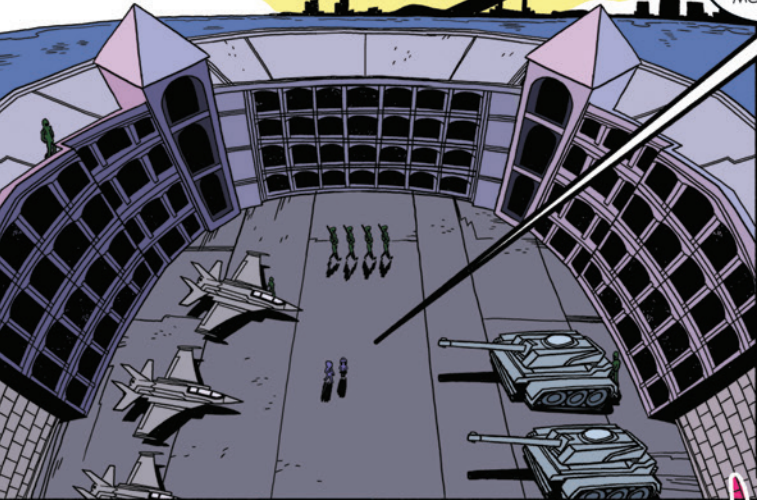


FORT WADSWORTH, STATEN ISLAND

NO, RIGHT NOW MY DAD WORKS IN LASER MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR, BUT HE'S HOPING TO MOVE INTO—



HRK!



COUGH! COUGH!

STEP BACK, LITTLE GIRL!

ROADBLOCK!



WHAP!



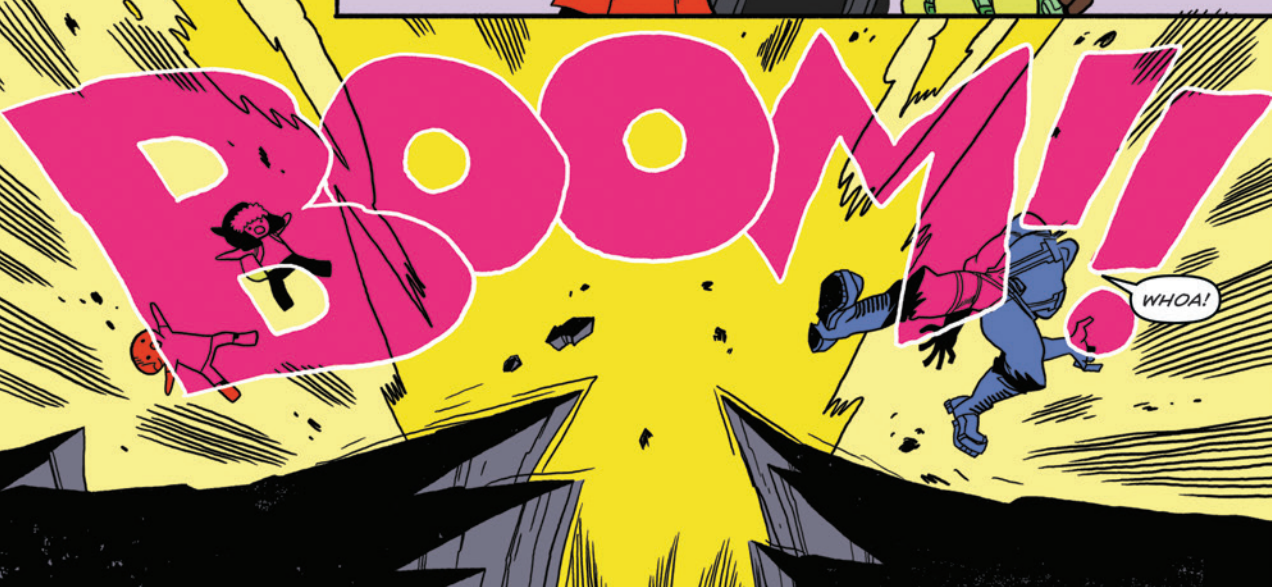
DON'T YOU KNOW YOU SHOULD NEVER TALK WITH YOUR MOUTH FULL? YOUR THROAT GETS ALL CONFUSED LIKE, AND THE FOOD GETS CAUGHT IN YOUR ESOPHAGUS!

THAT'S HOW LITTLE KIDS CHOKE TO DEATH!



NOW WE KNOW!

AND KNOWING IS HALF THE—



WHOA!



BLAM
BLAM
BLAM!

AAA!

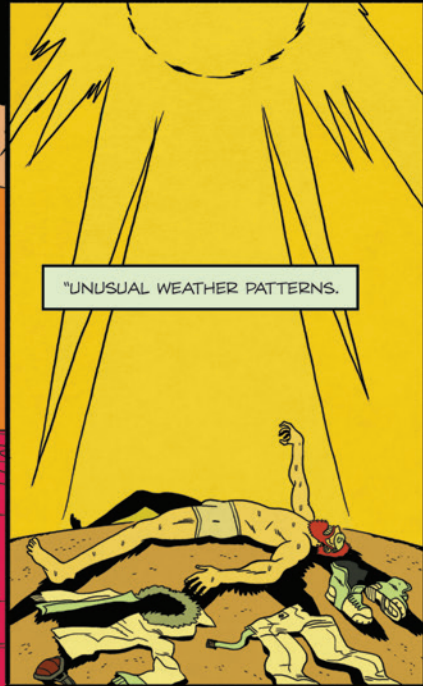


WHAT IN THE WORLD IS GOING ON HERE, SIR?

I DON'T KNOW, SCARLETT.



"WE'RE GETTING STRANGE REPORTS FROM ALL OVER THE BASE."



"UNUSUAL WEATHER PATTERNS."



"COMPLETELY DIFFERENT ECOSYSTEMS, JUST BLOCKS FROM ONE ANOTHER."



IT'S AS THOUGH COBRA HAS FOUND A WAY TO CHANGE THE WEATHER!

TO CONTROL IT! MAYBE EVEN DOMINA—

I GET IT, SIR! BUT HOW DO WE STOP IT?



OH, DEAR SCARLETT. THERE'S A VERY SIMPLE ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION.



YOU DON'T!

NO!



AT LAST! AT LONG, LONG LAST, THE WORLD IS MINE!

DUKE!

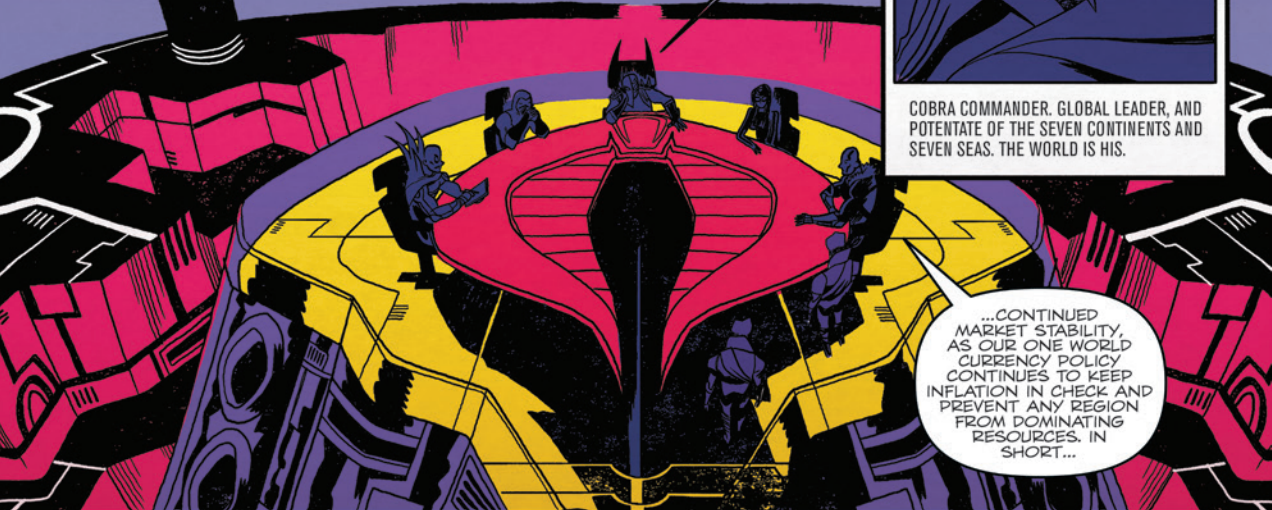
MINE!

MIIIIIINE!

FIVE YEARS LATER
COBRA ISLAND
GLOBAL CAPITAL OF
THE COBRA WORLD ORDER



COBRA COMMANDER, GLOBAL LEADER, AND POTENTATE OF THE SEVEN CONTINENTS AND SEVEN SEAS. THE WORLD IS HIS.



...CONTINUED MARKET STABILITY, AS OUR ONE WORLD CURRENCY POLICY CONTINUES TO KEEP INFLATION IN CHECK AND PREVENT ANY REGION FROM DOMINATING RESOURCES. IN SHORT...



...THERE'S NOTHING TO REPORT.

THANK YOU, TOMAX. MOVING ON, DESTRO, HOW IS OUR ALTERNATIVE FUELS PROJECT—?



NOTHING TO REPORT? YOU'VE BEEN TALKING FOR FORTY-FIVE MINUTES!

AND IN ALL THAT TIME, I DIDN'T HEAR ONE WORD ABOUT MY PLAN TO SIMULTANEOUSLY DISABLE EVERY CELL PHONE AND TABLET ACROSS THE GLOBE!

WHERE'S THE PROGRESS ON THAT, TOMAX?



WELL, SIR, IT'S... IT'S JUST NOT VERY...

PRACTICAL.

TOMAX AND XAMOT. MINISTERS OF COMMERCE.



YES, BUT THINK OF THE CHAOS IT WOULD YIELD! THE SUBLIME PANIC AND GLORIOUS DESTRUCTION THAT WOULD FOLLOW IN ITS WAKE!

WHICH IS EXACTLY WHAT WE DON'T WANT.



BARONESS.
VICE POTENTATE.

SIR, WE'VE... WE'VE BEEN OVER THIS. WE'RE IN CHARGE, NOW! CHAOS AND DESTRUCTION ARE THE LAST THING WE WANT. A STRONG TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE IS VITAL FOR COMMERCE, FOR DEFENSE, FOR EDUCATION, FOR—

FINE! FORGET ABOUT THE CELL PHONES! WE SHOULD STILL BE THINKING BIGGER! WE CAN WEAPONIZE THE OCEAN'S FISH!

GIVE EVERY STATUE ON EARTH LASER EYES! DESTROY THE EARTH'S CORE!

DESTROY THE—ARE YOU INSANE?

SORRY! DUMB QUESTION!



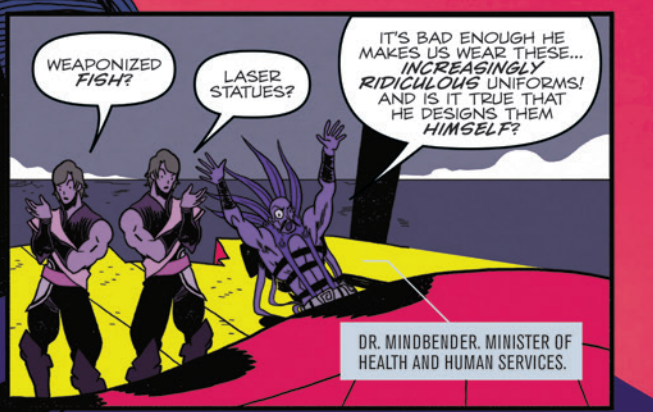
THIS MEETING IS OVER!

BUT—SIR, WE STILL NEED TO DISCUSS INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE! WILDERNESS CONSERVATION! FUNDING FOR THE ARTS!

AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, STEM EDUCATION! WE HAVE TO FILL THE VOCATIONAL SKILL GAP!



I'M SURE YOU CAN HANDLE ALL OF THAT WITHOUT ME.



WEAPONIZED FIGHT?

LASER STATUES?

IT'S BAD ENOUGH HE MAKES US WEAR THESE... INCREASINGLY RIDICULOUS UNIFORMS! AND IS IT TRUE THAT HE DESIGNS THEM HIMSELF?

DR. MINDBENDER, MINISTER OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.



... WE DON'T TALK ABOUT IT.