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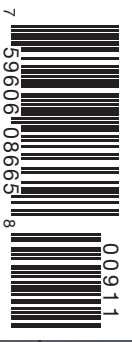
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**MCCARRAN AIRPORT,  
LAS VEGAS.**



YOU'RE  
HERE FOR MS.  
PLOTNICK?

THAT'S  
WHAT THE SIGN  
SAYS, MA'AM.  
ARE YOU  
HER?



YES,  
I AM.

NO  
BAGS?

I TRAVEL  
LIGHT.



OKAY,  
THEN. CAR'S  
PARKED OUTSIDE  
THE TERMINAL.  
LET'S GO.



BY ALL  
MEANS.

EVER  
BEEN TO  
VEGAS?

OH, YES.  
SEVERAL  
TIMES.

AND IS  
THIS TRIP  
BUSINESS OR  
PLEASURE?

OH,  
A BIT OF  
BOTH.



SO, MY DISPATCHER SAYS YOU'RE STAYING AT THE PALACE. WANNA GO STRAIGHT THERE...?

WHO'S THAT PICTURE ON YOUR DASH-BOARD?



OH. THAT'S MY ELLIE. SHE WAS MY WIFE.

DIVORCED?

DIED. STUPID DRUNK DRIVER.

I'M SORRY. PERHAPS YOU'LL SEE HER AGAIN.

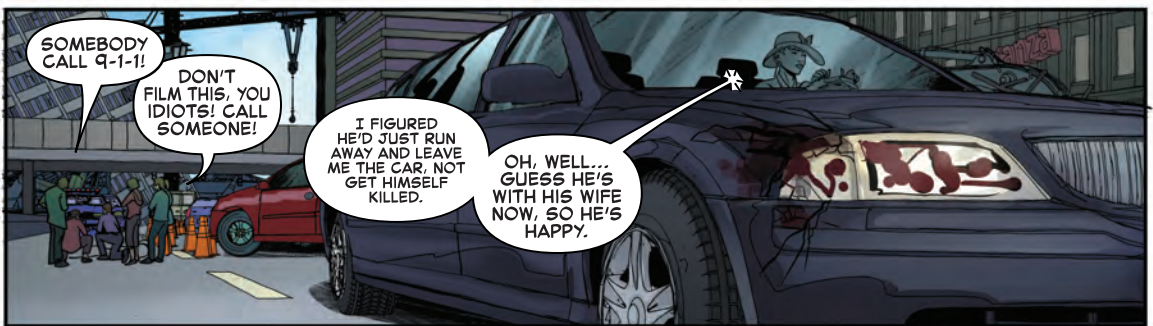


WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO ME--?



MISS ME?

**AAAAHHHHH!**





AH, COMING AROUND, ARE WE?

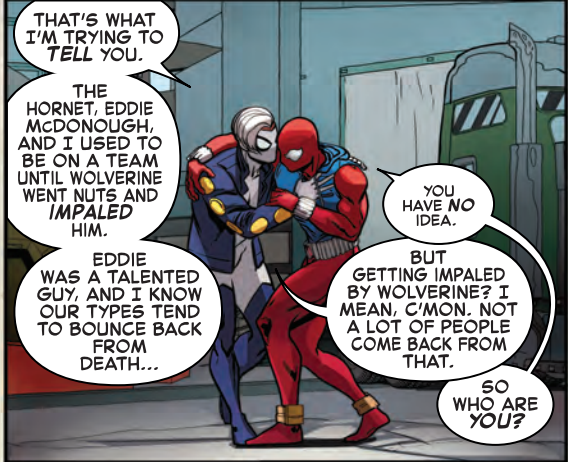
OH, YOU'RE STILL HERE.

I FIGURED I'D HANG OUT IN CASE EDDIE CAME BACK.

"EDDIE"?

THE HORNET. ALTHOUGH I VERY MUCH DOUBT IT'S THE MAN I KNEW IN THAT ARMOR.

YOU KNEW THAT CREEP?



THAT'S WHAT I'M TRYING TO TELL YOU.

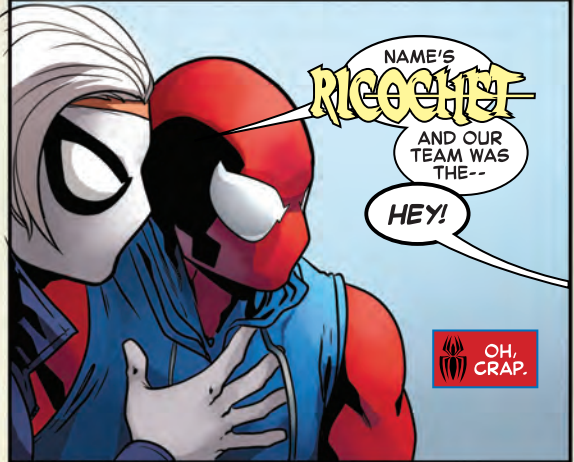
THE HORNET, EDDIE MCDONOUGH, AND I USED TO BE ON A TEAM UNTIL WOLVERINE WENT NUTS AND IMPALED HIM.

EDDIE WAS A TALENTED GUY, AND I KNOW OUR TYPES TEND TO BOUNCE BACK FROM DEATH...

YOU HAVE NO IDEA.

BUT GETTING IMPALED BY WOLVERINE? I MEAN, C'MON. NOT A LOT OF PEOPLE COME BACK FROM THAT.

SO WHO ARE YOU?



NAME'S **RICOCET**

AND OUR TEAM WAS THE--

HEY!

OH, CRAP.



I UNDERSTAND WE OWE YOU A DEBT.

NOT BOTH OF US. JUST THIS GUY.



WAIT A MINUTE. I REMEMBER YOU.

YOU WERE ONE OF THOSE THREE LOSER SPIDER-MAN IMITATORS WHO SHOWED UP AT THE CASINO.



NO. I'M THE ONE YOU FOUGHT AND WHO THREW YOU ACROSS THE DAMNED ROOM.

AND YOU **KILLED** ONE OF THOSE KIDS, A CRIME YOU **STILL** HAVE TO ANSWER FOR.

SO IF YOU WANT A PIECE OF ME, BRING IT ON.