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■ The story so far..



Most of us are ordinary human beings. But a few of us are psiots—born with latent mental abilities that unlock tremendous special powers.

Toyo Harada is the world's most powerful psiot. With his top-secret Harbinger Foundation, Harada sought out and trained other psiots, cultivating a loyal army of super-powered devotees—including Stronghold, Law, and children like Darpan and Kiki, along with the unusually compassionate robot, Mech Major.

Harada and his Foundation hijacked the supercarrier USS George H.W. Bush and conquered a small territory in Somalia, proclaiming it the Foundation Zone, from which Harada's imperium would grow. His goal—to end global conflict and bring about world peace...at any cost.

**UNITED NATIONS.
SECURITY COUNCIL CHAMBER.
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...HARADA IS FURTHER DESTABILIZING SYRIA, HE'S UNILATERALLY INVADDED SOMALIA, HE'S STOLEN A UNITED STATES NAVY VESSEL, AND HE'S THREATENED WORLD LEADERS OF EVERY POLITICAL STRIPE!

HE IS THE WHOLE WORLD'S PROBLEM. SO THIS PRO-HARADA RHETORIC COMING FROM COUNTRIES LIKE IRAQ, UKRAINE, CONGO... IT'S INCREDIBLY IRRESPON--

EXCUSE US, GENTLEMEN.





HI, EVERY-BODY.

DARPAN.
WARD OF TOYO HARADA.
FOUNDATION OFFICER IN TRAINING.

KIKI. CODENAME: ORCHID.
FOUNDATION HYPER-PSYCHIC.
YOUNGEST ACTIVATED MEMBER.



WE KNOW THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS DOMED WITH PSYOT DAMPENERS AND THAT WE'RE POWERLESS HERE, BUT YOU REALLY SHOULDN'T SHOOT US...

OUR FRIENDS OUTSIDE WILL TOTALLY TAKE APART THIS BUILDING WITH THEIR MINDS.



HARADA SENDS CHILDREN TO ADDRESS THIS BODY? THIS IS ABSOLUTELY INSANE!

THE FIVE PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THIS SECURITY COUNCIL ARE THE BIGGEST ARMS DEALERS IN THE WHOLE HISTORY OF THE WORLD.

HARADA AND THE FOUNDATION SEE THIS AS A "CONFLICT OF INTERESTS."

HARADA SAYS, "TO BUILD A BOMB IS TO DROP A BOMB!"



SO YOU HAVE TO STOP. NO MORE WEAPONS SALES FROM SUPER-POWERS TO CONFLICT ZONES. WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THE PEOPLE MAKING THE TROUBLE.

BECAUSE HARADA SAYS, "WHEN THE LORDS OF THE WORLD PROFIT FROM WAR..."

"THERE CAN BE NO PEACE."

SYRIA.

(THEY'RE HERE...)

(... THE AMERICANS...)

BONES

PIG KILLER

SOPRANO

(RISING SPIRIT.)

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LIFELINE.
DISENGAGE
FLIGHT. ENGAGE
OMNIFLUENCY.
ON MY MARK.

LIFELINE BAY.
REMOTE H.A.R.D. CORPS SUPPORT.
SECRET MOBILE RISING SPIRIT LOCATION.



ROGER,
GRAVEDOG. YOU
ARE PREPPED FOR
DOWNLOAD.



HIT IT--
NNGGH!



NO NEED TO SUFFER,
H.A.R.D. CORPS SOLDIER.
I SPEAK ENGLISH.
AND WE KNOW YOU CAN
ONLY IMPLEMENT
ONE POWER AT
A TIME.

(I PREFER
TO UNDERSTAND
EVERYTHING THAT'S
SAID BY YOUR
COMPANY.)



(WE
HAVE YOUR
ANTI-PSIOT
TECH--)



(--MY MEN WILL
HELP YOU SECURE
THE PSIOT DAMPENER.
ONCE IT'S ON YOUR
TRUCK, WE'LL
GO.)



YOUR ACCENT, YOU ARE NOT AMERICAN. WHERE ARE YOU FROM? EASTERN EUROPE? RUSSIAN ORTHODOX? EH? OR PERHAPS SUNNI?

COME, TELL ME--WHY DO YOU FIGHT FOR THEM?

(I PREFER WE DO THIS TRANSACTION IN SILENCE.)

OF COURSE YOU DO. YOU KNOW, THERE'S MUCH DEBATE ABOUT DOING BUSINESS WITH YOU AMONG OUR LEADERSHIP. WE ARE TORN.

(TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT. I'M JUST DOING MY JOB.)



YOU SEE. AND THERE IS YOUR PROBLEM. YOU HAVE NO PLACE FOR BELIEF IN YOUR CORRUPTED MIND.

(I SAID I'M NOT INTERESTED IN TALKING.)



YOUR WHOLE WESTERN CULTURE IS A MERCENARY ONE. WHY SHOULD ITS SOLDIERS BE ANY DIFFERENT?

»SIGH»

YOU WANT REALLY TO HELP US FIGHT HARADA? GIVE US THAT TECHNOLOGY THAT'S IN YOUR HEAD. LET OUR MARTYRS HAVE POWERS LIKE YOURS.

(I WARNED YOU.)



(NOW HERE'S THE DEAL...)

ZZZP



(YOU DON'T GET GUNS. YOU DON'T GET H.A.R.D. CORPS TECH.)

(YOU GET A REPLACEMENT PSIOT DAMPENER FOR THE ONE HARADA'S ROBOT TRASHED.)



(AND THAT'S IT.)



YOU FILTHY PIECE OF--

LIFELINE!



SWITCH POWERS, TEAM-WIDE. CUT FLIGHT AND RAISE SHIELDS. GIVE SOPRANO DECOY!

(LISTEN UP! HARADA HAS SET HIS SIGHTS ON YOU. WITHOUT OUR ANTI-PSIOT TECHNOLOGY YOUR CALIPHATE IS THE DIRT ON MY SHOE.)



(SO DON'T ACT LIKE YOU HAVE A CHOICE HERE. AND MAKE BETTER USE OF OUR EQUIPMENT THIS TIME.)

(QUESTION IS, WHAT'S IT GOING TO COST TO KILL JUST ONE OF THOSE FOUNDATION BASTARDS?)

(ONE HUNDRED? TWO HUNDRED OF YOU SALAFI JIHADISTS DEAD? PAY THE PRICE AND GET IT DONE OR YOU'RE USELESS TO US.)