

THE SHAB NEIGHBORHOOD OF SOUTHEASTERN BAGHDAD.

OPERATIVE ECHO CALLING IN FROM ZONE 52, I HAVE BEEN COMPROMISED!

IT IS A FREQUENTLY OVERLOOKED FACT THAT THE VAST MAJORITY OF VICTIMS OF TERRORISM...

...ARE MUSLIMS.

REQUESTING IMMEDIATE EXTRACTION!

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REPEAT. REQUESTING IMMEDIATE EXTRACTION!

WE COPY, ECHO. MAKE YOUR WAY TO RENDEZVOUS POINT EIGHT, ONE, FOUR.

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THE NUMBER OF DEATHS CAUSED BY TERRORISM IN THE WEST...

WE'RE READY TO PICK YOU UP.

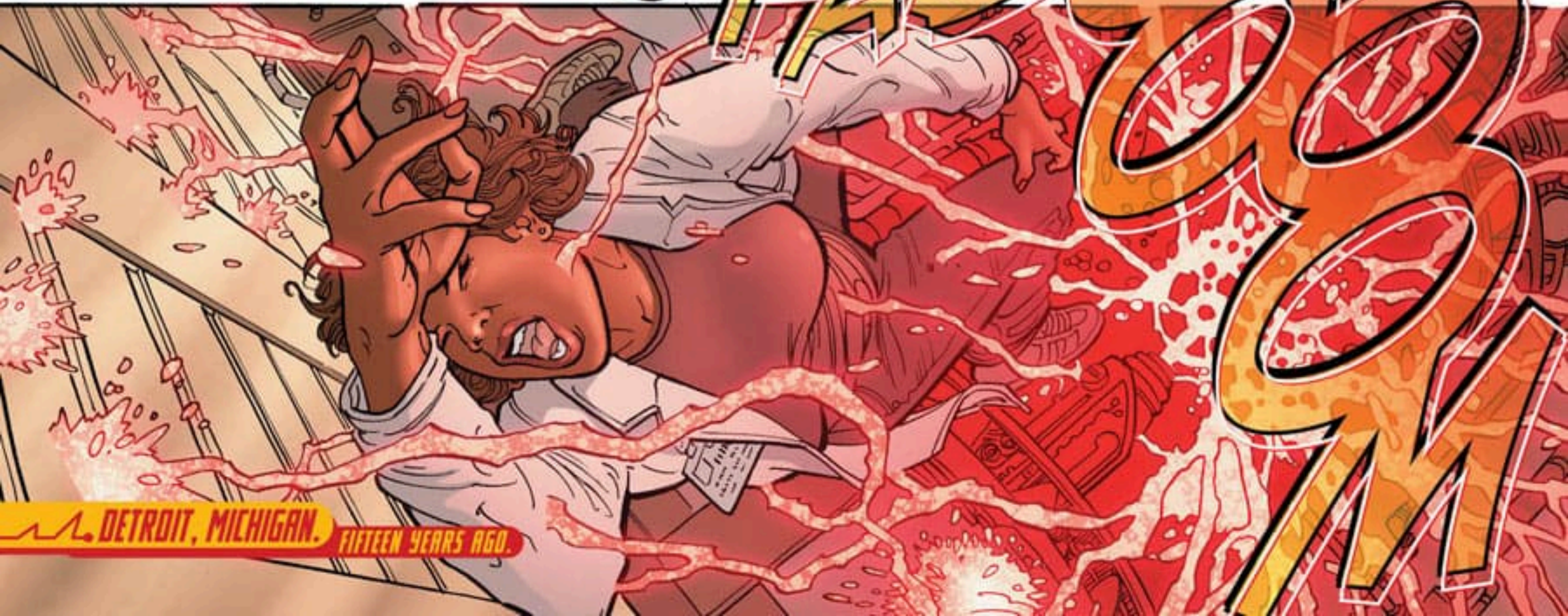
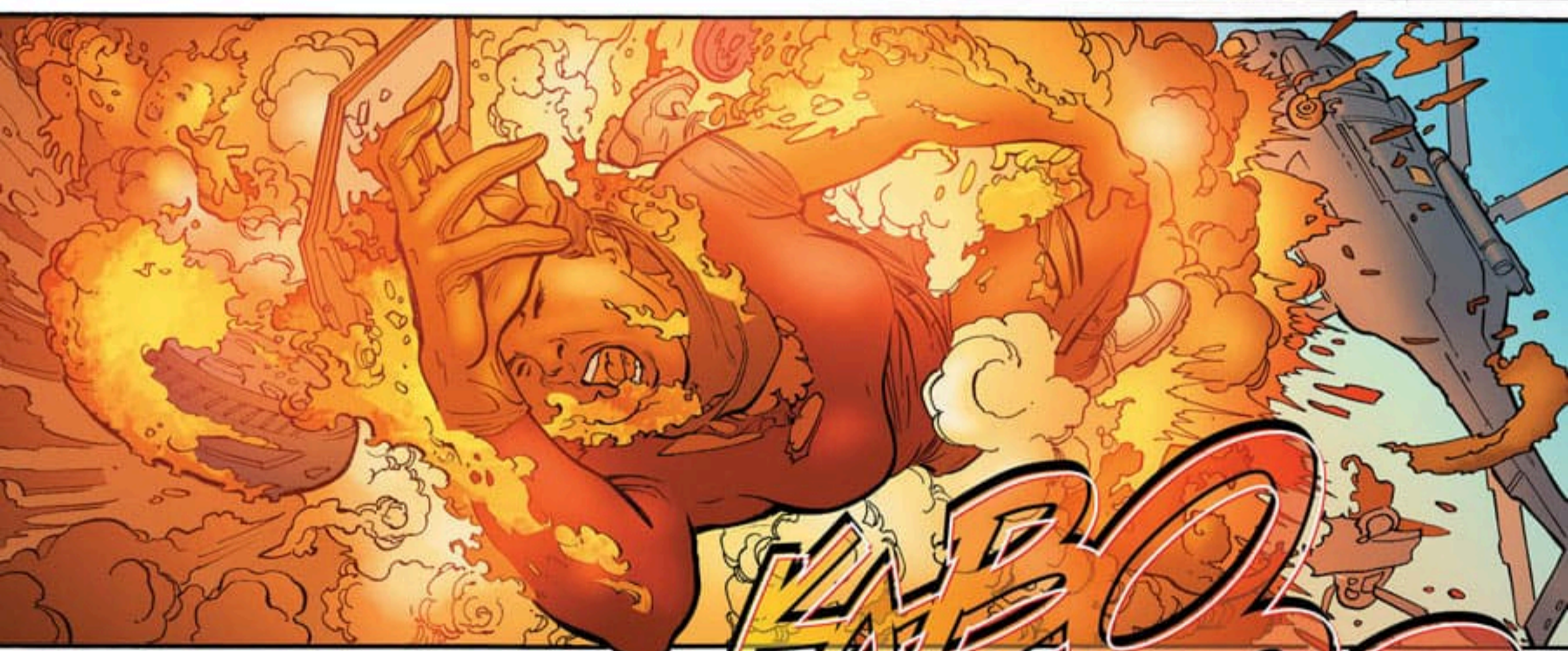
...IS ONLY 2.6 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF TERRORISM VICTIMS WORLDWIDE. MOST ACTS OF TERRORISM OCCUR DAILY IN PREDOMINANTLY MUSLIM CITIES.

ALMOST THERE...

AND IN A PLACE LIKE BAGHDAD, THE HIGH FREQUENCY OF TERRORIST ATTACKS MEANS THAT DEATH IS CONSTANTLY WAITING RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER.



SOMEONE CAN BE GOING ABOUT THEIR BUSINESS ONE MOMENT--BUT THE NEXT?



DETROIT, MICHIGAN. FIFTEEN YEARS AGO.

AN EXPLOSION OF INTENSE RADIATION!

ELINORE!
NO!

SILAS?

THIS IS ALL MY FAULT!
I SHOULDN'T HAVE RUSHED THAT EXPERIMENT!

PRESENT DAY. A HIDDEN LABORATORY.

ALL MY FAULT.
THE RADIATION.
THE CANCER. ALL MY FAULT.

RISE AND SHINE, DR. STONE. IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE HAVING QUITE A NIGHTMARE!

SO, I THOUGHT I SHOULD WAKE YOU UP. IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO EAT SOMETHING. AFTER ALL, MY LEADER AND I WANT YOU TO FEEL RIGHT AT HOME HERE...

...SINCE YOU'RE GOING TO BE STUCK HERE FOR A LONG, LONG WHILE.

I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND IF I KEEP YOU COMPANY?



The IMITATION of **LIFE**

PART FIVE: **REGENERATION**

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I APPRECIATE YOU KEEPING ME COMPANY ON MY WAY TO MY APPOINTMENT, VIC.

NO PROBLEM, **BLUE**. I CAN SEE WHY YOU ASKED ME TO JOIN YOU. THIS DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THE SAFEST NEIGHBORHOOD FOR A **BLIND** MAN TO BE WALKING ALONE.

WELL, NO PUN INTENDED, BUT IT'S ALL IN HOW YOU LOOK AT THINGS. WHAT DO YOU SEE THAT MAKES YOU THINK THIS PLACE ISN'T SAFE?





SAVION JONES, AGE 26, HEIGHT: 5'9", WEIGHT: 210lbs, HAIR: BROWN, ETHNICITY: BLACK, MEMBER: EASTSIDE SPIDERS STREET GANG
MORE
THREAT LEVEL: HIGH, ARMED: GERBER AIR RANGER HUNTING KNIFE



RASHID COOMBS, AGE 27, HEIGHT: 5'6", WEIGHT: 180lbs, HAIR: BROWN, ETHNICITY: BLACK, MEMBER: EASTSIDE SPIDERS STREET GANG
MORE
THREAT LEVEL: MODERATE, ARMED: STRAIGHT RAZOR



JULIAN THOMAS, AGE 26, HEIGHT: 5'11", WEIGHT: 195lbs, HAIR: BLACK, ETHNICITY: BLACK, MEMBER: EASTSIDE SPIDERS STREET GANG
MORE
THREAT LEVEL: MODERATE, ARMED: AMT AUTOMAG III, .44 MAGNUM



DEVON TAYLOR, AGE 26, HEIGHT: 5'8", WEIGHT: 220lbs, HAIR: BLACK, ETHNICITY: BLACK, MEMBER: EASTSIDE SPIDERS STREET GANG
MORE
THREAT LEVEL: MODERATE, ARMED: BREN TEN, 10mm AUTO .45 ACP

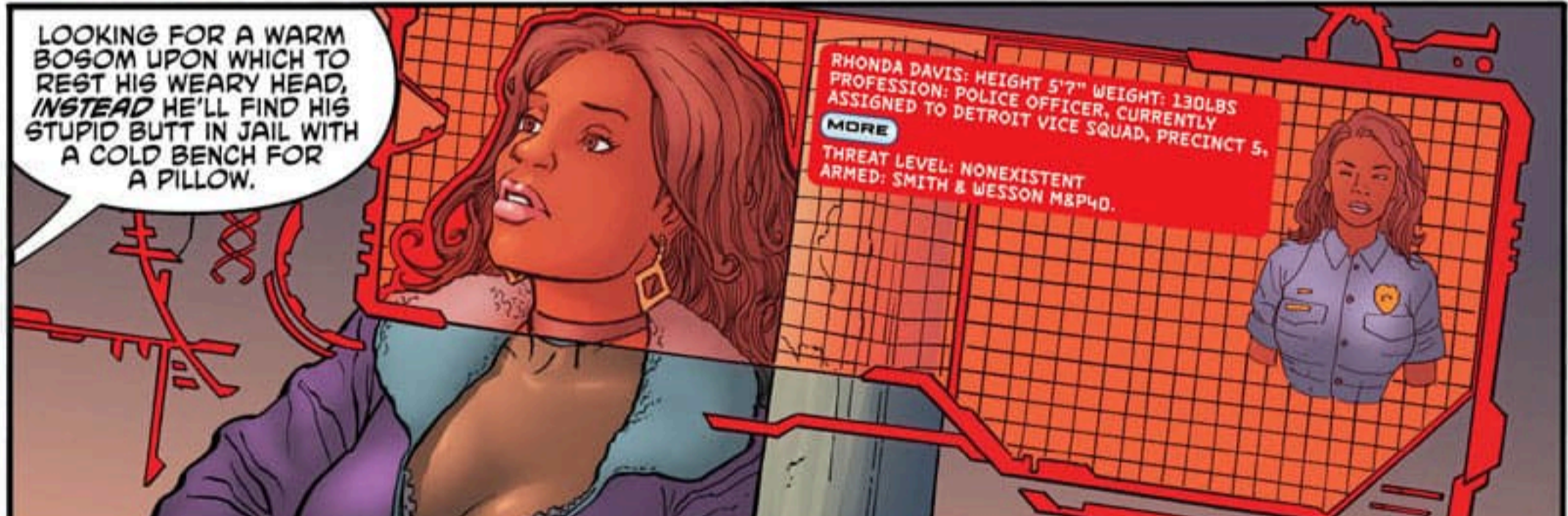
A GROUP OF GANGBANGERS ACROSS THE STREET, FOR ONE THING.

THEY KNOW BETTER THAN TO BOTHER ME. BESIDES, I'VE KNOWN MOST OF THEM SINCE THEY WERE KIDS.



WHAT ABOUT THE PROSTITUTE DOING HER BUSINESS ON THAT CORNER?

THAT WOULD BE OFFICER DAVIS. I PITY THE POOR JOHN WHO SOLICITS HER.



LOOKING FOR A WARM BOSOM UPON WHICH TO REST HIS WEARY HEAD, INSTEAD HE'LL FIND HIS STUPID BUTT IN JAIL WITH A COLD BENCH FOR A PILLOW.

RHONDA DAVIS: HEIGHT 5'7" WEIGHT: 130LBS PROFESSION: POLICE OFFICER, CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO DETROIT VICE SQUAD, PRECINCT 5.
MORE
THREAT LEVEL: NONEXISTENT ARMED: SMITH & WESSON M&P40.



HAAH! I'VE GOT TO ADMIT, YOU CERTAINLY HAVE THIS NEIGHBORHOOD SCOPED OUT PRETTY WELL.

IT SHOULD BOTHER YOU THAT A BLIND MAN SEES THINGS MORE CLEARLY ON THESE EAST SIDE STREETS THAN YOU DO.



MEANING?

MEANING YOU WERE BORN IN DETROIT, AND YOU LIVE IN DETROIT, BUT YOU DON'T SEEM TO REALLY KNOW DETROIT.