

# NINJAK • SHADOWMAN RAPTURE™

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Welcome to the Deadside, one of many nether realms and outer dimensions. Its diverse inhabitants includes souls of the departed, visitors from other realms, and even the living. Among the living is Tama -- Geomancer and protector of the Earth, keeper of the Book of the Geomancer. Upon transcribing an ancient text from a demon deep within the Deadside, Tama learned of an age-old prophecy coming to light that would spell the destruction of life on Earth. In order to stop this threat, Tama returns to the land of the living to enlist Ninjak, Punk Mambo, and the Magpie. However, when they venture back to the Deadside, they find that the potential apocalypse has already begun, led by a mysterious figure -- Babel.



## TAMA

Tama is a Geomancer -- an enigmatic mystic able to speak with the Earth and communicate with all living things. In the distant future, Gilad, The Eternal Warrior, sent Tama back in time with the The Book of the Geomancer -- a powerful tome which she uses to shape the Earth's future.



## NINJAK

Born Colin King, Ninjak is a ruthless, charming superspy currently serving as MI-6's leading agent for hire. If there's an impossible task, Ninjak is your man. He and Punk Mambo have already ventured to the Deadside once, in order to retrieve a team of missing MI-6 agents.



## PUNK MAMBO

A Mohawk-sporting voodoo priestess, Punk commands many magical abilities and defenses, including enhanced senses, astral projection, and the casting of illusions and spells. She has also now bonded with a Loa she can command. Punk Mambo is familiar with the Deadside and ventured there with Ninjak in order to save a team of MI-6 agents.



## SHADOWMAN AKA MAGPIE

Jack Boniface was a young man in New Orleans who found that he was the latest inheritor of an immensely powerful Loa, which he bonded with to become Shadowman. Eventually he was bound to a Necromancer named Master Darque and driven to serve him as a menacing figure known as Magpie. However, he sought to rid himself of the Loa and Master Darque's control -- and was recovered from the Deadside by Ninjak and Punk Mambo.





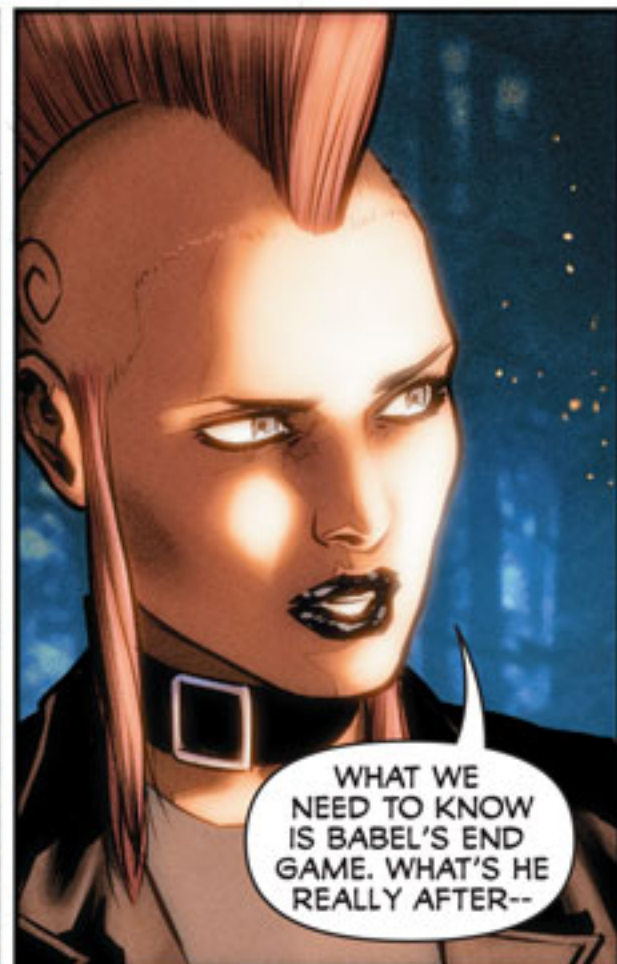
I HAVE LOST EVERYTHING TO THESE CREATURES AND I WOULD LOSE MYSELF TO HAVE BUT A TASTE OF REVENGE. BUT THERE IS NO STOPPING THEM. HOW DOES ONE STOP A WORD THAT CAN KILL?



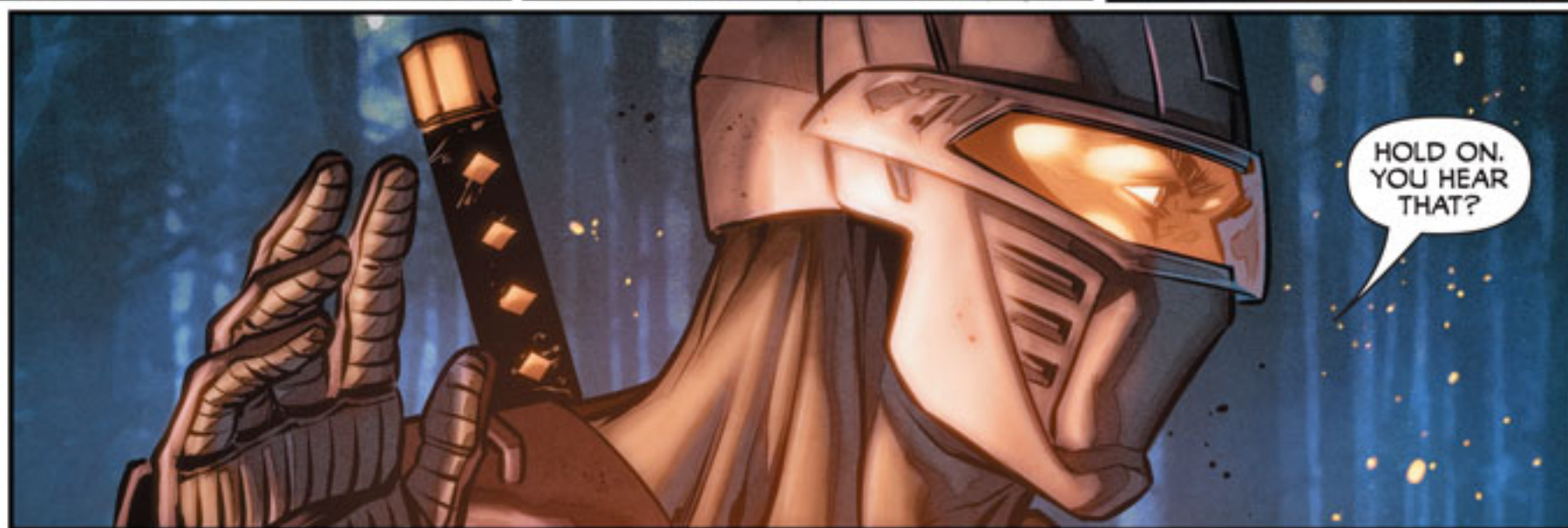
THERE HAS TO BE A WAY...



THERE IS. THERE'S NO WEAPON IN THE WORLD THAT CAN'T BE COUNTERED. BUT THE BEREAVERS ARE THE *DISTRACTION* HERE. THIS BABEL BLOKE IS THE REAL TARGET. WE GET TO HIM? WE END THIS THING QUICK.



WHAT WE NEED TO KNOW IS BABEL'S END GAME. WHAT'S HE REALLY AFTER--



HOLD ON. YOU HEAR THAT?



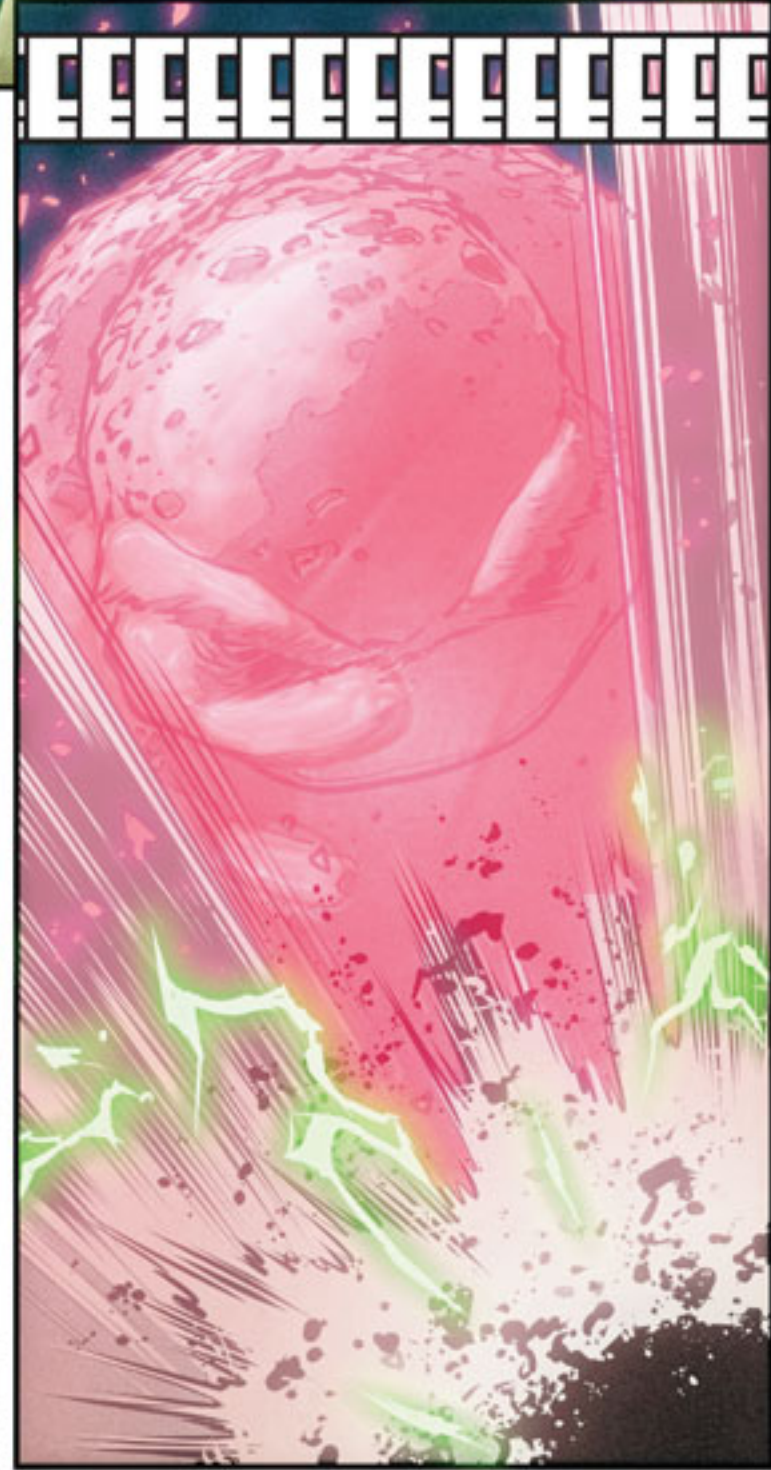
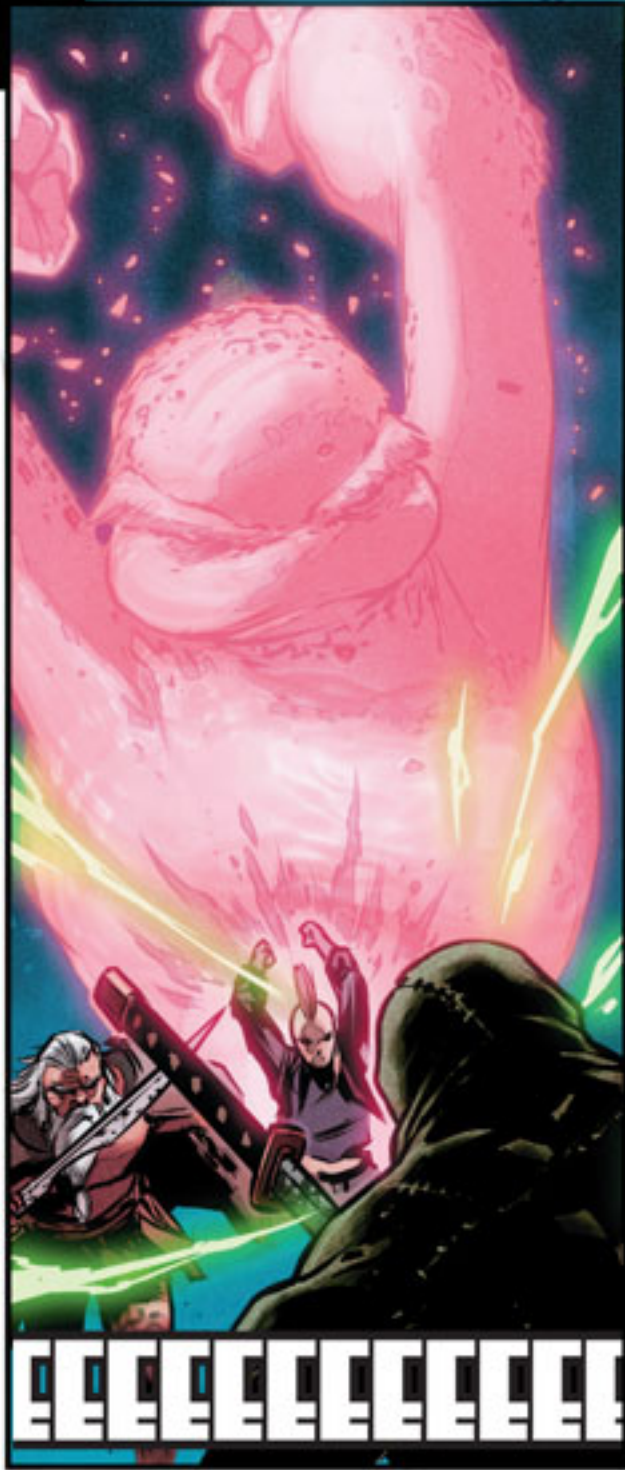
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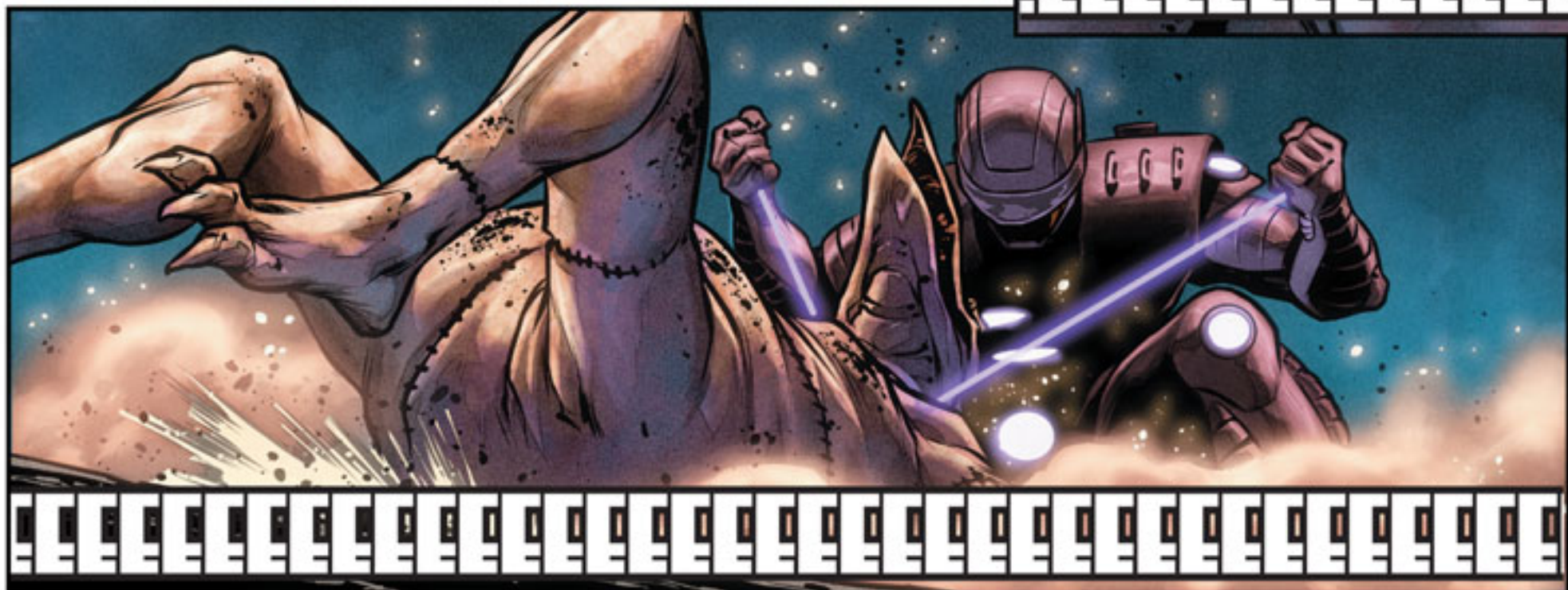
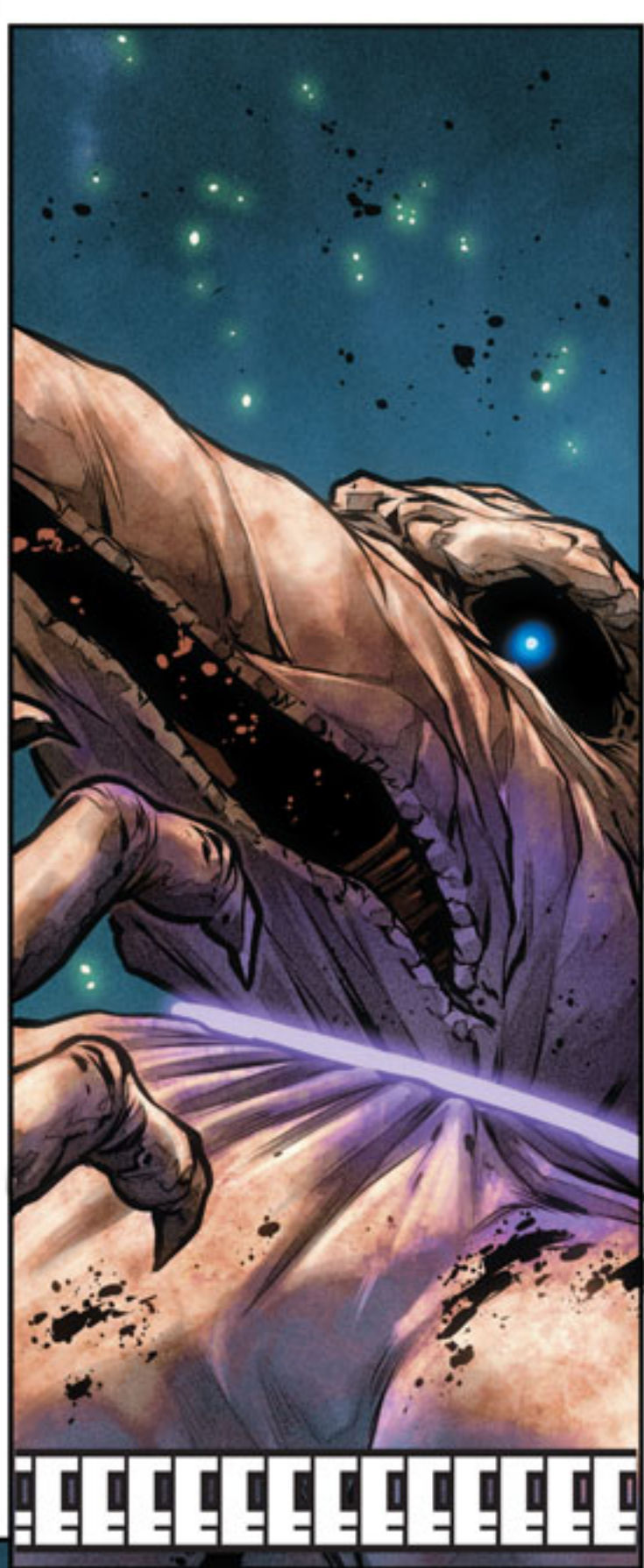
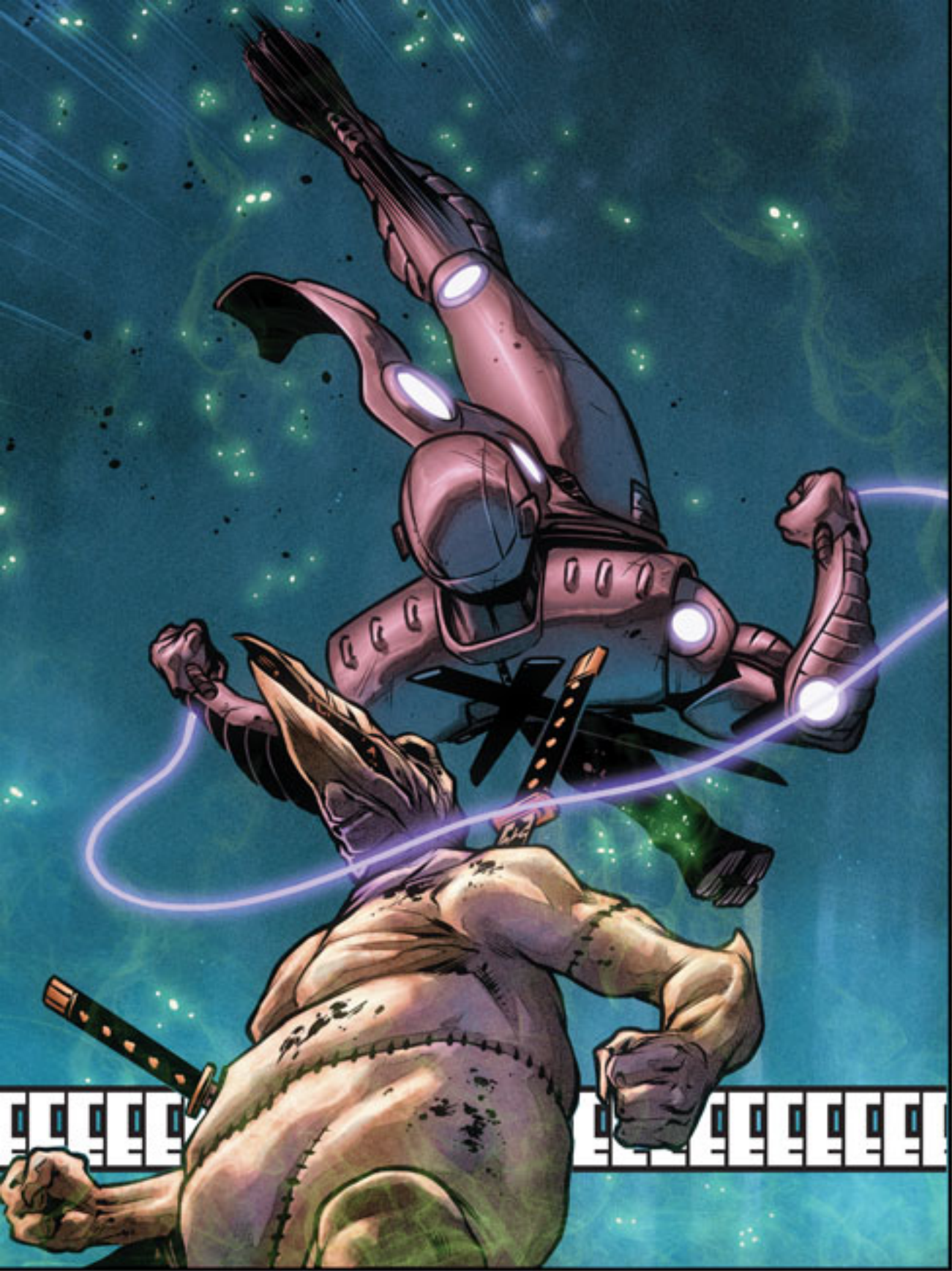
















--WE NEED IT ALIVE.



HE WON'T BE ABLE TO SPEAK UNTIL I LET HIM... ENHANCED GARROTE. I WAS SAVING IT TO TEST ON X-O BUT... THIS BUGGER WILL DO.

YOU DEAFENED US... THE BEREAVERS' DEATH WORD HAD NO EFFECT!

TOLD YOU HE WAS GOOD.

WAIT A BLOODY SECOND!



WHERE'S OUR MAN, MAGPIE? 'EE'S GONE!



THEY MUST HAVE TAKEN HIM WHEN WE WERE DISTRACTED... BUT WHY?

PICKING US OFF ONE BY ONE I SUSPECT.



THIS ONE WILL GIVE US ANSWERS!

COME ASK YOUR QUESTIONS, REX. I'VE GOT HIM.