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DISGRACED REPORTER **EDDIE BROCK** STUMBLED UPON AN AGGRESSIVE ALIEN ORGANISM, CALLED THE SYMBIOTE, DURING ONE OF THE LOWEST POINTS OF HIS LIFE. SHARING A SIMILAR NEED FOR JUSTICE IN THE FORM OF VENGEANCE, THE SYMBIOTE BONDED WITH EDDIE AND THEIR UNION GRANTED HIM POWERS SIMILAR TO THOSE OF SPIDER-MAN, AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF OTHER UNIQUE ABILITIES. TOGETHER, THEY NOW FIGHT CRIME AS THE WICKED WEB-SLINGER CALLED

# VENOM

CENTURIES AGO, A SYMBIOTIC DRAGON CREATED BY KNULL, GOD OF THE SYMBIOTES, TERRORIZED ANCIENT MAN BEFORE EVENTUALLY BEING CAPTURED BY S.H.I.E.L.D.

IN THE WAKE OF THE SPY ORGANIZATION'S COLLAPSE, THE CREATURE WAS REAWAKENED BENEATH THE STREETS OF NEW YORK AND LAUNCHED AN ALL-OUT ASSAULT ON THE CITY.

WITH FEW OPTIONS, VENOM WENT TOE-TO-TOE WITH THE CREATURE, EVENTUALLY TRAPPING IT IN AN OVERSIZED BLAST FURNACE AND BURNING IT INTO NOTHINGNESS.

BUT VICTORY CAME AT A STEEPER COST THAN EDDIE COULD HAVE ANTICIPATED, AND HIS EXTRATERRESTRIAL PARTNER'S VOICE HAS BEEN SUDDENLY SILENCED...

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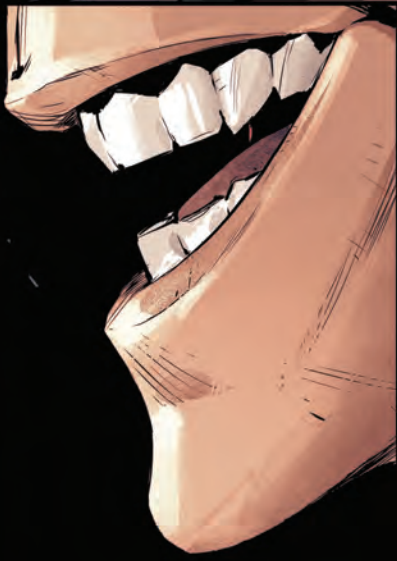
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"Congratulations,  
Edward."

"You saved  
the world."



Who  
cares?

# "OVERSIGHT"

PART ONE



"No one will ever know what you did. I've seen to that."



"Nothing has changed."



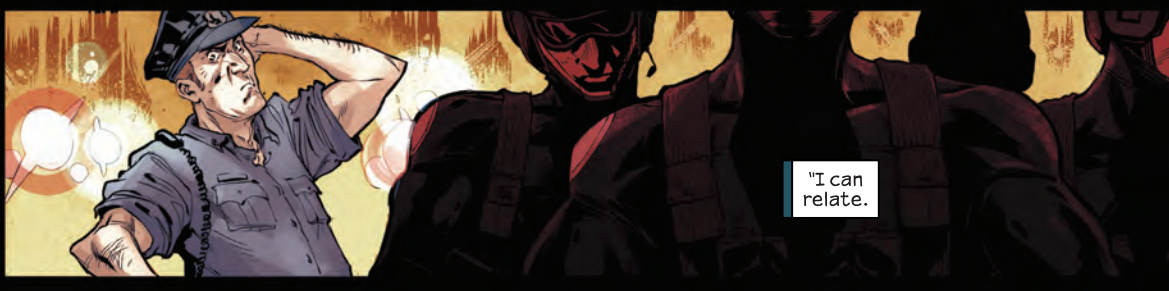
"For most of the world, and for anyone who matters, you're still Spider-Man's bad laundry day."



"Just another poor man's monster who's outlived his own legend."



"I can relate."



"And I can change that."





"I sent my extraction team to that warehouse to retrieve a *sample*."

"After all, it's not every day that we are in contact with a...well, *whatever* that was you fought."

"The mission was a success."

"Until...it wasn't. Of course."

"You see, Edward, you present a bit of a problem for me."

"When my team found you, they assumed you were dead."

"They asked me what was to be done with your body."

"But then..."







YEAH.  
I  
DON'T DIE  
WELL.



I'LL TAKE  
MY ATTORNEY AND  
MY PHONE CALL  
NOW.



Where is  
the sample,  
Edward?

I DON'T  
KNOW WHAT THAT  
MEANS. YOU SAID  
YOUR PEOPLE TOOK THE  
SAMPLE. I DON'T EVEN  
KNOW WHAT "SAMPLE"  
YOU'RE TALKING  
AB--



You aren't  
lying, are you?  
*Sigh* You really  
don't know.





That is interesting.

How much do you remember *this time*, I wonder.

Do you know how you got here?

@#%& YOU. ATTORNEY. PHONE CALL.

You are not in a situation where an attorney would be helpful to you, Edward.

When you exist in this room, you exist nowhere else.

I'm not trying to scare you.



HEH.

YOU THINK THIS IS MY FIRST TIME IN A BOX?

I KNOW WHAT YOU ARE.



I THOUGHT S.H.I.E.L.D. WAS DEAD.

Oh, it very much is.

But, you see...