

I TOLD
THEM I DIDN'T
NEED THE
BACKUP.

THE KAITIS CARTEL
RECEIVED WORD THAT
SECURITY FOR THE
SCARN TRANSFER WAS
INCREASED.

THEY PREFER
TO ENSURE THEY
ACTUALLY *ACQUIRE*
THEIR PRE-SPICE.

CLIENT'S
CHOICE, BUT YOU'RE
NOT MY RESPONSIBILITY.
INTERCEPTING
THE SCARN IS.

YOU BETTER
BE ABLE TO HOLD
YOUR OWN IN
A FIGHT.

THAT
WON'T BE A
PROBLEM.


I'VE HEARD
TALES OF THIS
ZEK PEIRO.

A THIEF FOR
HIRE. MANY SAY
THE BEST ON
CORUSCANT.



MY MASTER
HAS HIS ALLIANCES
STRETCHING THROUGH
THE UPPER LEVELS OF
CORUSCANT.

I'VE STARTED
BUILDING MY OWN
DOWN BELOW.



OPERATING
RIGHT UNDER
THE NOSE OF THE
JEDI, USING THE
NAME OF ONE OF
THEIR OWN, THE
PADAWAN
I SLEW.

A PETTY BLOW.
BUT ALL I AM
PERMITTED TO STRIKE
AT THE MOMENT.



FAST AND
QUIET.

BUT THEN I HEARD
THE STORIES OF THIS
THIEF, ZEK PEIRO. HIS
UNMATCHED SKILLS.
PERHAPS OVERBLOWN.

OR PERHAPS ONE
WITH A CONNECTION
TO THE FORCE.



AND SO, HE
WAS HIRED BY
THE KAITIS
CARTEL. BY *ME*.

I MAY NOT BE
PERMITTED TO HUNT
THE JEDI. **YET.**

BUT WHAT I'M
BUILDING DOWN HERE
HAS HELPED ME LOCATE
OTHER QUARRY.



HOLD,
MY MASKED
FRIEND.

THE
BUYERS WILL
BE HERE
SHORTLY.



AND WHEN
THEY ARRIVE, THEIR
NUMBERS WILL BE
GREATER.

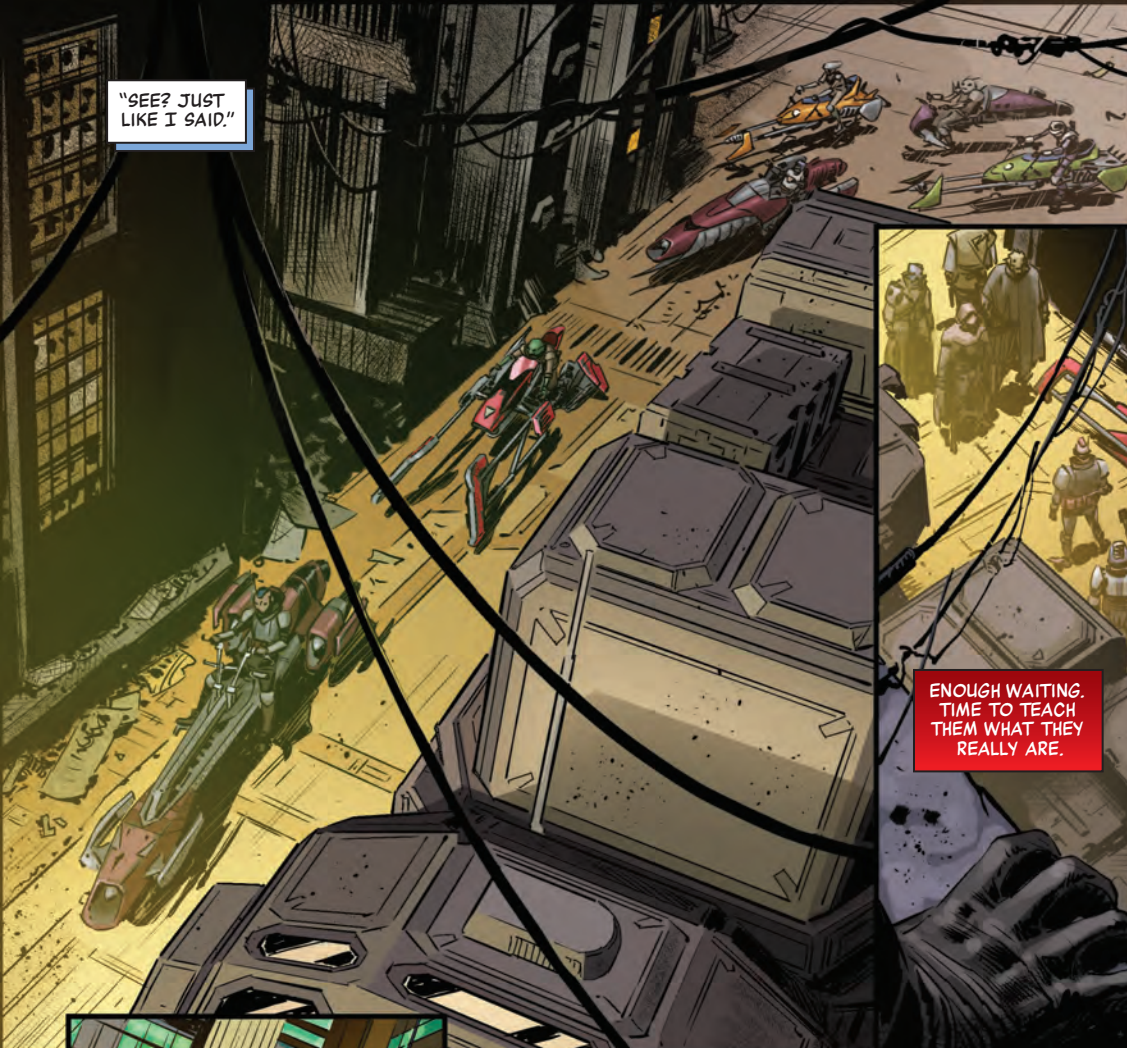
WHICH IS
WHY YOU ARE
HERE, YES?



BESIDES, WE
WOULDN'T GET
CLEAR BEFORE
THE **BUYERS**
ARRIVE.

DOES HE KNOW THAT
FROM EXPERIENCE?
OR IS IT
SOMETHING...**MORE?**

"SEE? JUST
LIKE I SAID."



ENOUGH WAITING.
TIME TO TEACH
THEM WHAT THEY
REALLY ARE.



PREY.



THIS IS WHY I
HATE WORKING WITH
AMATEURS...





THE FORCE...I CAN
SENSE IT MOVING
AROUND HIM.



HIS GRASP OF
IT IS CLUMSY.



HE LACKS
TRAINING.



BUT I CAN
SENSE IT.



HIS
POTENTIAL.