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THE WAKANDAN EMBASSY IN DUBAI.

...AND FINALLY, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, ALLOW ME TO SHARE SOMETHING TRULY UNIQUE. WE'VE DISCUSSED MANY OF THESE DEVICES BUILT BY WAKANDAN RESEARCHERS THAT USE THE METAL **VIBRANIUM**, FOUND ONLY IN WAKANDA, AS A PRIMARY COMPONENT.



BUT THIS PARTICULAR DEVICE IS ABLE TO ZERO IN ON THE UNIQUE VIBRATIONAL FREQUENCY OF VIBRANIUM.

IF ANY AMOUNT OF THIS INVALUABLE RESOURCE IS STOLEN FROM WAKANDA--

--SUCH AS THIS FRAGMENT...

...ONE CAN UNERRINGLY HONE IN ON THE STOLEN METAL.

BEEP BEEP





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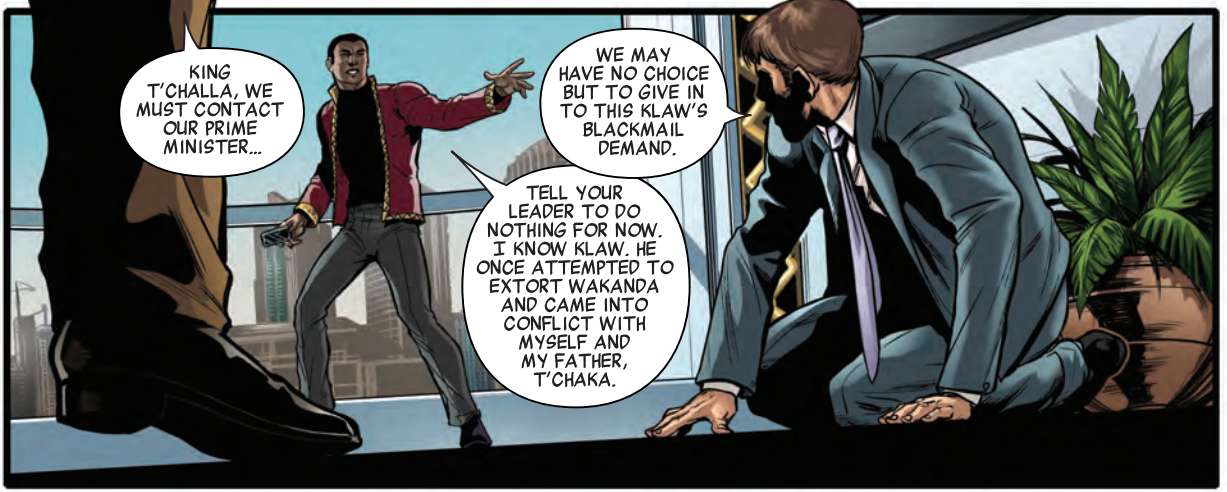


AN EARTHQUAKE?!



"I HOPE THIS GREAT CITY CAN SURVIVE THESE TREMORS!"





KING T'CHALLA, WE MUST CONTACT OUR PRIME MINISTER...

WE MAY HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO GIVE IN TO THIS KLAW'S BLACKMAIL DEMAND.

TELL YOUR LEADER TO DO NOTHING FOR NOW. I KNOW KLAW. HE ONCE ATTEMPTED TO EXTORT WAKANDA AND CAME INTO CONFLICT WITH MYSELF AND MY FATHER, T'CHAKA.



HE ACQUIRED HIS SOUND-BASED ABILITIES IN MY COUNTRY AND BECAME A BEING OF PURE, SENTIENT SOUND.

I WILL USE THIS SONIC LOCATOR TO TRACK HIM TO HIS LAIR AND TAKE HIM DOWN.

WE WILL RELAY YOUR MESSAGE. THE LIVES OF EVERYONE IN THIS CITY ARE IN YOUR HANDS.




KLAW IS SUCH A FORMIDABLE ADVERSARY. HE IS MORE THAN CAPABLE OF CARRYING OUT HIS THREAT.



AND HE HAS CHOSEN HIS TARGET CITY CLEVERLY, FOR DUBAI HAS MANY RECENTLY BUILT SKYSCRAPERS.

THEY MAY NOT HAVE BEEN BUILT TO WITHSTAND A QUAKE OF THIS UNNATURAL MAGNITUDE.

SO THERE IS NO CHOICE BUT TO PUT AN IMMEDIATE END TO HIS THREAT.



BUT IT IS NOT KING
T'CHALLA OF THE PROUD
NATION OF WAKANDA
WHO WILL DO IT.



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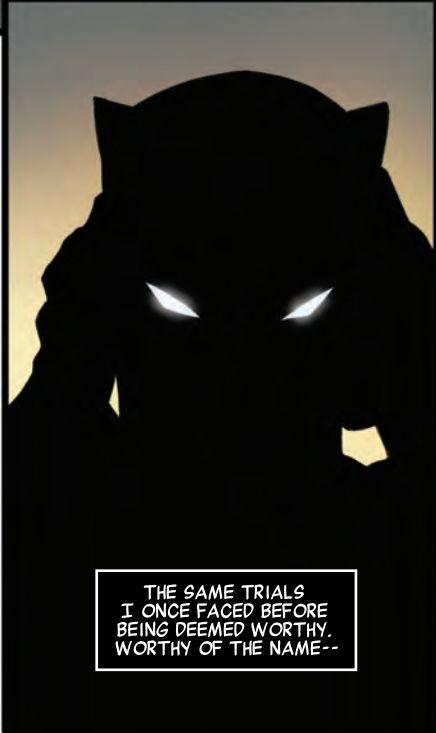
AND SO THE
KING MUST
DISAPPEAR...



...AS
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SACRED
ATTIRE.



THE GARB ONCE
WORN BY MY
FATHER HIMSELF,
AFTER PASSING
CRUCIAL RITUALS
OF MANHOOD.



THE SAME TRIALS
I ONCE FACED BEFORE
BEING DEEMED WORTHY.
WORTHY OF THE NAME--

--THE BLACK PANTHER!

