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Years ago, Miles Warren, one of Peter Parker's college professors, stole a sample of Peter's genetic material and used it to create a perfect clone of Spider-Man. With all of Peter's memories, the clone fled. Created, not born, and without an identity of his own, he gave himself a new name and made his own way in the world as...



## **BEN REILLY:** **THE SCARLET SPIDER**

Following a misguided turn as a super villain, **BEN REILLY** has made a home for himself in Las Vegas and become the **SCARLET SPIDER** once more.

In an effort to heal his damaged soul and avoid eternal damnation, Ben has been working to cure **ABIGAIL MERCURY**, daughter of casino magnate **CASSANDRA MERCURY**, of a rare disease.

Ben's search for a cure led him to **DOCTOR SHELDON SANDERS**, who revealed the existence of a secret organization, **THE DIOGENES INITIATIVE**, which may be able to save Abigail.

Meanwhile, **Kaine Parker**, another clone of Peter Parker and hero bearing the Scarlet Spider moniker, has tailed a mysterious military envoy to a small suburban home that is more than meets the eye...

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WHERE THE DEVIL DID THIS THING LOWER ME TO?

BETTER GO INVISIBLE.



I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'VE GOTTEN MYSELF INTO, BUT IT'S DEFINITELY NOT SOME STANDARD GOVERNMENT THINK TANK.

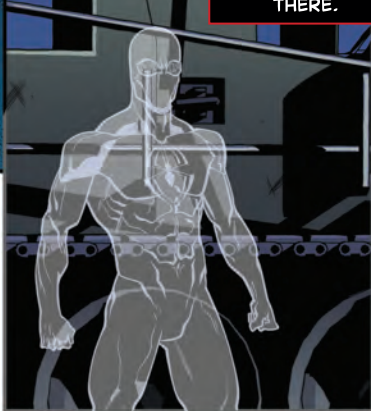
I MEAN, A HOUSE SINKING INTO THE GROUND? THAT'S JAMES BOND TERRITORY RIGHT THERE.

WE'VE STOPPED MOVING.

AND I HEAR THE SOUND OF GEARS SHIFTING... THE DOOR MUST BE OPENING...

OH GREAT. EVEN MORE DARKNESS. DID THEY FORGET TO PAY THEIR ELECTRIC BILL OR SOMETHING?

I WISH I COULD SEE SOMETHING. ANYTHING.



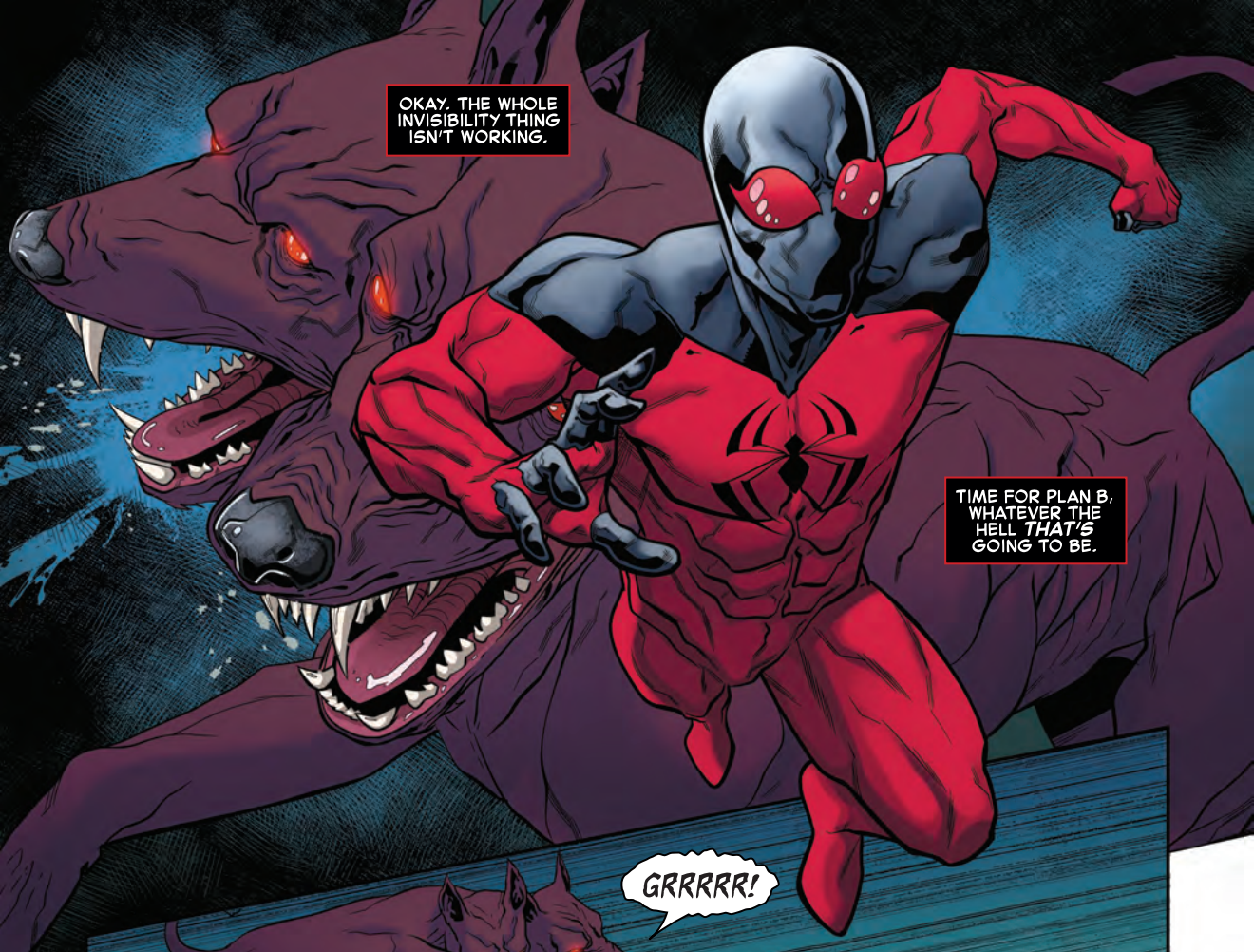
CRAP.





**RRRARGHFF!**

**WHOA!  
WHAT THE  
HELL?!**



OKAY. THE WHOLE  
INVISIBILITY THING  
ISN'T WORKING.

TIME FOR PLAN B,  
WHATEVER THE  
HELL *THAT'S*  
GOING TO BE.



GRRRRR!



THWIIIP



THERE. THAT  
SHOULD KEEP IT  
BUSY FOR A FEW  
MOMENTS...



GUURPP?!

MMPH!



GREAT.  
SO MUCH  
FOR THAT.



BETTER GET  
AGGRESSIVE.



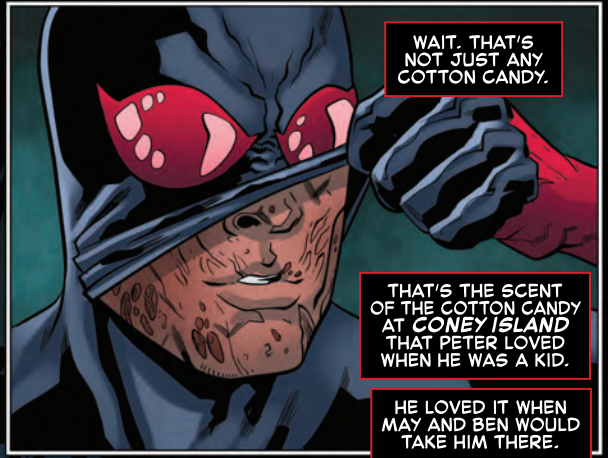
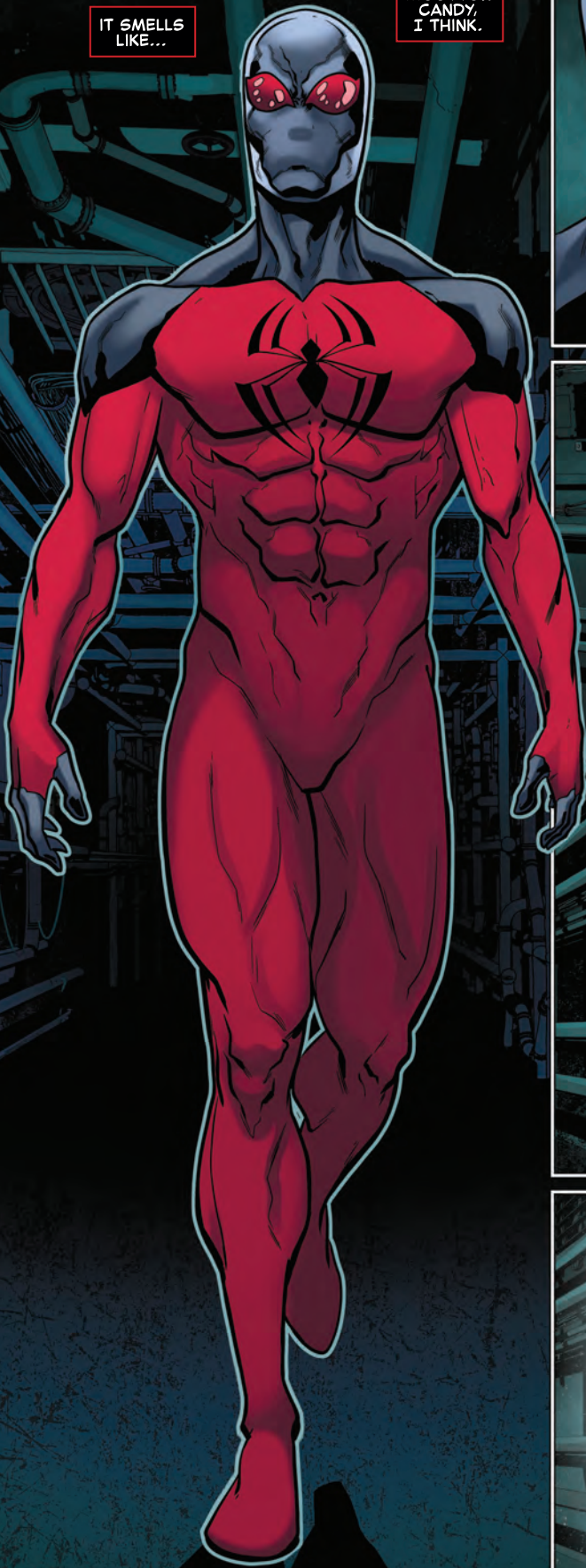
READY,  
SET...



WHAT IN THE  
WORLD IS  
THAT SMELL?

IT SMELLS  
LIKE...

...COTTON  
CANDY,  
I THINK.



WAIT. THAT'S  
NOT JUST ANY  
COTTON CANDY.

THAT'S THE SCENT  
OF THE COTTON CANDY  
AT CONEY ISLAND  
THAT PETER LOVED  
WHEN HE WAS A KID.

HE LOVED IT WHEN  
MAY AND BEN WOULD  
TAKE HIM THERE.



HOW IN THE WORLD  
WOULD THAT WIND  
UP 3,000 MILES  
AWAY FROM CONEY  
ISLAND?

"WORK  
ROOM." THAT  
SOUNDS  
USEFUL.



IT'D BE  
INTERESTING  
TO SEE WHAT  
KIND OF "WORK"  
THEY'RE  
DOING HERE.



HOLY...