

"THIS MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THEMYSKIRA IS NOW IN SESSION."

"GENERAL PHILIPPUS, IF YOU'LL BEGIN."

"THANK YOU, MY QUEEN."

"JUST PRIOR TO DAWN THIS MORNING, A...VESSEL FROM-- I HAVE NO OTHER WORDS BUT TO CALL IT 'MAN'S WORLD'-- CRASHED ON OUR SHORES."



"SIX MEN WERE ABOARD."

"BY THE TIME WE REACHED THEM, ALL BUT ONE'S SOULS WERE ALREADY COMMITTED TO HADES."



"ONE OF THE MALES, THOUGH GRIEVOUSLY WOUNDED, MANAGED TO SUPPLICATE HIMSELF TO THE PRINCESS DIANA, YOUR DAUGHTER."

"EPIONE ATTENDS HIM NOW IN THE SURGERY. SHE PROMISES A FULL RECOVERY."



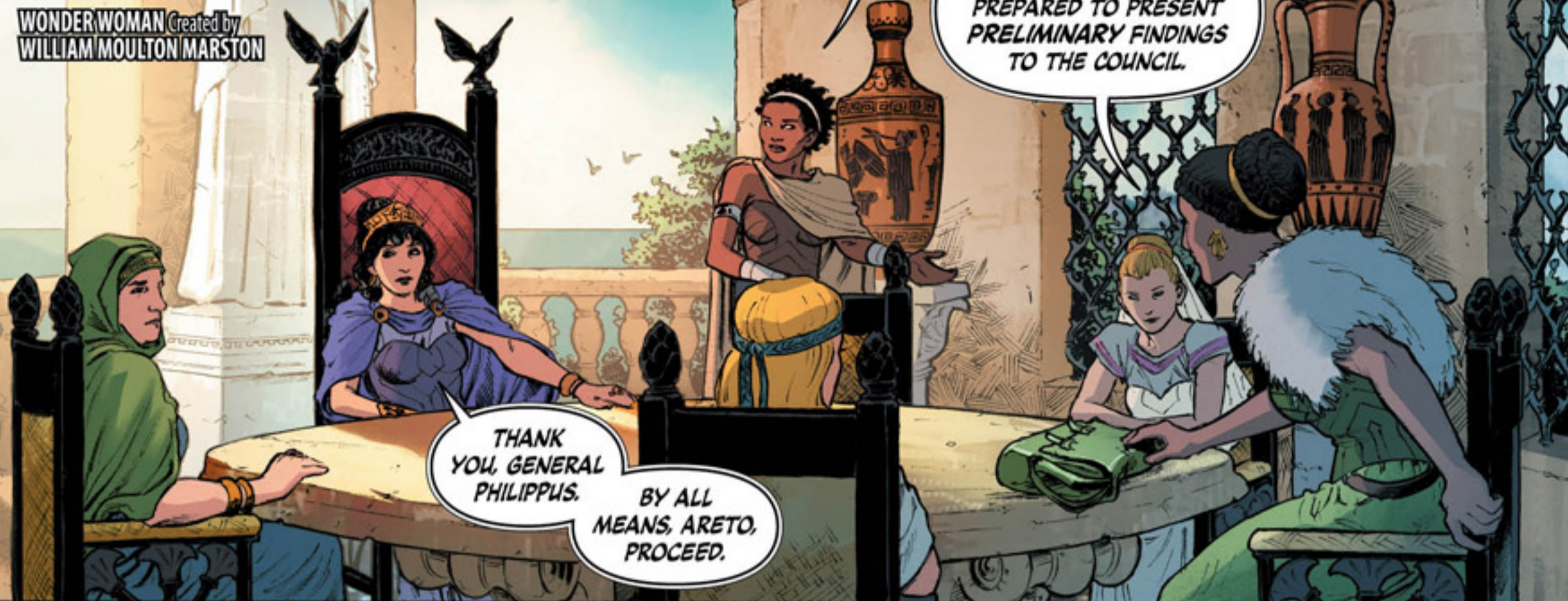
"THE BELONGINGS, POSSESSIONS AND CLOTHING OF THE DECEASED WERE COLLECTED FOR EXAMINATION..."

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...AND I BELIEVE ARETO HAS COMPLETED AN INITIAL ANALYSIS.

THAT IS CORRECT. I AM PREPARED TO PRESENT PRELIMINARY FINDINGS TO THE COUNCIL.

THANK YOU, GENERAL PHILIPPUS.
BY ALL MEANS, ARETO, PROCEED.



BASED ON CURRENT ASSESSMENT, I ASSERT THAT THESE MEN ARE WARRIORS.
ALL WERE ARMED, ALL WORE A FORM OF ARMOR, AND ALL DISPLAYED IDENTICAL INSIGNIA...



...THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE EMBLEM AMONGST ALL OF THEM, AND THE OTHER, HERE, WORN BY FIVE OF THE SIX.
I WISH TO DRAW THE COUNCIL'S ATTENTION TO THE LATTER, IN PARTICULAR.



NOTE THE ANCHOR, AND WHAT IS UNDOUBTEDLY AN EAGLE CLUTCHING POSEIDON'S TRIDENT.

WHAT DOES IT HOLD IN ITS OTHER TALON?



I BELIEVE IT IS THE ANTECEDENT TO THIS, MY QUEEN.





