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to seek out new life and new civilizations, to boldly
go where no one has gone before.*



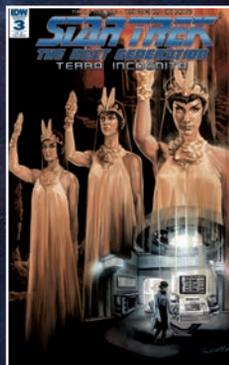
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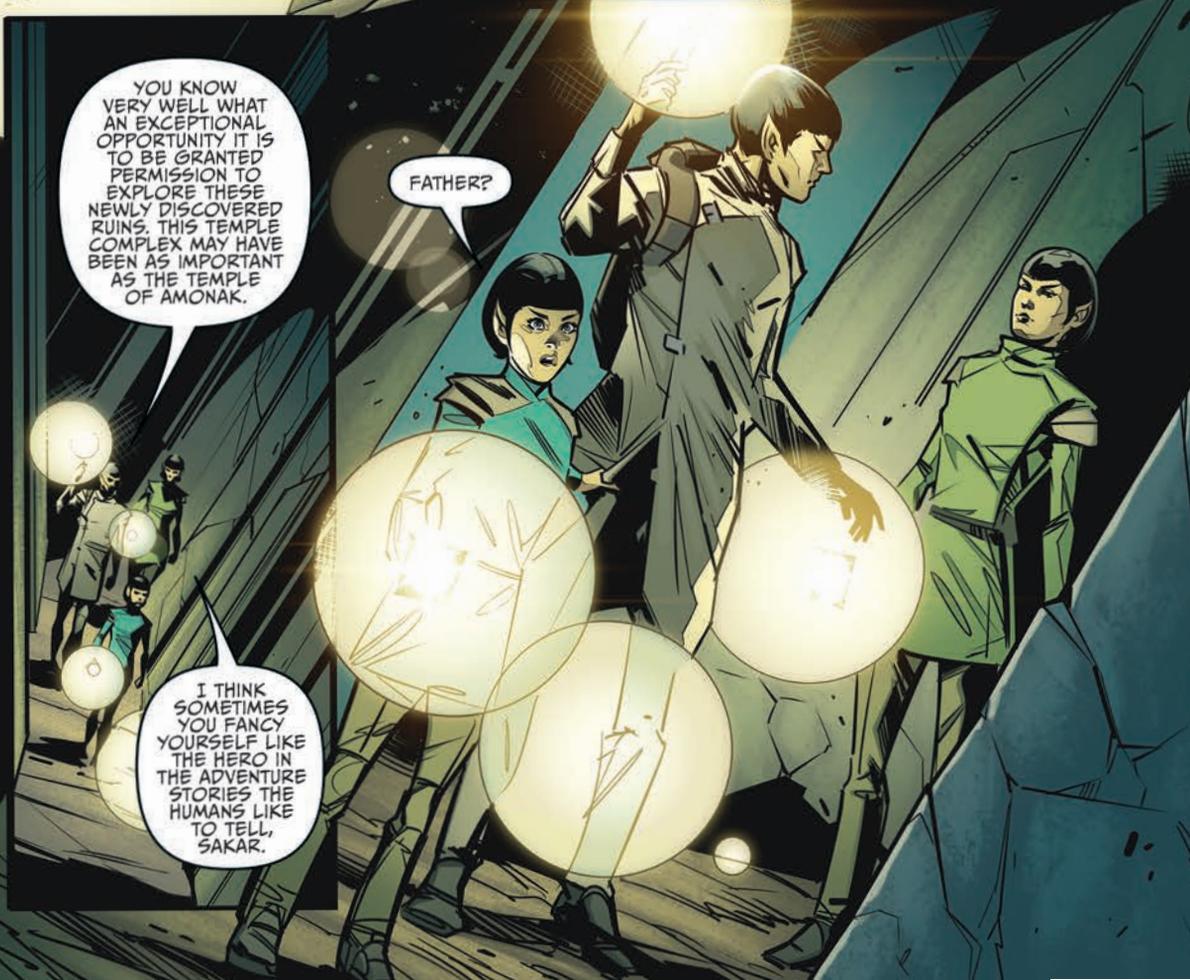
THIS WAY!



YOU REALIZE, SAKAR, THAT WE HAVE SPENT NEARLY ANOTHER ENTIRE DAY DOWN HERE. OUR DAUGHTER IS MISSING SCHOOL FOR THIS.



AND YOU REALIZE, T'MAAK, THAT SELAR IS LEARNING THINGS HERE THAT SHE WILL NEVER LEARN IN A TEDIOUS CLASSROOM.



YOU KNOW VERY WELL WHAT AN EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITY IT IS TO BE GRANTED PERMISSION TO EXPLORE THESE NEWLY DISCOVERED RUINS. THIS TEMPLE COMPLEX MAY HAVE BEEN AS IMPORTANT AS THE TEMPLE OF AMONAK.

FATHER?

I THINK SOMETIMES YOU FANCY YOURSELF LIKE THE HERO IN THE ADVENTURE STORIES THE HUMANS LIKE TO TELL, SAKAR.





THIS WAY, SELAR. WE NEED TO ATTEND TO HIM RIGHT AWAY.



I AM SCARED, MOTHER.

I KNOW. I AM CONCERNED AS WELL.



STEADY, DAUGHTER. WE ARE NEARLY THERE.



SAKAR!



IS HENDRYK SHOWING SIGNS OF IMPROVEMENT, SELAR?

UNFORTUNATELY, NO. IF ANYTHING, HIS VITAL SIGNS LOOK WORSE NOW THAN EARLIER TODAY.



PLEASE COMPLETE THE MOST RECENT NEURAL ANALYSIS. I'LL GO TALK TO THE CAPTAIN.

CERTAINLY.



CAPTAIN?

AH, DOCTOR. I WAS HOPING YOU COULD GIVE ME AN UPDATE ON HENDRYK'S CONDITION. THE AMBASSADORS ARE EAGER FOR HIS RETURN.



I'M SORRY, JEAN-LUC. HE'S SUFFERED EXTENSIVE TRAUMA. THE PROGNOSIS ISN'T GOOD, BUT DR. SELAR IS ONE OF STARFLEET'S TOP EXPERTS ON VULCAN PHYSIOLOGY. IF ANYONE CAN HELP, IT'S HER.



IF THERE'S ANY WAY TO HELP HIM AND BRING HIM BACK TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE, WE MUST DO IT.



THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE GOING VERY POORLY, BEVERLY. HENDRYK WAS THE DRIVING FORCE, AND THE CARDASSIANS TRUSTED HIM. WITHOUT HIM THERE, IT'S ALL FALLING APART.

I DON'T NEED TO TELL YOU HOW BAD THINGS WILL BE IF WE WALK AWAY FROM THESE TALKS WITH NOTHING TO SHOW.

WE'LL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN.



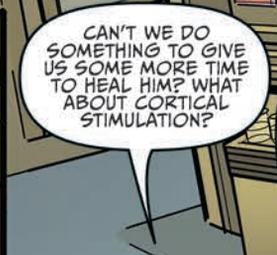
HOW IS HIS CONDITION NOW? IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO TO HELP?

I HAVE COMPLETED MY DIAGNOSIS. UNFORTUNATELY, OUR OPTIONS ARE LIMITED.



HENDRYK'S INJURIES WERE EXTENSIVE, CAUSING DAMAGE ALL ALONG HIS UPPER SPINAL CORD AND INTO HIS BRAIN.

HE'S SLIPPING INTO A DEEP COMA AND DEATH IS LIKELY WITHIN HOURS.



CAN'T WE DO SOMETHING TO GIVE US SOME MORE TIME TO HEAL HIM? WHAT ABOUT CORTICAL STIMULATION?

OUR STANDARD CORTICAL STIMULATORS ARE NOT SUFFICIENT. WE WILL HAVE TO CREATE A NETWORK OF THEM. IT IS OUR LAST CHANCE TO KEEP HIM ALIVE WHILE WE TAKE ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO STABILIZE HIM.



DANGEROUS. THAT LEVEL OF STIMULATION COULD EASILY KILL HIM IN HIS STATE.

I SEE NO OTHER ALTERNATIVE.



BREE-DEET



LA FORGE, CRUSHER HERE. CAN YOU CREATE A CORTICAL STIMULATOR NET?

WOW, DOCTOR, WE DON'T GET A CALL FOR THAT VERY OFTEN. THOSE SORT OF MICROSYSTEM LINKAGES AREN'T MY SPECIALTY, BUT THE PERSON YOU WANT IS REGINALD BARCLAY. I'LL GET HIM ON THAT RIGHT AWAY.



THANK YOU, GEORDI.