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DISPLACED IN TIME, THE ORIGINAL X-MEN--MARVEL GIRL, CYCLOPS, BEAST, ICEMAN AND ANGEL--HAVE COME TOGETHER ONCE MORE TO SHOW THE WORLD THAT THOUGH MANY THINGS HAVE CHANGED, ONE CONSTANT REMAINS: THEY ARE THE HEROES THEY WERE ALWAYS MEANT TO BE.

PREVIOUSLY IN **X-MEN BLUE**...

STEVE ROGERS, A.K.A. CAPTAIN AMERICA, HAS CLAIMED THE UNITED STATES FOR HYDRA. EARTH'S MOST POWERFUL HEROES HAVE BEEN STRANDED BEYOND EARTH'S PLANETARY DEFENSE SHIELD OR TRAPPED INSIDE THE DARKFORCE BUBBLE THAT ENVELOPS MANHATTAN.

XORN AND EMMA FROST NEGOTIATED WITH HYDRA FOR A SOVEREIGN MUTANT NATION IN ORDER TO KEEP MUTANTS SAFE. NEW TIAN IS LESS IDYLIC THAN IT LOOKS ON THE SURFACE--WHEN DISSIDENTS OF THE NEW REGIME BEGAN BEING ROUNDED UP, JEAN GREY AND HER TEAM ATTEMPTED TO FREE THEM...ONLY FOR THE X-MEN TO BE ATTACKED BY NEW TIAN'S STRIKE FORCE, LED BY NONE OTHER THAN HAVOK, SCOTT'S BROTHER.

SCOTT, BOBBY, WARREN AND HANK HAVE BEEN CAPTURED, FORCING JEAN AND JIMMY TO LAUNCH A RESCUE AIDED BY FELLOW X-MAN, DANGER. BUT EVEN WITH THE EXTRA SUPPORT, HAVOK PROVED TO BE TOO POWERFUL FOR THE TWO TEENS UNTIL UNEXPECTED HELP ARRIVED IN THE FORM OF POLARIS--MAGNETO'S DAUGHTER AND HAVOK'S EX-GIRLFRIEND...

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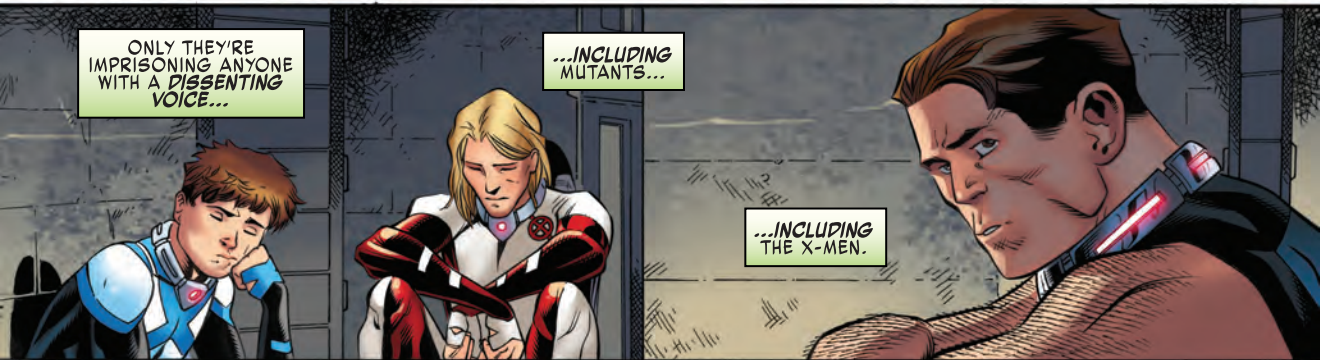


SOMETIMES WHEN YOU'RE ONE OF THE X-MEN... YOU HAVE TO RAID A CASTLE OR TWO.

IN THIS CASE, THE CASTLE BELONGS TO A GROUP THAT'S TRYING TO STAKE A CLAIM FOR MUTANTS IN THIS UPSIDE-DOWN WORLD OF OURS.

THAT'S A GOOD THING, RIGHT?

**UTOPIA.
NEW TIAN.
THE SOVEREIGN MUTANT NATION.**



ONLY THEY'RE IMPRISONING ANYONE WITH A DISSIDENTING VOICE...

...INCLUDING MUTANTS...

...INCLUDING THE X-MEN.



THAT'S HOW WE GOT TO THE WHOLE "RAIDING A CASTLE" SCENARIO.

IT'S A RESCUE MISSION.



OF COURSE, THAT MEANS THAT AT SOME POINT THIS LITTLE ADVENTURE IS GOING TO BRING US INTO A DIRECT CONFRONTATION WITH EMMA FROST-- THE WHITE QUEEN.

AND THAT KINDA STINKS.



SHE'S A LITTLE UNHINGED... BUT SHE'S TRICKY.

THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT KIND OF MAN-EATING RABBIT SHE'S GOING TO PULL OUT OF HER HAT.

LUCKILY, WE
HAVE A FEW
TRICKS OF
OUR OWN.

TH-THAT'S
POLARIS!

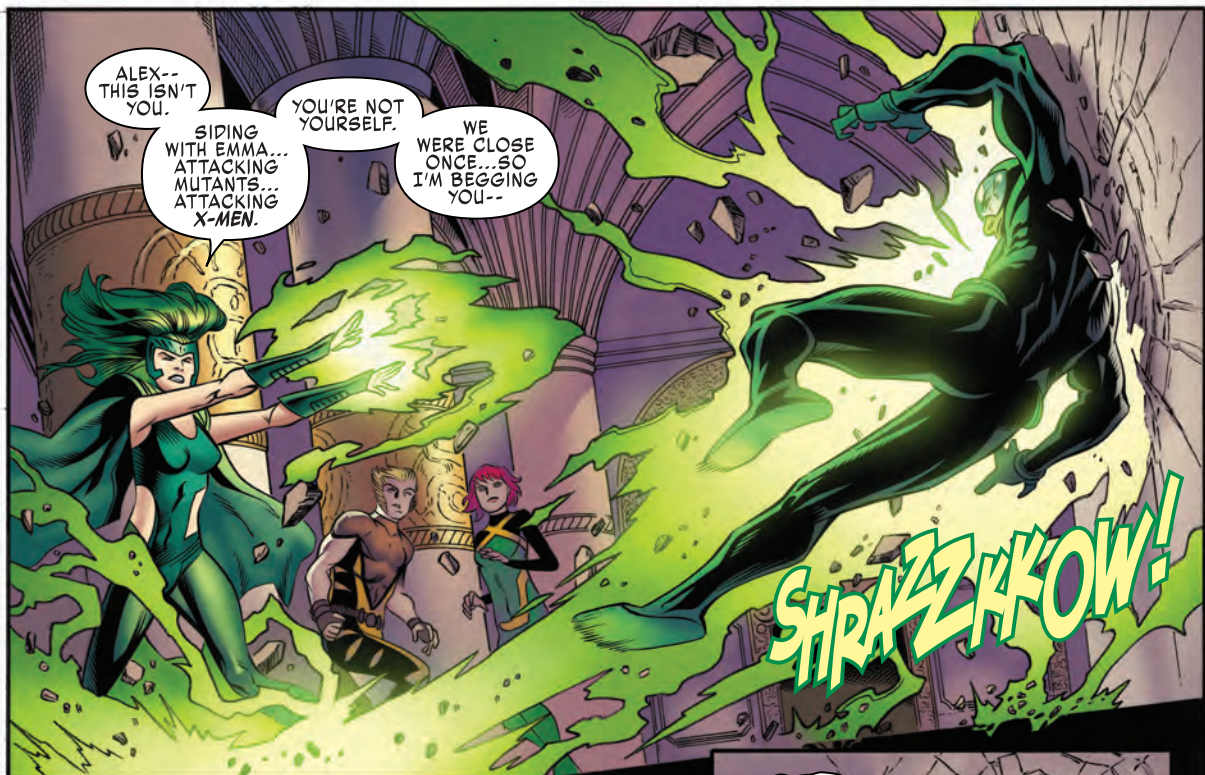
MAGNETO'S
DAUGHTER!

MAGNETO
HAS KIDS?

I GUESS
SO. NOT AS MANY
AS HE USED TO. IT'S
COMPLICATED.

"BUT IT LOOKS
LIKE SHE'S ON
OUR SIDE..."

"...SO YAY FOR
DADDY'S LITTLE
MISTRESS OF
MAGNETISM!"



ALEX--
THIS ISN'T
YOU.

SIDING
WITH EMMA...
ATTACKING
MUTANTS...
ATTACKING
X-MEN.

YOU'RE NOT
YOURSELF.

WE
WERE CLOSE
ONCE...SO
I'M BEGGING
YOU--

SHRAZZKOW!



--PLEASE
STOP
FIGHTING.



LORNA...
YOU
HAVEN'T...

...KNOWN
ME FOR A
LONG TIME.

HNNN.

WHO THE
HELL ARE YOU
TO TELL ME I'VE
CHANGED?



JEAN!
JIMMY!

GO!

FIND THE
OTHERS!

I'LL
HOLD HAVOK
HERE!