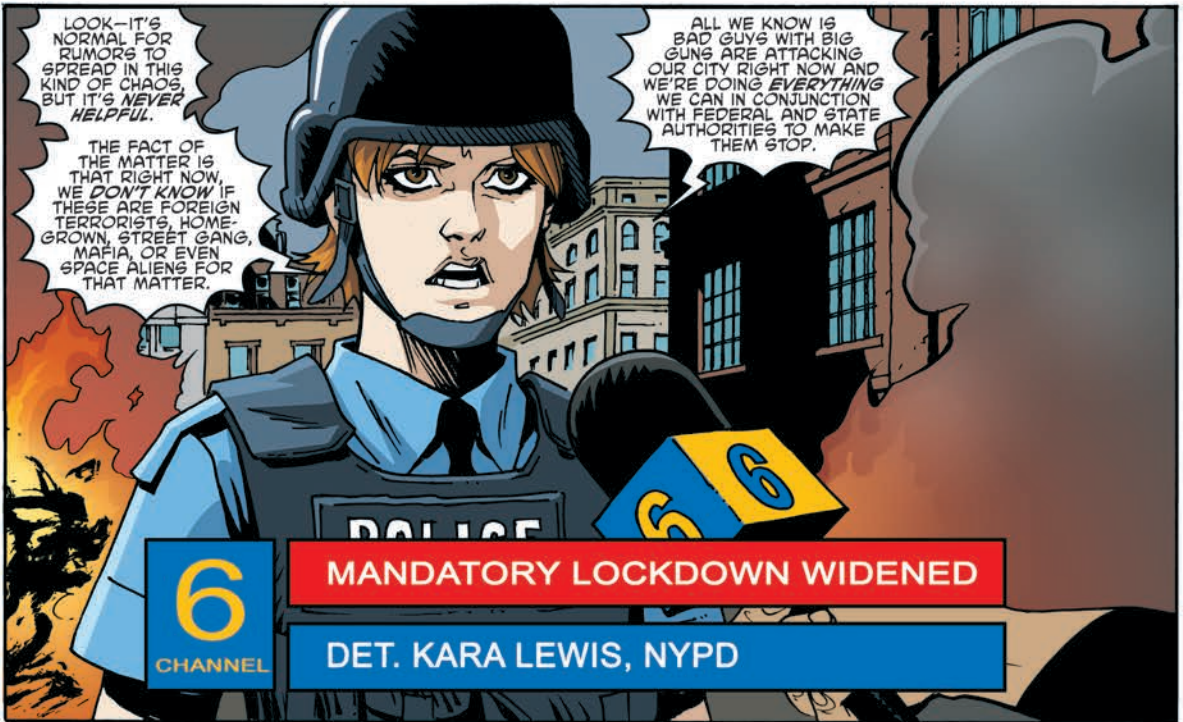


AS FOR THE ATTACKERS THEMSELVES, THIS NEXT AMATEUR VIDEO SEEMS TO INDICATE THEY ARE IN POSSESSION OF ADVANCED SMALL ARMS AND BODY ARMOR—COMBAT GEAR NOT EASILY ACCESSIBLE TO NON-MILITARY PERSONNEL.





SOME WITNESSES ON THE GROUND HAVE GONE SO FAR AS TO SUGGEST THE GEAR—AS WELL AS THE ATTACKERS—APPEAR TO BE, QUOTE, *ALIEN IN NATURE*... A NOTION POLICE OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN QUICK TO REFUTE.



LOOK—IT'S NORMAL FOR RUMORS TO SPREAD IN THIS KIND OF CHAOS, BUT IT'S NEVER HELPFUL.

THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THAT RIGHT NOW, WE *DON'T KNOW* IF THESE ARE FOREIGN TERRORISTS, HOME-GROWN, STREET GANG, MAFIA, OR EVEN SPACE ALIENS FOR THAT MATTER.

ALL WE KNOW IS BAD GUYS WITH BIG GUNS ARE ATTACKING OUR CITY RIGHT NOW AND WE'RE DOING *EVERYTHING* WE CAN IN CONJUNCTION WITH FEDERAL AND STATE AUTHORITIES TO MAKE THEM STOP.

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AND MY TEAM AND I WILL BE STANDING BY ON THE FRONTLINES TO BRING YOU ALL THE LATEST NEWS AND INFORMATION AS SOON AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE...

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