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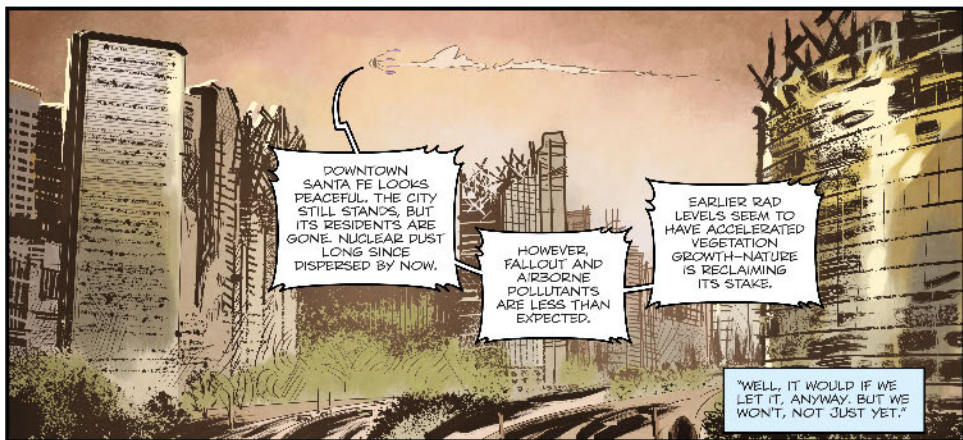
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"'Inherit the Earth' establishes a new status quo for the ZvR universe. Picking up where previous series left off, this new ongoing story introduces new human survivors to the mix, sees slightly changed zombies, slightly deranged robots, and finally delivers merman and a zombified giant squid. For starters..."



PROCEEDING TO BASE TARGET. JUST OUTSIDE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO NOW.

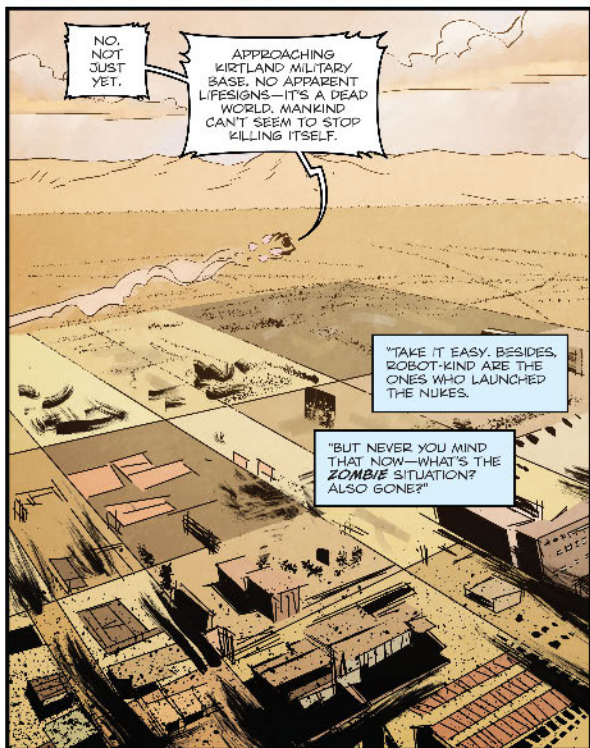


DOWNTOWN SANTA FE LOOKS PEACEFUL. THE CITY STILL STANDS, BUT ITS RESIDENTS ARE GONE. NUCLEAR DUST LONG SINCE DISPERSED BY NOW.

HOWEVER, FALLOUT AND AIRBORNE POLLUTANTS ARE LESS THAN EXPECTED.

EARLIER RAD LEVELS SEEM TO HAVE ACCELERATED VEGETATION GROWTH—NATURE IS RECLAIMING ITS STAKE.

"WELL, IT WOULD IF WE LET IT, ANYWAY. BUT WE WON'T, NOT JUST YET."



NO, NOT JUST YET.

APPROACHING KIRTLAND MILITARY BASE. NO APPARENT LIFESIGNS—IT'S A DEAD WORLD. MANKIND CAN'T SEEM TO STOP KILLING ITSELF.

"TAKE IT EASY. BESIDES, ROBOT-KIND ARE THE ONES WHO LAUNCHED THE NUKES.

"BUT NEVER YOU MIND THAT NOW—WHAT'S THE ZOMBIE SITUATION? ALSO GONE?"



MOST LIKELY. NO SIGNS OF—WAIT.



"ZOMBIES. SCORES OF THEM. BUT... WITHOUT LIVING HUMAN AVATARS, HOW? ON WHOM DO THEY FEED? AND FROM WHERE DO THEY COME NOW?"

"WHERE, INDEED? YOUR MISSION SHAMBLES FORTH IN FRONT OF YOU. GET ME ANSWERS TO THOSE QUESTIONS."



HOLD, PLEASE. DEFENSIVE MANEUVER REQUIRED.



YOU WERE SAYING?

"I'M SAYING YOU ARE THERE TO DETERMINE THE STATE OF THE WORLD, AND IF THE ZOMBIE SITUATION PERSISTS, SEEK OUT ITS CAUSE."



"THE ZOMBIES ARE BARELY MOBILE. LIKE A CLUSTER OF DYING WEEPS."

"THEY POSE NO SENTIENT THREAT."

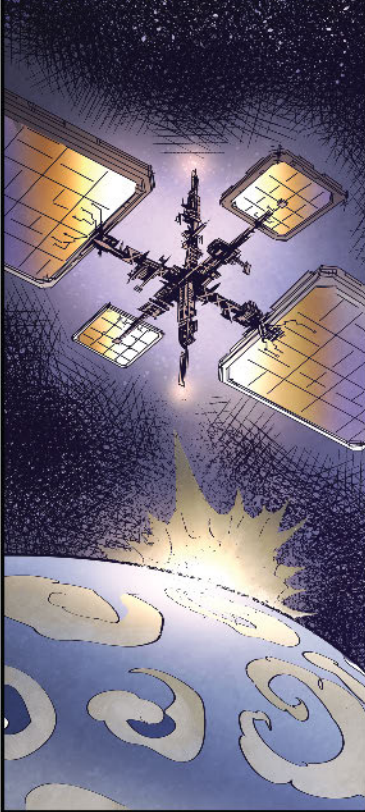
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"NO SENTIENCE AT ALL."

...SO... HUNGRY

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CRYO-STASIS TUBES INSIDE THE ISS.



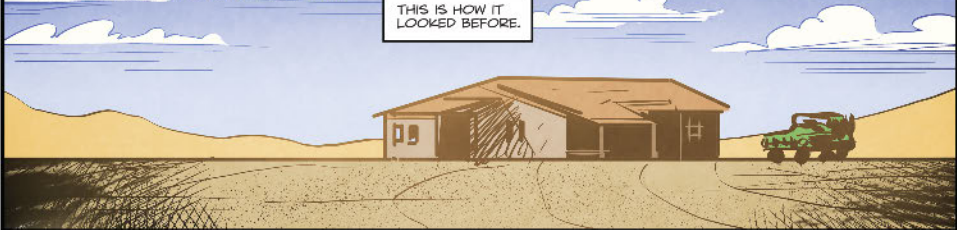
LIKE THE REST OF THE WORLD, IT'S SEEN BETTER DAYS.

...ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS COMPLETE. INITIATING THAWING CYCLE ONE OF CRYOPRESERVATION UNITS. FULL CREW RESUSCITATION IN T-MINUS 36 MINUTES.

INITIATING THAWING CYCLE TWO OF CRYOPRESERVATION UNITS. FULL CREW RESUSCITATION IN T-MINUS 24 MINUTES...



BACK ON EARTH, AT THE KIRTLAND BASE WHERE THE ZVR STORY BEGAN...



THIS IS HOW IT LOOKED BEFORE.



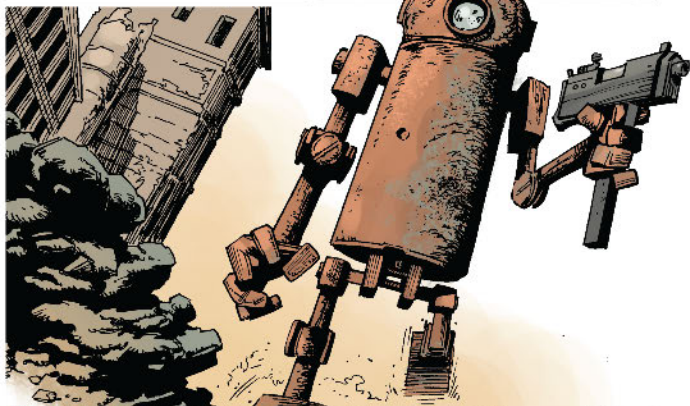
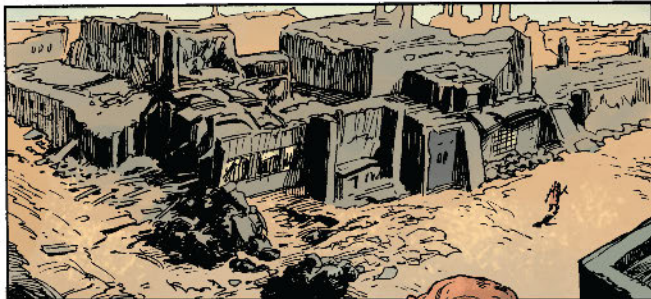
THE KIRTLAND BASE IS AS TRASHED AS THE REST OF THE CITY.

ENTERING THE LABORATORY COMPLEX NOW.

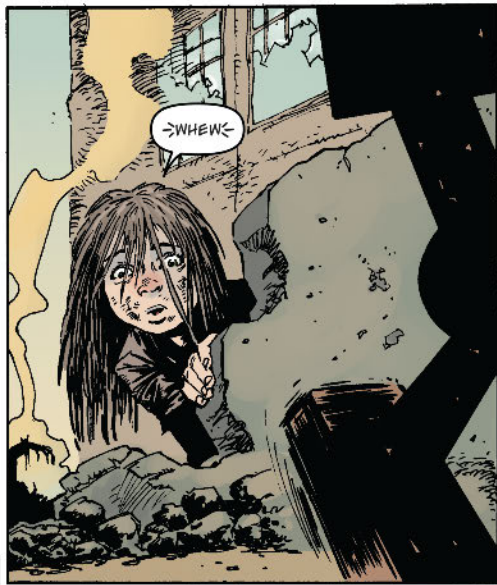
"ANY SIGN OF MORE ZOMBIES? ANY OF THE BASE'S ROBOT GUARDS STILL STANDING?"

NILES:

"The Orphan' brings the global mess that is the ZvR world down to a more personal level as a lone survivor deals with not only her terrible reality but also her attempt to literally build a friend and protector to keep her safe from zombies and other robots alike. And as in most things in the ZvR universe, everything goes wrong from there..."







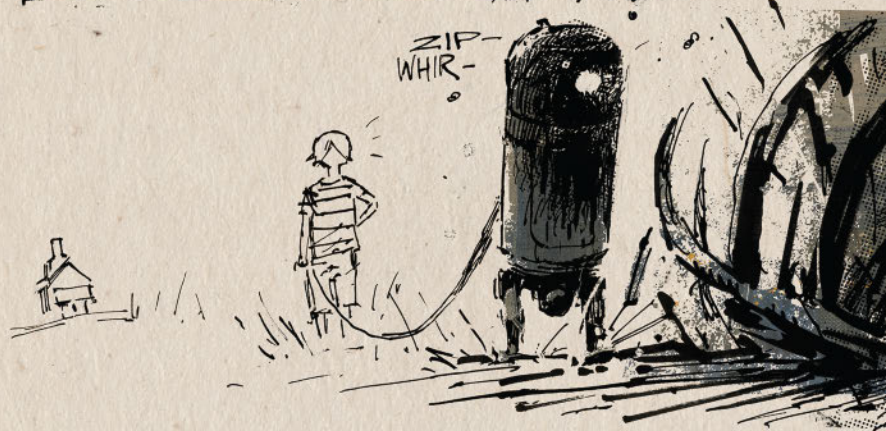
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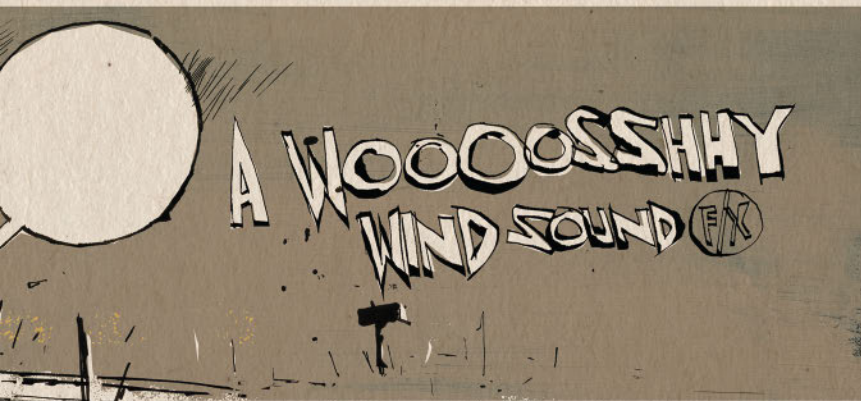
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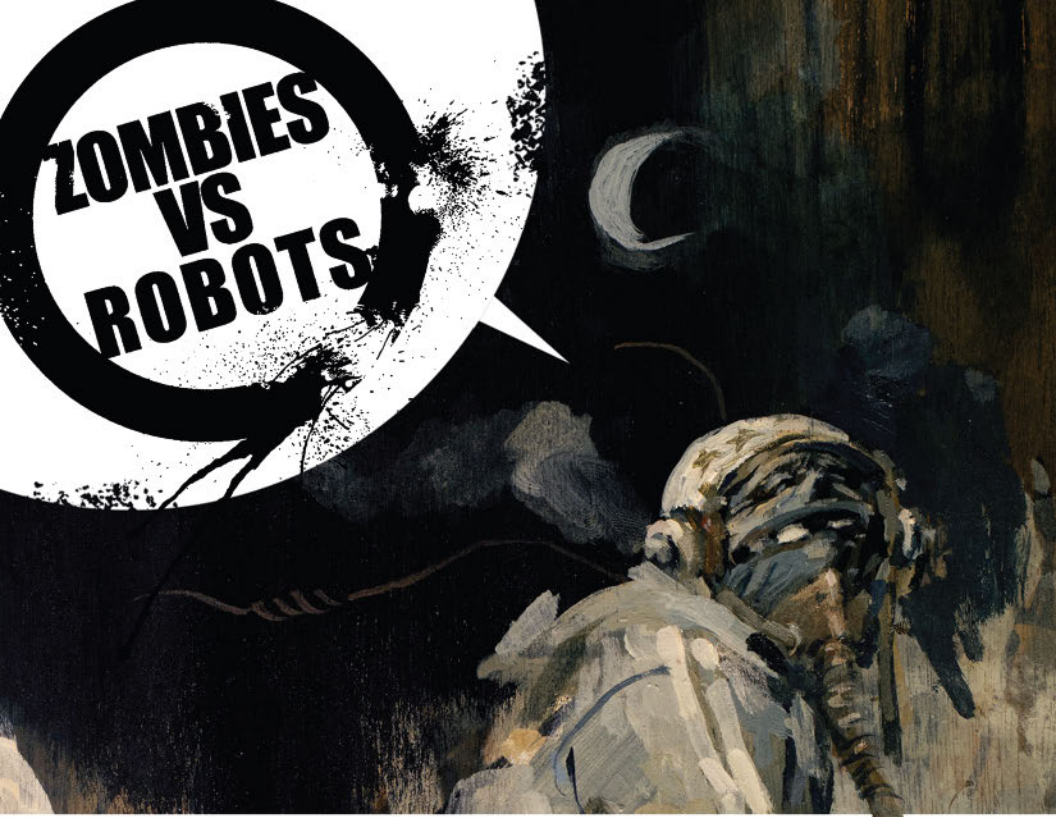


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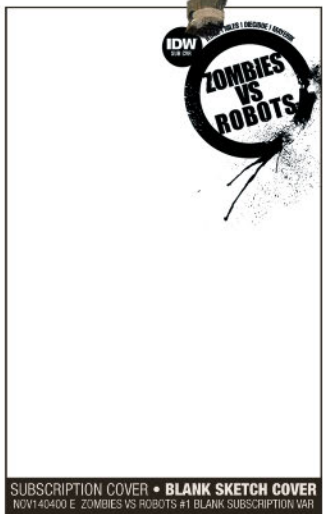
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