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SITREP

In his search for the mysterious ninja girl named Dawn Moreno, Zartan attempts to infiltrate Granny Demon's shop, only to be confronted by Granny and the Sword of Judgment! But just when Zartan (who himself wields the sword called Evening Shade) thinks he has the upper hand, the Snake-Eyes-possessed Dawn strikes with Morning Light, the Honor Sword of the Arashikage Clan! Dawn severely injures Zartan before she escapes with both Morning Light and Evening Shade!

Despite their earlier battle, Granny seeks emergency medical assistance for Zartan, who soon finds himself in a hospital bed – beaten, bruised, bandaged... and cornered by two very angry ninja: Storm Shadow and the New Snake-Eyes!



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Can Dawn be saved by her fellow ninja warriors, or has she become an unstoppable and remorseless revenant to be feared by all?!



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IN TRANS-CARPATHIA.

THIS IS ABOUT AS BELOW THE RADAR AS WE CAN GET, WILD BILL.

NOT LOW ENOUGH. LIFT-TICKET. M.A.R.S. AND REVANCHE HAVE NEW RADARS WITH ENHANCED GROUND-CLUTTER ELIMINATION SYSTEMS...



...WE MIGHT HAVE TO SKIM THE WAVES AFTER WE CROSS THE BORDER INTO DARKLONIA.

APPROACHING WAYPOINT NINER. TWO KILOMETERS TO DARKLONIA BORDER.

LET'S DO IT.

HEADS UP, BACK THERE...



...HANG ON AND SIT TIGHT. THE RIDE IS ABOUT TO GET CHOPPY.



ANY LAST-MINUTE CHANGES TO THE *ROE** FLINT? WE'RE STILL ONLY GOING IN ON A *SUPPORT MISSION*, RIGHT?

AFFIRMATIVE, LADY JAYE. ALL OF US *EXCEPT* FOR SPIRIT HAVE HAD BOOTS ON THE GROUND HERE BEFORE. AND SNEAK-PEEK HAD *DIRECT CONTACT* WITH THE DARKLONIAN RESISTANCE.

*RULES OF ENGAGEMENT.



THESE SUPPORT MISSIONS ALWAYS TURN INTO CLUSTER FOUL-UPS. OUR BRIEFING WAS *MIGHTY SKIMPY*, TO SAY THE LEAST.

ALL WE KNOW ABOUT THIS MYSTERIOUS PARTISAN LEADER CALLED *WEREWOLF ONE* IS THAT THERE'S A *MILLION-DARKLONIAN-ZLOTNY* REWARD ON HIM, DEAD OR ALIVE.



THE RESISTANCE IS VERY WELL ORGANIZED, AND EFFICIENT TO THE *MAX*—



AND SNEAK-PEEK SHOULD KNOW! HE WAS *UNDERCOVER* THERE SO LONG HE ALMOST WENT *NATIVE*. IN FACT, HE ACTUALLY *DID* GO NATIVE IN A WAY, WITH HIS LANDLORD'S *DAUGHTER*, NO LESS!

HER NAME WAS *KATYA*, AND SHE HAD BEEN IN THE RESISTANCE SINCE SHE WAS SEVENTEEN...



SO, I CAN *UNDERSTAND* WHY ROADBLOCK, LADY JAYE, SNEAK-PEEK AND I WERE CHOSEN FOR THIS MISSION...

...BUT, WHY *SPIRIT*?



EVERY TEAM NEEDS A SHAMAN.

ESPECIALLY ONE WHO'S REAL GOOD AT SNEAKING UP BEHIND SENTRIES WITH A KNIFE IN HIS TEETH.



BUCKLE UP AND HANG ON! WE JUST GOT LIT UP BY HOSTILE RADAR, AND IT'S IN ATTACK MODE, NOT SEARCH!

WARNING! WARNING!



COBRA MORAY HYDROFOILS!

LOOKS LIKE THIS MISSION GOT COMPROMISED BEFORE IT GOT STARTED.

LUCKILY I'VE GOT AP* AND INCENDIARY IN MY JUMMO MIX.

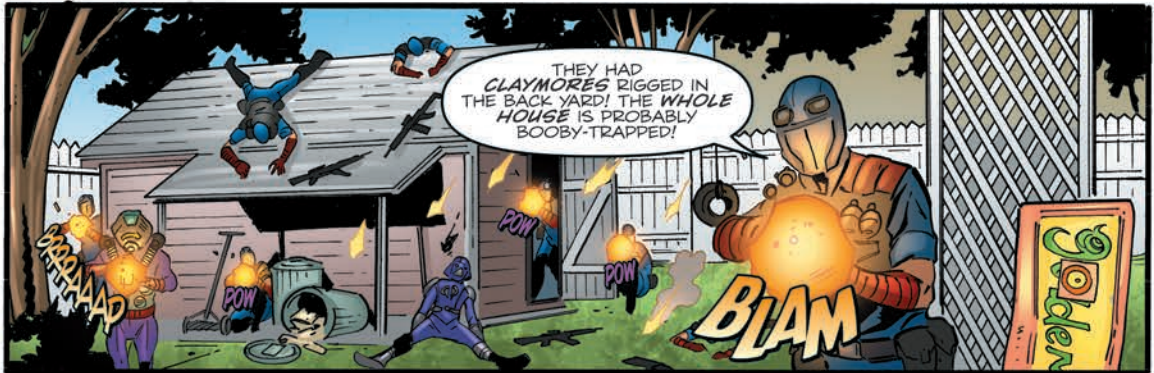
*ARMOR-PIERCING.



IN SPRINGFIELD.

MOVE UP THOSE HISS TANKS! WE'RE GETTING HEAVY RETURN FIRE FROM INSIDE!

WADE COLLINS AND HIS FAMILY MUST HAVE BEEN TIPPED OFF! THEY'VE GOT THEIR HOUSE BARRICADED!



THEY HAD CLAYMORES RIGGED IN THE BACK YARD! THE WHOLE HOUSE IS PROBABLY BOOBY-TRAPPED!

BIAM



IT WAS A STROKE OF LUCK THAT HEATHER WAS OUT SHOPPING WHEN THEY KICKED OFF THIS RAID!

THEY'VE PROBABLY GOT ALL THE ROADS BLOCKED. SHE'S NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO GET OUT OF TOWN, WADE!



THE RENEGADE SIEGIE AND HIS FAMILY ARE PUTTING UP QUITE A FIGHT, DR. MINDBENDER.

I DON'T CARE WHAT THE COST IS, I WANT THEM TAKEN ALIVE!



I JUST KNEW THAT SOMETHING WASN'T KOSHER WITH THAT CREEP! IT WAS A GOOD THING WE INFORMED ON THEM!



THIS SHOULD SUPPRESS THEIR FIRE.



GAS GRENADE!

-KOFF- IT'S GAS! IF IT WAS NERVE GAS WE'D ALREADY BE DEAD-



CEASE FIRE! WE HAVE THE SITUATION UNDER CONTROL INSIDE!



WADE...

DON'T SAY ANYTHING-

SHUT UP AND KEEP WALKING.



CAUGHT UP WITH AT LONG LAST, COLLINS! YOU MAY HAVE STRAYED, BUT WE WILL FIX THAT RIGHT UP IN THE BRAINWAVE SCANNER!