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FALCON

HAWKEYE

THOR

BLACK  
WIDOW

HULK

IRON  
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## "THE THUNDERBOLTS"

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LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MEET THE THUNDERBOLTS-- THE EXCITING NEW SUPER HERO TEAM THAT IS TAKING NEW YORK BY STORM--

--METEORITE--

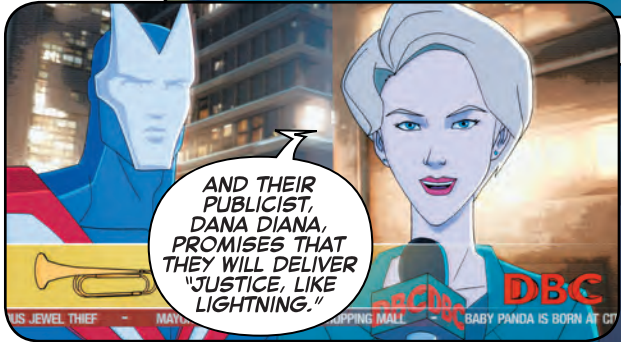
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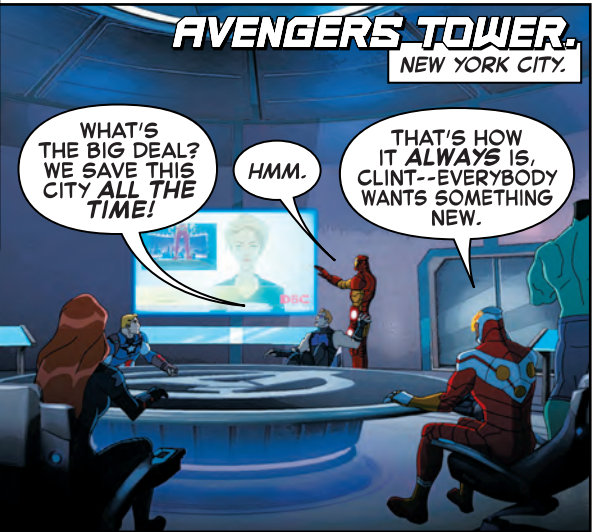
--AND MACH-IV!

--TECHNO--



AND THEIR PUBLICIST, DANA DIANA, PROMISES THAT THEY WILL DELIVER "JUSTICE, LIKE LIGHTNING."

US JEWEL THIEF MAYA SHOPPING MALL BABY PANDA IS BORN AT 4

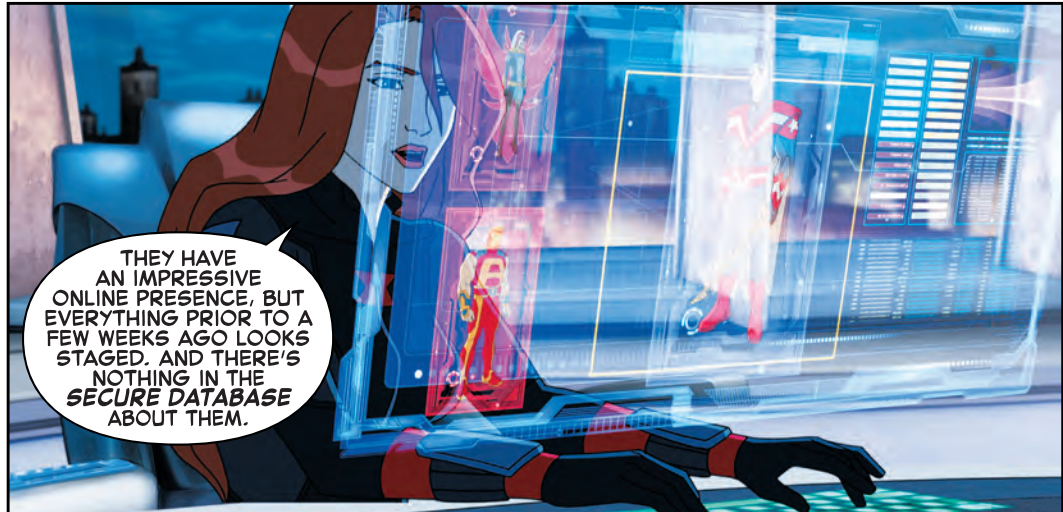


AVENGERS TOWER, NEW YORK CITY.

WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL? WE SAVE THIS CITY ALL THE TIME!

HMM.

THAT'S HOW IT ALWAYS IS, CLINT--EVERYBODY WANTS SOMETHING NEW.



THEY HAVE AN IMPRESSIVE ONLINE PRESENCE, BUT EVERYTHING PRIOR TO A FEW WEEKS AGO LOOKS STAGED. AND THERE'S NOTHING IN THE SECURE DATABASE ABOUT THEM.



HEY, MAYBE WE SHOULD HIRE A PUBLICIST, EH, TONY?

ERR... TONY?

NOW WHERE'S HE FLYING OFF TO?

# THUNDERBOLTS HEADQUARTERS.

THE THUNDERBOLTS' TECH SIGNATURES ARE COMING FROM THIS WAREHOUSE.

THEN I GUESS WE HAVE TO FIND A WAY IN, FRIDAY.

FOR WHAT, EXACTLY?

WHY ARE YOU FREELANCING, IRON MAN?

FALCON, YOU FOLLOWED ME?

I FIND IT MORE THAN JUST A COINCIDENCE THAT THE NEW TECHED-UP THUNDERBOLTS SHOWED UP OUT OF NOWHERE JUST AFTER MY RESEARCH ON STIMULOID SYSTEMS WENT MISSING.

ARE YOU SURE YOUR EGO ISN'T GETTING IN THE WAY?

I DON'T HAVE AN EGO...

...WHICH IS YET ANOTHER REASON THAT I'M PERFECT.

BUT THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO FIND OUT IF MY GEAR IS HERE.

SOME "WAREHOUSE." WOW.

IF YOU WANTED TO SCHEDULE A VISIT, AVENGERS--



--OUR PUBLICIST COULD'VE SET UP A MEETING FOR YOU AT ANY TIME.

I'D RATHER TALK TO THE POLICE ABOUT YOUR STEALING MY TECH, MACH-IV.



I'M A GREAT FAN OF YOUR WORK, BUT, FRANKLY, I FIND IT A BIT BEHIND THE TIMES.

WE SECURED OUR TECH FROM ANOTHER SOURCE.



OH, IS THAT RIGHT? BECAUSE ACCORDING TO MY SCANS YOUR POWERS ARE VERY MUCH BASED ON MY WORK.



WHAT DID YOU DO, STARK?

NOT ME.

**KROOM!**



BUT SOMEONE CRASHED A MESSAGE THROUGH YOUR CEILING.