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WHEN THE DEMONS CAME, HUMANITY RELUCTANTLY LEARNED TO SHARE THE WORLD WITH ANOTHER SENTIENT RACE. **EIGHTY YEARS LATER, THIS UNEASY CO-EXISTENCE HAS SPAWNED AN ENDLESS TERRORIST CONFLICT.** DETECTIVE DANIEL ASTON, CHARGED WITH BEING THE THIN BLUE LINE BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES, IS TESTED TO THE LIMIT WHEN A DEMON SETS UP HOUSE INSIDE HIS SOUL. BUT TO SAVE HIS DAUGHTER HE'LL PAY ANY PRICE—INCLUDING GENOCIDE.

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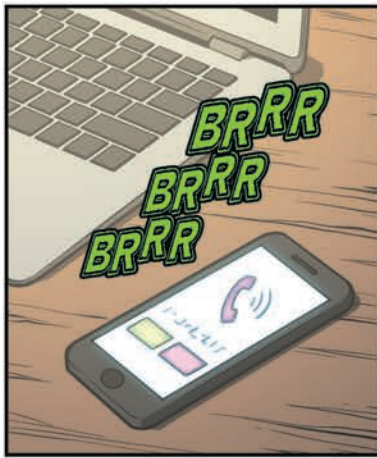
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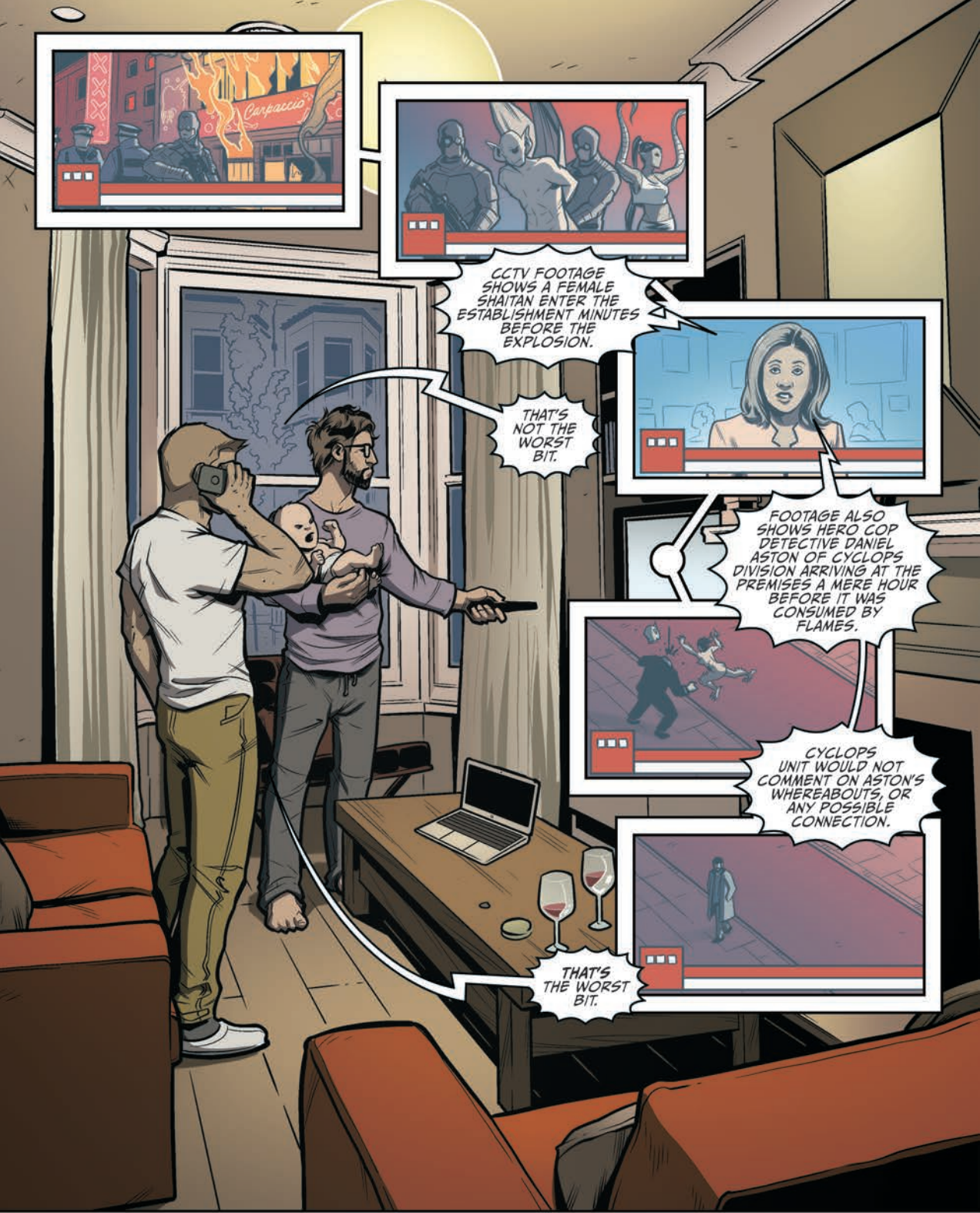
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CCTV FOOTAGE SHOWS A FEMALE SHAITAN ENTER THE ESTABLISHMENT MINUTES BEFORE THE EXPLOSION.

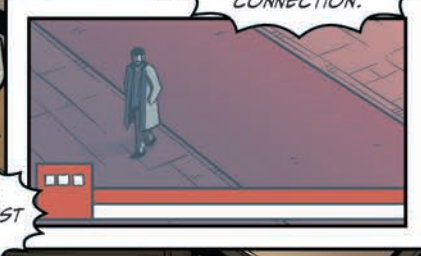


THAT'S NOT THE WORST BIT.

FOOTAGE ALSO SHOWS HERO COP DETECTIVE DANIEL ASTON OF CYCLOPS DIVISION ARRIVING AT THE PREMISES A MERE HOUR BEFORE IT WAS CONSUMED BY FLAMES.



CYCLOPS UNIT WOULD NOT COMMENT ON ASTON'S WHEREABOUTS, OR ANY POSSIBLE CONNECTION.



THAT'S THE WORST BIT.

CHAPTER 5  
**THE BASTARD TRUTH**







I'M THE ONE WHO SAVED YOUR ARSE FROM THE NASTY SHAITAN WITH THE SHARP KNIFE.

I'M ALSO THE ONE WHO SAVED YOUR ARSE AGAIN FROM YOUR FORMER CYCLOPS COLLEAGUES, WHO WOULD HAVE ARRESTED YOU AS AN UNREGISTERED SHAITAN... OR, MORE LIKELY, AS A TRAITOR.

TO SUM UP, I'M THE ONE WHO SAVED YOUR ARSE.

AND YES, I'M A SHAITAN.

SORRY I DIDN'T MENTION THAT BEFORE, BUT FIRST YOU WERE A DICKHEAD COP WHO WANTED TO GET IN MY PANTS, AND THEN YOU WERE DEAD.

DIDN'T REALLY COME UP, CONVERSATIONALLY.



NO, IT DIDN'T.  
DOES DEVEREUX KNOW?

I HEARD RUMORS THAT CYCLOPS HAD UNDERCOVER SKINWALKER OPERATIVES... IS THAT WHAT YOU ARE?



DEVEREUX? NO. ABSOLUTELY NOT.

YOU AND I WORK FOR THE SAME PERSON NOW, THOUGH.

HERE'S A HINT: SHE PAYS IN GUMMY BEARS AND MY LITTLE PONY RIBBONS.



I NEED CLOTHES. AVERT YOUR EYES, LEST YOU BE BLINDED BY MY BEAUTY.