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So Rodimus and Co. just ended up in a parallel universe where the Functionist council rules Cybertron. And the council has finally made its way to the heart of Cybertron, Vector Sigma. But for what purpose? Maybe the now-liberated Rung can answer their questions...

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I DON'T KNOW, NIGHTBEAT. I'M NOT SURE ABOUT THIS.

DISSOLUTION PART 5: MODES OF PRODUCTION





RODIMUS!

I SWEAR
IF YOU'VE
HURT
HIM...

I'VE
ALREADY
HURT HIM.

I'VE HURT HIM IN
WAYS THAT WOULD
MAKE THE SINFUL
REPENT AND THE
DEVOUT RENOUNCE
THEIR FAITH.



THAT'S...
NOT... THE
MATRIX.

IT'S
WHATEVER I
NEED IT TO BE.
MUCH LIKE
YOU—

I'VE
C-CARRIED
THE MATRIX.
I KNOW THE
MATRIX... AND
IT'S NOT A
WEAPON.



—IT BENDS
TO MY WILL.

AAAAA
GH!

"WHAT AM I DOING
WITH MY LIFE,
NIGHTBEAT? WHAT
AM I FOR? WHAT
VALUE DO I ADD?"



YOU SAID SO
YOURSELF. WHEN
YOU ASKED ME
TO EXPLORE THE
PLANET WITH YOU,
YOU SAID—

I WAS
JOKING!
THAT WAS
A JOKE!

YOU SAID I WAS
DISPOSABLE.

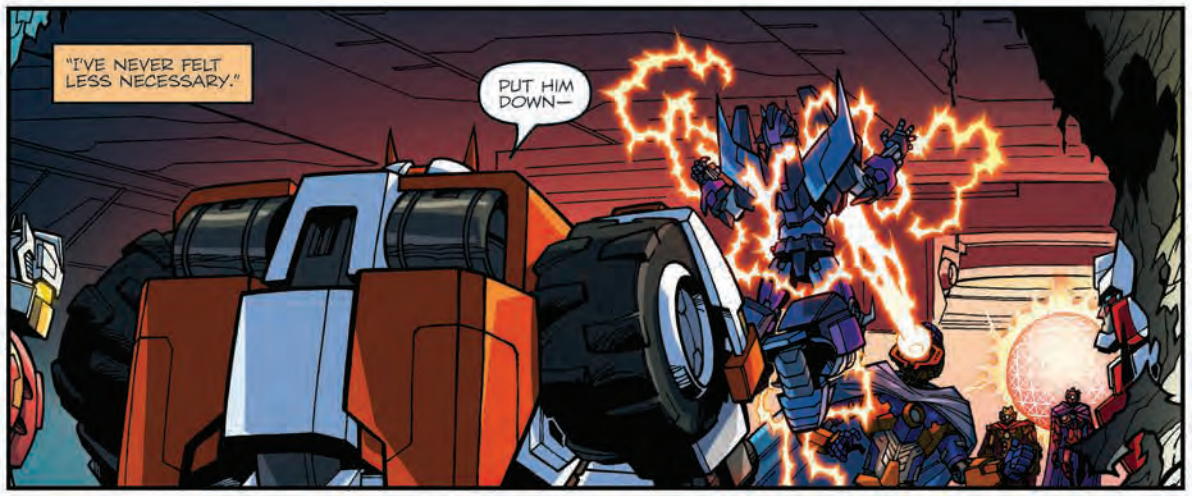
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WHEN I HAD
PATIENTS—
WHEN I HAD
A JOB TO
DO—IT DIDN'T
BOTHER ME.

I KNEW
WHAT I WAS
GOOD AT.

BUT NOW?
TRUTHFULLY?



"I'VE NEVER FELT LESS NECESSARY."

PUT HIM DOWN—



—BEFORE I SHOOT YOUR GUILTY SECRET.

A BLUFF. YOU CAME HERE TO RESCUE HIM.

YEAH, THAT WAS BEFORE WE FOUND OUT WHAT HE DOES. WHAT HE REALLY DOES.

IF IT'S A CHOICE BETWEEN US KILLING HIM AND YOU USING HIM...



...NO CONTEST.



VERY WELL.

URGH!



GO. RUN. TAKE YOUR PRIZE.



"WE'LL TAKE IT BACK IN DUE COURSE."

OKAY, I'VE RIGGED THE CONTROLS TO EXPLODE THE MOMENT WE JUMP TO THE SURFACE. THE COUNCIL WILL HAVE TO CHASE US ON FOOT.

WAIT— BEFORE WE GO—I'D LIKE A WORD WITH MY CAPTORS.



YOU KNOW MY SECRET—BUT I KNOW YOURS, TOO.

FOR YEARS YOU'VE AVOIDED COMING DOWN HERE—AND IT WASN'T BECAUSE OF THE UNUNTRIUM. IT WAS BECAUSE YOU HAD A THEORY.

YOU HAD A THEORY ABOUT YOUR OWN ALT MODE— YOUR COLLECTIVE ALT MODE—AND YOU WERE AFRAID TO PUT IT TO THE TEST.



IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO ACTIVATE VECTOR SIGMA WITHOUT UNLOCKING IT... AND THE COUNCIL TURNS INTO THE KEY.

BUT EVER SINCE NINE-OF-TWELVE DEFECTED, YOU'VE BEEN INCOMPLETE. WITHOUT HIM, THERE CAN BE NO KEY—AND VECTOR SIGMA MUST REMAIN DORMANT.

AND YET HERE WE ARE. VECTOR SIGMA IS UNLOCKED, AND YOUR WORST SUSPICIONS ARE CONFIRMED...



...THE KEY IS UNNECESSARY.

IT'S A PIECE OF RELIGIOUS PARAPHERNALIA. A DECORATION. YOU TURN—YOU ALL TURN—INTO AN ORNAMENT.

OR, TO PUT IT ANOTHER WAY...



ALL HAIL THE USELESS ONES.

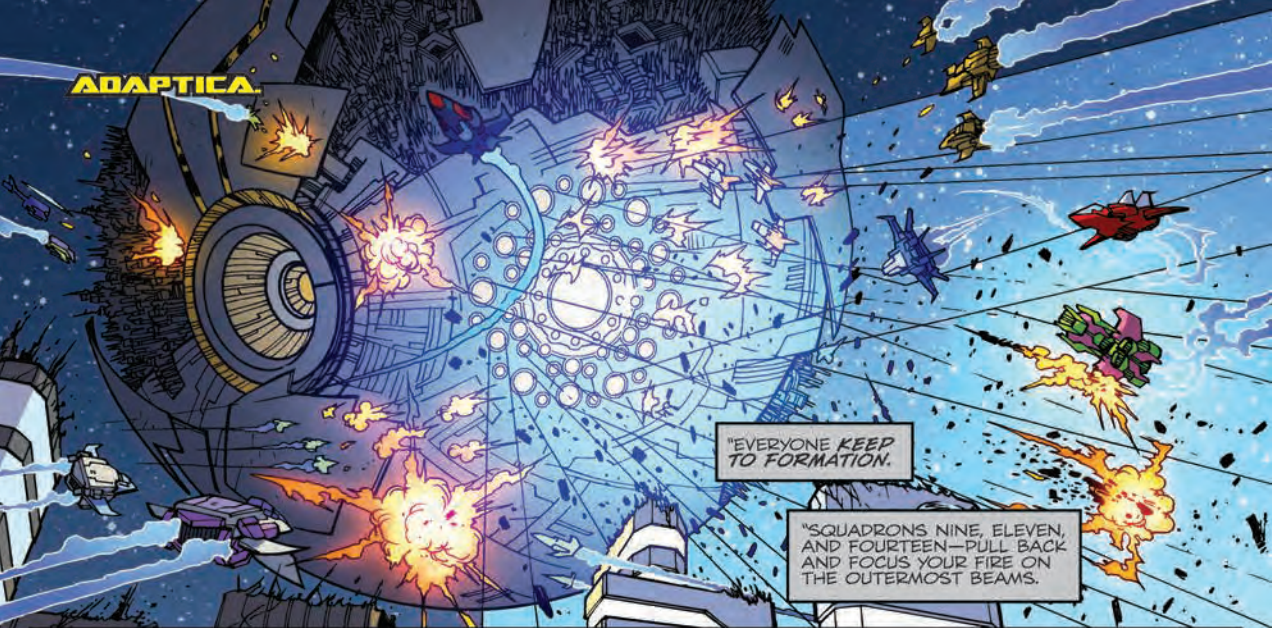


WHERE NOW? ADAPTICA?

THERE'S ANOTHER MATTER TRANSPORTER NEARBY—IT'LL TAKE US STRAIGHT THERE.

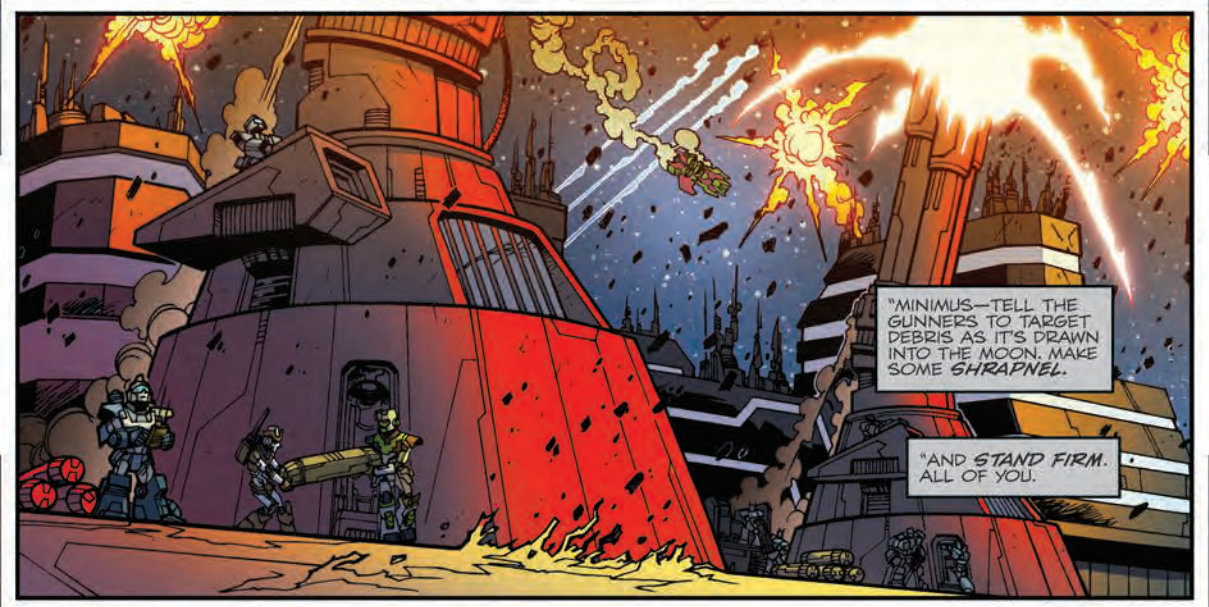


I HAVE A BETTER IDEA.



"EVERYONE KEEP TO FORMATION."

"SQUADRONS NINE, ELEVEN, AND FOURTEEN—PULL BACK AND FOCUS YOUR FIRE ON THE OUTERMOST BEAMS."



"MINIMUS—TELL THE GUNNERS TO TARGET DEBRIS AS IT'S DRAWN INTO THE MOON. MAKE SOME SHRAPNEL."

"AND STAND FIRM. ALL OF YOU."

KALUON

"WE MAY HAVE BEEN TAKEN UNAWARES, BUT UNAWARES DOES NOT MEAN OVERWHELMED."