

# A EARTH'S MIGHTIEST HEROES™

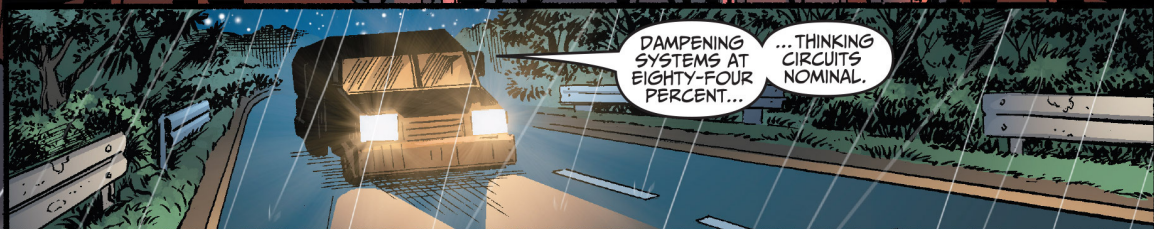
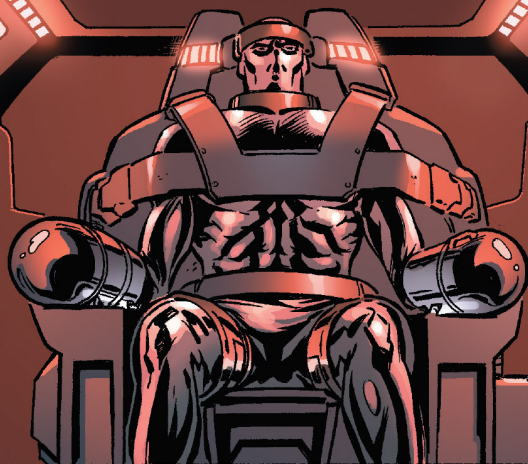
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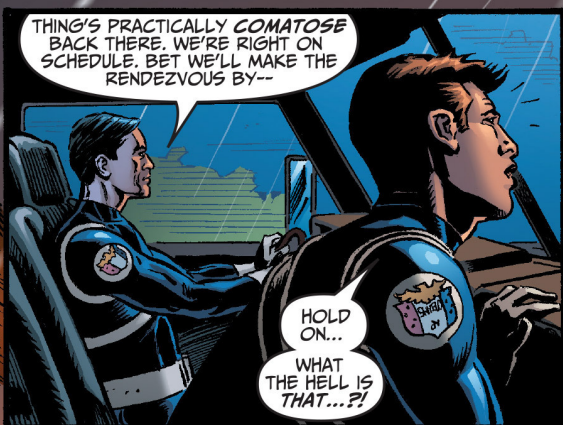
## YEARS AGO...

AN ARMORED TRANSPORT,  
EN ROUTE TO S.H.I.E.L.D.  
HOLDING FACILITY #7.



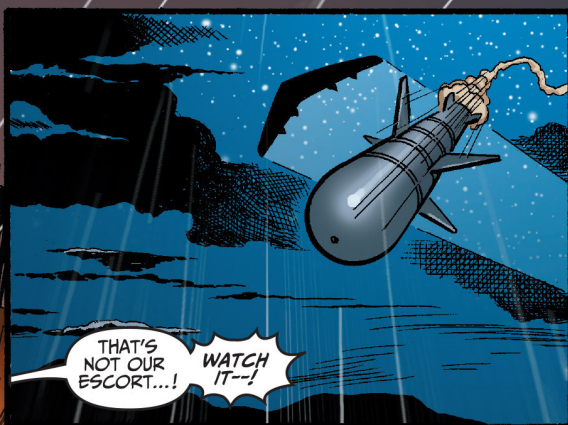
DAMPENING  
SYSTEMS AT  
EIGHTY-FOUR  
PERCENT...

...THINKING  
CIRCUITS  
NOMINAL.



THING'S PRACTICALLY *COMATOSE*  
BACK THERE. WE'RE RIGHT ON  
SCHEDULE. BET WE'LL MAKE THE  
RENDEZVOUS BY--

HOLD  
ON...  
WHAT  
THE HELL IS  
THAT...?!

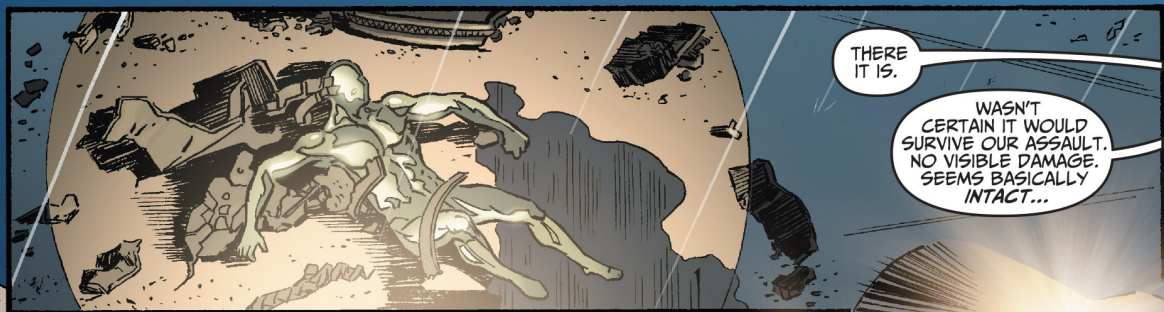
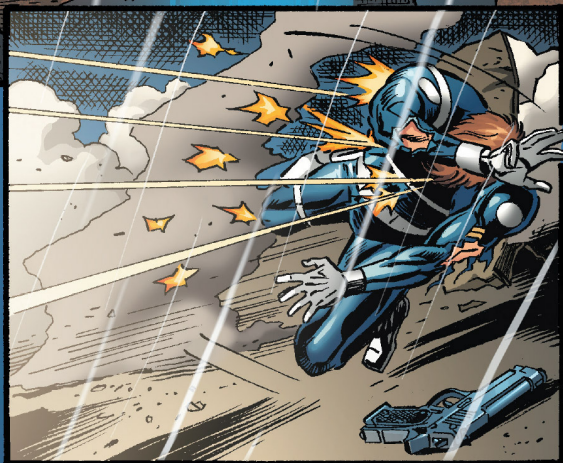
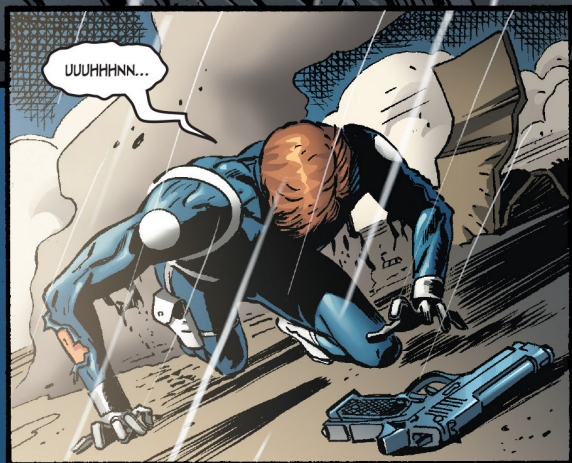
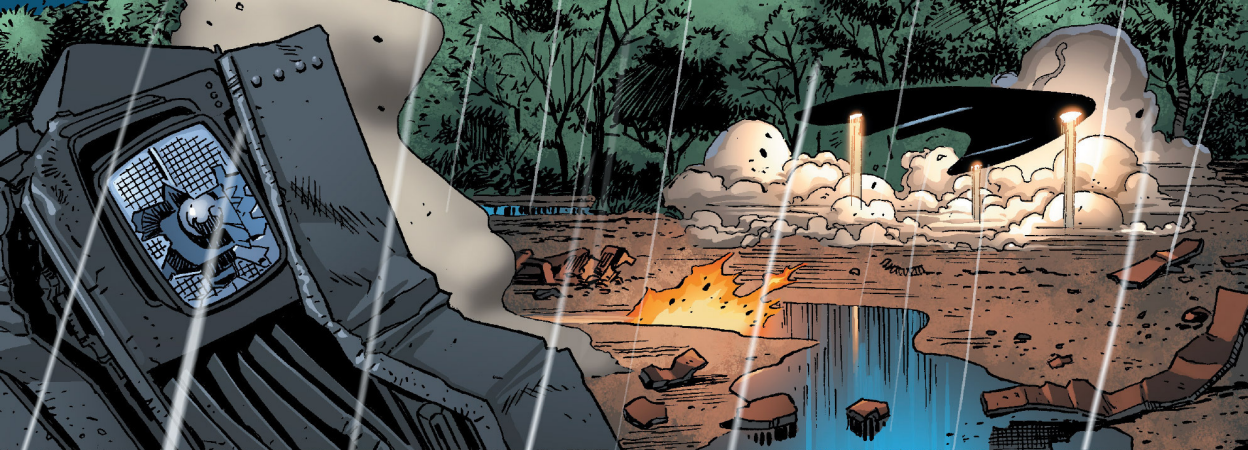


THAT'S  
NOT OUR  
ESCORT...!

WATCH  
IT--!







PHASE ONE--  
RETRIEVAL--IS  
COMPLETE.  
BEGIN PHASE  
TWO...

...EXTRACTION  
AND DELIVERY.



# AVENGERS' MANSION, NEW YORK CITY.

ANOTHER  
AUSPICIOUS  
BEGINNING,  
TO SAY THE  
LEAST...

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...AND  
YOU KNOW I'M ALL  
FOR **CELEBRATING**,  
BUT THERE ARE STILL  
SEVERAL IMPORTANT  
DETAILS THAT NEED TO BE  
**ADDRESSED**. CLEARANCE  
ISSUES, INDUCTION  
PROTOCOLS...

I DON'T  
THINK THE WEIGHT  
OF YOUR WORDS  
IS **LOST** ON OUR  
NEWEST RECRUIT,  
IRON MAN...

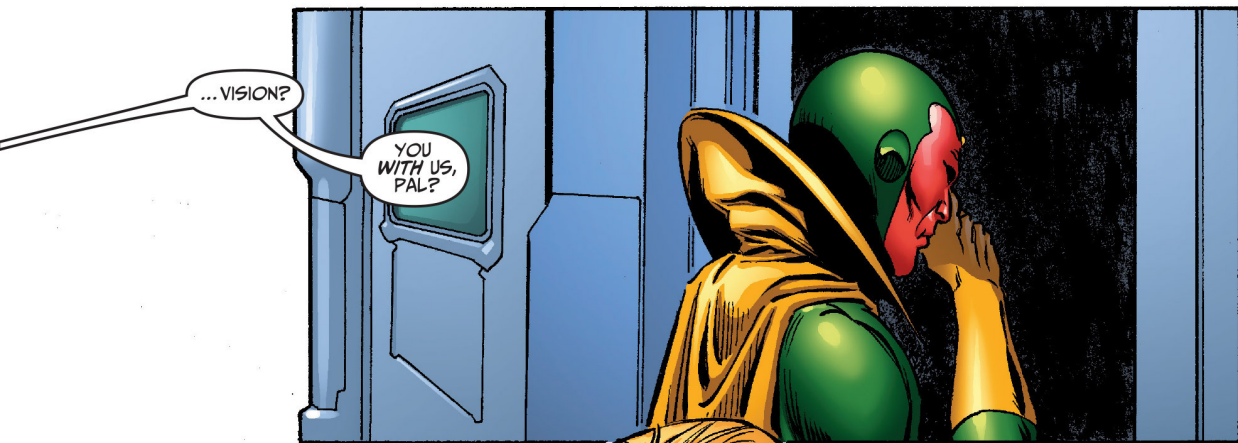
...I'M JUST  
NOT SURE HE'S  
LISTENING AT THE  
MOMENT.

NO DOUBT  
HE IS SOMEWHAT  
**OVERWHELMED** BY THE  
EVENTS OF THE PAST  
FEW DAYS.

HE'S OVERWHELMED?  
C'MON, FELLAS... I DON'T REMEMBER  
ANYONE ROLLING OUT **THIS** MUCH  
RED CARPET WHEN I SIGNED ONTO  
THIS WACKY OUTFIT! STILL... IT'S  
NICE TO FEEL **WANTED**,  
RIGHT...?

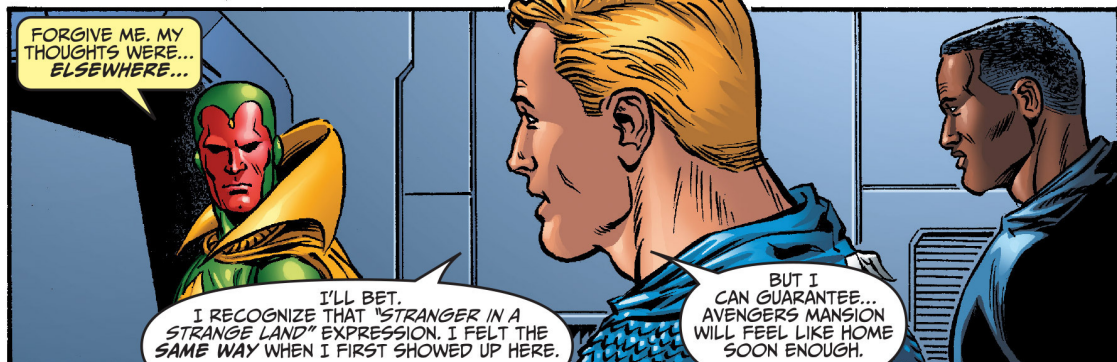
UHHH...  
HEY...





...VISION?

YOU  
WITH US,  
PAL?



FORGIVE ME, MY  
THOUGHTS WERE...  
ELSEWHERE...

I'LL BET.  
I RECOGNIZE THAT "STRANGER IN A  
STRANGE LAND" EXPRESSION. I FELT THE  
SAME WAY WHEN I FIRST SHOWED UP HERE.

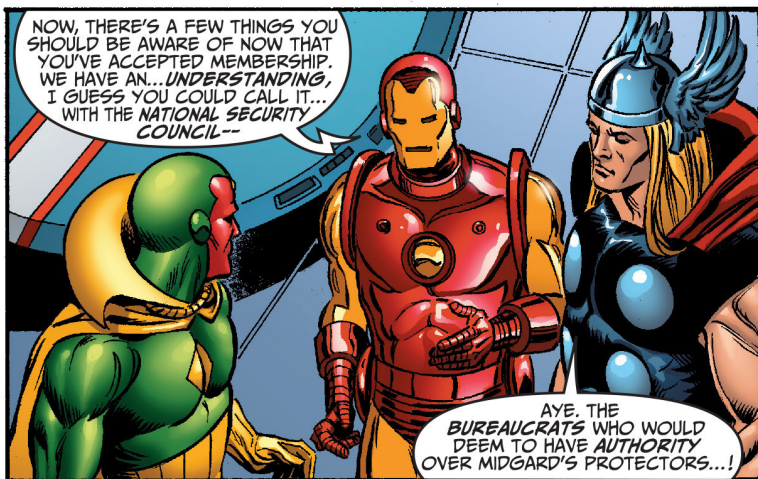
BUT I  
CAN GUARANTEE...  
AVENGERS MANSION  
WILL FEEL LIKE HOME  
SOON ENOUGH.



YOU GOT THAT  
RIGHT. THIS AIN'T  
YOUR TYPICAL  
FLOPHOUSE.  
WE'VE GOT OUR  
FAIR SHARE OF  
AMENITIES.

'COURSE,  
THAT MEANS I WON'T  
BE THE ONLY AVENGER  
LIVIN' HERE FULL-TIME,  
BUT I GUESS I CAN--

HAWKEYE,  
PLEASE...



NOW, THERE'S A FEW THINGS YOU  
SHOULD BE AWARE OF NOW THAT  
YOU'VE ACCEPTED MEMBERSHIP.  
WE HAVE AN...UNDERSTANDING,  
I GUESS YOU COULD CALL IT...  
WITH THE NATIONAL SECURITY  
COUNCIL--

AYE, THE  
BUREAUCRATS WHO WOULD  
DEEM TO HAVE AUTHORITY  
OVER MIDGARD'S PROTECTORS...!



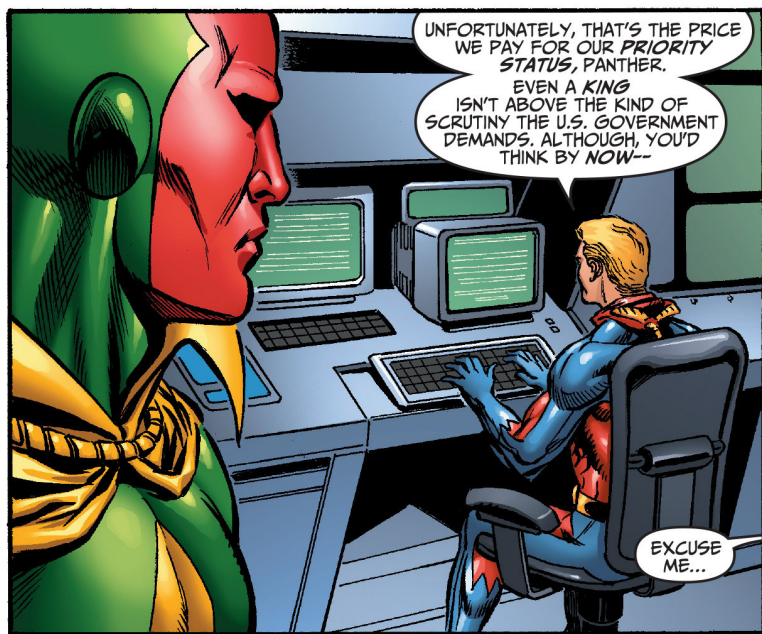
RARE  
THAT WE'RE ALL  
TOGETHER LIKE THIS,  
HUH? LIKE A CLASS  
REUNION...

I DON'T  
KNOW, JAN... THE MORE  
I THINK ABOUT IT, THE MORE  
I WONDER IF INDUCTING  
THE VISION SHOULD BE A  
CAUSE FOR CELEBRATION...

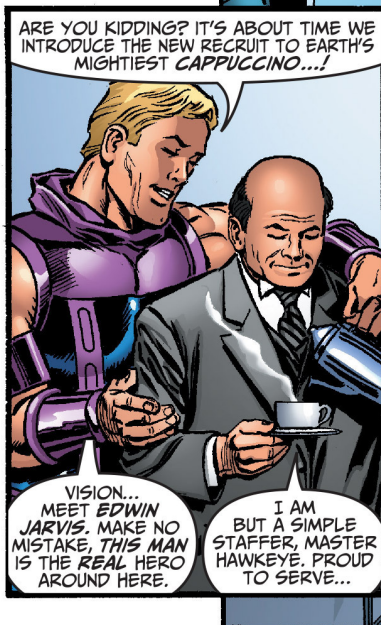


...OR  
CONCERN.

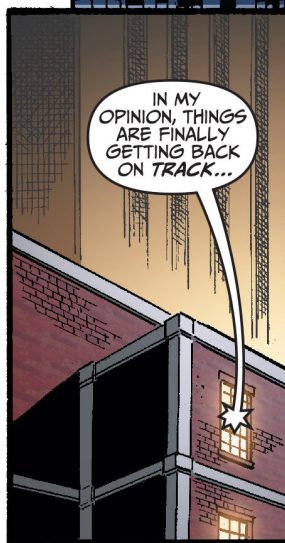












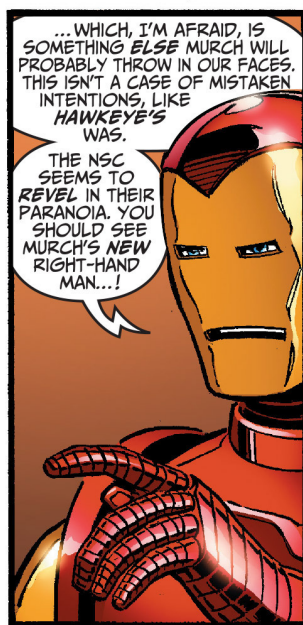
IN MY OPINION, THINGS ARE FINALLY GETTING BACK ON TRACK...



...THE VISION PUTS THE ACTIVE ROSTER BACK UP TO FIVE, AND THE POWER HE'LL PROVIDE...

HE'S FORMIDABLE, NO DOUBT ABOUT THAT.

I'D IMAGINE SO. AFTER ALL, HE WAS CREATED TO TAKE US ALL DOWN...



...WHICH, I'M AFRAID, IS SOMETHING ELSE MURCH WILL PROBABLY THROW IN OUR FACES. THIS ISN'T A CASE OF MISTAKEN INTENTIONS, LIKE HAWKEYE'S WAS.

THE NSC SEEMS TO REVEL IN THEIR PARANOIA. YOU SHOULD SEE MURCH'S NEW RIGHT-HAND MAN...!



I...OFTEN FEEL DEEP REGRET THAT THE SON OF ODIN IS NOW FORCED TO SERVE PURELY ON A RESERVE BASIS...

...I HAVE NEVER FELT SO NOBLE AS I HAVE FIGHTING ALONGSIDE MY FELLOW AVENGERS.

TAKE IT EASY, THOR. NO ONE'S JUDGING YOU. THE TEAM SIMPLY EVOLVES...



YOU'RE CHAIRMAN, HANK. A LOT OF THIS FALLS ON YOUR SHOULDERS. YOU AND MURCH...IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT YOU TWO--

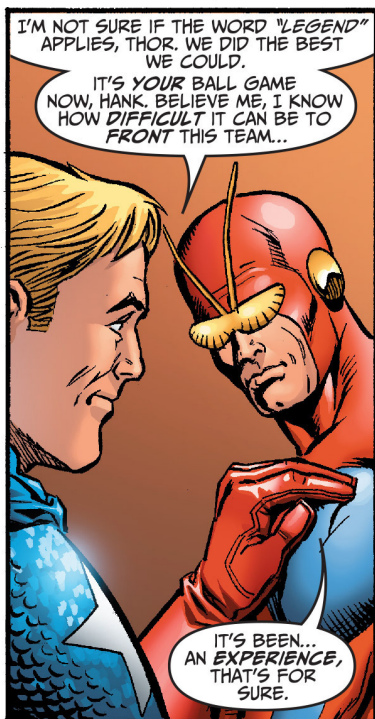
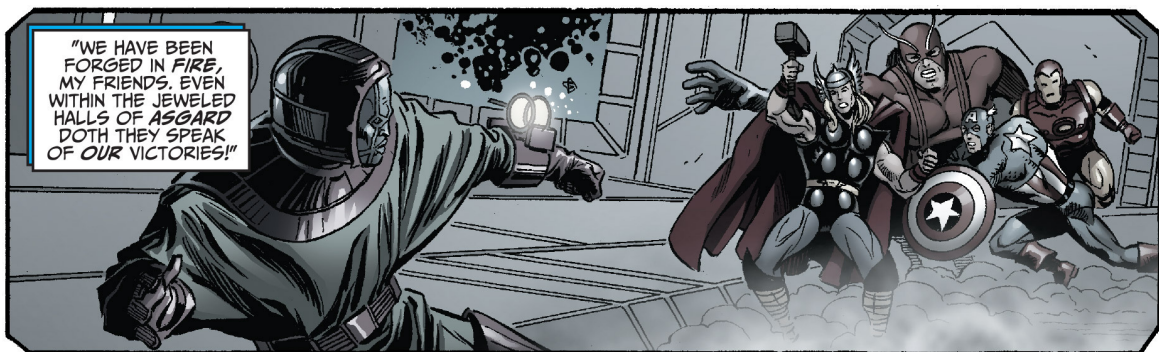
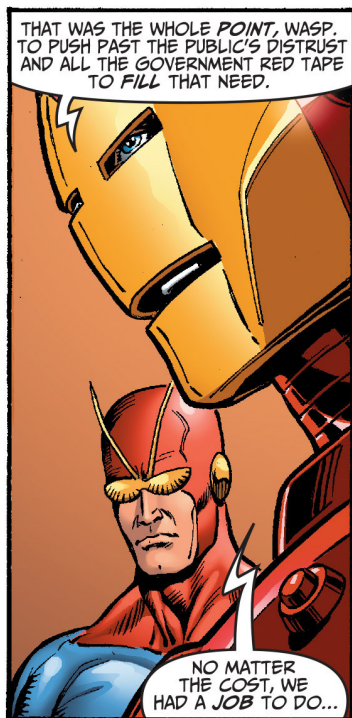
I THINK I CAN HANDLE HIM. I HAVE SO FAR.



THIS TEAM ISN'T THE SIMPLEST TO MAINTAIN, FELLAS...!

I MEAN, EVEN THOSE OF US WHO STARTED THIS THING NEVER HAD AN EASY TIME OF IT. FIVE HEROES WHO REALLY HAD NO BUSINESS TEAMING UP...









WELL, I CAN ONLY IMAGINE IT'S ABOUT TO GET MUCH MORE INTERESTING. THE VISION'S INDUCTION--DESPITE THE FEELINGS WE ALL EXPRESSED HERE TONIGHT--IS GOING TO BE AN UPHILL CLIMB.

IT TOOK A LOT TO GET OUR SECURITY CLEARANCE. YOU WERE THERE, SO YOU KNOW AS WELL AS ANY OF US. AND WITH CAP ON THE RESERVES LIST AT THE MOMENT, KEEPING IT TAKES THAT MUCH MORE EFFORT.

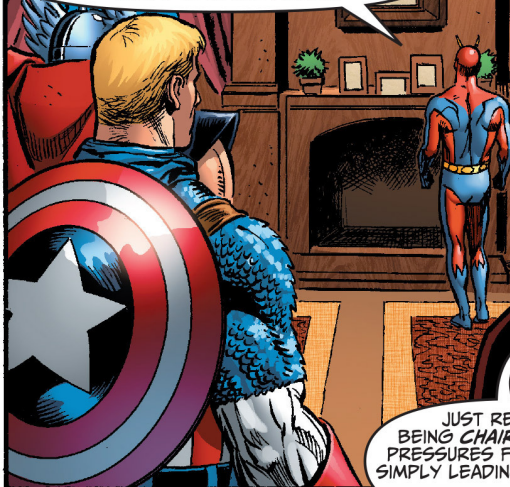
I KNOW MY CURRENT STATUS ISN'T IDEAL. I THOUGHT...BRINGING THE PANTHER IN AS MY REPLACEMENT MIGHT ALLEVIATE ANY POTENTIAL PROBLEMS...



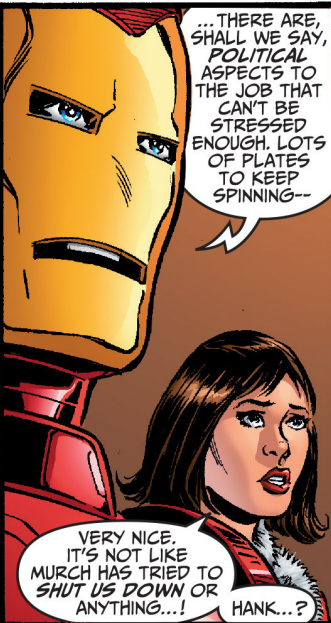
DON'T SWEAT IT, CAP. IF WE HAVEN'T EARNED RESPECT BY NOW, WE NEVER WILL.

BESIDES, HANK'S GOT IT ALL UNDER CONTROL, RIGHT, HON...?

WHAT CAN I SAY? MY OWN SIZE-CHANGING ABILITIES HAVE FINALLY STABILIZED. AND, I AGREE, FOR A WHILE THERE...THE TEAM WAS PRETTY ANEMIC. THE EXPANDED ROSTER CERTAINLY HELPS US IN THE FIELD...



JUST REMEMBER, BEING CHAIRMAN CARRIES PRESSURES FAR AND ABOVE SIMPLY LEADING THE TROOPS...



...THERE ARE, SHALL WE SAY, POLITICAL ASPECTS TO THE JOB THAT CAN'T BE STRESSED ENOUGH. LOTS OF PLATES TO KEEP SPINNING--

VERY NICE. IT'S NOT LIKE MURCH HAS TRIED TO SHUT US DOWN OR ANYTHING...!

HANK...?



## OFFICIAL CHARTER

BE IT KNOWN...

Avengers, have banded together to safeguard the Planet Earth, its resources, from any and all threats, whether they be of conventional force or otherwise -- which are or may be. We shall take no interference in the course of its rightful destiny. We shall defend ourselves to the establishment of peace, liberty, and justice under law.

LISTEN, PARTNERS...MAYBE I'M NOT THE PREFERRED FOUNDER TO BE CHAIRMAN, BUT I DO TAKE IT SERIOUSLY. IT'S BECOME MY WHOLE LIFE.

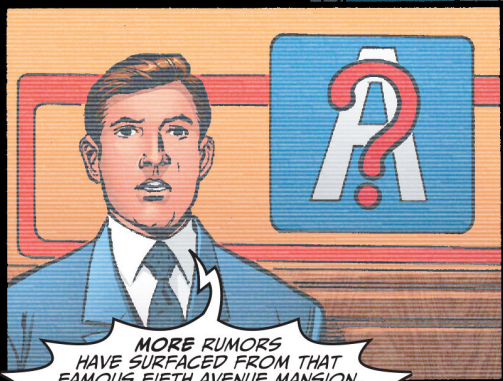
WHAT WE'VE BUILT HERE...IT WON'T FALL APART ON MY WATCH.



I SWEAR IT.

THIS IS OUR SOLEMN OATH.

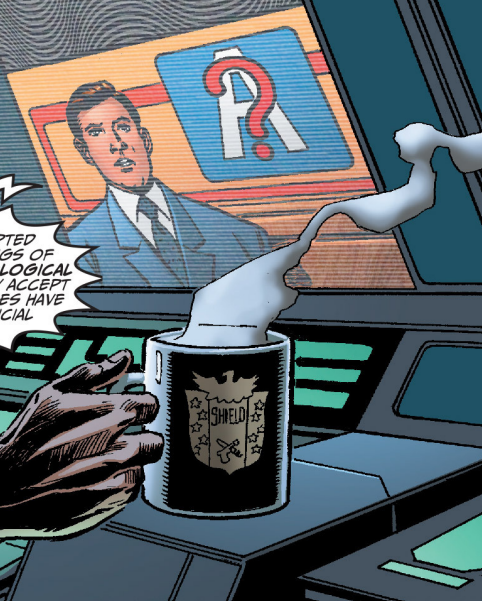




MORE RUMORS HAVE SURFACED FROM THAT FAMOUS FIFTH AVENUE MANSION, THIS TIME CONCERNING A BRAND-NEW AVENGER JOINING THE RANKS OF THE VENERABLE ORGANIZATION. THE IDENTITY OF THIS NEWCOMER IS STILL UNKNOWN...

...HOWEVER, SOME REPORTS HAVE SUGGESTED THAT THIS MYSTERY HERO MAY NOT EVEN BE HUMAN.

THE PUBLIC HAS ACCEPTED MUTANTS AND BEINGS OF QUESTIONABLE MYTHOLOGICAL ORIGIN, BUT WILL THEY ACCEPT WHAT CERTAIN SOURCES HAVE CALLED AN "ARTIFICIAL MAN"...



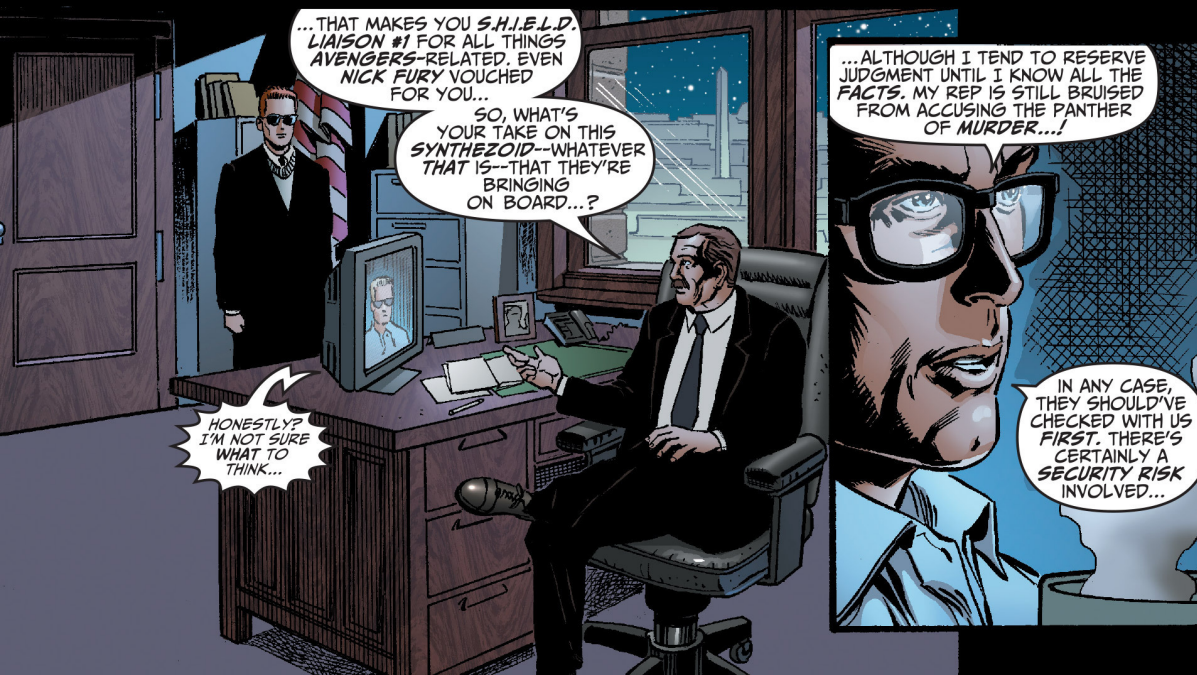
MORE NEWS AS IT DEVELOPS...

ALERT--INCOMING COMMUNICATION: NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL...



AGENT MURCH, I WAS WONDERING HOW SOON I'D BE HEARING FROM YOU...

LET'S PLAY NICE, AGENT SITWELL... YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH STARK, YOUR INVOLVEMENT WITH THE GRIM REAPER CASE...



...THAT MAKES YOU S.H.I.E.L.D. LIAISON #1 FOR ALL THINGS AVENGERS-RELATED. EVEN NICK FURY VOUCHERED FOR YOU...

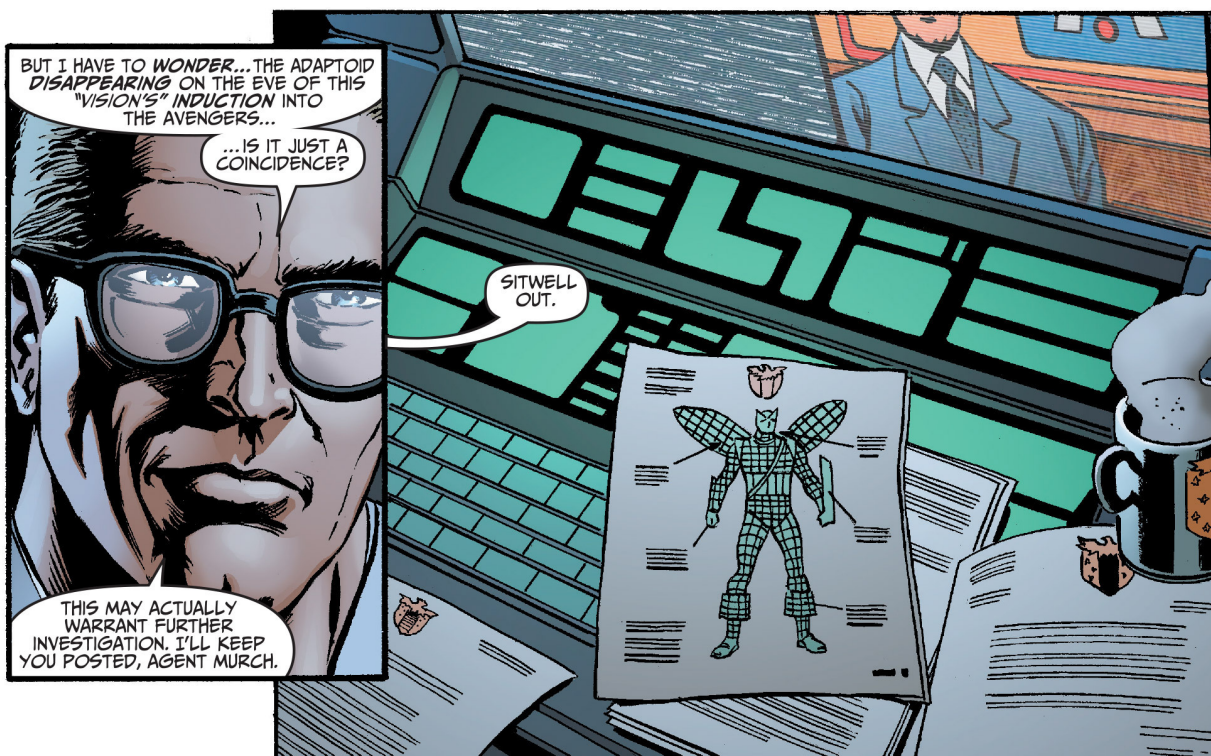
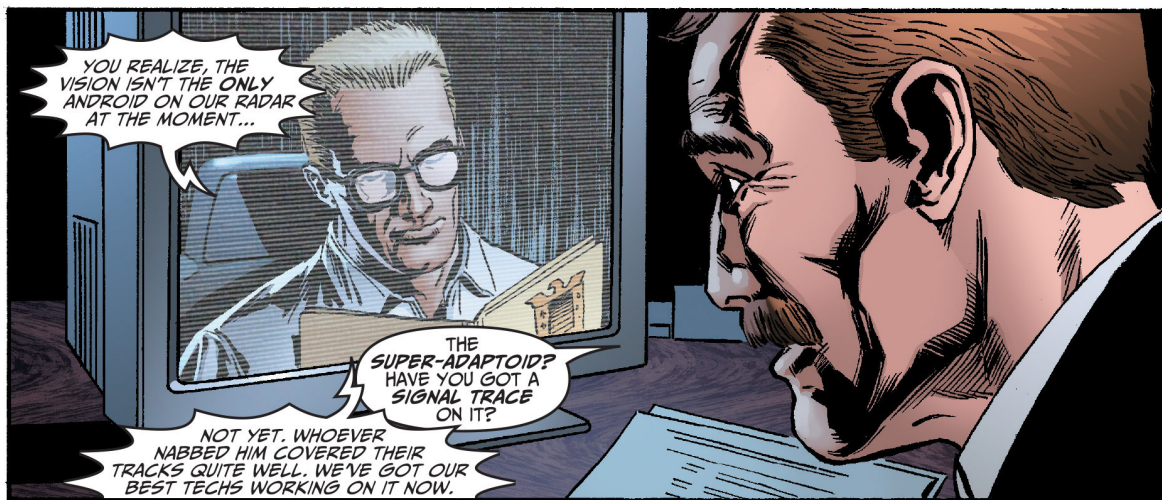
SO, WHAT'S YOUR TAKE ON THIS SYNTHETOID--WHATEVER THAT IS--THAT THEY'RE BRINGING ON BOARD...?

HONESTLY? I'M NOT SURE WHAT TO THINK...

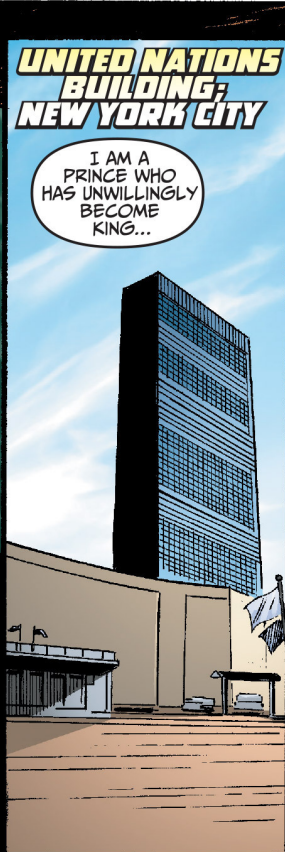
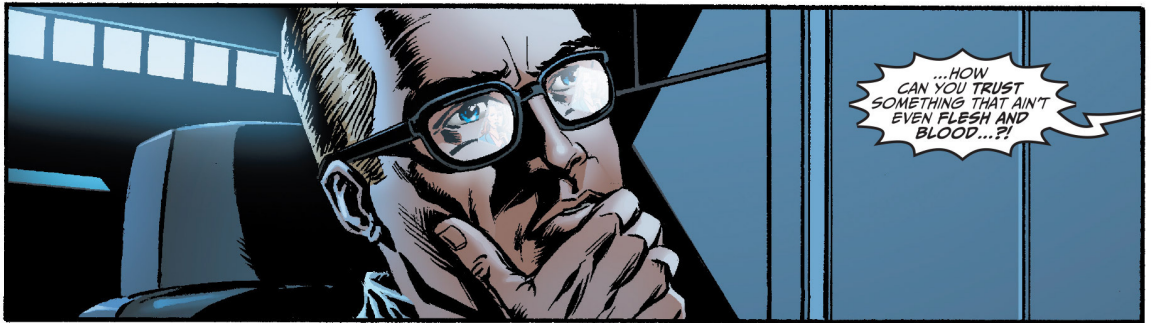
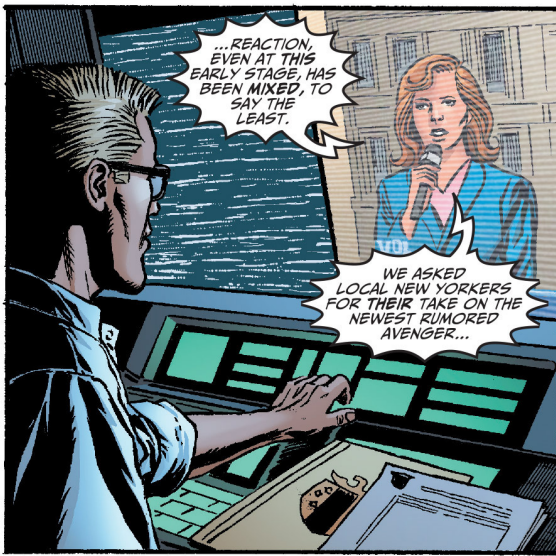
...ALTHOUGH I TEND TO RESERVE JUDGMENT UNTIL I KNOW ALL THE FACTS. MY REP IS STILL BRUISED FROM ACCUSING THE PANTHER OF MURDER...!

IN ANY CASE, THEY SHOULD'VE CHECKED WITH US FIRST. THERE'S CERTAINLY A SECURITY RISK INVOLVED...

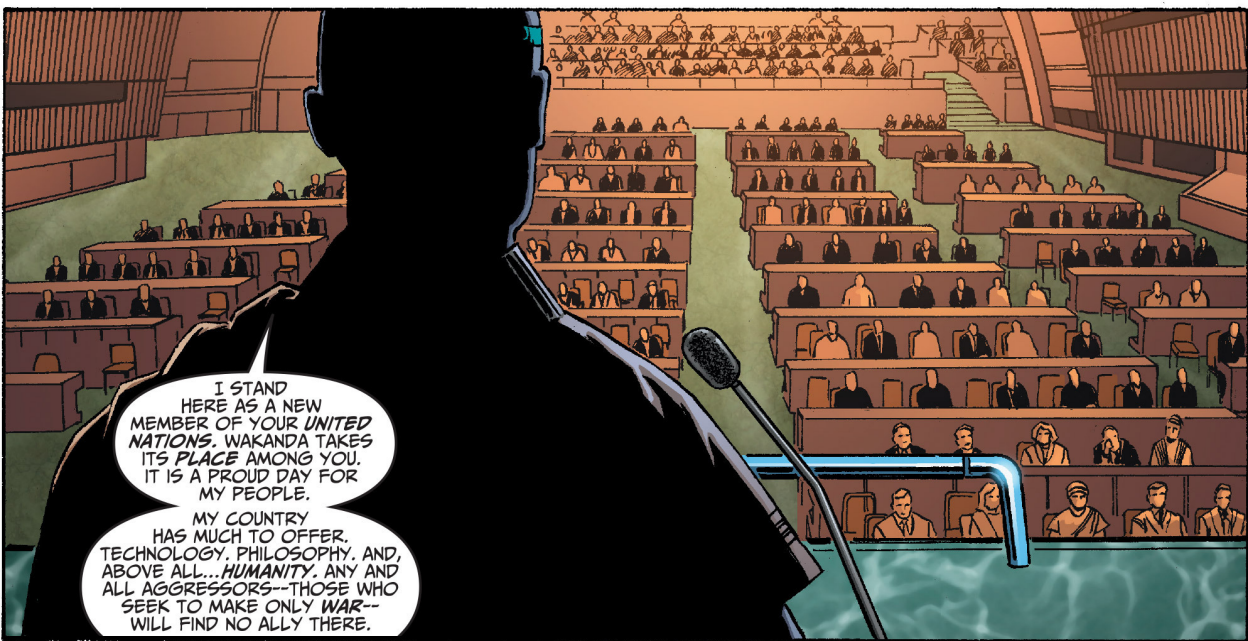












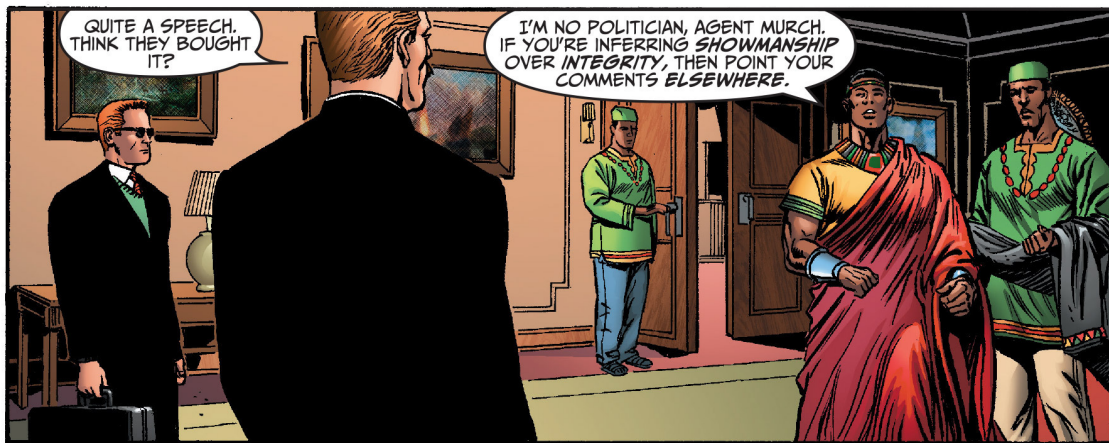
I STAND  
HERE AS A NEW  
MEMBER OF YOUR **UNITED  
NATIONS**. WAKANDA TAKES  
ITS PLACE AMONG YOU.  
IT IS A PROUD DAY FOR  
MY PEOPLE.

MY COUNTRY  
HAS MUCH TO OFFER.  
TECHNOLOGY, PHILOSOPHY, AND,  
ABOVE ALL... **HUMANITY**. ANY AND  
ALL AGGRESSORS--THOSE WHO  
SEEK TO MAKE ONLY **WAR**--  
WILL FIND NO ALLY THERE.



IF WE **ARE** TO BECOME THE  
TRUE GLOBAL VILLAGE  
THIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
ASPIRES TO BE, IT WILL  
REQUIRE HONESTY, VIGILANCE  
AND, ABOVE ALL ELSE,  
**EMPATHY** FOR OUR  
FELLOW MAN. THESE  
THINGS I PLEDGE  
TO YOU.

THUS SPEAKS  
T'CHALLA.



QUITE A SPEECH.  
THINK THEY BOUGHT  
IT?

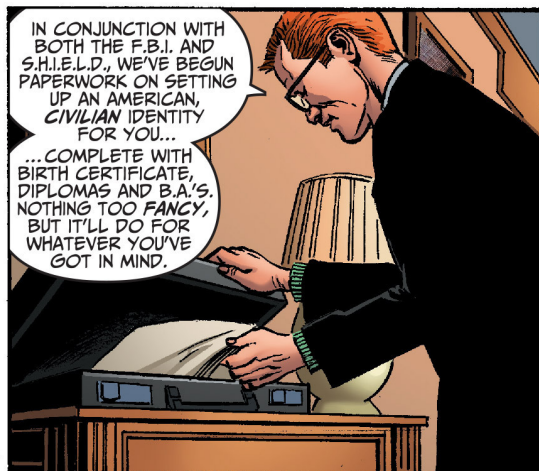
I'M NO POLITICIAN, AGENT MURCH.  
IF YOU'RE INFERRING **SHOWMANSHIP**  
OVER **INTEGRITY**, THEN POINT YOUR  
COMMENTS **ELSEWHERE**.



INTEGRITY? WE'RE HERE TO  
DISCUSS A PROVERBIAL  
"SECRET IDENTITY" FOR YOU.  
AND DON'T MISTAKE OUR  
COOPERATION FOR  
ALTRUISM.

YOU'VE  
GOT FRIENDS  
IN **HIGH PLACES**. IN  
FACT, IN MY OPINION,  
THE AVENGERS ARE  
A **STEP DOWN**  
FOR YOU.

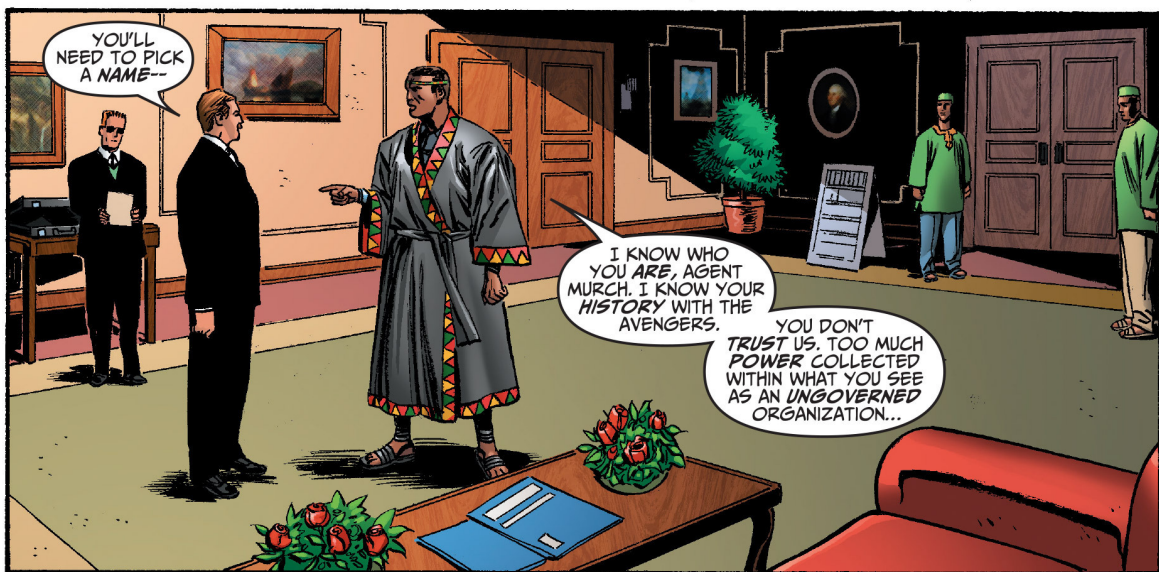
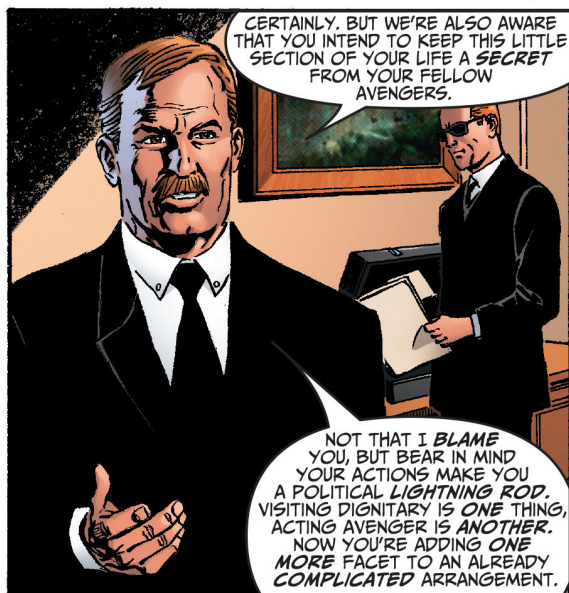
GYRICH...?



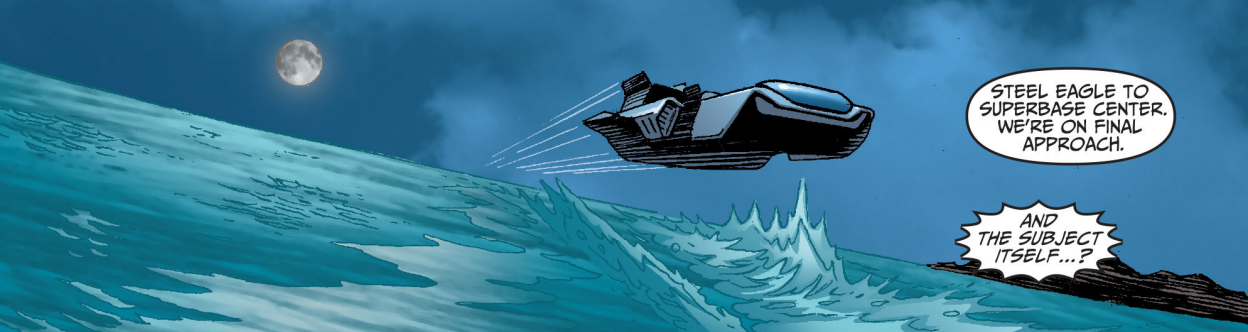
IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
BOTH THE F.B.I. AND  
S.H.I.E.L.D., WE'VE BEGUN  
PAPERWORK ON SETTING  
UP AN AMERICAN,  
**CIVILIAN IDENTITY**  
FOR YOU...

...COMPLETE WITH  
BIRTH CERTIFICATE,  
DIPLOMAS AND B.A.'S.  
NOTHING TOO FANCY,  
BUT IT'LL DO FOR  
WHATEVER YOU'VE  
GOT IN MIND.



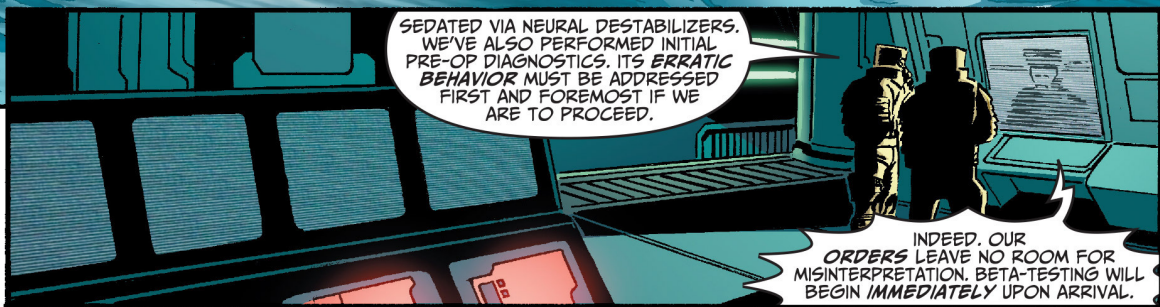






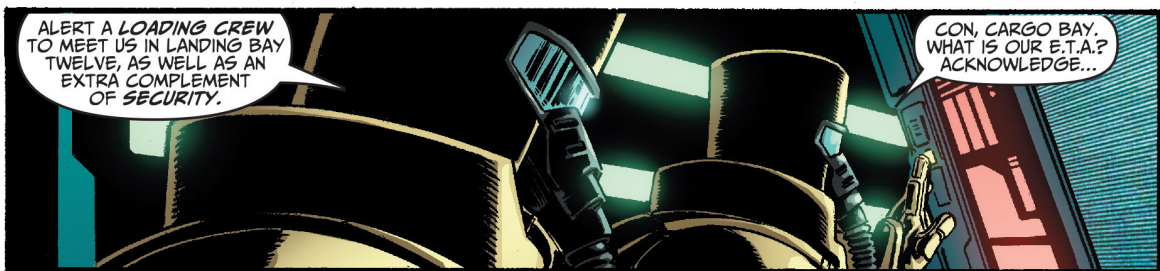
STEEL EAGLE TO  
SUPERBASE CENTER.  
WE'RE ON FINAL  
APPROACH.

AND  
THE SUBJECT  
ITSELF...?



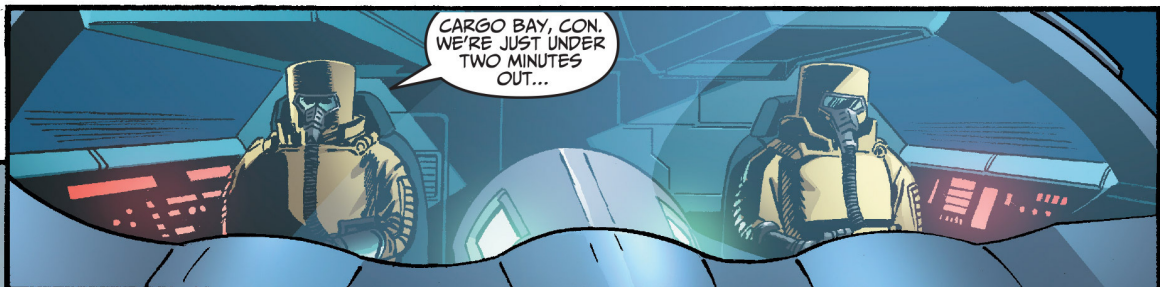
SEDATED VIA NEURAL DESTABILIZERS.  
WE'VE ALSO PERFORMED INITIAL  
PRE-OP DIAGNOSTICS. ITS **ERRATIC**  
**BEHAVIOR** MUST BE ADDRESSED  
FIRST AND FOREMOST IF WE  
ARE TO PROCEED.

INDEED. OUR  
**ORDERS** LEAVE NO ROOM FOR  
MISINTERPRETATION. BETA-TESTING WILL  
BEGIN IMMEDIATELY UPON ARRIVAL.

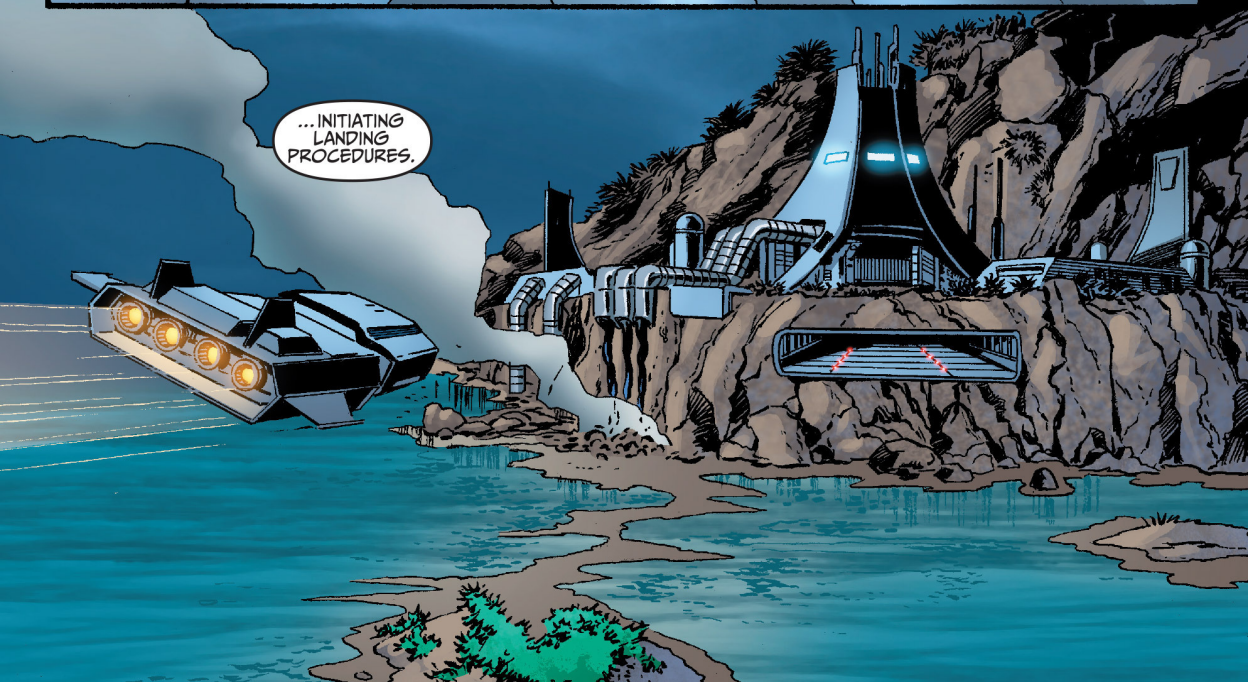


ALERT A **LOADING CREW**  
TO MEET US IN **LANDING BAY**  
TWELVE, AS WELL AS AN  
EXTRA COMPLEMENT  
OF **SECURITY**.

CON, CARGO BAY.  
WHAT IS OUR E.T.A.?  
ACKNOWLEDGE...

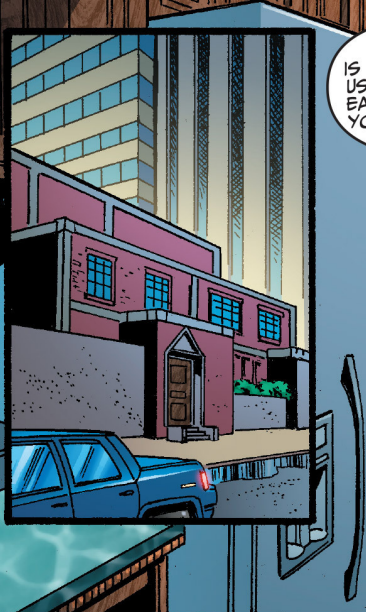


CARGO BAY, CON.  
WE'RE JUST UNDER  
TWO MINUTES  
OUT...



...INITIATING  
LANDING  
PROCEDURES.





...SO, FOUR IN THE MORNING, *THIS* IS THE PLACE WHERE WE USUALLY END UP. GOTTA EAT *SOMETHING* AFTER YOU'VE HANDED ULTRON HIS HEAD...!

WANNA BEER...?

PERHAPS MASTER VISION DOES NOT... EAT.



MY PRIMARY NOURISHMENT INVOLVES THE ABSORPTION OF AMBIENT SOLAR ENERGY WHICH I THEN CONVERT INTERNALLY.

ORAL CONSUMPTION IS POSSIBLE, BUT I'M AFRAID IT WOULD ONLY BE FOR THE BENEFIT OF ANY *HUMAN* COMPANY...



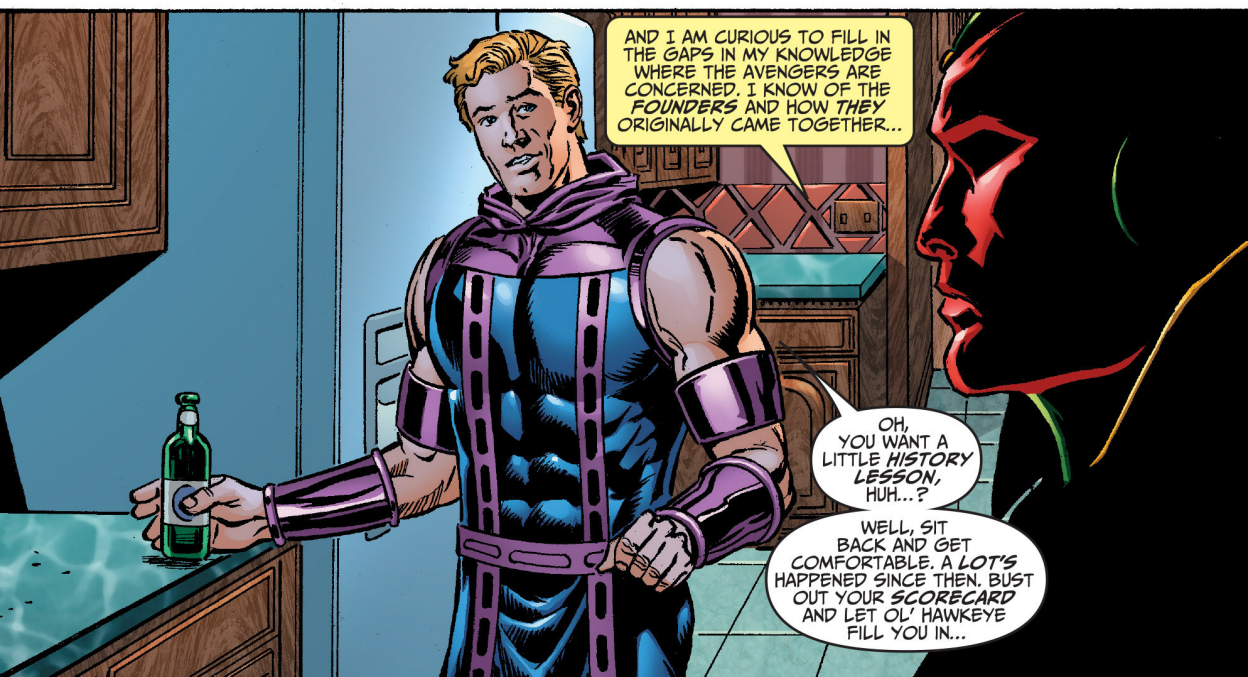
OH YEAH. RIGHT...

...WELL, WHATEVER. MORE FOR ME.

YOU'RE DOING A *SPLENDID* JOB OF MAKING YOUR NEW TEAMMATE FEEL *WELCOME*...



NOT AT ALL, JARVIS. I AM RECONCILED TO THE FACT THAT THERE WILL BE A PERIOD OF *ASSIMILATION* DURING MY TIME HERE.

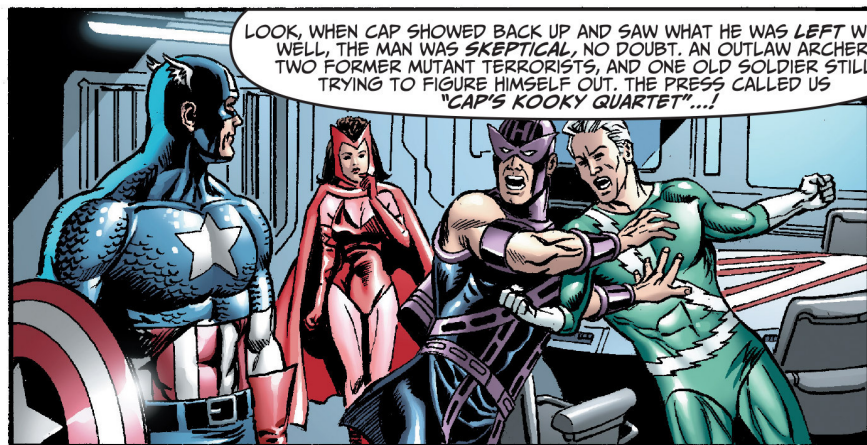


AND I AM CURIOUS TO FILL IN THE GAPS IN MY KNOWLEDGE WHERE THE AVENGERS ARE CONCERNED. I KNOW OF THE *FOUNDERS* AND HOW *THEY* ORIGINALLY CAME TOGETHER...

OH, YOU WANT A LITTLE *HISTORY* LESSON, HUH...?

WELL, SIT BACK AND GET COMFORTABLE. A *LOT'S* HAPPENED SINCE THEN. BUST OUT YOUR *SCORECARD* AND LET OL' HAWKEYE FILL YOU IN...





LOOK, WHEN CAP SHOWED BACK UP AND SAW WHAT HE WAS LEFT WITH... WELL, THE MAN WAS **SKEPTICAL**, NO DOUBT. AN OUTLAW ARCHER, TWO FORMER MUTANT TERRORISTS, AND ONE OLD SOLDIER STILL TRYING TO FIGURE HIMSELF OUT. THE PRESS CALLED US "**CAP'S KOOKY QUARTET**"...!



NOT THAT I **BLAME** THEM. RIGHT OFF THE BAT, IT SEEMED LIKE WE WERE AT EACH OTHER'S THROATS. NOT EXACTLY ONE BIG HAPPY FAMILY, KNOW WHAT I MEAN?

IT DEFINITELY TOOK AWHILE FOR US TO **GEL** AS A TEAM...

TRUE, BUT MY **INSTINCTS** ON THIS MATTER TURNED OUT TO BE ONE HUNDRED PERCENT **CORRECT**. IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE CAPTAIN AMERICA GREW INTO THE **LEADER** WE ALL KNEW HE WOULD BE, AND THE **REST** OF YOU INTO WORTHY **AVENGERS**.

IT WAS...INTERESTING TO WATCH THE CHEMISTRY BETWEEN YOU DEVELOP. UNLIKELY AS IT MIGHT'VE SEEMED, THE FOUR OF YOU QUICKLY **BONDED** AND WERE SOON CHALLENGED BY ALL **MANNER** OF THREATS...



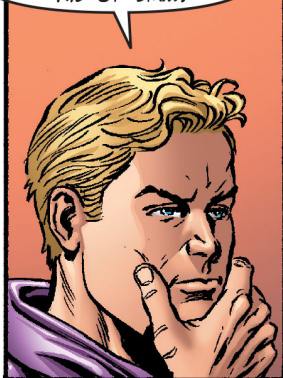
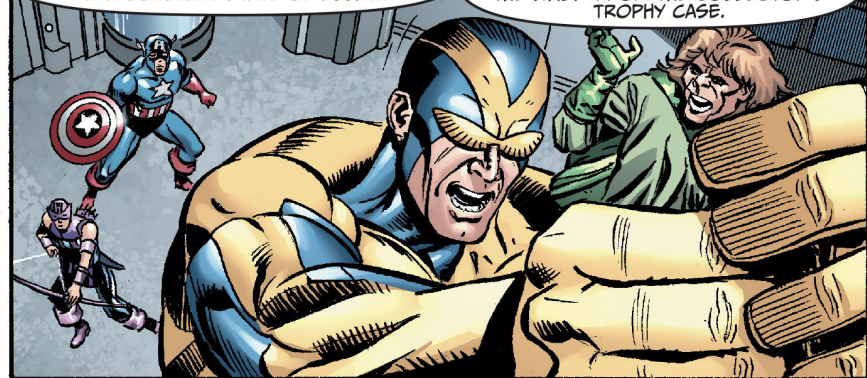
THREATS ON A LEVEL THAT WOULD EVEN GIVE THE **FOUNDERS** PAUSE...



YOU WANNA TALK **CHALLENGE**, JARVIS... TELL VIZH HERE ABOUT THE CHALLENGES OF A TEAM IN A CONSTANT STATE OF **FLUX**...

IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE **HANK PYM** WAS BACK ON THE SCENE, ENLISTING US TO RESCUE THE **WASP** FROM THE COLLECTOR'S TROPHY CASE.

AFTER THAT LITTLE PUNCH-UP, WE COULD NEVER GET **RID** OF 'EM...!



SUCH IS THE NATURE OF THIS ENVIRONMENT. ONE NEVER TRULY "**LEAVES**" THE TEAM, DO THEY...?

AND THERE HAVE BEEN TIMES WHEN THIS MANSION WAS PRACTICALLY **BURSTING AT THE SEAMS** WITH ACTIVITY AND PERSONNEL...

...THERE WAS **HERCULES**, AN OLYMPIAN DEMIGOD WHOSE **STRENGTH** WAS MATCHED ONLY BY HIS **ENTHUSIASM** FOR LIFE.

THAT'S NOT TO SAY MORE **AVENGERS** MADE FOR LESS **TENSION**. FAR FROM IT...





AND WOULDN'T YOU KNOW IT-- AS SOON AS WE GRANTED HERC FULL MEMBERSHIP, HE UPS AND TAKES OFF...! BUT, HEY, AT LEAST HANK AND JAN SEEMED TO BE IN IT FOR THE LONG HAUL.



OL' HIGH-POCKETS IS ONE FOR THE BOOKS, Y'SEE. HE WENT FROM ANT-MAN TO GIANT-MAN AND NOW GOLIATH. THE GUY'S HAD MORE NAMES THAN A SPANISH ARISTOCRAT...!

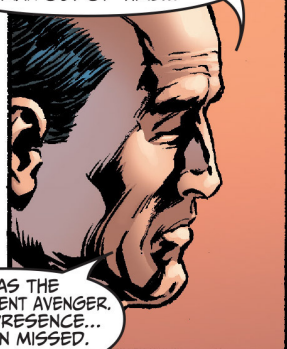
BUT, I'LL TELL YOU, WHEN HE'S AT HIS BEST, HE CAN REALLY SWAT WITH THE HEAVYWEIGHTS. AT SOME POINT, IT BECAME PRETTY OBVIOUS WHO SHOULD BE CHAIRMAN.

'COURSE, PART OF THAT DECISION WAS MADE FOR ALL OF US...



YOU CANNOT BLAME A MAN FOR GOING HIS OWN WAY. EVEN ONE AS LOYAL TO THE AVENGERS AS CAPTAIN AMERICA MUST SOMETIMES ASSERT HIS INDEPENDENCE.

HE FELT THE TEAM WAS IN CAPABLE HANDS. BELIEVE ME, IT WAS NOT A DECISION HE TOOK LIGHTLY. BUT ON MANY LEVELS, HE IS STILL VERY MUCH A MAN OUT OF TIME...



HE WAS THE FIRST RESIDENT AVENGER. AND HIS PRESENCE... HAS BEEN MISSED.

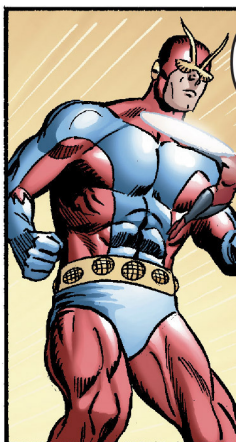
YEAH, WELL... THINGS KINDA STARTED DETERIORATING FROM THERE...

OUR RESIDENT MUTANTS, QUICKSILVER AND THE SCARLET WITCH, ENDED UP GOIN' A LITTLE NUTSO AND HOOKING BACK UP WITH MAGNETO, OF ALL PEOPLE!

I MEAN, THIS IS A GUY WHO MADE THEIR LIFE HELL, BACK WHEN THEY WERE STILL ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE LAW. NOT TO MENTION BEING THE FIRST NAME ON THE X-MEN'S MOST WANTED LIST...! WE'RE STILL SCRATCHING OUR HEADS OVER THAT ONE...



THAT WANDA WAS A CUTIE, THOUGH...



ANYWAY, IT WASN'T LONG AFTER WHEN CAP SENT US HIS PICK FOR NEW AVENGER OF THE YEAR-- THE BLACK PANTHER. GUY'S NOT ONLY FIRST-RATE IN THE HERO DEPARTMENT-- COMBAT-TRAINED AND STEALTHY AS HELL-- HE'S A BONA FIDE KING OF HIS OWN AFRICAN NATION!

TELL YOU THE TRUTH... IT'S AMAZING HOW WE'VE SURVIVED ALL THE DRAMA. I MEAN, KNOCKING HEADS WITH SUPER-VILLAINS IS ONE THING, BUT WHEN IT'S COMING FROM WITHIN THE RANKS, IT STARTS TO MAKE YOU WONDER...!

YOU POPPED UP AT AN INTERESTING TIME, VIZH.





INDEED, I HAD LITTLE IDEA OF HOW MUCH THE AVENGERS HAVE EXPERIENCED IN THEIR LIFESPAN THUS FAR.

I DUNNO... CHALK IT UP TO **GROWING PAINS**. I GUESS, I'M JUST PROUD TO SAY I'M STILL HERE, DOIN' MY PART TO MAKE THE WORLD A LITTLE LESS SCARY FOR THE AVERAGE JOE.

IN OTHER WORDS...  
**AVENGERS ASSEMBLE.**



ILLUMINATION THROUGH EXPERIENCE. INTERESTING IN ITS INHERENT **LOGIC**. AFFECTING IN ITS EXPRESSED **EMOTION**.

I MUST ADMIT... I'M STILL A BIT CONCERNED ABOUT MY ABILITY TO **FIT IN HERE**. TO STAND AMONG YOU AS AN **EQUAL**...

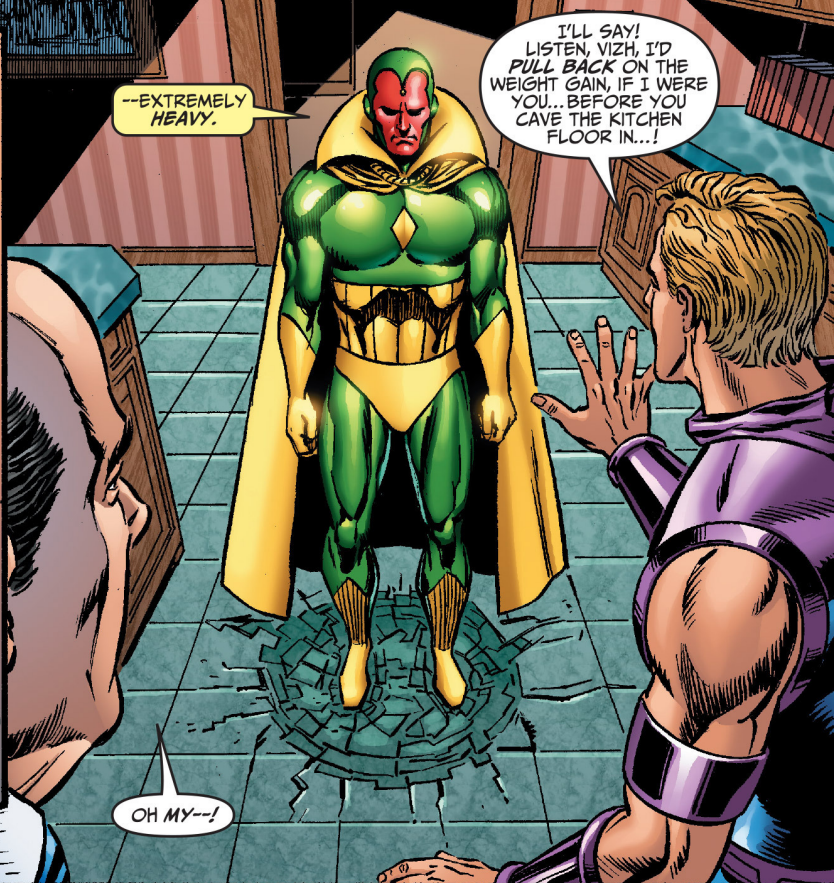


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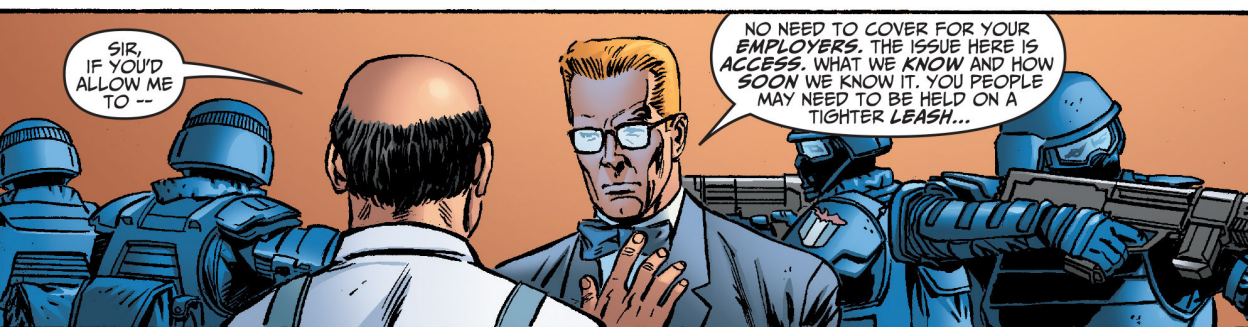
GUESS YOU'RE WAY **AHEAD** OF ME.

AS YOU CAN SEE... I HAVE THE ABILITY TO ALTER MY BODY'S **DENSITY**. I CAN EITHER **SHUNT** OR **ACQUIRE MASS**...













MASTER VISION...! IF YOU WOULD ALL JUST--

HOLY--!

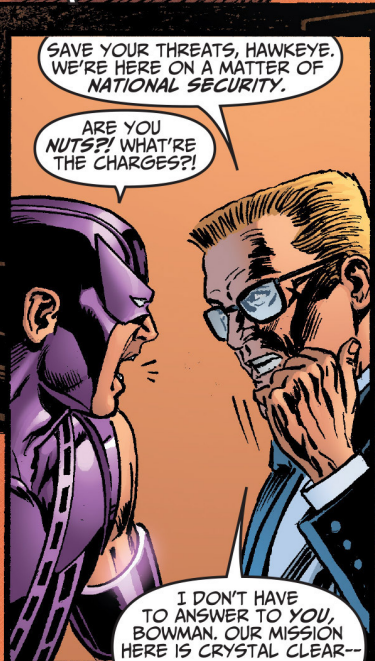
ALRIGHT, BOYS... YOU'VE GOT YOUR ORDERS.

YOU AND YOUR "BOYS" MIGHT WANT TO BACK OFF, SITWELL--



--SEEING AS YOU'RE ON THE BUSINESS END OF THIS DISRUPTOR ARROW.

BELIEVE ME, YOU DON'T WANT TO KNOW WHAT IT CAN DO TO YOU.



SAVE YOUR THREATS, HAWKEYE. WE'RE HERE ON A MATTER OF NATIONAL SECURITY.

ARE YOU NUTS?! WHAT'RE THE CHARGES?!

I DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER TO YOU, BOWMAN. OUR MISSION HERE IS CRYSTAL CLEAR--



--TO COLLECT THIS "VISION" CHARACTER AND BRING HIM IN FOR S.H.I.E.L.D. INTERROGATION. GIVE HIM A CHANCE TO COME QUIETLY, BOYS. BUT IF HE RESISTS--

--OPEN FIRE.

**CONTINUED...**