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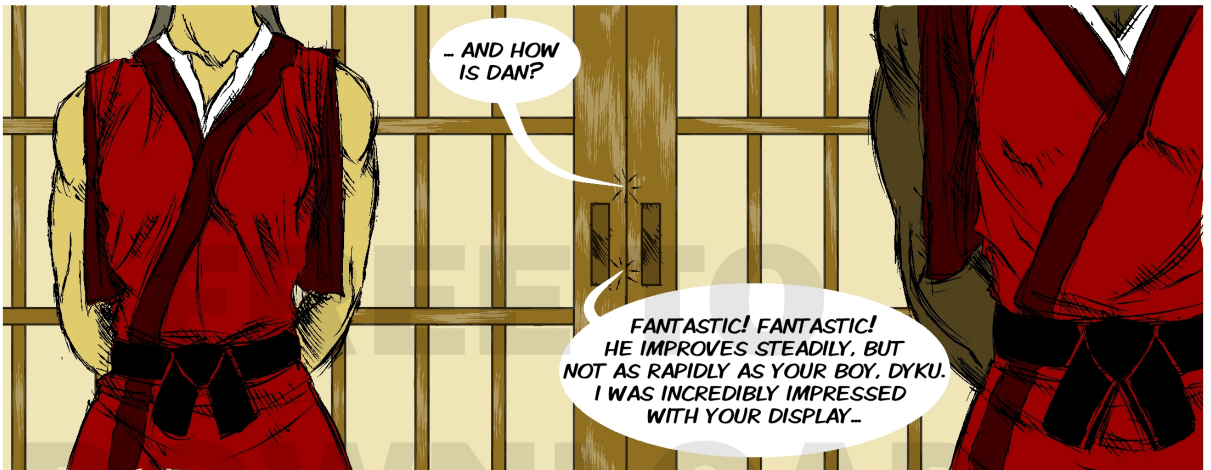
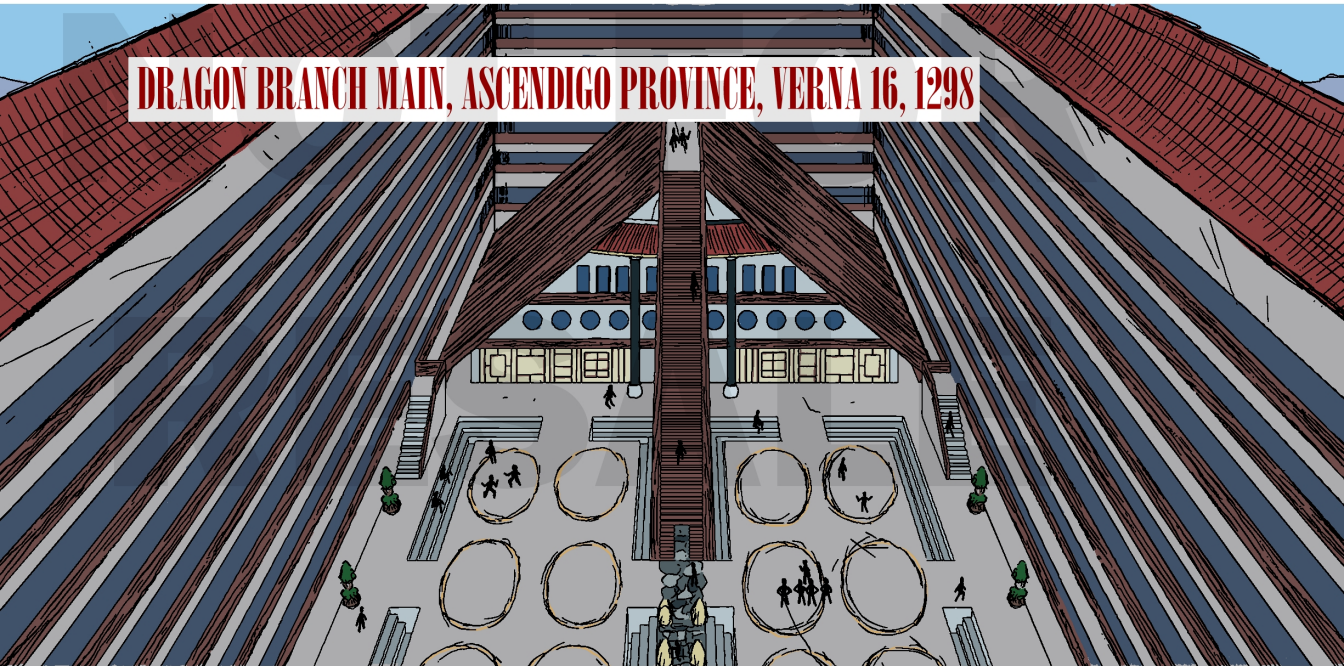
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DRAGON BRANCH MAIN, ASCENDIGO PROVINCE, VERNA 16, 1298



... AND HOW IS DAN?

FANTASTIC! FANTASTIC! HE IMPROVES STEADILY, BUT NOT AS RAPIDLY AS YOUR BOY, DYKU. I WAS INCREDIBLY IMPRESSED WITH YOUR DISPLAY...



GRAND MASTER'S OFFICE

BUT HAS HE NOT ACHIEVED HIS SECOND INHERITANCE?

OF WHICH HE IS STILL STRUGGLING TO MASTER.

NOTHING MORE THAN TRAINING, I ASSURE YOU. DYKU IS STILL ENCUMBERED BY EXPECTATIONS THAT COME WITH BEING A GRAND MASTER'S SON. IT IS ONLY A MINOR SETBACK WHICH I AM SURE HE WILL OVERCOME.



AAGH, I SEE. WELL, DESPITE THAT, LIKE YOURSELF AT HIS AGE, HIS FIELD MISSION SUCCESS RATE IS IMPECCABLE, SPECIFICALLY CONCERNING THE SWORDS OF TRUTH.



I COULDN'T POSSIBLY AGREE MORE. HOWEVER, TIME SPENT PURSUING INDIVIDUALS PRACTICING THEIR RIGHT TO FREE SPEECH TAKES AWAY FROM TIME SPENT PURSUING REAL CRIMINALS, DOES IT NOT?



HMM?



WELL, INDEED THAT WOULD BE TRUE. IF SAID FREE SPEECH DIDN'T HAVE THE EFFECT OF SPREADING UNEASE AND FEAR AMONG THE CITIZENRY WITH LIES AND DECEPTION.

YOU COULD ALMOST SAY IT IS AN ACT OF TERRORISM, ONLY BY WORDS INSTEAD OF ACTION. THIS SO CALLED ORGANIZATION OF TRUTH SEEKS TO TURN THE PEOPLE AGAINST THE VERY SYSTEM THAT PROTECTS THEM.

AND THAT'S NOT TO MENTION OUR MOST RECENT TROUBLING INTEL.

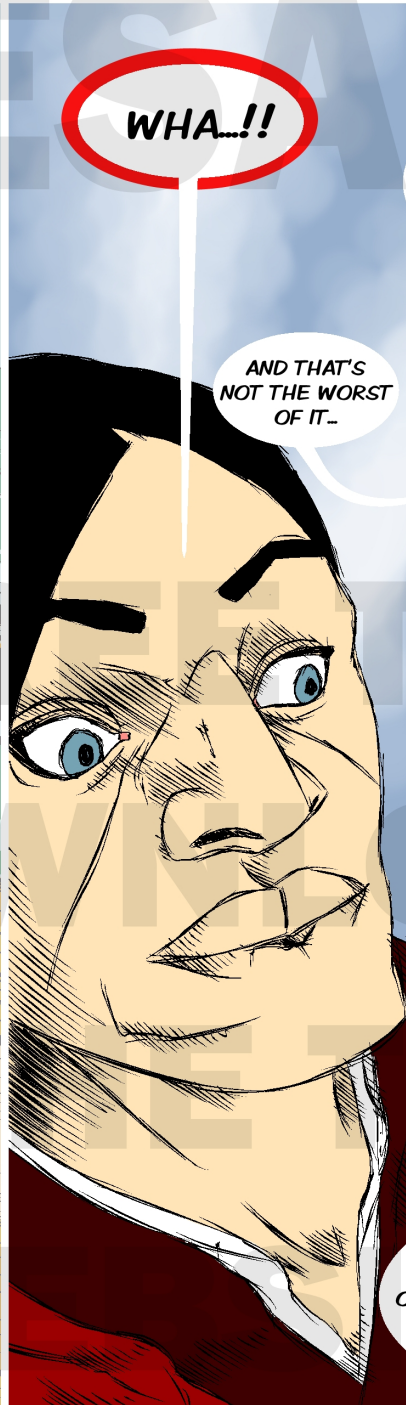


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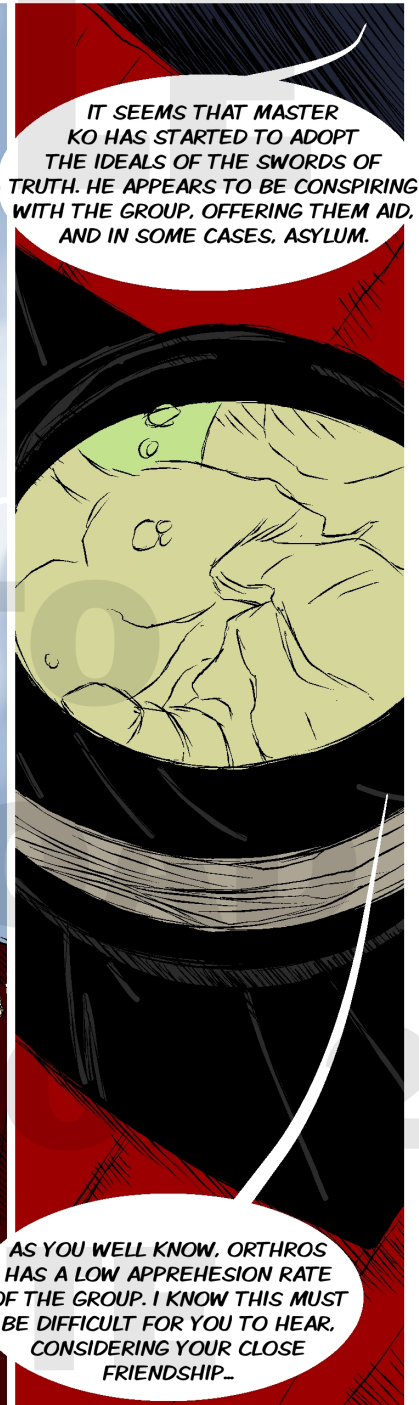
I'M GLAD YOU ASKED. NOW WE CAN SKIP TO THE MAIN PURPOSE OF MY VISIT.

IT SEEMS FREE SPEECH IS NO LONGER OUR MAIN CONCERN. THE SWORDS OF TRUTH ARE FORMING GUERRILLA SQUADS.



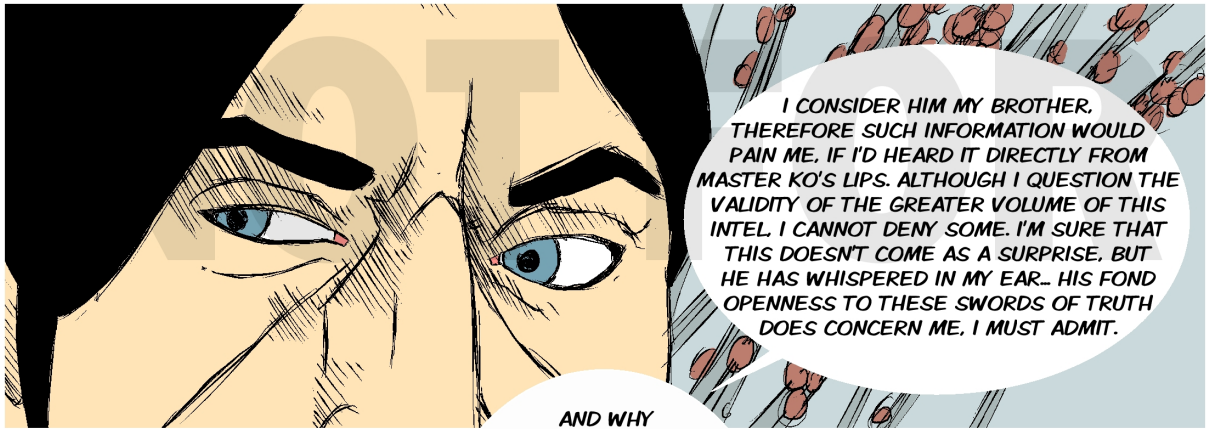
WHA...!!

AND THAT'S NOT THE WORST OF IT...

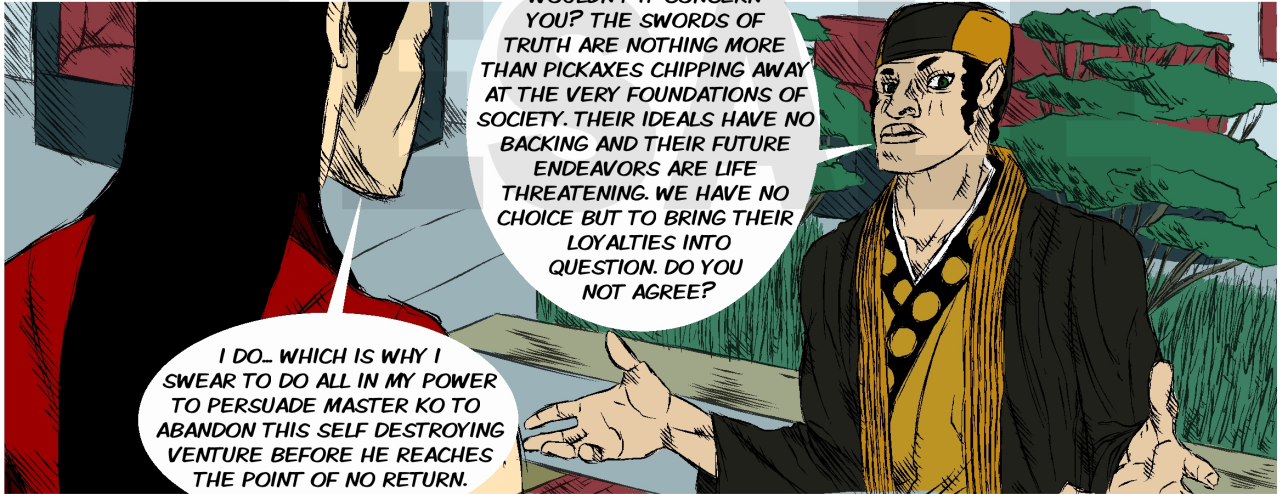


IT SEEMS THAT MASTER KO HAS STARTED TO ADOPT THE IDEALS OF THE SWORDS OF TRUTH. HE APPEARS TO BE CONSPIRING WITH THE GROUP, OFFERING THEM AID, AND IN SOME CASES, ASYLUM.

AS YOU WELL KNOW, ORTHROS HAS A LOW APPREHENSION RATE OF THE GROUP. I KNOW THIS MUST BE DIFFICULT FOR YOU TO HEAR, CONSIDERING YOUR CLOSE FRIENDSHIP...



I CONSIDER HIM MY BROTHER, THEREFORE SUCH INFORMATION WOULD PAIN ME, IF I'D HEARD IT DIRECTLY FROM MASTER KO'S LIPS. ALTHOUGH I QUESTION THE VALIDITY OF THE GREATER VOLUME OF THIS INTEL, I CANNOT DENY SOME. I'M SURE THAT THIS DOESN'T COME AS A SURPRISE, BUT HE HAS WHISPERED IN MY EAR... HIS FOND OPENNESS TO THESE SWORDS OF TRUTH DOES CONCERN ME, I MUST ADMIT.



AND WHY WOULDN'T IT CONCERN YOU? THE SWORDS OF TRUTH ARE NOTHING MORE THAN PICKAXES CHIPPING AWAY AT THE VERY FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIETY. THEIR IDEALS HAVE NO BACKING AND THEIR FUTURE ENDEAVORS ARE LIFE THREATENING. WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO BRING THEIR LOYALTIES INTO QUESTION. DO YOU NOT AGREE?

I DO... WHICH IS WHY I SWEAR TO DO ALL IN MY POWER TO PERSUADE MASTER KO TO ABANDON THIS SELF DESTROYING VENTURE BEFORE HE REACHES THE POINT OF NO RETURN.



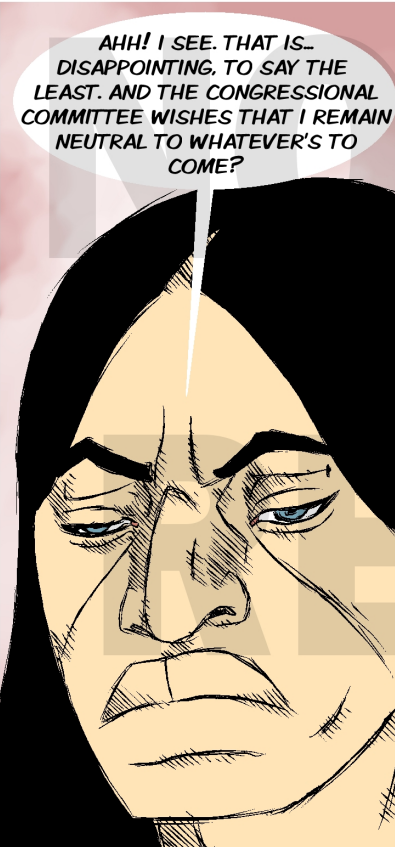
IT MAY NOT BE SO SIMPLE AS THAT, I'M AFRAID...



PLEASE, DO EXPLAIN...



ALL OF ORTHROS MAY BE COMPROMISED! MASTER KO'S LEADERSHIP, UNFORTUNATELY, IS NOW CALLED INTO QUESTION. SOME BELIEVE HE HAS ALREADY REACHED THE POINT OF NO RETURN.




AHH! I SEE. THAT IS...
DISAPPOINTING. TO SAY THE
LEAST. AND THE CONGRESSIONAL
COMMITTEE WISHES THAT I REMAIN
NEUTRAL TO WHATEVER'S TO
COME?

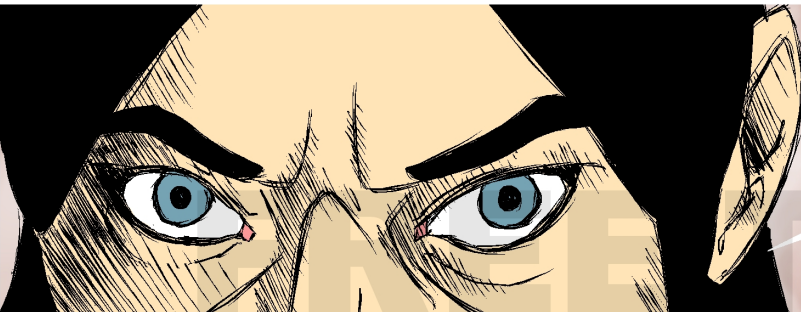


ON THE CONTRARY,
THEY DEMAND YOUR
FULL SUPPORT!


SURELY, YOU JEST!!
THEY WISH THAT I OPPOSE
MY GREATEST FRIEND, MY
BROTHER?



I ASSURE YOU MASTER
MICHAEL. I JEST NOT! WHAT
BETTER MAN THAN YOU TO CONVINCE
MASTER KO TO RELINQUISH HIS
POSITION PEACEFULLY! THIS IS
SOMETHING OF WHICH ONLY
YOU ARE CAPABLE. I'M
AFRAID.



SURELY THEY REALIZE
THAT THEY ARE PLACING
ME IN A VERY RESTRICTIVE
POSITION? IF I MAY
SPEAK PLAINLY...



THERE IS NO NEED, I ASSURE
YOU. I CAN SEE THAT THE COMMITTEE'S
DECISION BRINGS YOU DISCOMFORT, BUT THAT
DOESN'T CHANGE WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.
YOUR ASSISTANCE IS VITAL! CAN WE
RELY ON YOUR SUPPORT?



(SIGH)

...IT WOULD APPEAR
YOU HAVE LEFT ME WITH
LITTLE ALTERNATIVE...

AHH, MY FRIEND...



WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?

...ALMOST THERE,
ALMOST THERE...

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF



HAAA!!

LITHIVEOS PROVINCE, ORTHROS BRANCH MAIN



HAAAA..!

HUFF

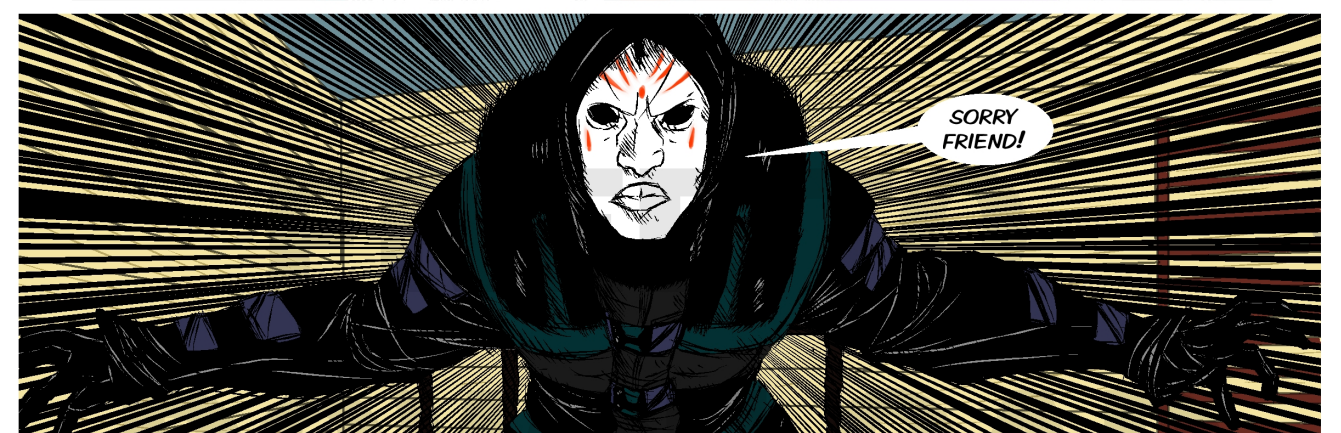
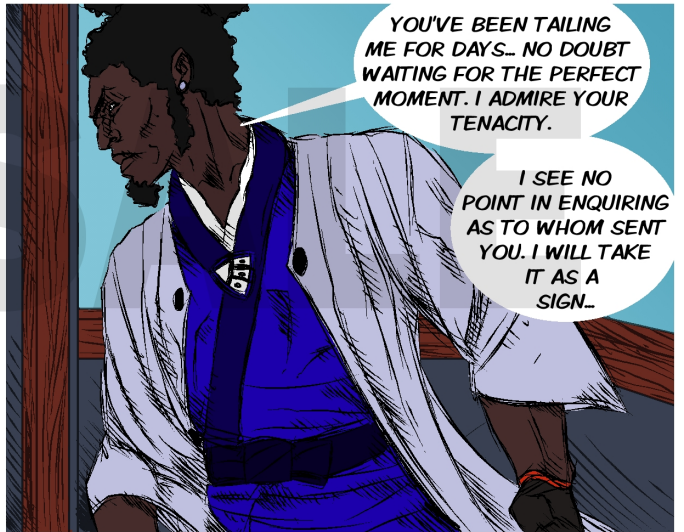
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ALMOST
THERE..!



HERE
WE GO!







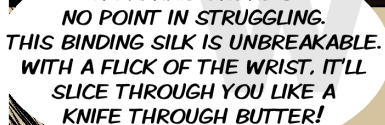
WHAT IS THIS!!



OH...RRRR...
REALLY
NOW....?

...BUT I'M SURE YOU
WOULDN'T WANT YOUR
PRECIOUS DAUGHTER TO
REMEMBER YOU IN THAT
STATE. I'D PREFER WE DO
THIS THE HUMANE
WAY.

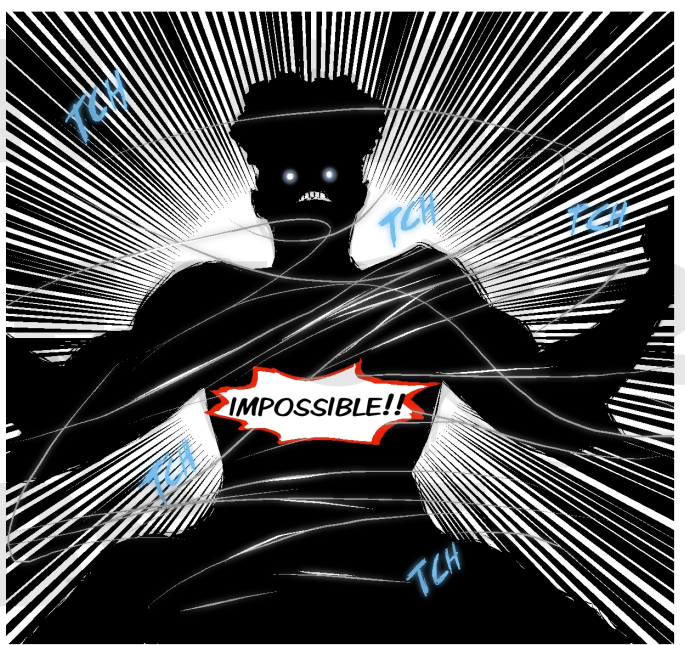
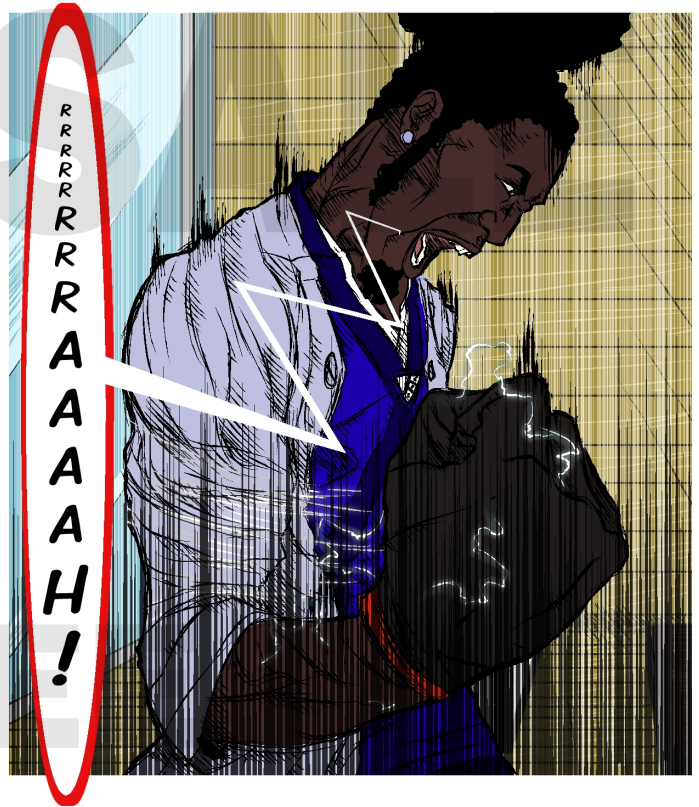
ALLOW THE SILK
TO DO ITS WORK. DIE
SILENTLY AND PAINLESSLY.
IT'S BETTER FOR
EVERYONE!



I'M AFRAID THERE'S
NO POINT IN STRUGGLING.
THIS BINDING SILK IS UNBREAKABLE.
WITH A FLICK OF THE WRIST, IT'LL
SLICE THROUGH YOU LIKE A
KNIFE THROUGH BUTTER!



BETTER FOR EVERYONE, YOU SAY? WELL, I'M SORRY TO DISAPPOINT!



TOP 2 CHARACTER
INTRODUCTIONS #2

NAME: KO STONE

RANK: GRAND MASTER

BRANCH: ORTHROS

AGE: 45

BIRTHDATE: VERNA 23, 1254

SPIRIT INHERITANCE: LIGHTNING
ADVANTAGE: STRENGTH (MIGHT)

COMBAT LEVEL:
MASTER

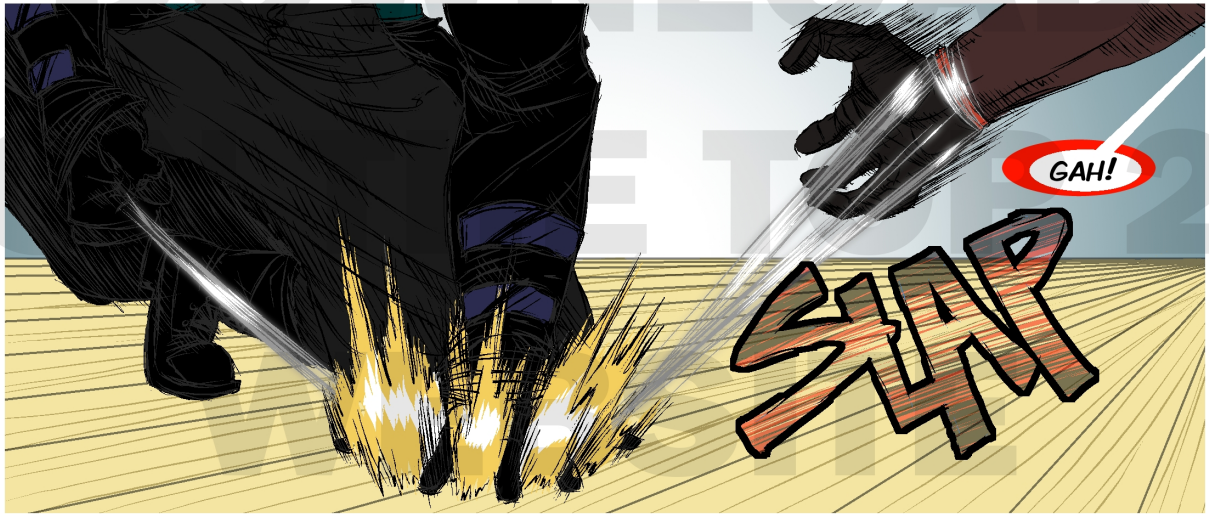
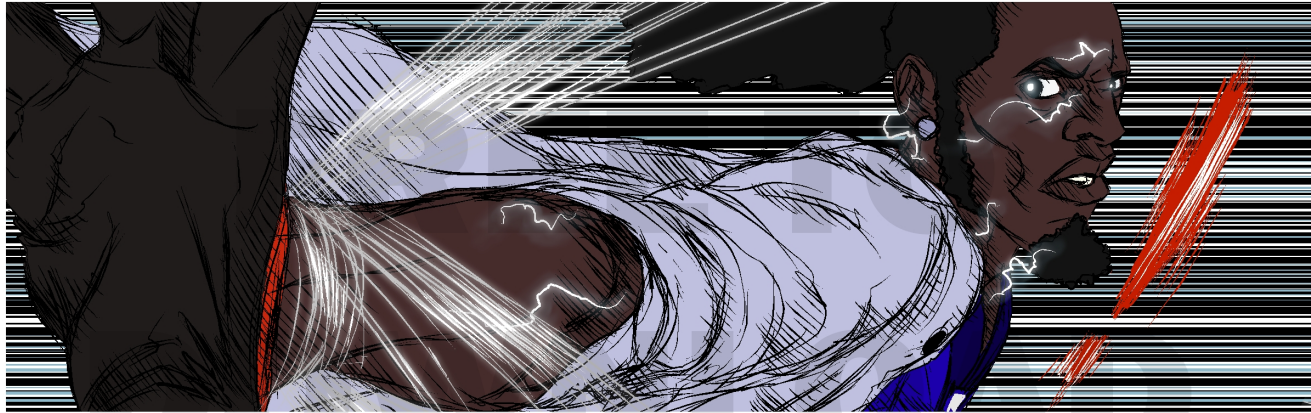
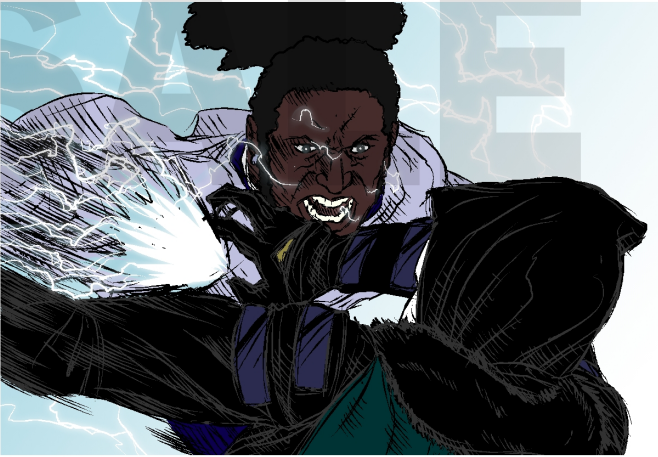
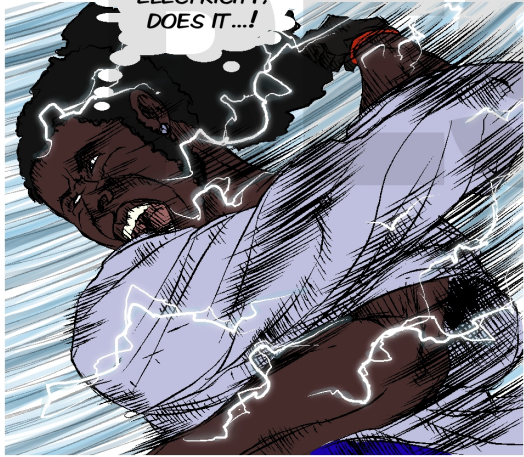


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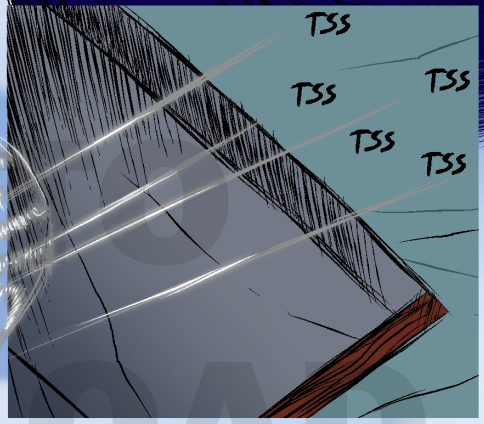


AHHH, SO IT
NEUTRALIZES
ELECTRICITY.
DOES IT...!





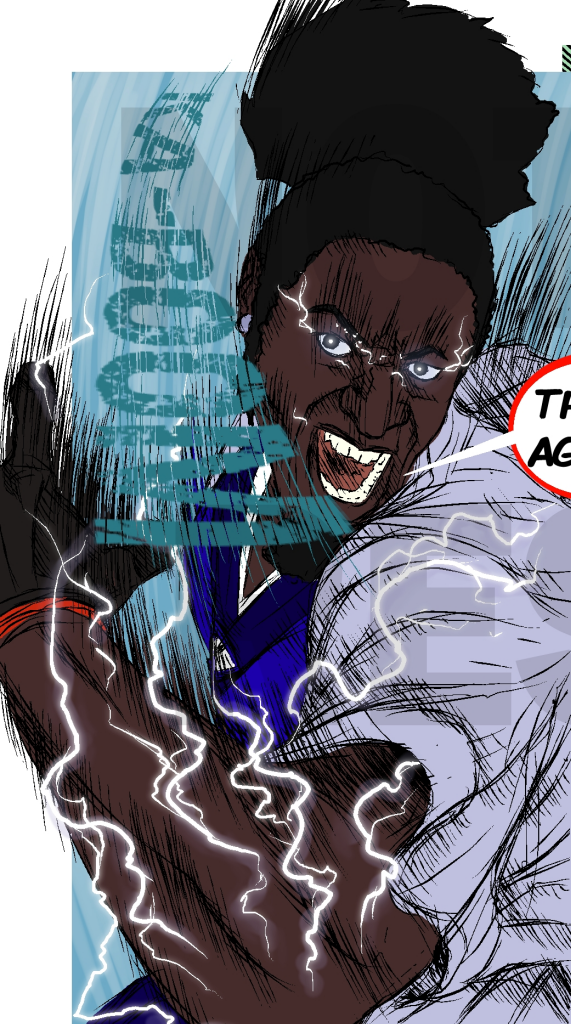
KHA!



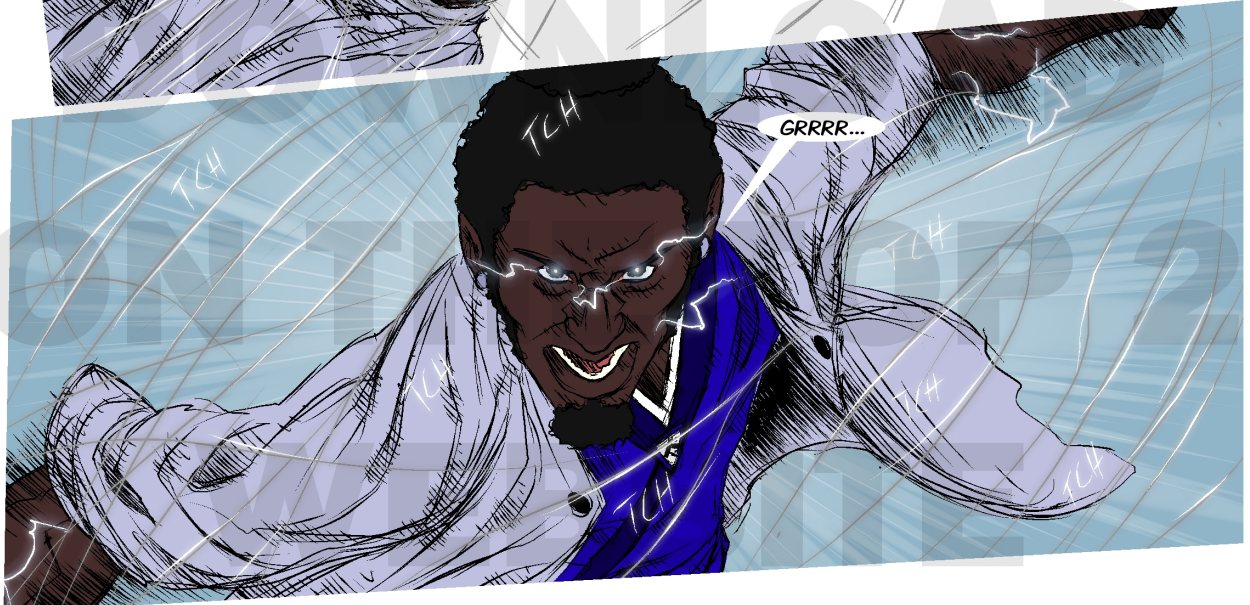
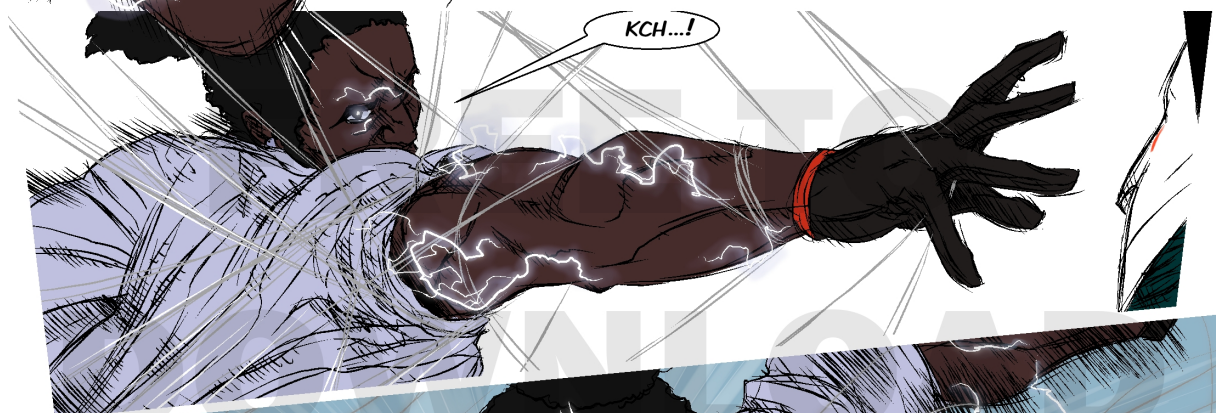
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TSS TSS
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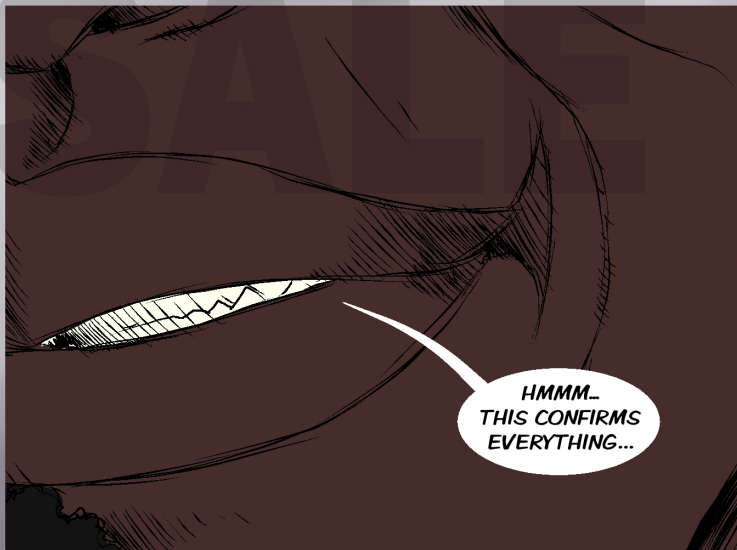
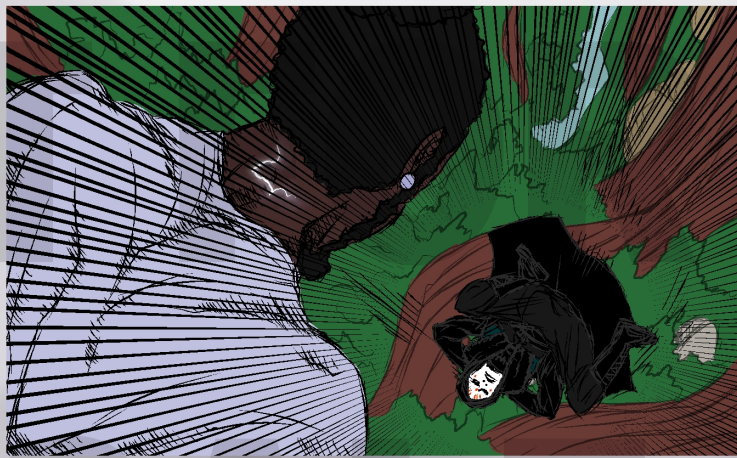
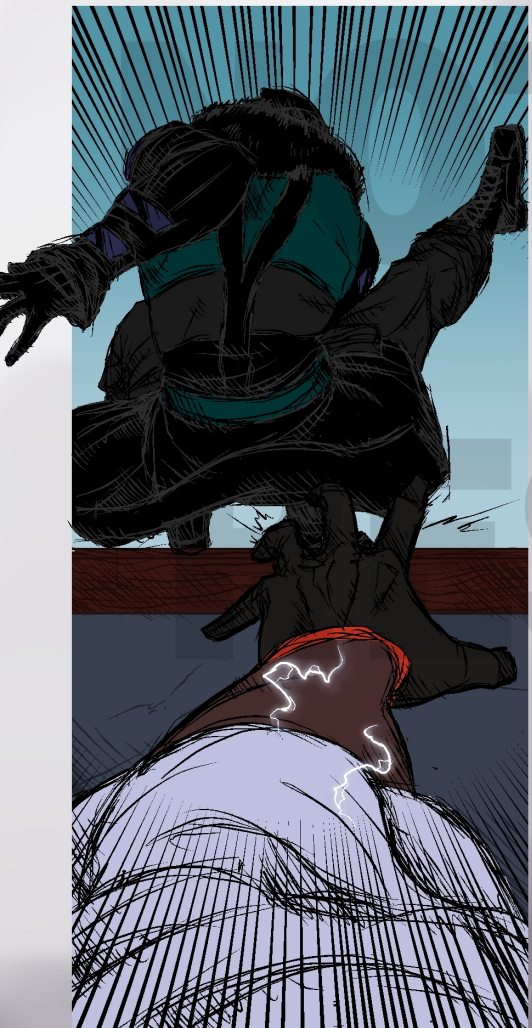


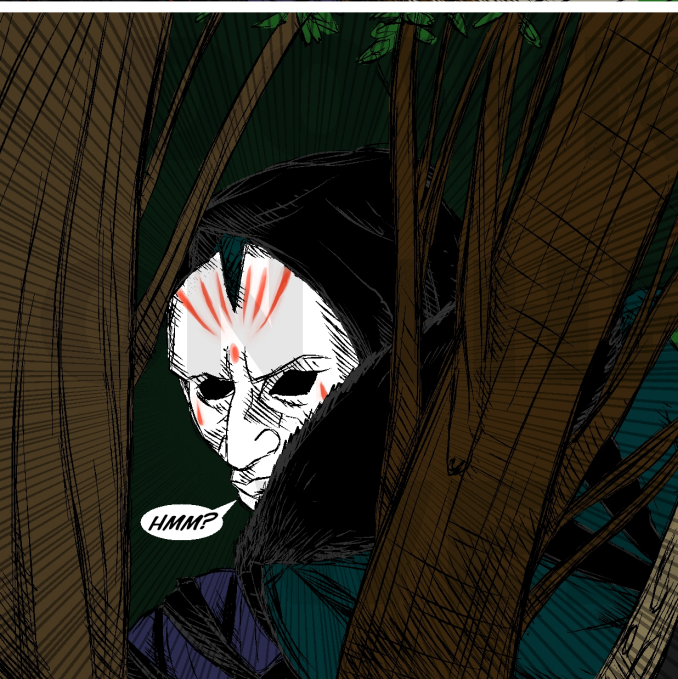
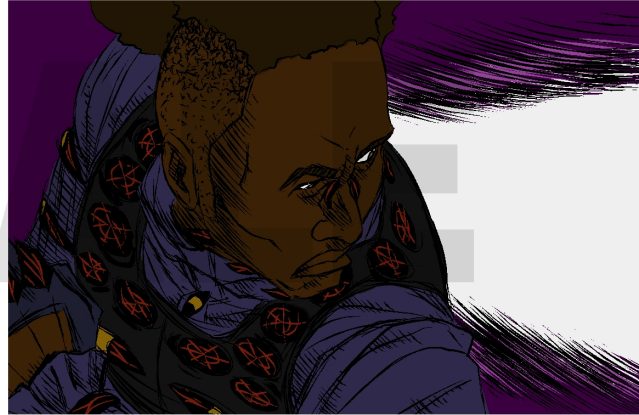
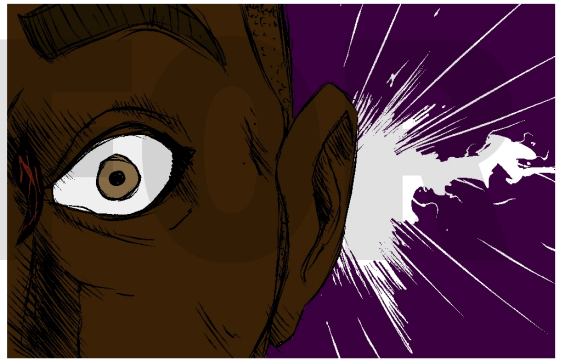
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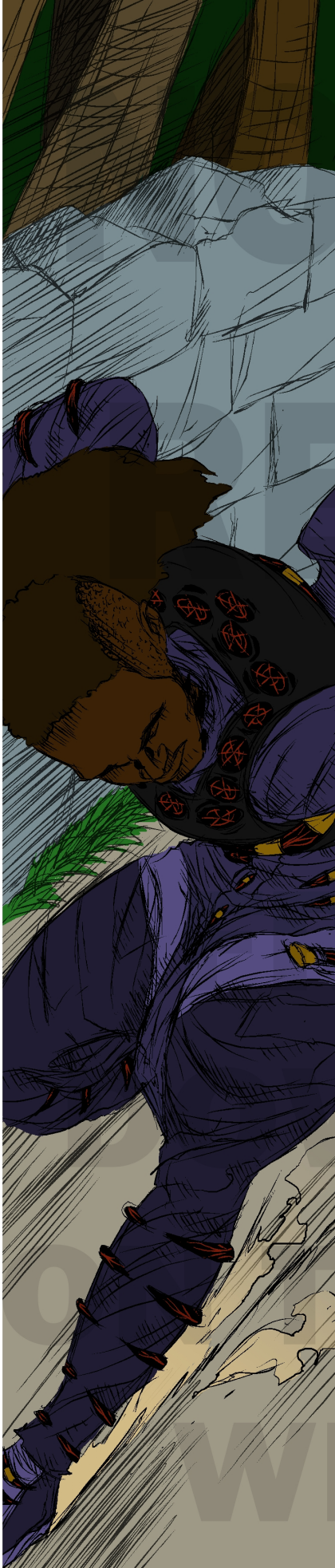
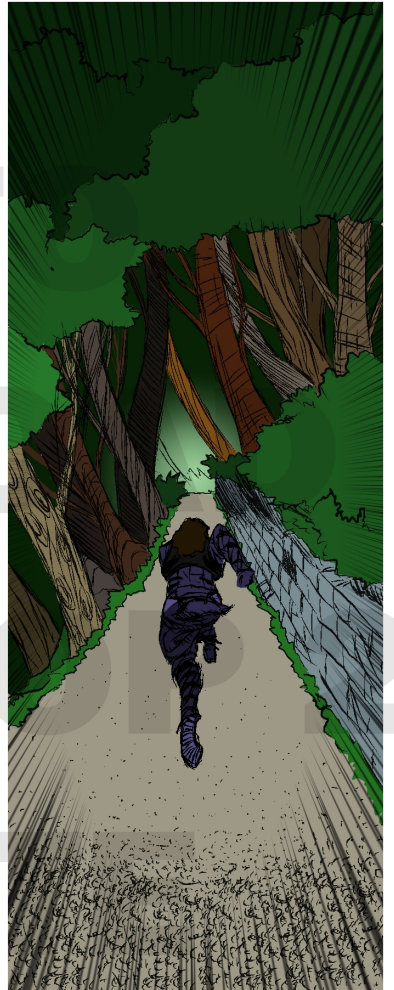
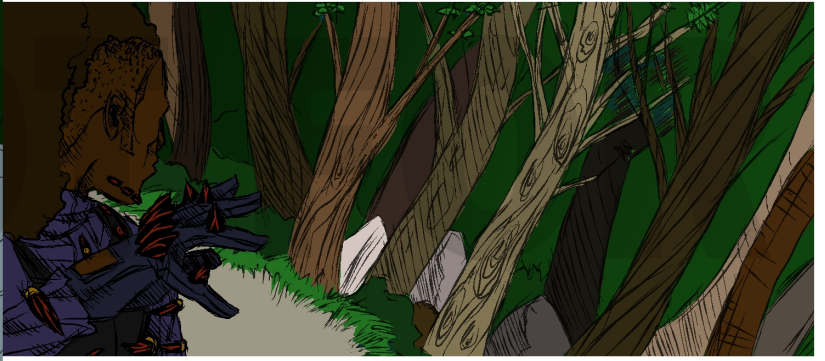


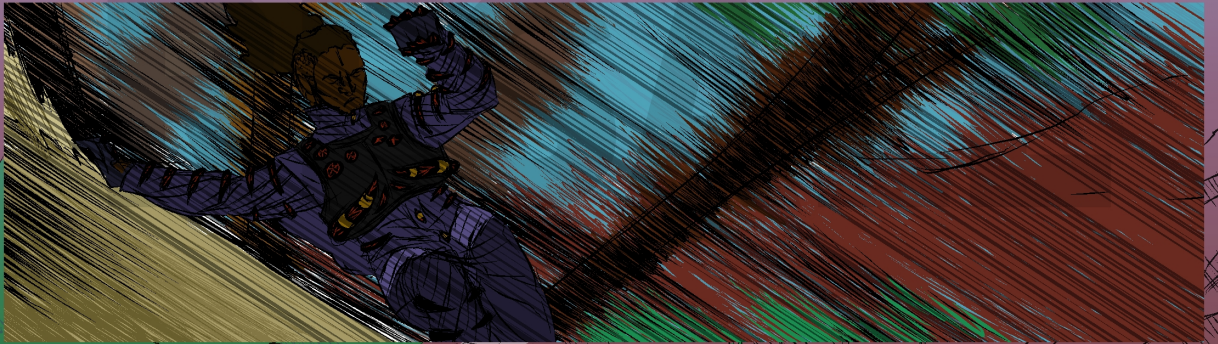
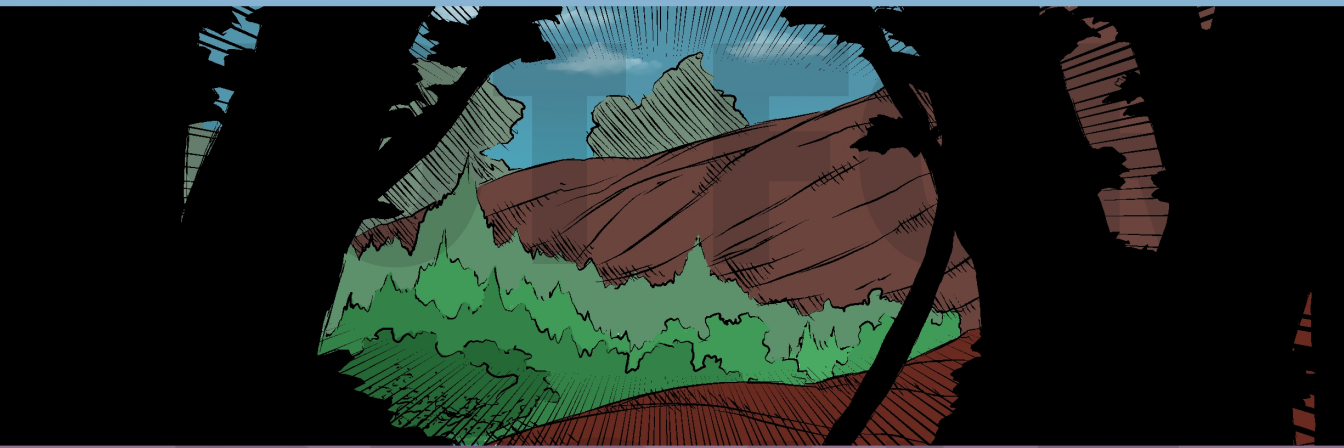
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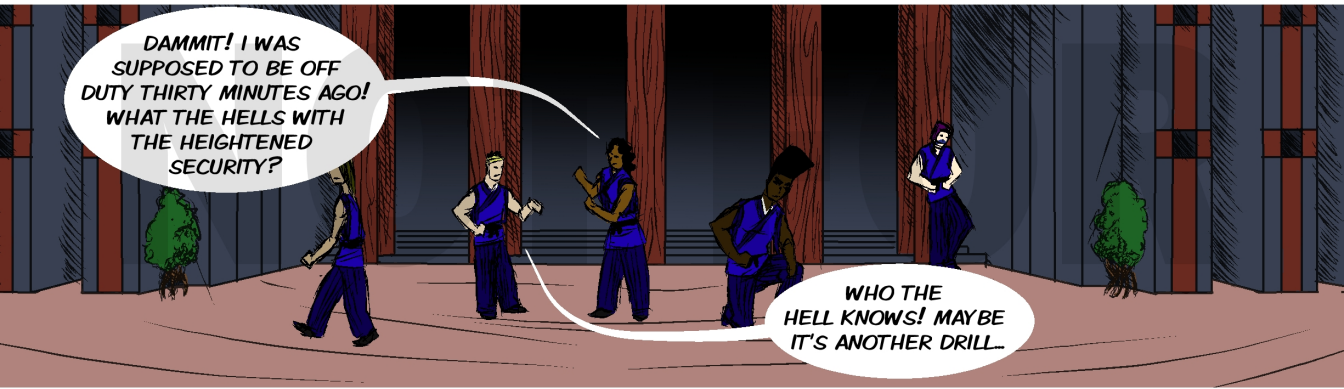










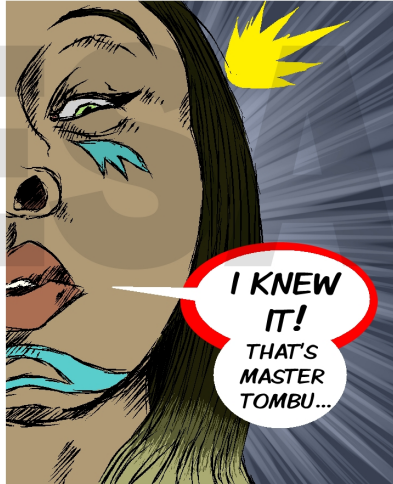


DAMMIT! I WAS SUPPOSED TO BE OFF DUTY THIRTY MINUTES AGO! WHAT THE HELL'S WITH THE HEIGHTENED SECURITY?

WHO THE HELL KNOWS! MAYBE IT'S ANOTHER DRILL...



STAY ALERT GUYS! THERE'S SOMEONE COMING...



I KNEW IT! THAT'S MASTER TOMBU...



OUTTA THE FUCKIN' WAY!



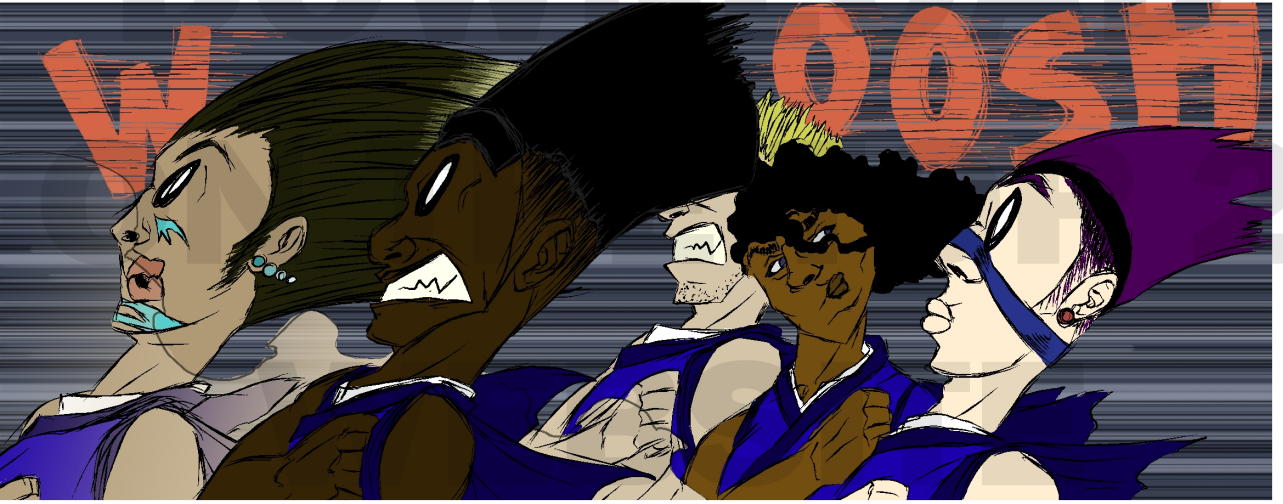
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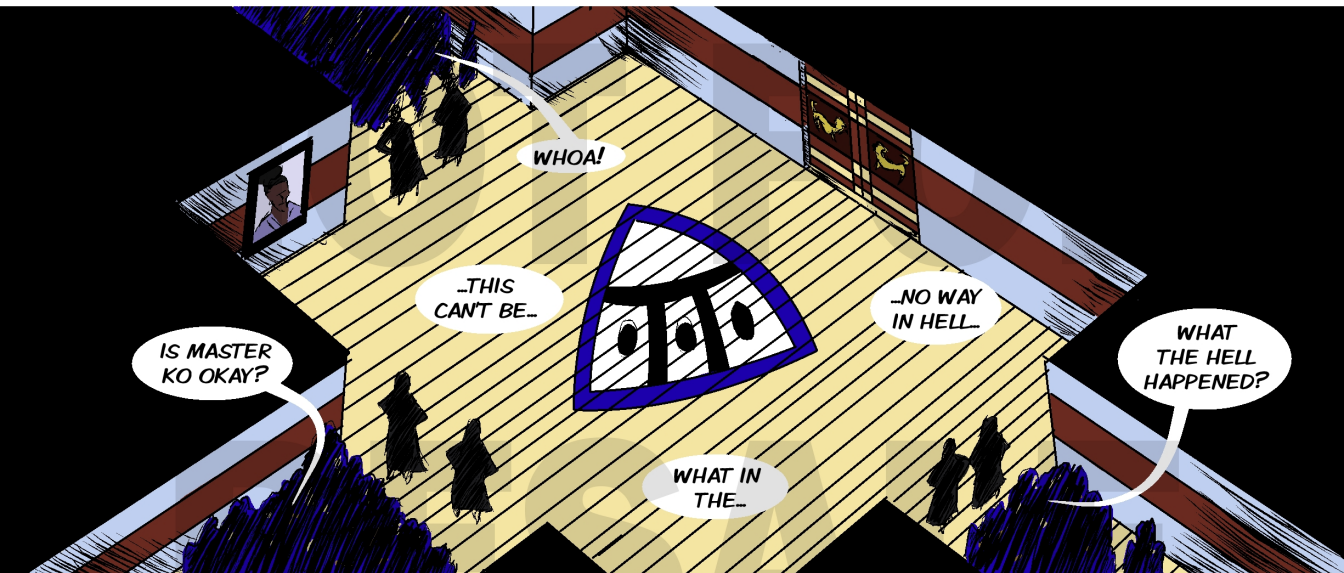
WHA-!!

!...SALUTE?

Fu--

HMM..?





WHOA!

...THIS CAN'T BE...

...NO WAY IN HELL...

WHAT THE HELL HAPPENED?

WHAT IN THE...

IS MASTER KO OKAY?



ALL RE REMNANTS HAVE DISINTEGRATED. I APOLOGIZE MASTER KO. MY SKILLS ARE NO GOOD HERE. WISH I COULD DO MORE...

ONE THING WE CAN BE CERTAIN OF IS THAT HE'S BEEN HERE FOR A WHILE.

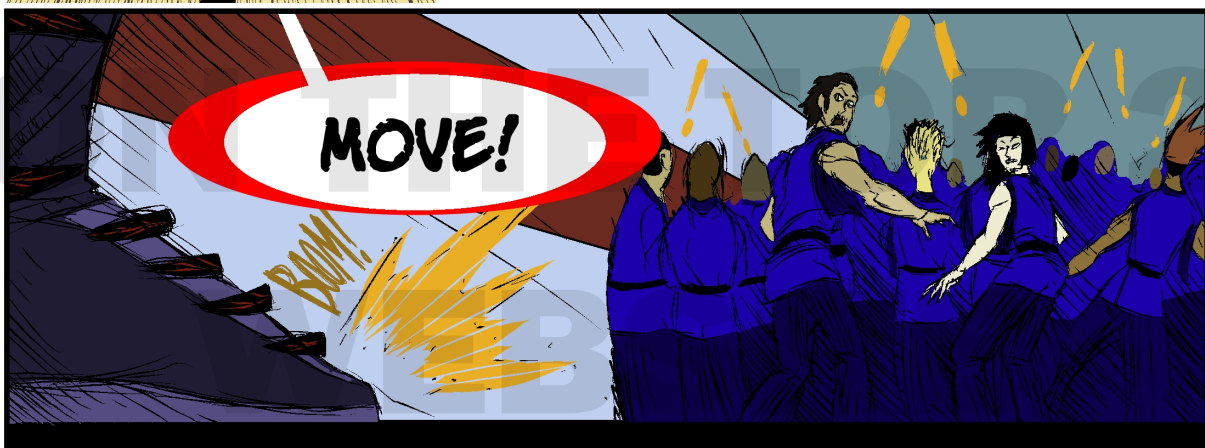
I ASSURE YOU, HE COULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN IN FROM THE OUTSIDE AS HE WAS.

HE'S BEEN HERE, LAYING IN WAIT, LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY.

KATRINA, NONETHELESS, THANKS.

KLEAVE, I CAME TO THE SAME CONCLUSION. HIS SUDDEN APPEARANCE ON MY RADAR CONFIRMS THAT HE WAS A SLEEPER.

CHANCES ARE, THERE'S MORE OF THEM, AND THEY'RE MORE CAUTIOUS NOW THAT ONE OF THEM HAS BEEN DISCOVERED.



MOVE!



IF I HAD TO GUESS, I'D SAY THERE MASKS ARE THEIR MOST PRIZED POSSESSION. WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF ALL MASTERS WHO ARE WILLING

I COULD USE MY SENSORY SKILLS TO SEARCH THE ENTIRE PARAMETER FOR ANY REMAINING MASKS.

WITH ONE FELL SWOOP WE CAN ELIMINATE THEM ALL!

I'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO GIVE MY ASSISTANCE.

THE SOONER WE REMOVE THIS PUGHT, THE BETTER!



HMMM...

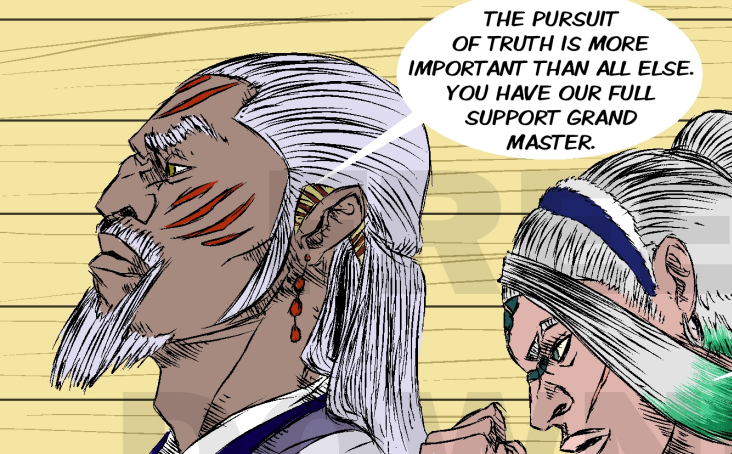
FINE, BUT KEEP YOUR INTENTIONS QUIET. I DON'T WANT TO GIVE WARNING TO THOSE WHO WISH US HARM.

NOR DO I WANT TO CAUSE MISTRUST AMONG THOSE WHO DON'T.

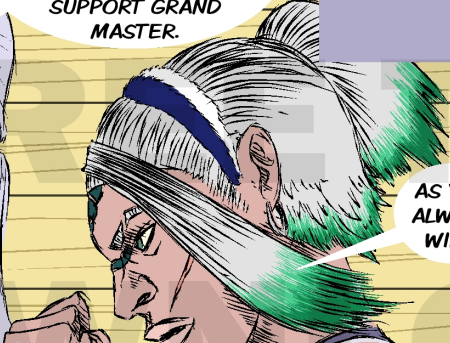
I FEAR THAT CIRCUMSTANCES ARE ONLY GOING TO DETERIORATE FROM HERE...

IT SEEMS MY SOURCE WAS CORRECT- IF YOU WISH TO BACK OUT NOW, DO SO.

I WONT HOLD IT AGAINST YOU.



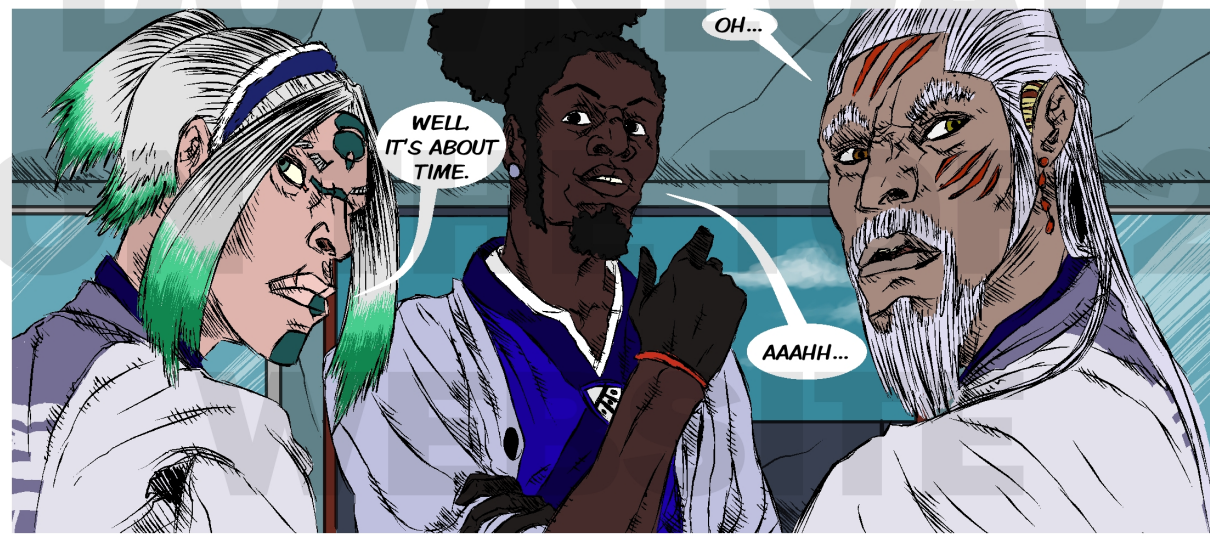
THE PURSUIT OF TRUTH IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ALL ELSE. YOU HAVE OUR FULL SUPPORT GRAND MASTER.



AS YOU ALWAYS WILL!

WHOA!

WHAT THE HELL HAPPENED HERE?



OH...

WELL, IT'S ABOUT TIME.

AAAHH...



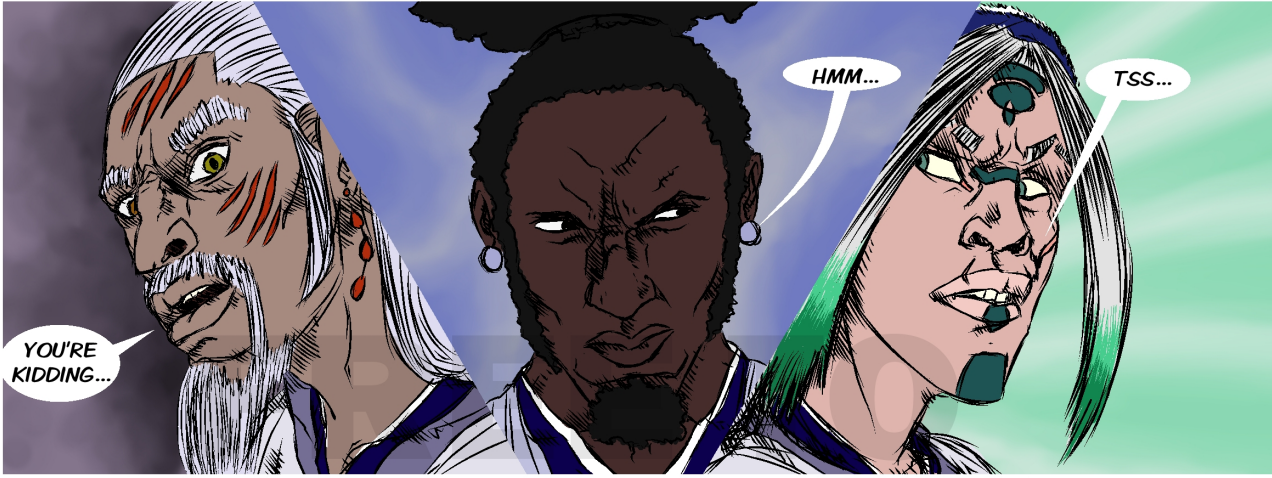
...HOW PLEASED I AM TO SEE YOU SAFELY RETURNED.

YEAH, YEAH! HAPPY TO SEE YOU ALL TOO, BUT ENOUGH WITH THE PLEASANTRIES!



BRO, YOUR INFO WAS RIGHT!

...IN EVERY LITTLE DETAIL!



YOU'RE KIDDING...

HMM...

TSS...



THEY'RE BUILDING FUCKING WARSHIPS!

GRAND REAGALIOUS IS PREPARING TO GO TO **WAR!!**

HAHA! Wow! That's issue # 2 Finally complete, and boy was it a long journey. OF course, there's much more to come so I'd suggest you all get comfortable. Unbelievably so, this series actually started as a small, Fun side project I started back in 2016. It was actually meant to be a way for me to prove to myself that I could successfully draw my own comic book series, and was supposed to only consist of 10 pages. However, the more I drew, the more the story grew, and the next thing I knew I had a 30 page Intro Bundle. It quickly upgraded from a small project to a lifetime commitment. There is much in store for this series, and I certainly hope you all stay along for the ride. Please, do enjoy future issues.

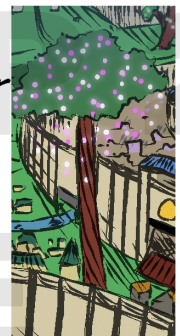
The Majestic Red Woods of Sol

So, what in the world is that huge red trunk Main Orthros branch is sitting atop of? It is the remains of what the people have come to call a "God Tree". These trees are not called such due to any spiritual significance. Nor is the name relative to any type of god that the people worship, and they most definitely don't worship the trees themselves. The trees are called such only due to their enormous size. They grow to their full heights in the same time it takes a normal tree to grow to its full height.



There are many different types and they are allowed to grow due to the benefits they offer to the people of Sol. Not only is the wood the hardest in the world, it is also fire resistant, and is thus used in architecture all over the world. The major benefit is the amount of wood collected from these trees, making these beautiful trees a very important resource. Because they grow in abundance all over the world, there is no conflict over this most important resource, even though some countries do have more than others.

Despite everything, God Trees are mostly known for their unimaginable beauty, especially at night. This beauty is due primarily to their glowing buds, the colors of which are unique to the identity of each tree. Large cities like Zvidia, capital of Grand Reagalious, for instance, are known to keep these trees for decoration. They have been known to sooth the souls of the citizenry.



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The decision has been made, and the order given. Grand Master Ko's life is now forfeit. Meanwhile, an attempt is being made to plant seeds of doubt in the mind of Grand Master Michael. Will Grand Master Ko succumb to Father Death, and Grand Master Michael to the Mother of Deceit?

