

THE MOON.

WHERE A ONCE THRIVING SCIENTIFIC/MILITARY BASE NOW LIES IN RUINS.

SO THIS IS WHERE L.U.N.A.R.* SET UP SHOP TO BLACKMAIL THE EARTH. THEIR SCHEME MIGHT'VE SUCCEEDED HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR THE AVENGERS.

I'M NOT ONE TO QUESTION TONY STARK, BUT DO YOU THINK THE PIECES OF THE COSMIC CUBE THAT L.U.N.A.R. WAS USING TO POWER THEIR WEAPONRY WILL STILL BE LYING AROUND?

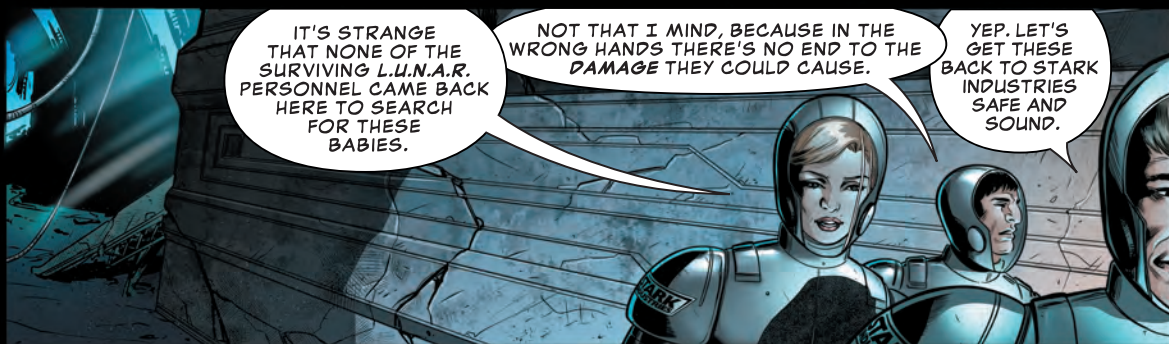
OVER THERE--I SEE SOMETHING GLOWING IN THE DEBRIS!

*LIFE UNDER NATURAL AUTHORITARIAN RULE --MB

BINGO! I THINK WE HIT THE JACKPOT!

A COMPLETE COSMIC CUBE CAN ALTER REALITY ITSELF.

BUT EVEN THESE FEW SHARDS HAVE POWER THAT'S OFF THE CHARTS.



IT'S STRANGE THAT NONE OF THE SURVIVING L.U.N.A.R. PERSONNEL CAME BACK HERE TO SEARCH FOR THESE BABIES.

NOT THAT I MIND, BECAUSE IN THE WRONG HANDS THERE'S NO END TO THE DAMAGE THEY COULD CAUSE.

YEP. LET'S GET THESE BACK TO STARK INDUSTRIES SAFE AND SOUND.



HEY, THANKS FOR DOING OUR WORK FOR US.

WE'RE GONNA SHOW YOU HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE IT, TOO.



**TZZZZMMM
TZZZZMMM**

WHA--
LUNGH!

LUNGH!

OHH!



GRAB THOSE PIECES AND LET'S HEAD OUT BEFORE THESE CHUMPS WAKE UP.



COME ON, IT'S NOT EXACTLY A BUS RIDE BACK TO EARTH.

AGENT 327...
AMBUSHED
ON MOON...
SHARDS STOLEN...
L.U.N.A.R. AGENTS--
EMERGENCY--
EMERGENCY...
NNHH...
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L.U.N.A.R.'S GOING TO MAKE A BIG COMEBACK NOW.

AND THIS TIME...

"...NOT EVEN THOSE NOSY
AVENGERS CAN STOP US."

**MILITARY BASE,
IDAHO, USA.**

HUMAN
FOOLS! YOU
PREPARE MULTIPLE
DEFENSES TO DEAL
WITH ATTACKS
FROM LAND, SEA
AND AIR!

BUT YOU LEAVE
YOURSELVES WIDE
OPEN FOR AN ASSAULT
FROM BENEATH YOUR
VERY FEET!

THE LAVA
MEN WILL SOON
SEIZE CONTROL OF
THE SURFACE WORLD AS
IS OUR DESTINY! OUR
THERMAL BLASTS WILL
TURN YOUR FINEST
WEAPONS INTO
SLAG!

**HEAD
GAMES!**

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**AVENGERS
ASSEMBLE!**

WE'VE FACED
THE LAVA MEN
BEFORE. EXECUTE
THE MANEUVERS
WE'VE PERFECTED
IN SIMULATION--
AND ABOVE ALL--
AVOID LOSS
OF LIFE!

