

VENICE, ITALY.

READER! WHERE
ARE WE SUPPOSED TO
GO? I DON'T KNOW
THIS PLACE!

WE ONLY
NEED A *MINUTE*.
JUST KEEP *RUNNING*,
XIAOYI.



I WENT
THE WRONG
WAY, READER.
I'M SORRY.



THEY
FOUND
US.

AND
WE'VE GOT
NOWHERE
LEFT TO
RUN.



KILL THE BLIND MAN, BUT IF YOU INJURE THAT GIRL I WILL HAVE OUR TELEPATHS MAKE EACH OF YOU PERMANENTLY INCONTINENT.

SHE HAS MY PERSONALITY MAP IN HER HEAD--IT **CANNOT BE REPLICATED**. IT'S HER OR NO ONE--SHE IS THE FUTURE OF ENNILUX.

GO. CAREFULLY.



DO SOMETHING, READER!

I CAN'T-- NOT YET. I'VE ALREADY READ TWICE TODAY--I ONLY GET ONE MORE, AND IT'LL BE WEAK.

IT'S UP TO YOU. YOU'LL HAVE TO SLOW THEM DOWN--BUY US ENOUGH TIME FOR ME TO THINK OF SOMETHING.



THEY HAVE **FLYING MACHINES**. I KNOW ABOUT ENGINES--I STUDIED THEM BACK IN WULINGYUAN. I MIGHT BE ABLE TO USE MY POWER TO SHUT THEM OFF.

BUT...WHAT IF I DO IT **WRONG**? I COULD REALLY HURT THEM!

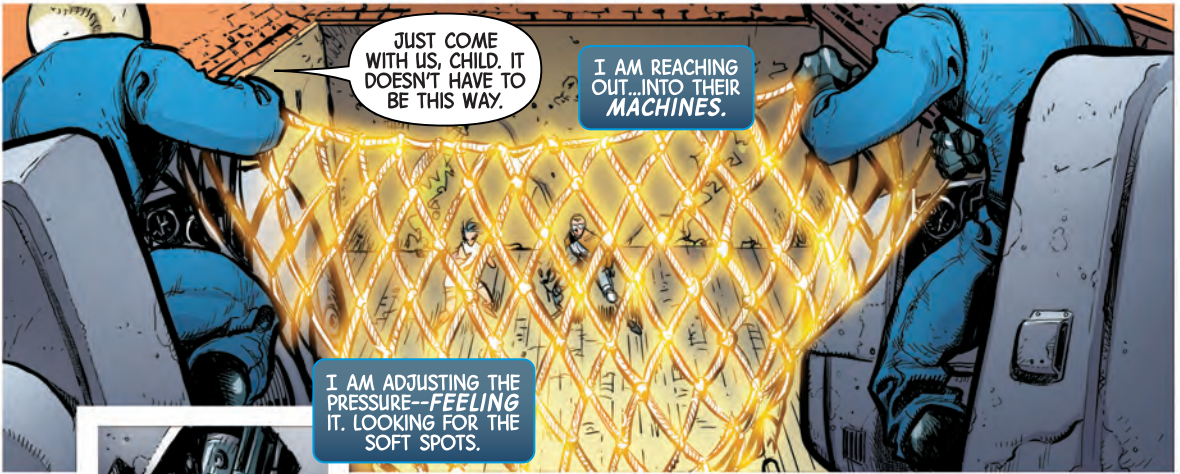


THEY ALMOST STOLE YOUR **MIND**. THEY STILL WANT IT. IF THEY GET HURT, XIAOYI, THEY **DESERVE** IT.

DON'T CALL ME THAT. I'M NOT A LITTLE ONE.

NOT AFTER ALL OF THIS.

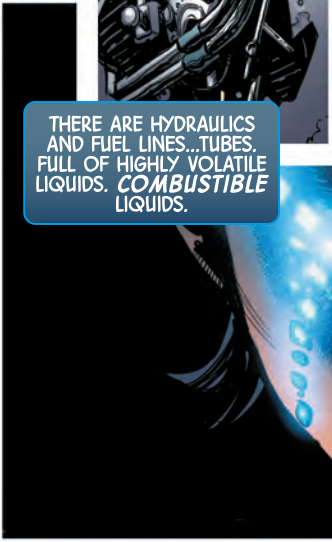
CALL ME **ISO**.



JUST COME WITH US, CHILD. IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE THIS WAY.

I AM REACHING OUT... INTO THEIR MACHINES.

I AM ADJUSTING THE PRESSURE--FEELING IT. LOOKING FOR THE SOFT SPOTS.



THERE ARE HYDRAULICS AND FUEL LINES...TUBES. FULL OF HIGHLY VOLATILE LIQUIDS. **COMBUSTIBLE** LIQUIDS.



I AM REACHING OUT. I AM FINDING THEM.



I AM SQUEEZING.



BOOM



◁ I DIDN'T MEAN TO-->*

*TRANSLATED FROM MANDARIN -CHARLES.



SSSSAK



◁ READER... WHAT HAPPENED? WHERE DID THEY GO? ▷

◁ THEY'RE STILL THERE. WE MOVED. ABOUT TEN MINUTES BACK IN TIME. IT WAS ALL I COULD THINK TO DO ON A THIRD READ. ▷

◁ BUT I'VE GOT NOTHING LEFT, AND OUR EARLIER SELVES WILL BE RUNNING INTO THIS COURTYARD IN A COUPLE OF MINUTES. WE HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE, NOW. ▷

◁ BUT TO WHERE? ▷



◁ SOMEPLACE QUIET. NO PEOPLE. A PLACE WE CAN LAY LOW. ▷

◁ YOU'LL HAVE TO GUIDE ME, ISO. YOU CAN DO IT. ▷

◁ I... ALL RIGHT, READER. LET'S GO. ▷