

SOMEWHERE IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.

THE AFTERMATH OF
OUR ATTACK ON THE
NOVA COUNCIL...

LED BY THE MYSTERIOUS MYSTASIA, THE NOVA COUNCIL
TARGETS METAHUMAN CRIMINALS AND THOSE WHO USE
THEIR POWERS FOR CURRENCY. ENFORCED BY THE LIKES
OF LAWMAN AND SNAKEBITE, THEY TARGETED ME AND
MY CHILDREN, ROSE AND JERICO, FOR DEATH.

TO PROTECT THEM, I ACCEPTED THE
HELP OF RA'S AL GHUL AND THE
LEAGUE OF ASSASSINS, AND WE
TOOK REFUGE IN THEIR MOUNTAIN
FORTRESS IN NANDA PARBAT, TIBET...

BUT EVEN THERE, ROSE WAS
STILL VULNERABLE TO LAWMAN'S
MENTAL LINK. SO WE CAME HERE
TO PUT AN END TO THE THREAT.

WE MET
RESISTANCE.

WITH HIS MIND
POWERS, LAWMAN
SEIZED CONTROL OF
ROSE AND USED
HER AS A WEAPON
AGAINST US.

JERICO WAS FORCED TO UNLEASH A POWERFUL
PSYCHIC BLAST IN ORDER TO BREAK THE LINK, WHICH
ALL BUT DESTROYED THIS PLACE. LAWMAN AND
SNAKEBITE LIE BURIED BENEATH TONS OF DEBRIS...

AND MY ROSE
LIES DYING.

TO SAVE HER, I'D
MAKE A DEAL WITH
THE DEVIL HIMSELF.

SWEAR
ALLEGIANCE TO
RA'S AL GHUL AND THE
LEAGUE OF ASSASSINS.
SLADE WILSON... AND
YOUR DAUGHTER
WILL LIVE.

LOOKS LIKE THAT'S
WHAT'S ABOUT TO
HAPPEN.

BLOOD FEUD!

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HOW CAN YOU SAVE HER?

GOOD. YOU ARE OPEN TO THE ARRANGEMENT.

TELL ME, RA'S, OR I'LL...



THIS WILL REPAIR THE DAMAGE DONE BY YOUR SON'S...INTERVENTION. AND IT WILL SHIELD HER FROM BEING CONTROLLED BY SUCH MENTAL POWERS EVER AGAIN.

WHAT IS IT?

IT IS AN ELIXIR CONTAINING MYSTICAL PROPERTIES.



BUT THE EFFECTS ARE TEMPORARY. SHE WILL REQUIRE A DAILY DOSE OF THE ELIXIR, PROVIDED BY ME. WITHOUT IT, ROSE WILL REVERT TO HER PRESENT CONDITION...AND SHE WILL SUCCUMB TO DEATH.



SHE'LL BE AN ADDICT. FOREVER DEPENDENT ON YOU.

SHE WILL BE ALIVE.



I DID THIS TO ROSE. FATHER, PLEASE! DO WHATEVER YOU CAN TO SAVE HER!

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VICTOR RUIZ IS ARRIVING WITH REINFORCEMENTS FROM HIS MERCENARY GROUP, THE DEAD BASTARDS. SO THAT BACKSTABBING RAT IS STILL WORKING WITH LAWMAN AND THE NOVA COUNCIL.

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE IF I AM TO ACT...



DO YOU AGREE TO MY TERMS, SLADE WILSON?

SAVE ROSE'S LIFE... AND I'LL SWEAR ALLEGIANCE TO YOU... AND TO THE LEAGUE OF ASSASSINS.

VERY WELL.

I WILL REQUIRE YOUR SON'S ASSISTANCE.



HELP HIM, JERICO. BRING YOUR SISTER BACK TO US.

I'LL TRY.



WHILE THEY WORK TO SAVE HER, I'LL TAKE CARE OF THIS.