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Toyo Harada is the world's most powerful psiot—humans gifted with mental abilities that unlock tremendous powers. Harada sought out and trained other psiot, to bring about world peace, cure disease, and end poverty...by any means necessary. But because Harada was willing to manipulate and kill, a group of psiot renegades exposed him and brought down his global empire. Now, with nothing to hide and nothing to lose, Harada has waged open war to save the world. And Project Rising Spirit, a covert military contractor led by C.E.O. Morris Kozol, will be there to fight him—and make money doing it.

To fight the battle for Utopia, Harada collected a team of monsters:



GRAVEDOG

A former Chechen terrorist and leader of P.R.S.'s anti-Harada H.A.R.D. Corps unit. He betrayed his team to defect to Harada, but got sent back to P.R.S.'s submarine H.Q. as a spy, with a crippling computer virus in his neural implant.



MECH MAJOR, a.k.a. SUNLIGHT ON SNOW

The accidental product of Harada's experimentation with artificial intelligence. Mech Major's burgeoning self-awareness filled him with both compassion and sadness. A pacifist, Mech Major would prefer to be called Sunlight on Snow, but Harada refuses his request.



LORD VINE-99

A plant-like alien of the Vine species, genetically engineered just to assassinate Harada. But Harada captured LV-99 in seed form and cultivated him to kill in his service.



BROKEN ANGEL

Chief science officer aboard the P.R.S. sub, Angela Peace Baingana's body was taken over by a higher-dimensional intelligence. Now she's the ruthless and amoral Broken Angel, not quite human but eager to vivisect.

To be allowed to work undisturbed aboard the P.R.S. sub, Baingana built humanity's first cold fusion reactor, powered by the mental abilities of a psiot, his brain extracted and kept alive in a tank. But the other-dimensional intelligence that was puppeteering Baingana's body saw through Gravedog to the psychic strings Harada was pulling, and she allowed Harada to spy the reactor and to see her. Determined to acquire such power for his cause, Harada and his team infiltrated the P.R.S. sub to kidnap Baingana and steal the reactor.

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LEVIATHAN-RISING-SPIRIT-SUBMERSIBLE

THIS IS A CALL SIGN ENCRYPTED S.O.S.... PLEASE RESPOND...

WE HAVE BEEN BOARDED BY A FOUNDATION INCURSION TEAM. DOES INDIAN OCEAN FLEET READ?

CURRENTLY UNDER SIEGE.

...NOT REACHING OUR DEDICATED COMSAT...

...LAUNCHING COMMUNICATIONS BUOY NOW...

...NO RESPONSE FROM LAUNCH SILO...

REPEAT. INDIAN OCEAN FLEET. DO YOU READ?

...THE DAMAGE THIS COMPUTER VIRUS IS DOING IS...

...ONBOARD SENSORS SCRAMBLED. CAN'T TRACK...

HARADA'S HEADING FOR THE COLD FUSION REACTOR! I WANT A BATTERY OF SECURITY DEPLOYED TO LAB D ASAP!

CHK-- SOMEBODY SAVE ME! --CHK

DIRECTOR KOZOL, SIR?!

CAN YOU GIVE US YOUR LOCATION?



H.A.R.D. CORPS IS DEPLOYED. BUT WE'RE RUNNING BLIND HERE IN COMMAND...



SOMETHING'S CHASING ME, CAPTAIN! NOT HUMAN! I'M HEADING FOR THE COMMAND BRIDGE!



CKI! CKI! CKI!



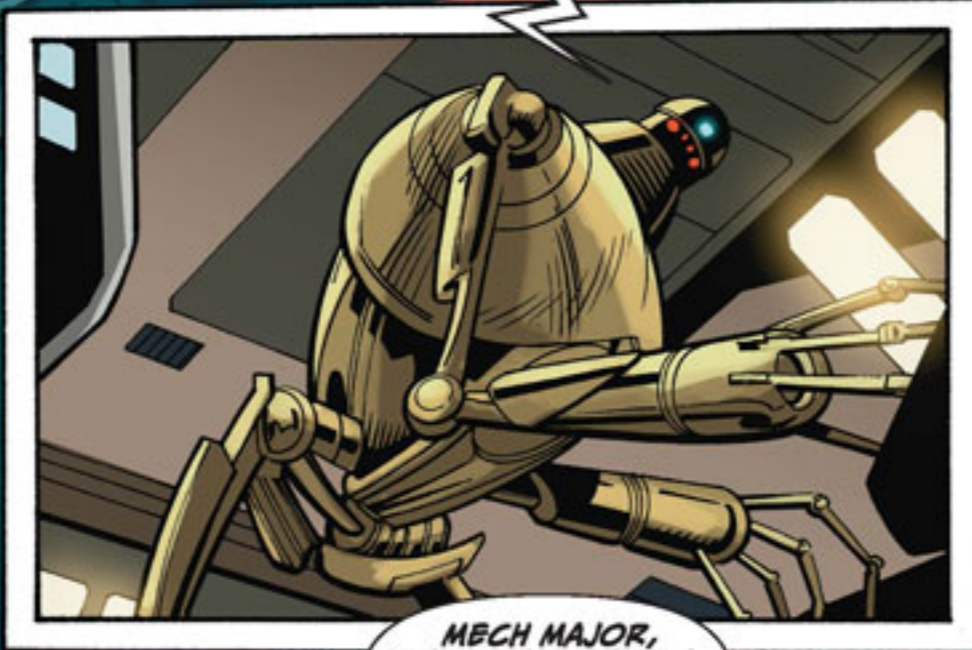
HARADA! IF YOU CAN HEAR ME, I'M EN ROUTE ON LAB D! ENCOUNTERING SECURITY NOW!

BRRAT BRRAT



GOOD, GRAVEDOG. SECURE THE REACTOR. I'LL BE THERE AS SOON AS I CAN!

LV-99! WAIT! KOZOL'S NOT OUR TARGET WE NEED A LAYOUT OF THE SHIP!



MECH MAJOR, WE'RE TRACKING YOUR MOVEMENTS INSIDE THE SUB. READY TO ASSIST.



LAB D, SECURITY ALERT. SEPARATE AND SECURE THE CENTER POINT BRAIN FROM THE COLD FUSION REACTOR...



TIME FOR ACTION.



BROKEN ANGELS

II: GO DOWN FIGHTING

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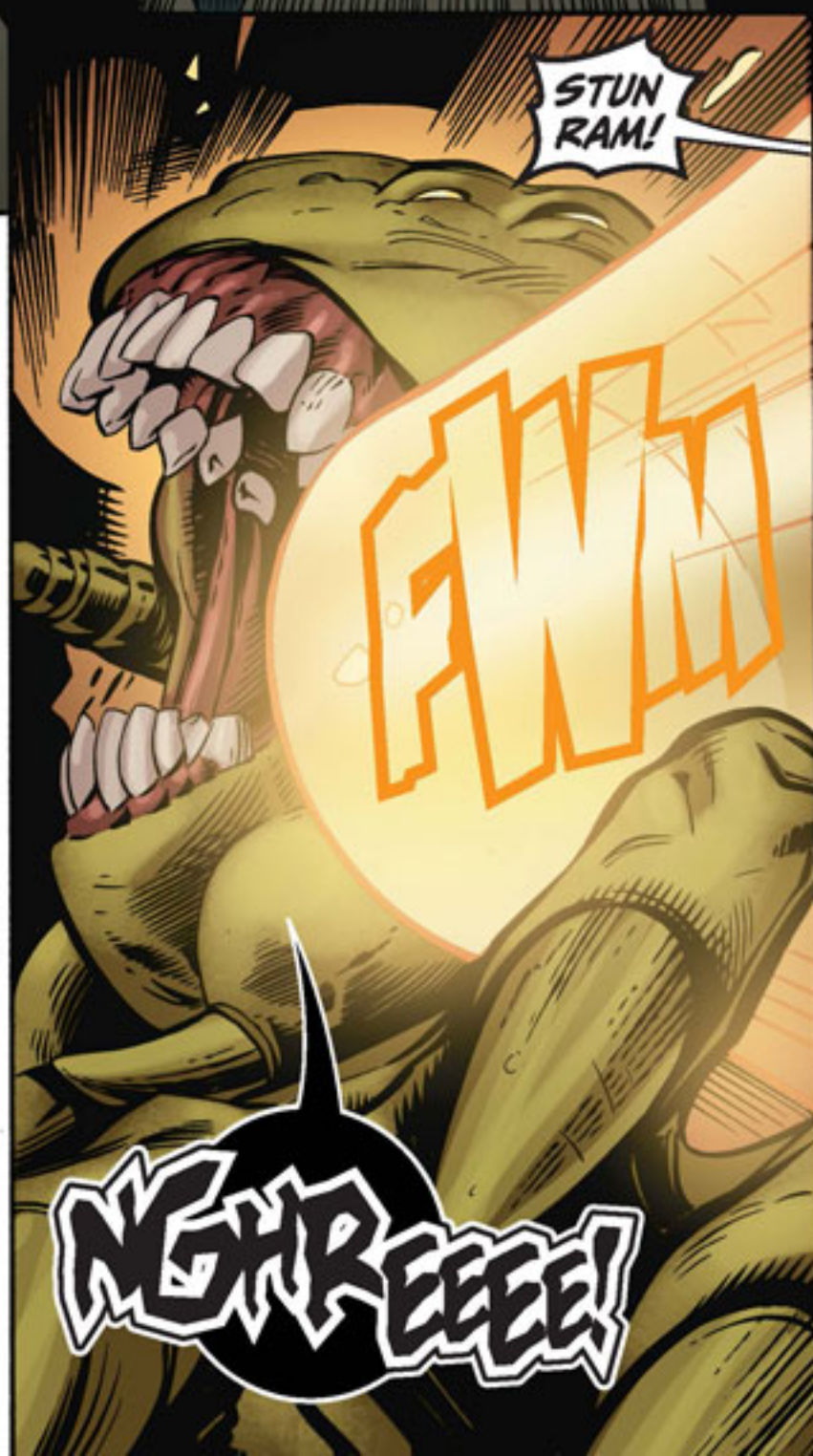


SCREEEE!

OH GAAND!!



CLK! CLK! CLK! CLK!



STUN RAM!

NGHREEE!



I'VE GOT YOU, SIR!



SANTO.

BAD PLANET.

MADHAT.

FORCE MAJEURE.

LET'S TAKE THIS MONSTER OUT!



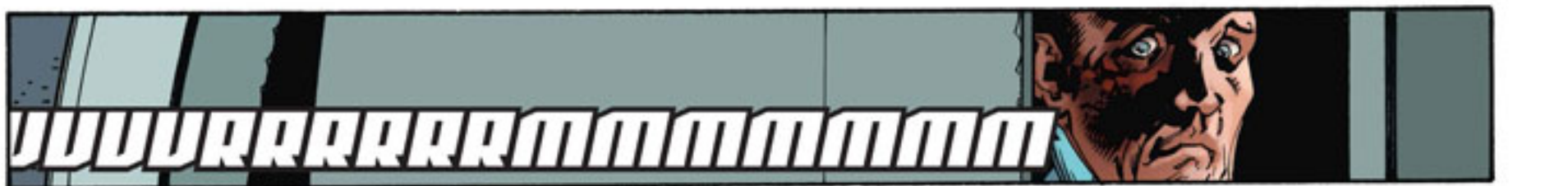
MR. KOZOL! H.A.R.D. CORPS UNIT'S ON INTERCEPT WITH YOUR POSI--

THEY'RE HERE NOW! CLOSE THE FLOOD CONTROL HATCH TO THE COMMAND CENTER!!



SCREEEEEEEE!

WAIT, SIR! YOU'RE CUTTING OFF OUR RETREAT OPTION! DON'T PUT OUR BACKS AGAINST A WALL!



CLX CLX CLX CLX!