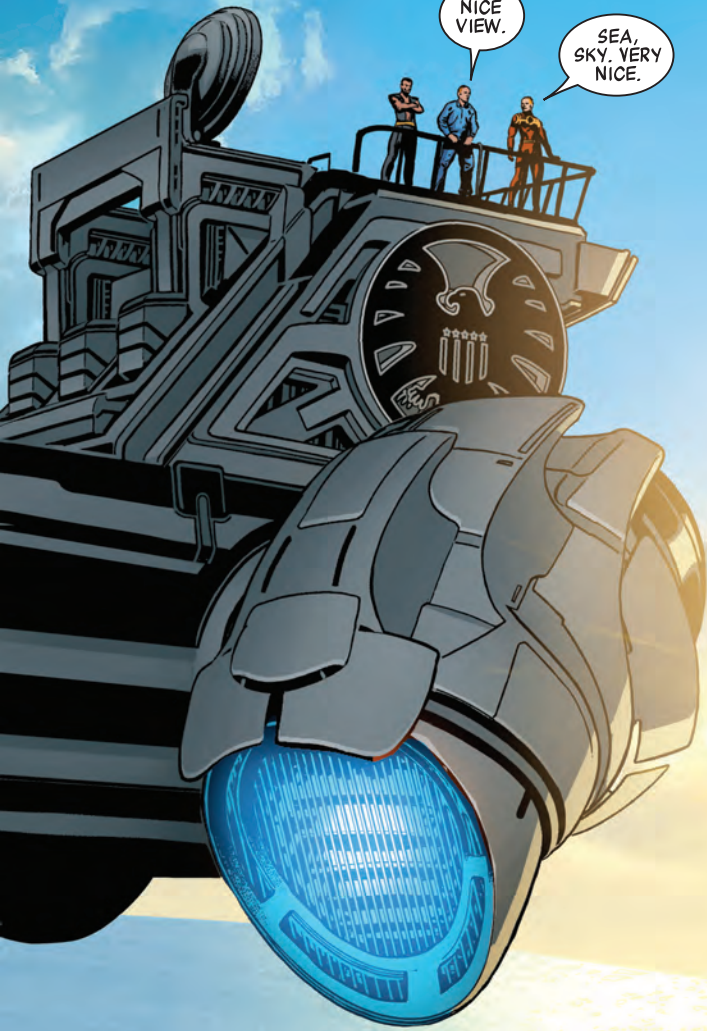
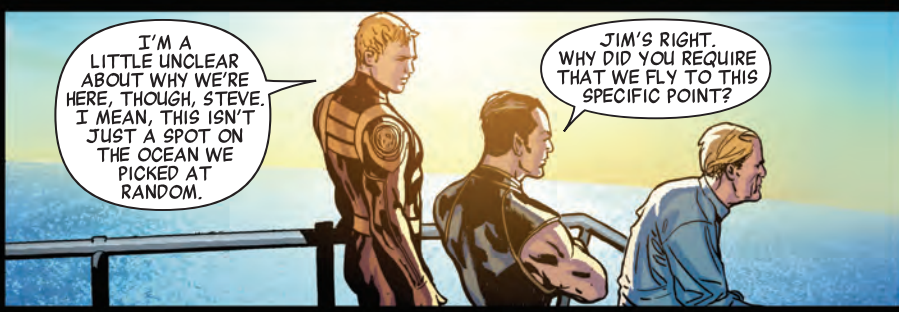


OFF THE COAST OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

NICE
VIEW.

SEA,
SKY. VERY
NICE.





I'M A LITTLE UNCLEAR ABOUT WHY WE'RE HERE, THOUGH, STEVE. I MEAN, THIS ISN'T JUST A SPOT ON THE OCEAN WE PICKED AT RANDOM.

JIM'S RIGHT. WHY DID YOU REQUIRE THAT WE FLY TO THIS SPECIFIC POINT?

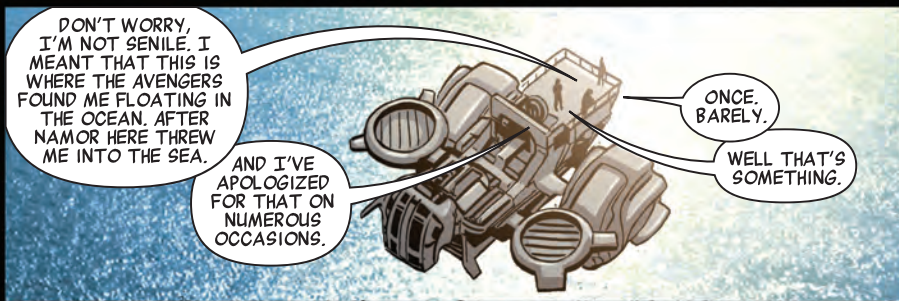


IT HAS RESONANCE WITH ME. HERE, ESPECIALLY NOW THAT I'M NO LONGER CAPTAIN AMERICA, AND NO LONGER THE MAN I WAS...

...THIS IS THE COORDINATE.



UH, COORDINATE TO...?

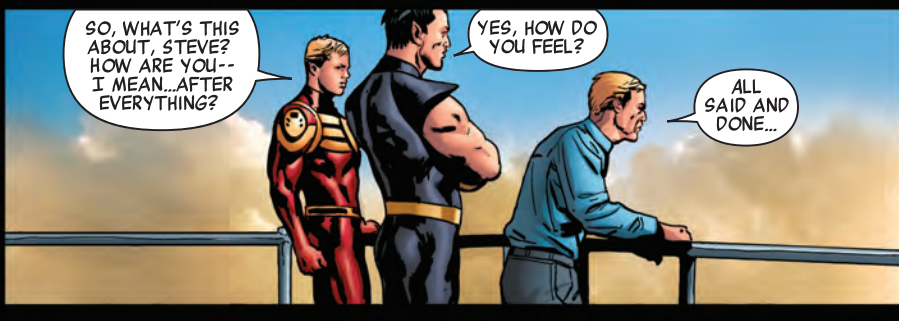


DON'T WORRY, I'M NOT SENILE. I MEANT THAT THIS IS WHERE THE AVENGERS FOUND ME FLOATING IN THE OCEAN. AFTER NAMOR HERE THREW ME INTO THE SEA.

AND I'VE APOLOGIZED FOR THAT ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS.

ONCE. BARELY.

WELL THAT'S SOMETHING.



SO, WHAT'S THIS ABOUT, STEVE? HOW ARE YOU-- I MEAN...AFTER EVERYTHING?

YES, HOW DO YOU FEEL?

ALL SAID AND DONE...





...LOUSY.

I MAY HAVE LOST MY POWERS--MY SUPER-SOLDIER ABILITIES--IN THE PAST...

...BUT I'VE NEVER BEEN OLD BEFORE.



AND I'LL BE HONEST, GUYS-- WITH YOU, ONLY YOU--BEING OLD IS TORTURE.

SUDDENLY, MY SUMMERS AHEAD ARE SO FEW...

...AND THE HORIZON SEEMS LIMITED.



I'M BEING NEGATIVE, I KNOW THAT. ACTUALLY, THE REASON I BROUGHT YOU HERE WAS TO DISCUSS HOW **BRIGHT** THE FUTURE IS.



REALLY?!

YES, STEVE, I'M GLAD TO HEAR YOU SAY IT.

OH, NOT FOR ME, BUT FOR MANY AMONG US IT'S GOLDEN--

--FOR TORO, AND IRON CROSS. YOU TOO, JIM.



ESPECIALLY AFTER THE OTHER DAY...



"...ASSUMING I GOT ALL THE FACTS STRAIGHT.

"THE 'INVADERS' WERE IN GERMANY DEALING WITH NAZIS...AS ALWAYS, I GUESS.



"...BUT \$@#% DO I HATE NAZIS.

"YES, STEVE, INCLUDING YOUR REPLACEMENT, SAM WILSON, WHO ACCOUNTED FOR HIMSELF MOST FAVORABLY."



"RADIANCE WAS THERE, TOO--



"ALONG WITH NAMOR AND IRON CROSS.



"NEO-NAZIS THIS TIME, LED BY A SUPER-POWERED MANIAC NAMED **UBER ALLES**."

"IT WAS IRON CROSS'S THING--GERMANY AND ALL--BUT WE HAD HER BACK ON IT."

I WISH I COULD SAY, THIS WASN'T PERSONAL...



"ME, OBVIOUSLY."



"AND TORO, OF COURSE..."

"...WITH FATE CHOOSING THAT MOMENT FOR HIS NEW INHUMAN POWERS TO FINALLY MANIFEST."



YOU TOOK YOUR TIME.