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EDGED

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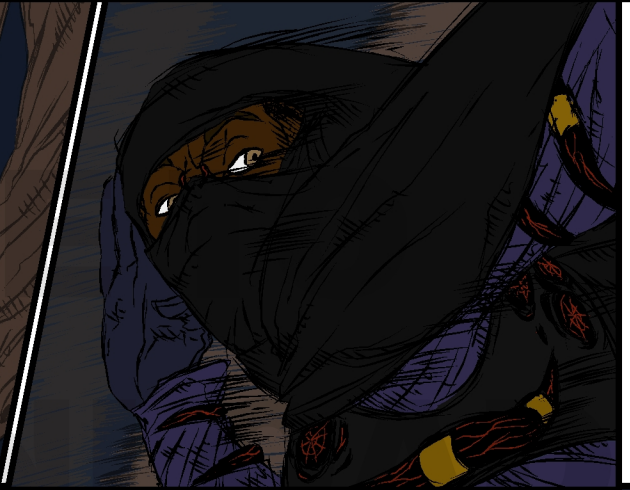
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YOU WERE THERE AT THE VERY BEGINNING!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATRONAGE.





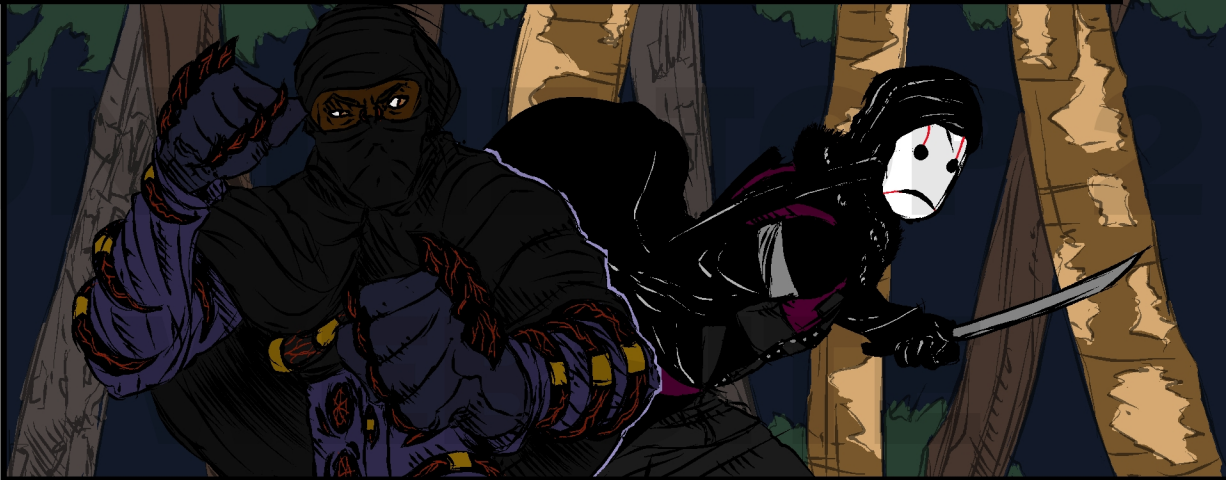


WELL, I
FIGURED I WOULDN'T
BE ABLE TO LOSE
EM...

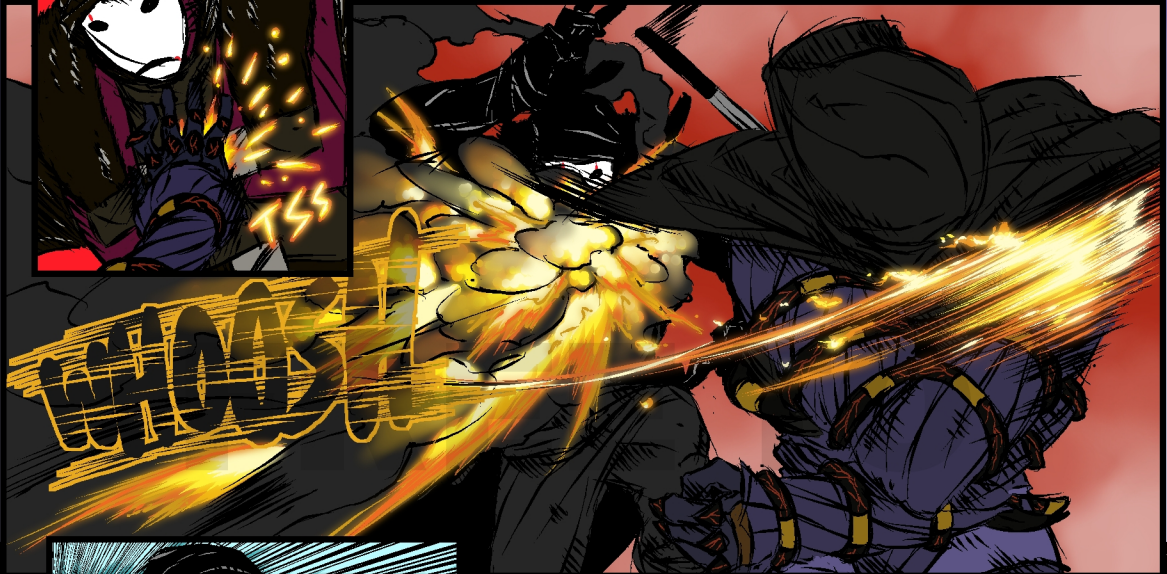
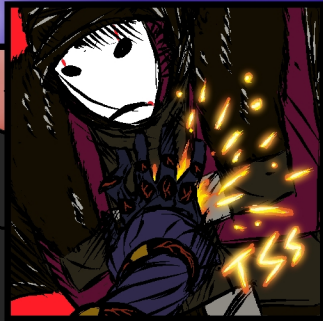


THESE GUYS
ARE THE REAL
DEAL.

GOTTA TAKE EM
OUT QUICK AND GET
THIS INTEL BACK TO
BROTHER KO...

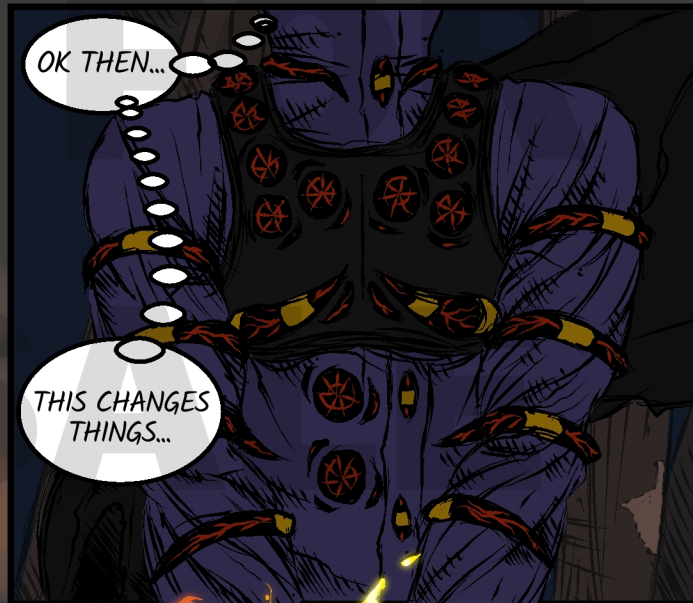








THESE GUYS ARE REALLY GOOD AT CONCEALING THEIR SECOND INHERITANCE.



OK THEN...

THIS CHANGES THINGS...



THE RULES NO LONGER APPLY...



I CAN GO ALLLLLLL OUT!

Zuidia, Capital of Grand Reagalious

Verna 15, 1298



Congressional Hall



Private Chambers
of the Ministry

IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT THE PEOPLE ARE DISPLEASED WITH THE MOST RECENT INCREASES IN TAXES.

WE CAN EASILY COUNTER THEIR DISPLEASURE WITH SLIGHT INCREASES IN WELFARE AND INVESTMENT SPENDING.

THE ECONOMY IS ALREADY FUNCTIONING CONSIDERABLY WELL.

IT WON'T TAKE MUCH TO EXPLAIN AWAY THE INCREASE.

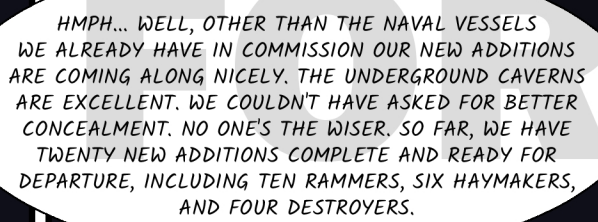
AS LONG AS MILITARY FUNDING ISN'T AFFECTED, I HAVE NO QUALMS WITH WHATEVER SOLUTIONS ARE IMPLEMENTED.

I TAKE IT FUNDING IS BEING PUT TO GOOD USE...?


OF COURSE! WHY WOULDN'T IT BE?




MINISTER KUINTIN,
PLEASE... MINISTER JOSEPH
ONLY WISHES FOR YOU
TO ELABORATE...



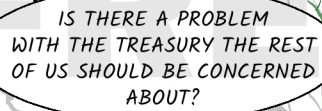
HMPH... WELL, OTHER THAN THE NAVAL VESSELS
WE ALREADY HAVE IN COMMISSION OUR NEW ADDITIONS
ARE COMING ALONG NICELY. THE UNDERGROUND CAVERNS
ARE EXCELLENT. WE COULDN'T HAVE ASKED FOR BETTER
CONCEALMENT. NO ONE'S THE WISER. SO FAR, WE HAVE
TWENTY NEW ADDITIONS COMPLETE AND READY FOR
DEPARTURE, INCLUDING TEN RAMMERS, SIX HAYMAKERS,
AND FOUR DESTROYERS.



REAPER, SHADE,
GOLEM, TYPHON, AND BASILISK
ARE ALSO PREPARING ACCORDINGLY.
SO FAR, EVERYTHING IS GOING
ACCORDING TO PLAN.



I SURELY HOPE
THESE NEW RESERVES ARE
WORTH ALL THE TROUBLE... OUR
EXPENSES ARE STACKING... REAPER
IS ALREADY REQUESTING
GREATER INCENTIVES.



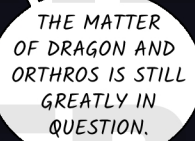
IS THERE A PROBLEM
WITH THE TREASURY THE REST
OF US SHOULD BE CONCERNED
ABOUT?



WELL, NOT
REALLY. BUT
STILL...



GENTLEMEN,
GENTLEMEN... I
WOULD CERTAINLY
HATE TO INTERRUPT
THIS APPARENT
EXCHANGE OF IMPORT,
BUT WE HAVE ANOTHER
VITAL MATTER TO
DISCUSS.



THE MATTER
OF DRAGON AND
ORTHROS IS STILL
GREATLY IN
QUESTION.

TOP 2 CHARACTER INTRODUCTIONS #1

Name: Michael Orion

Rank: Grand Master

Branch: Dragon

Age: 48

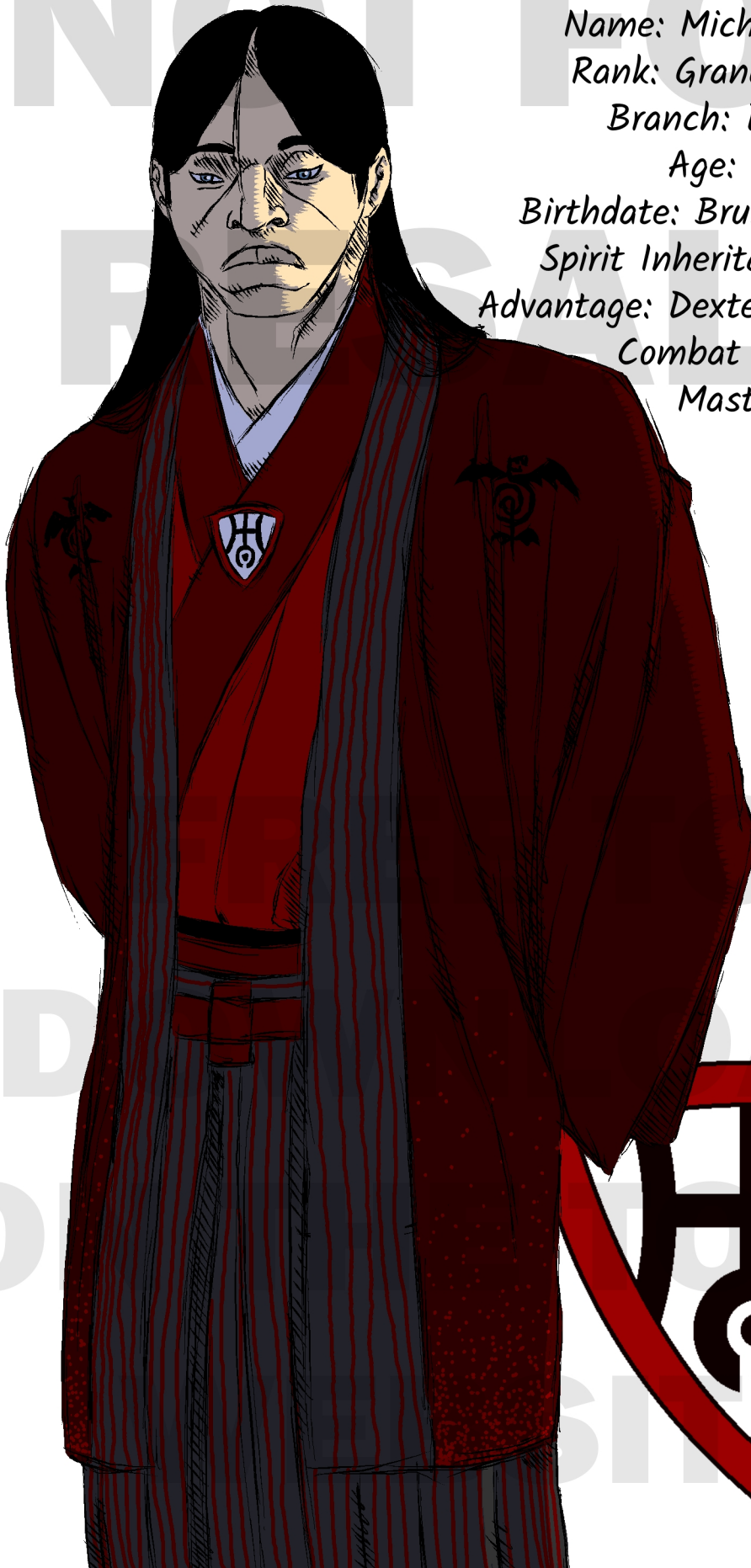
Birthdate: Brumal 3, 1249


Spirit Inheritance: Wind

Advantage: Dexterity (Evasion)


Combat Level:

Master







EVER SINCE THE DEATH OF THE PREVIOUS MASTER OF ORTHROS, THE TWO MASTERS HAVE BEEN STEADILY GROWING CLOSER. IT IS LOOKING MORE, DAY BY DAY, LIKE A MERGE MAY BE INEVITABLE. AS WE ALL WELL KNOW, SUCH A MERGE BETWEEN THE TOP TWO COULD EASILY CAUSE FISSURES IN OUR CURRENT RANKING SYSTEM.




NOT TO MENTION ALSO THAT THE NEW GRAND MASTER OF ORTHROS HAS BEGUN TO TAKE AN INTEREST IN CERTAIN OFFENSIVE AND DAMAGING MATERIAL. MASTER KO IS ASKING QUESTIONS AND SEEKING ANSWERS. IF LEFT TO HIS OWN DEVICES, IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE HE FINDS WHAT HE'S LOOKING FOR.



AS IF THOSE CONSPIRITORIAL FANATICS, THE SWORDS OF TRUTH AREN'T ENOUGH OF A PROBLEM...!




AND THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT MASTER KO HAS ALREADY STARTED WHISPERING IN MASTER MICHAEL'S EAR AS WELL.



FORTUNATELY, HE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE GAINING MUCH GROUND ON THAT FRONT... AS A MATTER OF FACT MASTER MICHAEL AND DRAGON HAVE BEEN CAPTURING MORE FOLLOWERS OF THE SWORDS OF TRUTH THAN ANY OTHER BRANCH IN GRAND REAGALIOUS.






I ASSURE YOU, MINISTER JOSEPH, YOUR CONCERNS ARE UNWARRANTED, AS WELL AS UNNECESSARY. PRECAUTIONS WILL BE TAKEN TO ENSURE NO SUCH HAPPENINGS WILL BE POSSIBLE.



NOW, LET US REJOICE MY BROTHERS. A NEW DAY IS UPON US! REMOVE THE DOUBT FROM YOUR MINDS.

ALL OF OUR QUANDARIES WILL BE EXTINGUISHED, AND WE SHALL RETURN TO A STATE OF NORMALCY.


MAY WE FOREVER BE UNCHALLENGED!



MAY WE FOREVER BE UNCHALLENGED!



MAY WE FOREVER BE UNCHALLENGED! HAHA...!

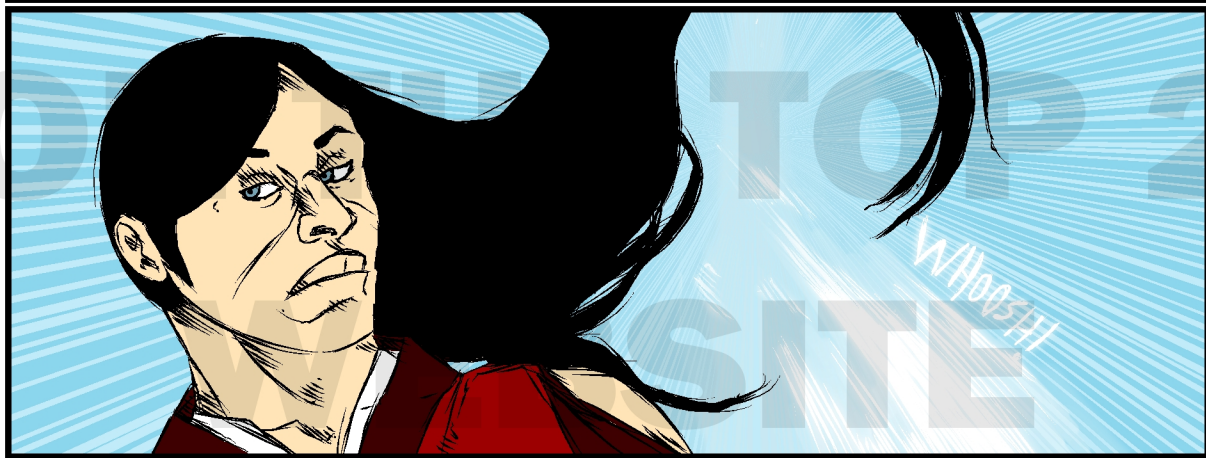


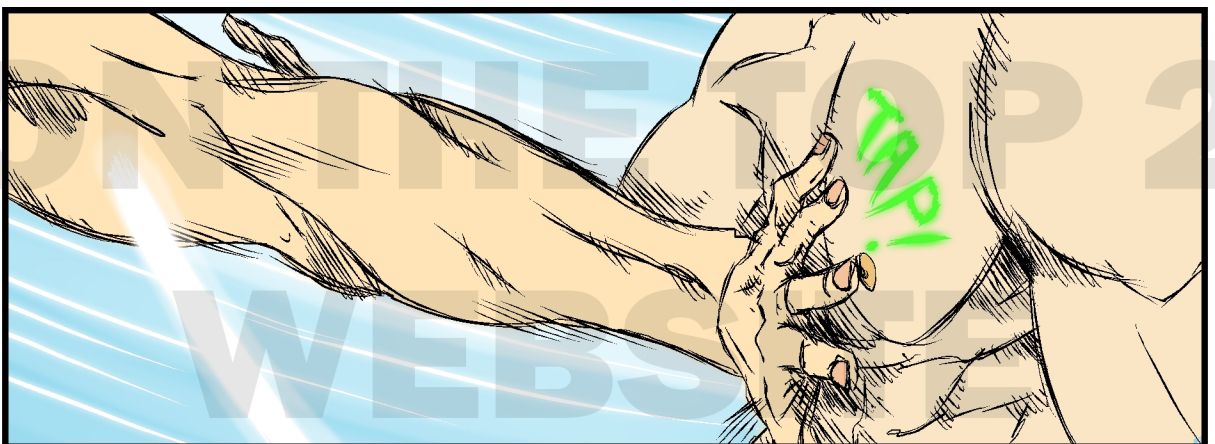
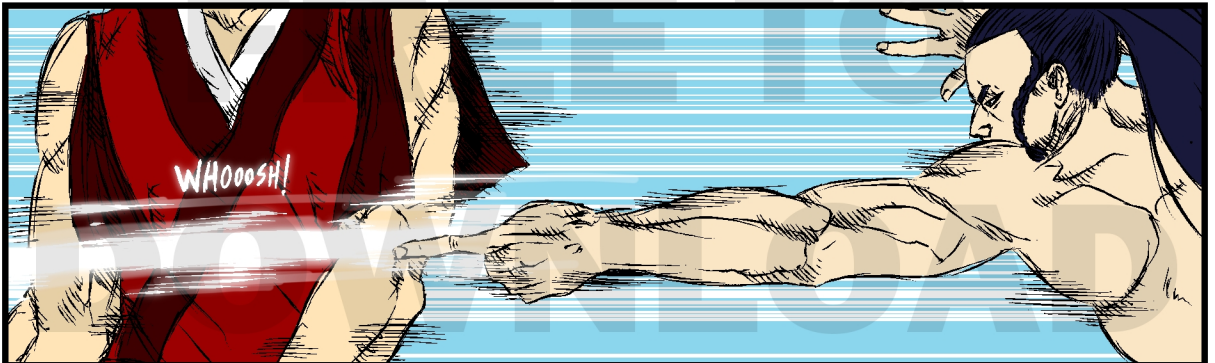
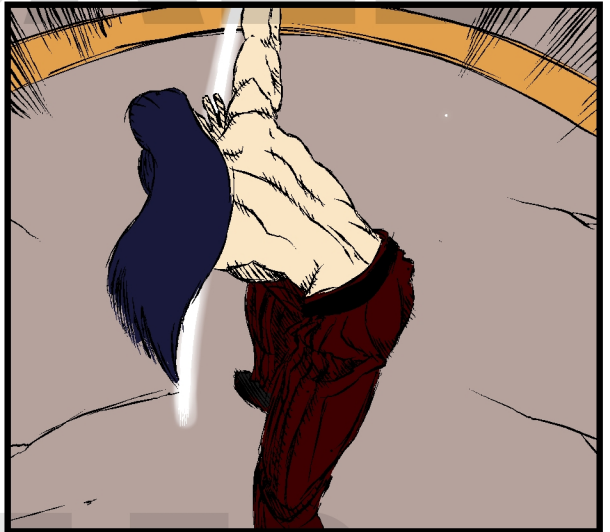
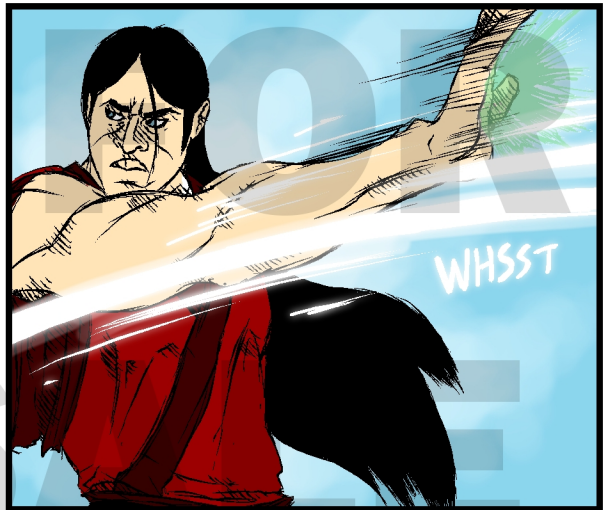
MAY WE FOREVER BE UNCHALLENGED...

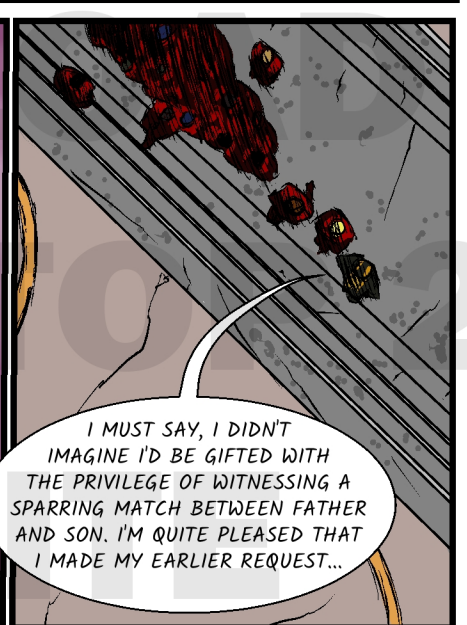
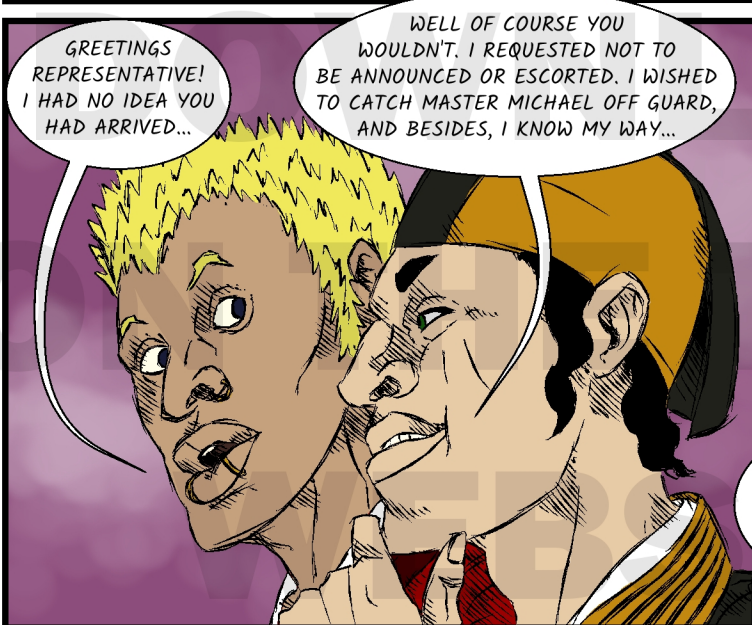
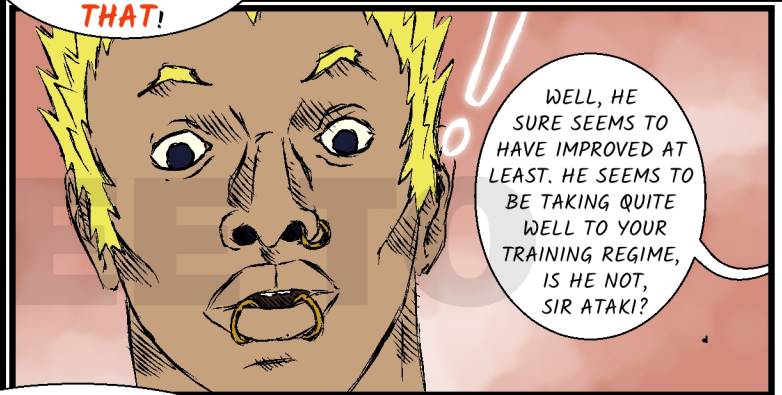
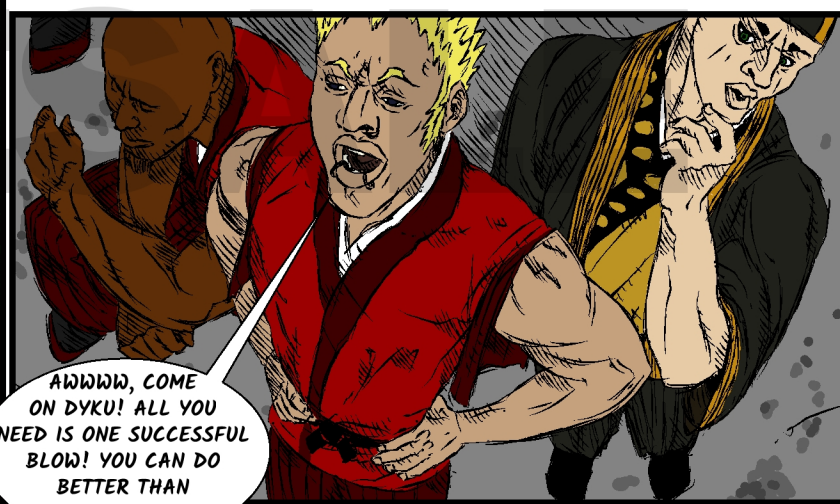
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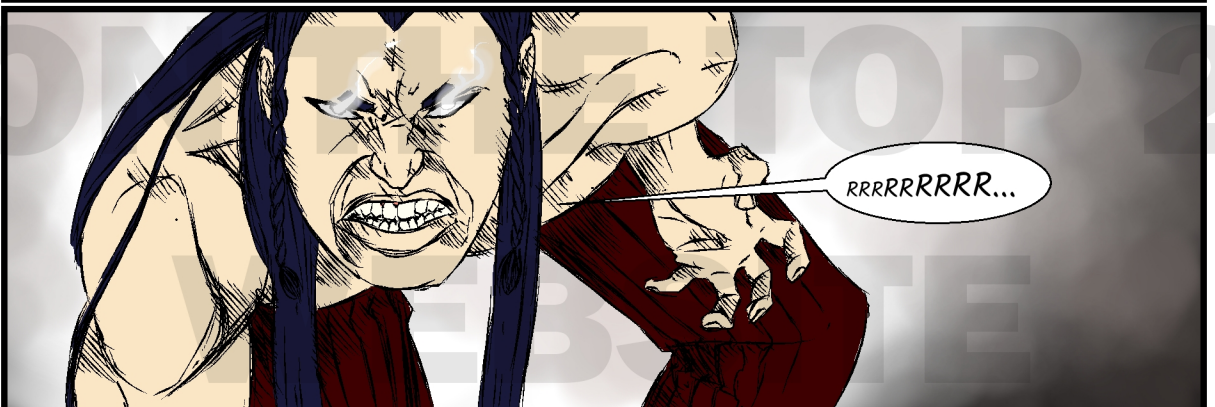
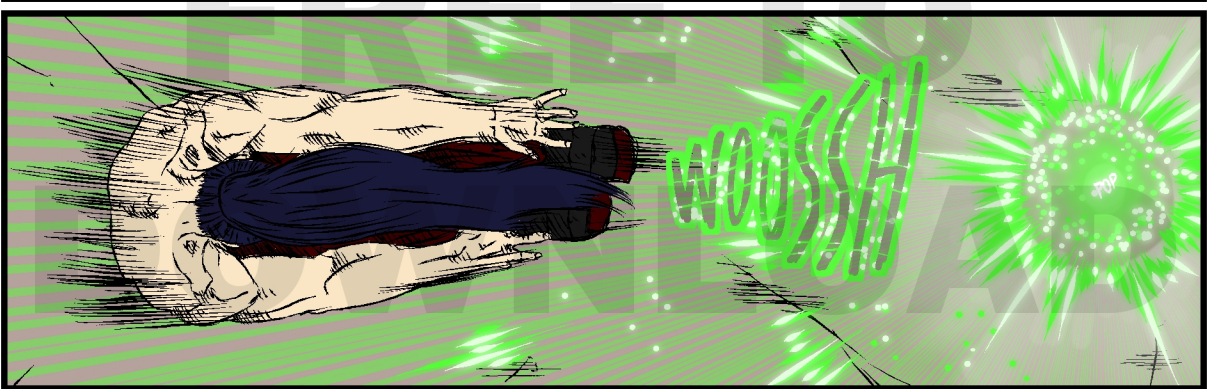
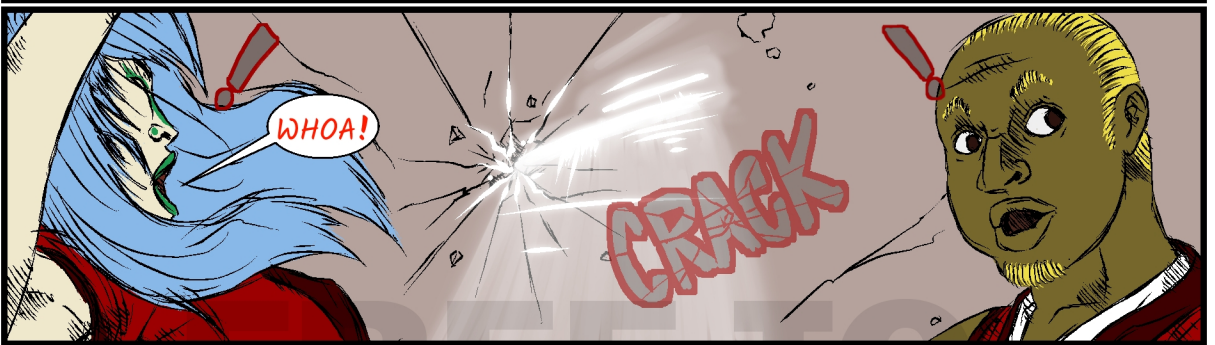
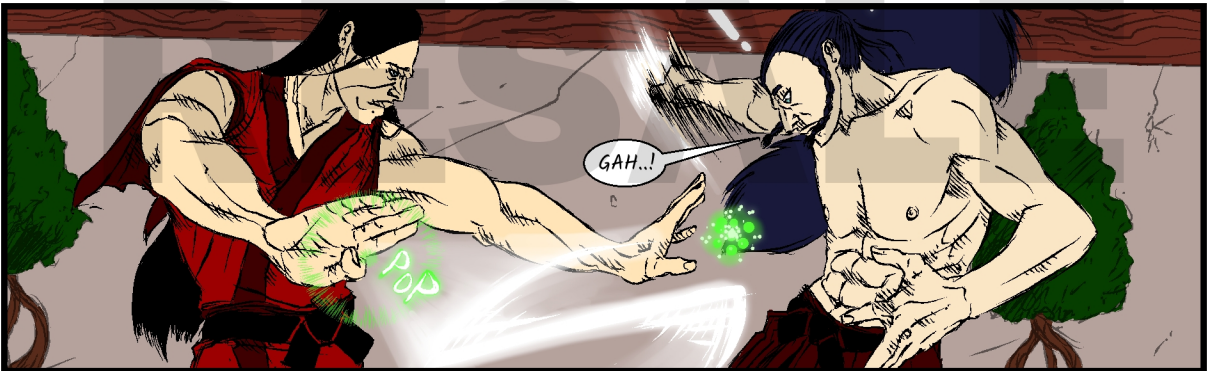
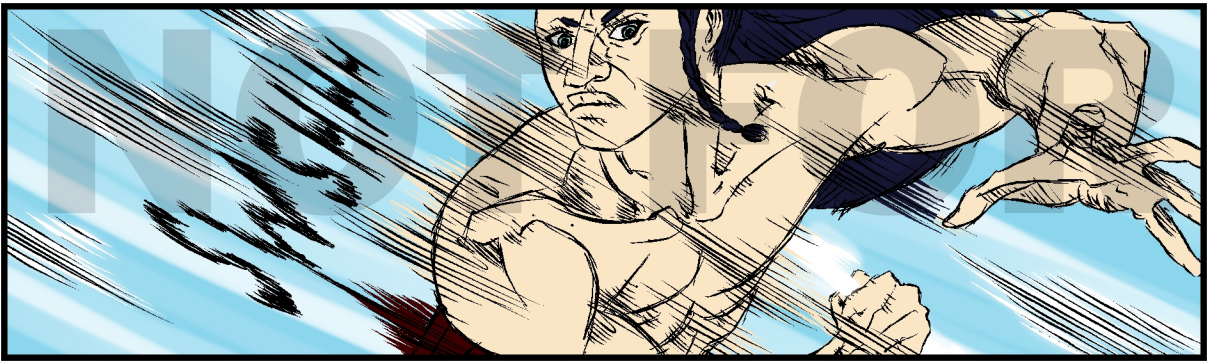


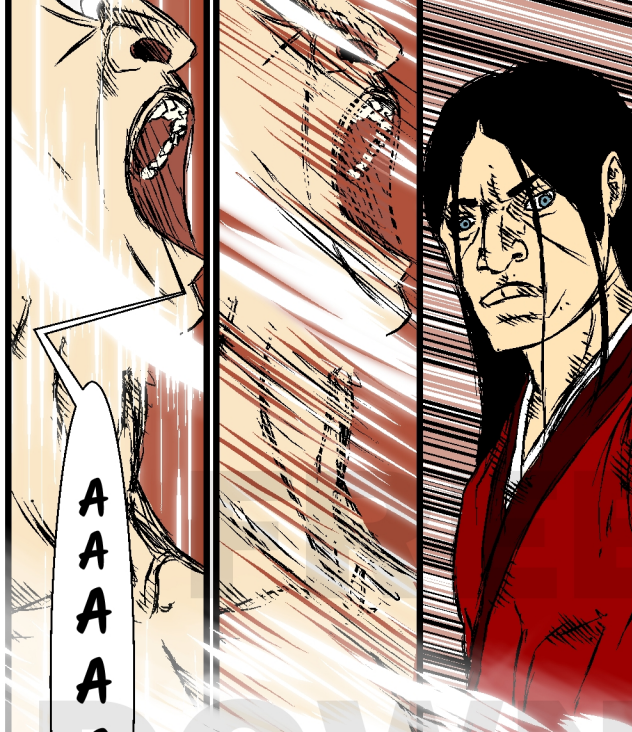
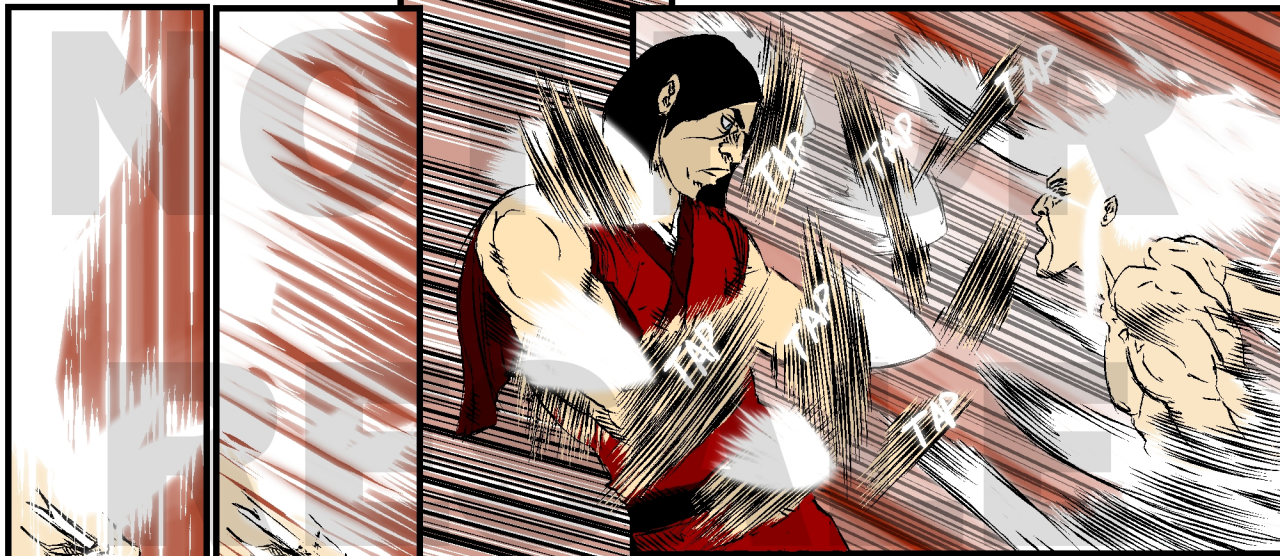
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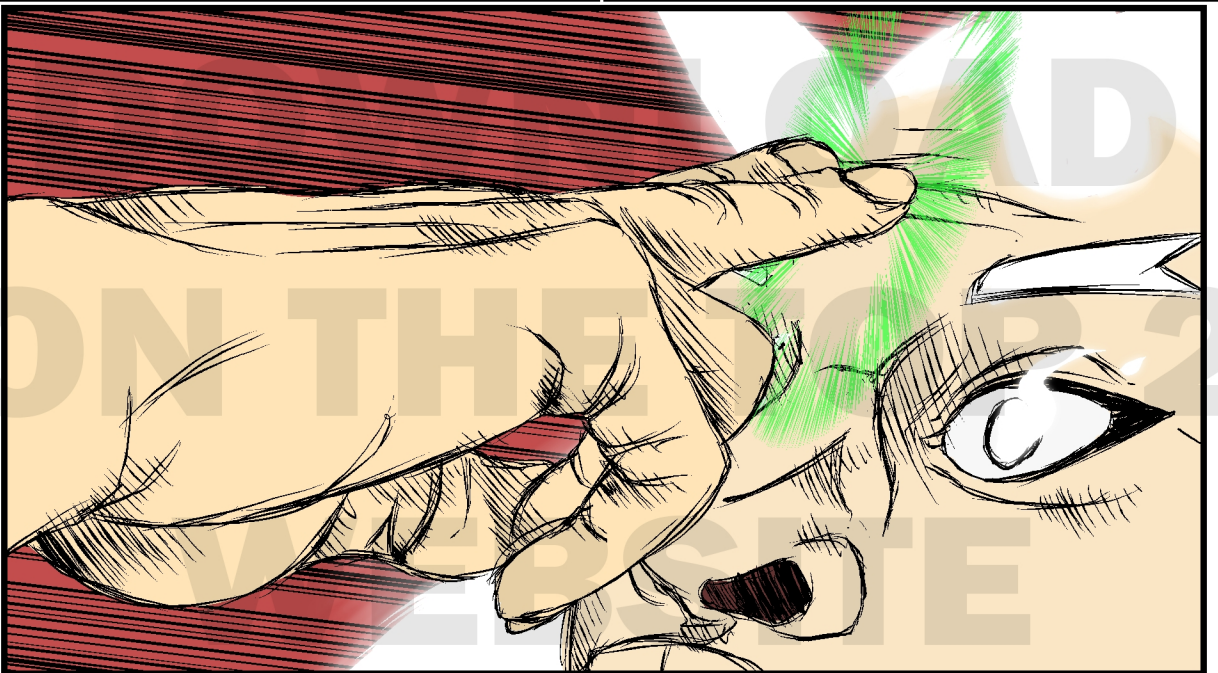
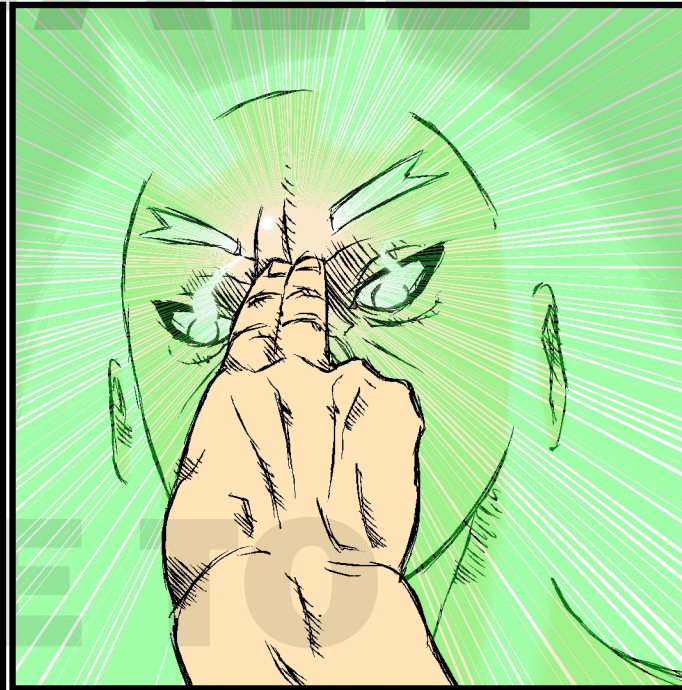
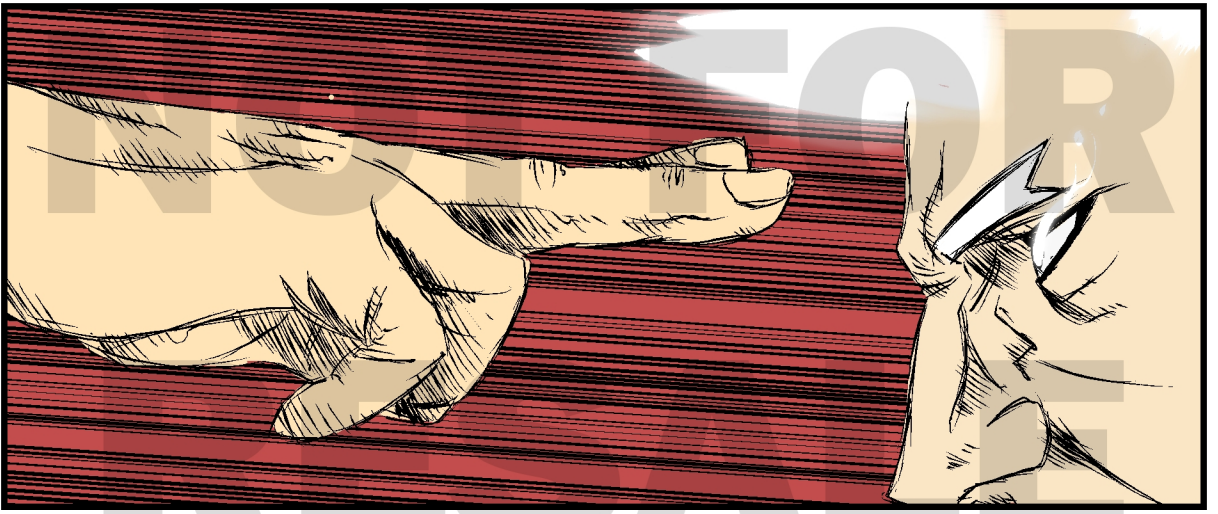


AAAAGH!

WHOA!
... SO FAST ...

IT'S OVER...

WHA...!





WOW...

HUFF, HUFF...
I CONCEDE... HUFF, HUFF...
I CAN'T CONTINUE...

GIVE ME
YOUR EYES,
DYKU.

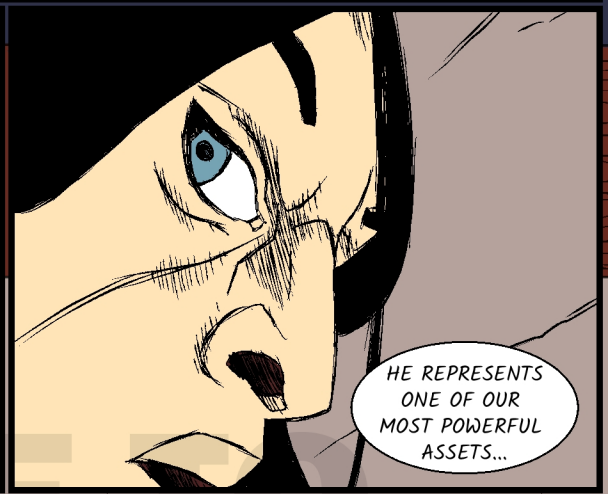
OBSERVING YOUR
CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT
FILLS ME WITH GREAT PRIDE,
DYKU. HOWEVER I CAN SENSE YOUR
FRUSTRATIONS, AND I UNDERSTAND
THEM BETTER THAN MOST. YOU
ARE SURROUNDED BY HIGH
EXPECTATIONS, BUT IT DOES
YOU NO GOOD TO OVERBURDEN
YOURSELF...



TO WITNESS
SUCH GREATNESS...
SUCH A LEVEL
OF MASTERY...



I NOW
UNDERSTAND
THEIR FEARS...



HE REPRESENTS
ONE OF OUR
MOST POWERFUL
ASSETS...



AND NOW I'M HERE
TO ENSURE HE DOESN'T BECOME
AN ENEMY.

HAAA!!
REPRESENTATIVE!

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NO
GOOD
DEED

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