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BORN WITH INCREDIBLE SUPERHUMAN ABILITIES, MUTANTS HAVE LONG BEEN PERSECUTED FOR THEIR DIFFERENCES. THE MUTANT HEROES KNOWN AS THE X-MEN WERE TRAINED BY PROFESSOR CHARLES XAVIER TO USE THEIR POWERS TO PROTECT THE WORLD THAT HATES AND FEARS THEM AND TO BRIDGE THE GROWING DIVIDE BETWEEN HUMANITY AND MUTANTKIND.

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The **X-Men** learned that their old foe **Cassandra Nova** is a member of a new group called **3K**, who forcibly activated mutant powers within the **Santo Marco Six** to defeat the X-Men and replace them! During the X-Men's search-and-rescue mission for a potential mutant, young **Piper Cobb**, 3K shot down the *Marauder*, with **Kid Omega** lost among the wreckage!

During 3K's ambush, **Temper** found Piper near a crashed alien Acanti spaceship outside the town of Merle. There it was revealed that Piper's twin, absorbed in the womb, is the true mutant! The twin escaped Piper's body and claimed the flesh of the Acanti ship as their new vessel. With Nova manipulating the parasitic twin's mind, the town of Merle, as well as the X-Men, are left at the mercy of 3K!

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3K.

WELL?

HOW  
ARE THEY,  
WYRE?

"HOW ARE  
THEY?"

THEY'RE WHAT  
YOU MADE THEM  
TO BE.

WHAT I  
TRAINED THEM  
TO BE.

ALASKA.

A MOB OF  
HARDCASE  
MUTIES.

LIFE-TAKERS AND  
HEARTBREAKERS.

IN  
SHORT, MISTER  
CHAIRMAN?





"THEY'RE  
X-MEN."

ON ME,  
X-MEN!

WE'RE  
GOING TO  
CLEAR THE  
TABLE!



DRONE FOOTAGE SHOULD  
SUFFICE FROM HERE  
ON OUT.

I'M MOVING:  
WE'VE GOT  
CASSANDRA NOVA'S  
PRODIGY TO  
EVALUATE.

COMPARING  
MY 13-YEAR-OLD  
GIRL TO YOUR ADULT,  
EX-S.H.I.E.L.D.  
X-MEN, WYRE?

I LIKE MY  
ODDS.

YOU TAKE IN  
STRAYS, NOVA. I  
BUILD KILLERS.

I'VE DONE  
IT MY WHOLE  
LIFE.

AND THERE'S  
NO ONE BETTER AT  
IT THAN I AM.

WHICH IS  
WHY YOU LET  
ME INTO YOUR  
LITTLE X-GENE-  
POSITIVE  
CLUB.

LISTEN  
TO ME,  
WYRE.

YOU WERE  
OUR SECOND  
CHOICE.

THE ONLY  
REASON YOU  
HAVE ANY VALUE,  
ANY VALUE  
AT ALL...

...IS BECAUSE  
VICTOR CREED  
IS DEAD.

I KILLED  
ONE X-MAN FOR  
YOU ALREADY, NOVA,  
AND THIS IS THE  
THANKS I GET?

AFTER ALL,  
EVEN YOUR PRECIOUS  
SABRETOOTH...



"...COULDN'T SHUT  
**QUENTIN QUIRE**  
UP FOR GOOD."

**THEN.**

SLOW IT  
DOWN SLOW IT  
DOWN **SLOW DOWN**  
SUBJECTIVE  
EXPERIENCE--

--SUBJECTIVE  
EXPERIENCE OF TIME  
SLOWED TO **15 PERCENT**,  
ESTIMATED TIME UNTIL  
**UNCONSCIOUSNESS 3.7**  
SECONDS **OBJECTIVE**  
TIME, TERMINAL VELOCITY  
ACHIEVED--

--INITIALIZING  
**AUTONOMOUS**  
**TELEKINETIC FAIL-SAFE**  
MACRO, INSTRUCTION:  
**LIFE SUPPORT/IMPACT**  
**ABSORPTION/SELF-**  
SUSTAIN UNTIL USER  
CONSCIOUSNESS IS  
RE-ESTABLISHED/  
INTERDICTION FROM  
AUTHORIZED  
ALLIES:

CYCLOPS/PSYLOCKE/  
TEMPER/PHOEBE CUCKOO/  
MAGNETO/BEAST/MAGIK/  
JUGGERNAUT/GLOB--