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**"WE DO NOT INHERIT THE EARTH FROM OUR ANCESTORS;
WE BORROW IT FROM OUR CHILDREN."**

NATIVE AMERICAN QUOTE






IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS, INCIDENTS BETWEEN GREEN RIOTS' SUPPORTERS AND POLICE FORCES PROLIFERATE. AN INCREASING NUMBER OF THE COMPANIES ACCUSED BY THE ECOLOGICAL REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT ARE VANDALIZED OR SET ON FIRE.




THE POPULATION, OVERWHELMED BY THE NEW LAWS ENFORCED BY THE GOVERNMENT TO MANAGE THE HEALTH CRISIS, SEEMS MORE AND MORE FAVORABLE TO THEIR ACTIONS.



THE C.H.A.O.S. ACTIVIST GROUP LAUNCHED ANOTHER BURST OF CYBERATTACKS AGAINST SEVERAL OF THE HIGHEST FINANCE OR POLITICAL LEADERS. THEY INTEND TO PERSIST WITH THE ANIMAL CAUSE CRUSADE AFTER SUCCESSFULLY ASSAULTING THE AGRICULTURE, FOOD, AND PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES.



THE SOCIAL INEQUALITY IS SO BIG THAT A CIVIL WAR IS NOW A CONSTANT THREAT THAT WOULD LEAD THE ECONOMY INTO COLLAPSE.

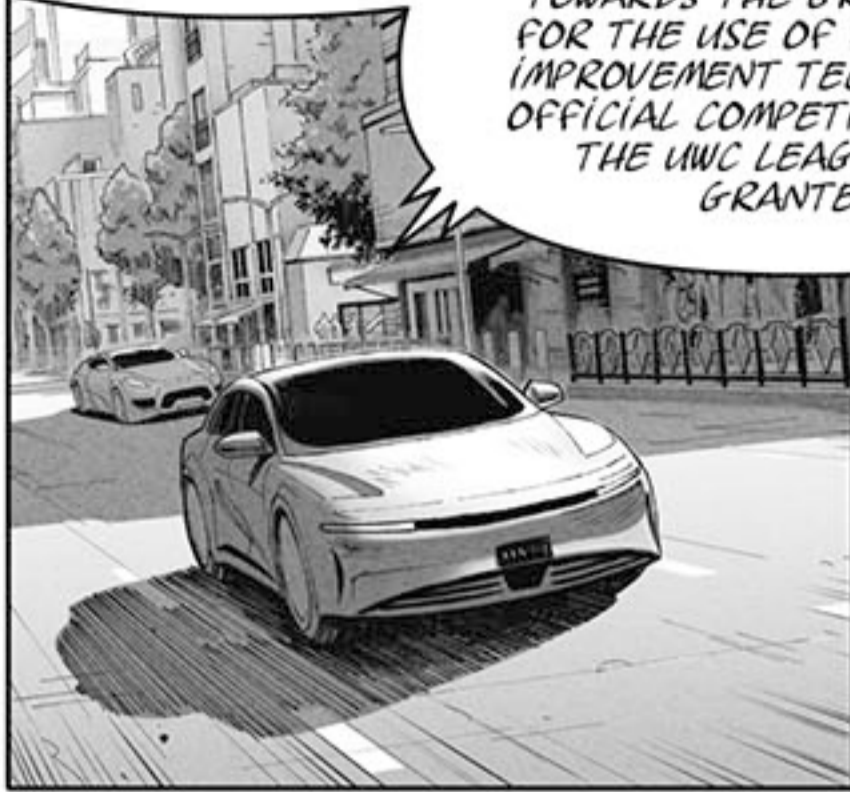


AND NOW, SPORTS NEWS...



IT'S NOW OFFICIAL, NOA WILLIS, ULTIMATE WARRIOR CHALLENGE CHAMPION, CONFIRMED EARLIER TODAY HIS DECISION TO QUIT OFFICIAL COMPETITION.

HE EXPLAINS HIS HOSTILITY TOWARDS THE GREEN LIGHT FOR THE USE OF BIOGENETIC IMPROVEMENT TECHNIQUES IN OFFICIAL COMPETITIONS THAT THE UWC LEAGUE JUST GRANTED.

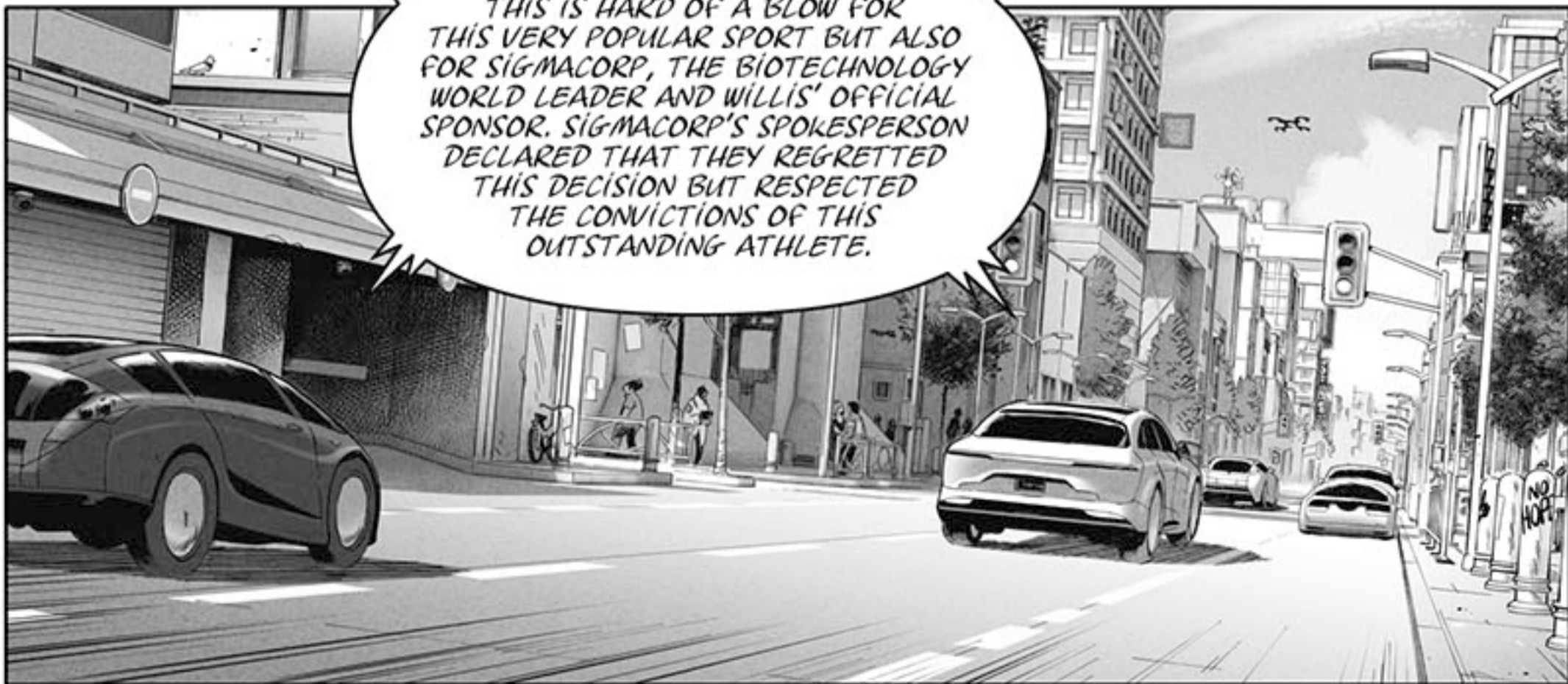


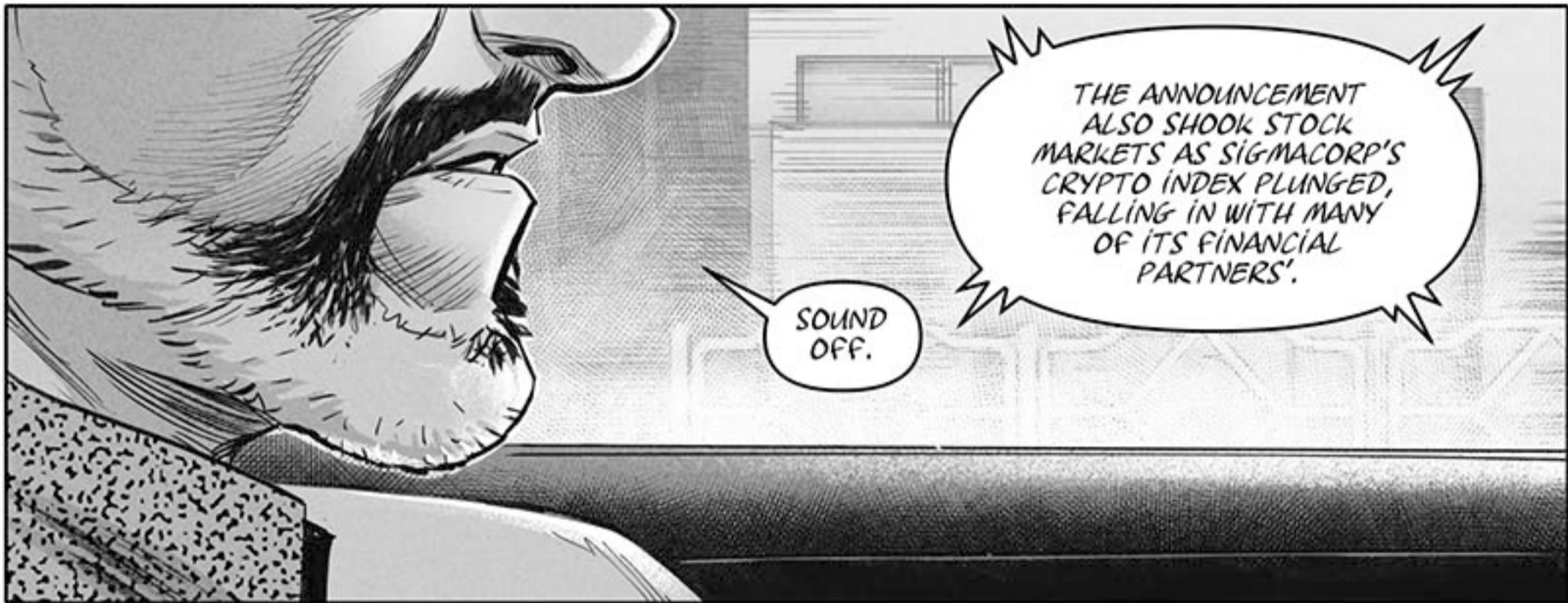
THE FOUR-TIME WORLD CHAMPION, NOTORIOUS FOR HIS ECOLOGICAL COMMITMENT SAID, AND I QUOTE:

"A FEW YEARS AGO, THESE TECHNIQUES WERE CONSIDERED DOPING. IS THIS TRUE SPORTSMANSHIP?! THIS IS AGAINST NATURE, ONCE AGAIN WE PLAY WITH FIRE AND END UP BURNING THE ENTIRE PLANET."

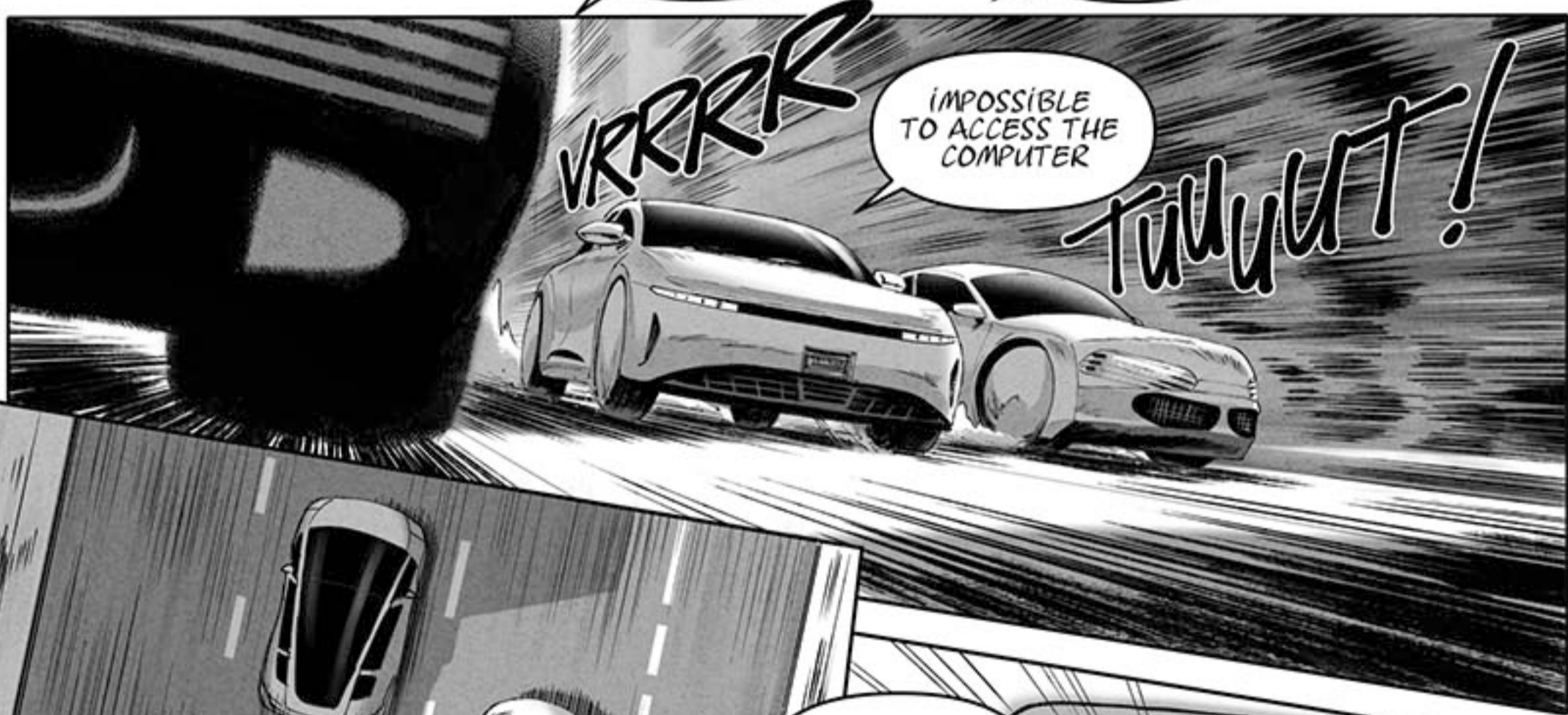
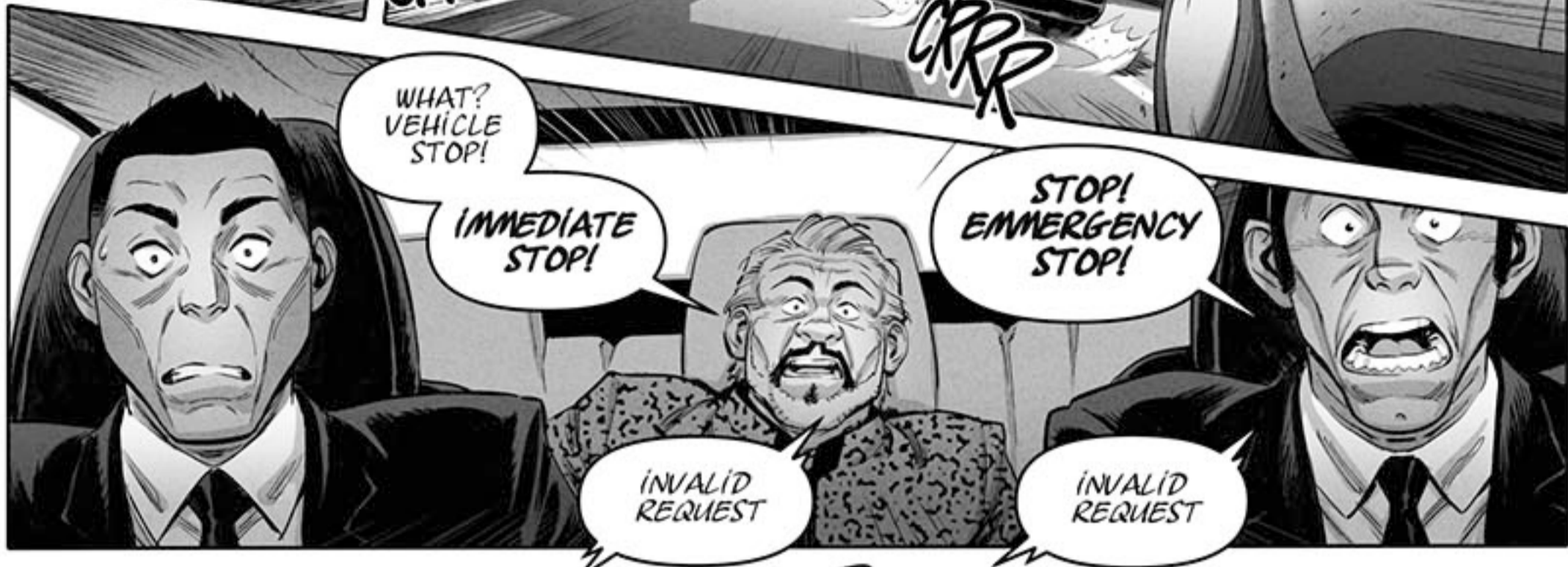


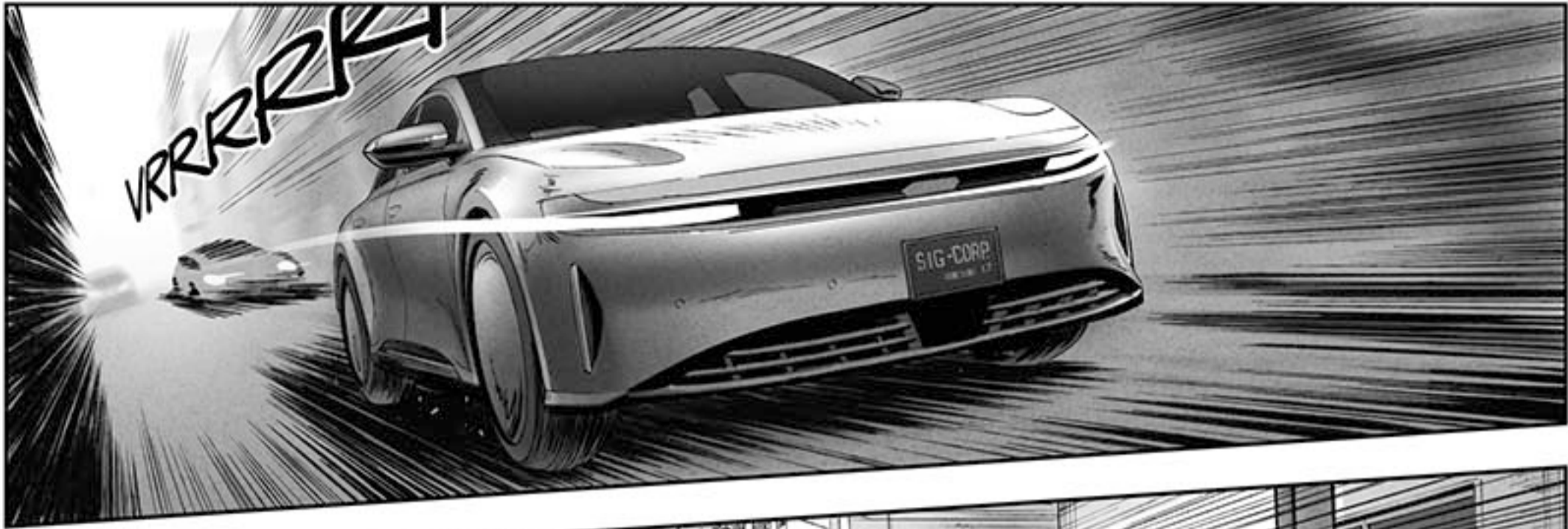
THIS IS HARD OF A BLOW FOR THIS VERY POPULAR SPORT BUT ALSO FOR SIG-MACORP, THE BIOTECHNOLOGY WORLD LEADER AND WILLIS' OFFICIAL SPONSOR. SIG-MACORP'S SPOKESPERSON DECLARED THAT THEY REGRETTED THIS DECISION BUT RESPECTED THE CONVICTIONS OF THIS OUTSTANDING ATHLETE.











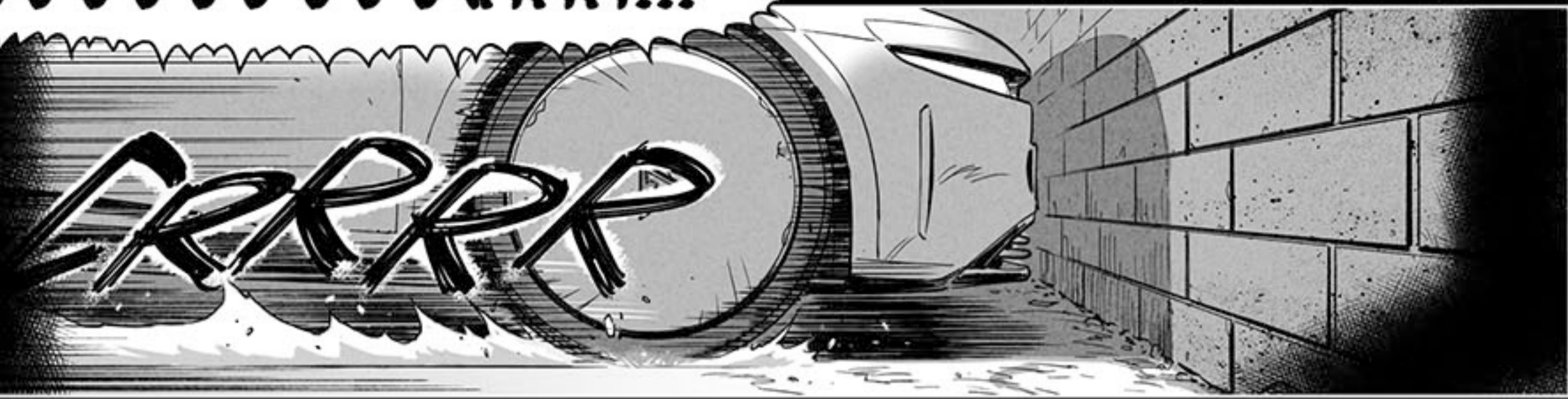


IT'S
A DEAD
END!

WE'RE
GOING
STRAIGHT
INTO THE
WALL!

VRRR

AAAAAAAAAAAAHHH!!!







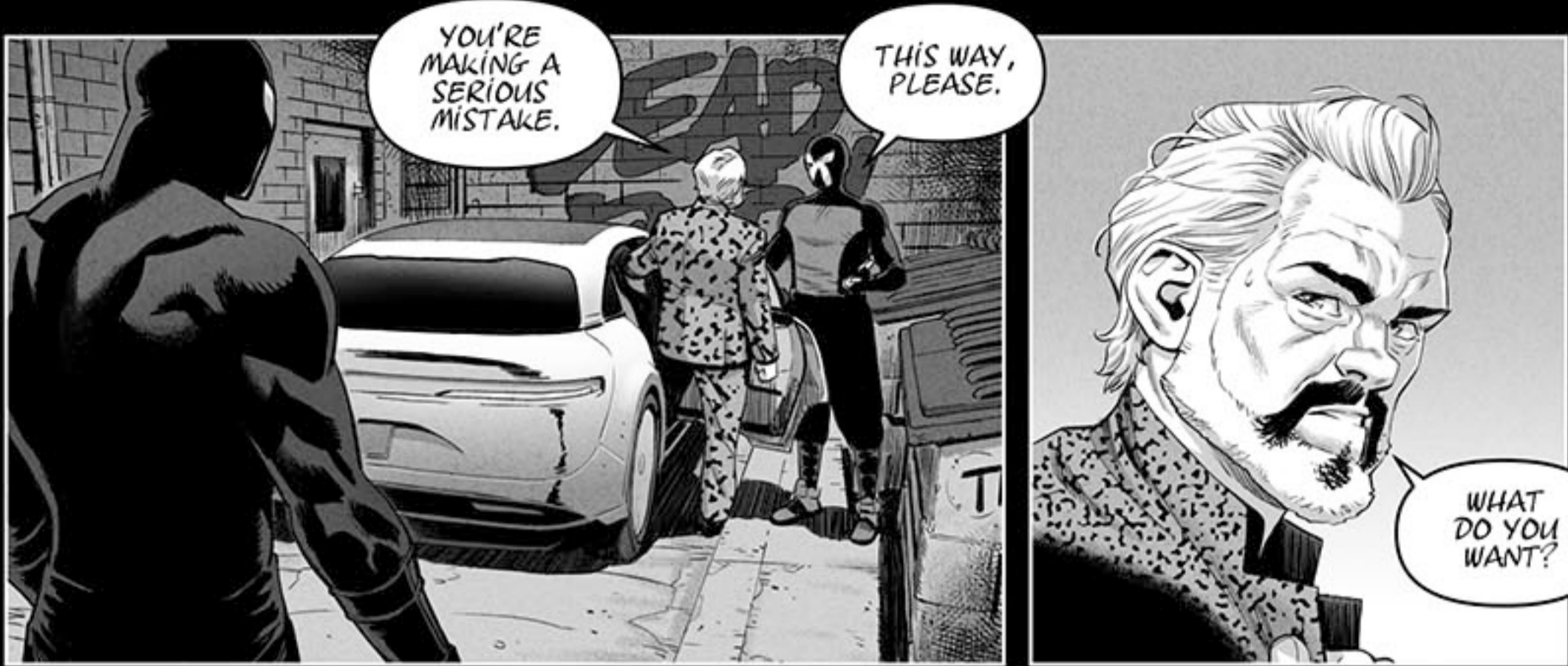


IS THIS A JOKE?! IN A TWO TO ONE, YOU ARE NOT EVEN ABLE TO HANDLE THIS?



MISTER DRAKE?





YOU'RE MAKING A SERIOUS MISTAKE.

THIS WAY, PLEASE.



WHAT DO YOU WANT?



TCHAC

HEY!



FOR NOW, I'LL SETTLE FOR SILENCE.



WHAT...? WHAT DID YOU NJECT ME WITH?!







... ? ...
WH...

WHAT THE...
WHO ARE
YOU?

WE ARE PAST,
PRESENT, AND
FUTURE GHOSTS,
MISTER DRAKE,
WE ARE THE
CHAOS.

WHAT THE
FUCK IS THIS?



HEY,
DON'T FRISK
INTO THIS,
THESE DATA
ARE CONFI-
DENTIAL!



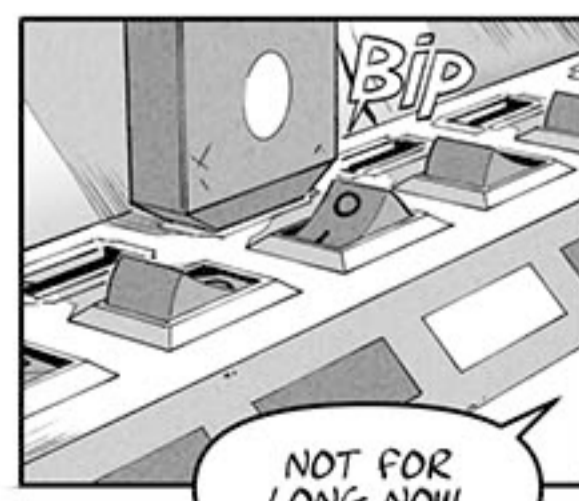
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AWWH!



KEEP
YOUR
SEAT.



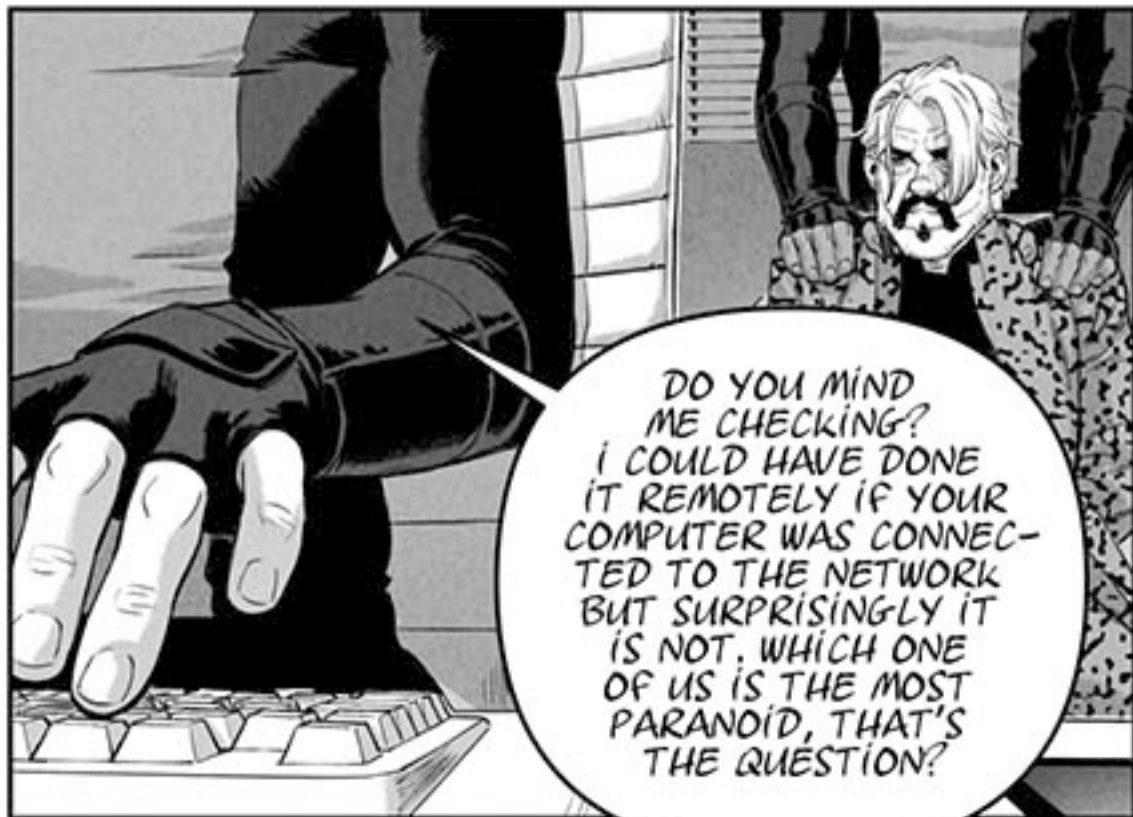
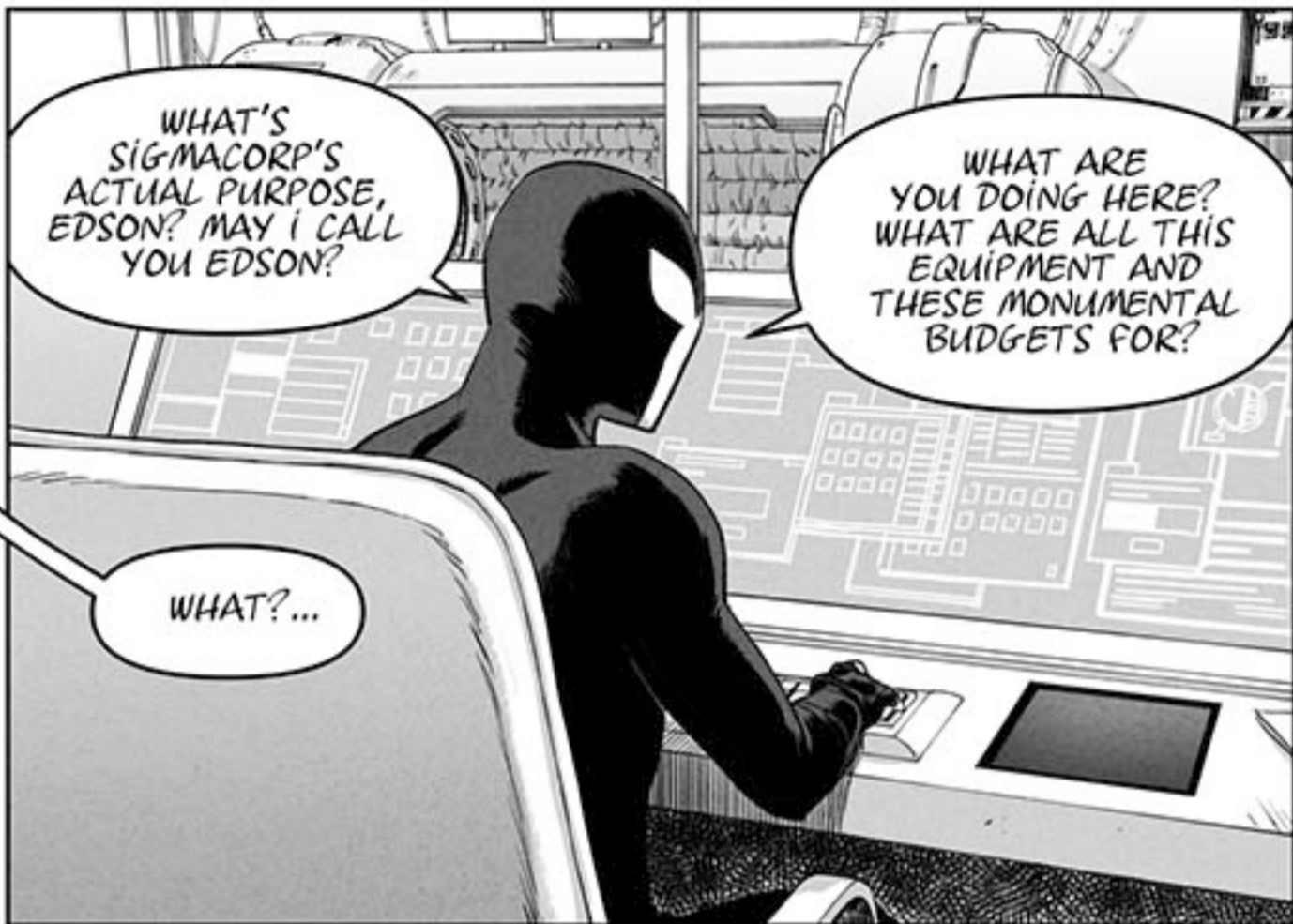
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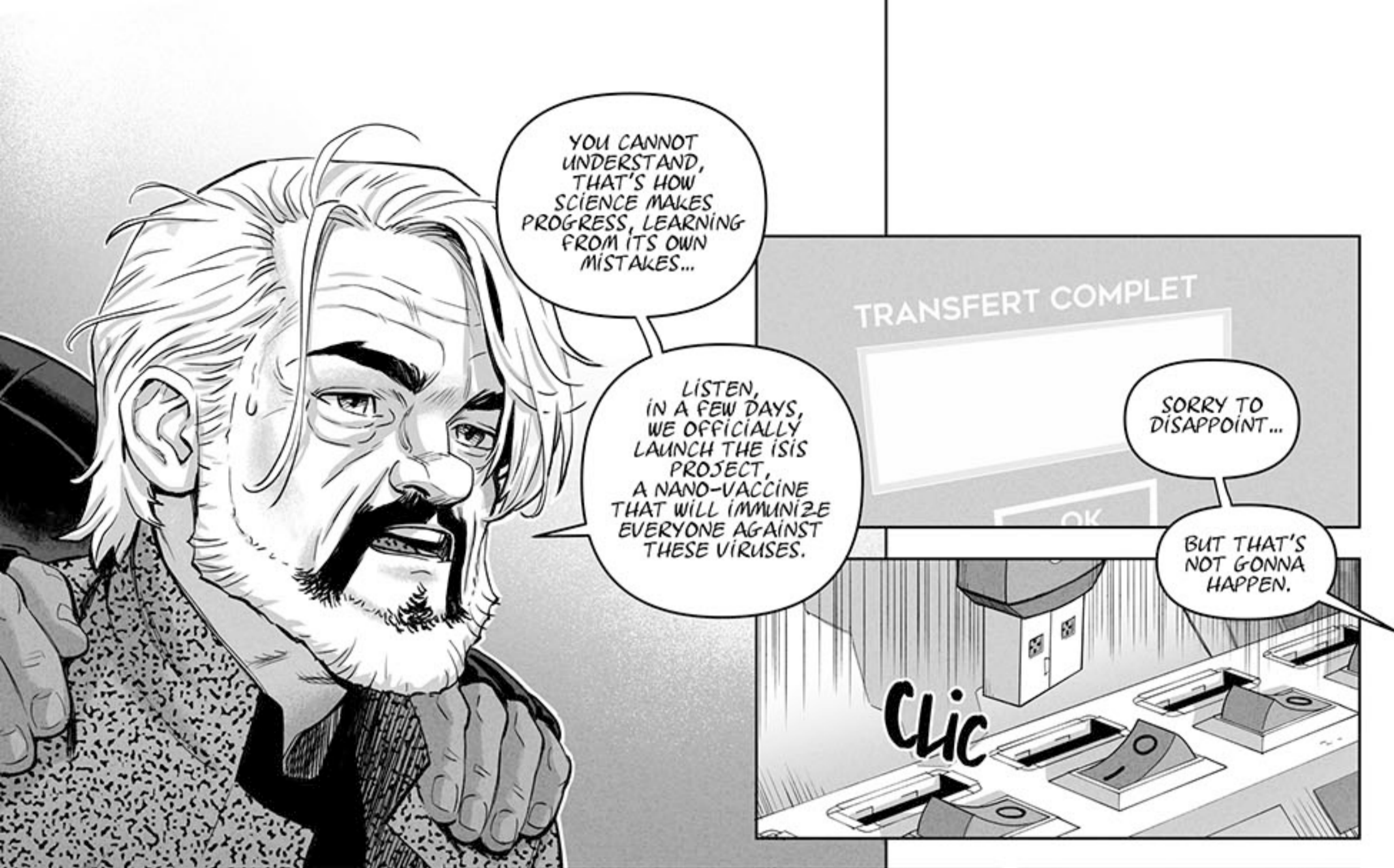


NOT FOR
LONG NOW.



WHAT ARE YOU
LOOKING FOR?
IS IT MONEY
YOU WANT?





YOU CANNOT UNDERSTAND, THAT'S HOW SCIENCE MAKES PROGRESS, LEARNING FROM ITS OWN MISTAKES...

LISTEN, IN A FEW DAYS, WE OFFICIALLY LAUNCH THE ISIS PROJECT, A NANO-VACCINE THAT WILL IMMUNIZE EVERYONE AGAINST THESE VIRUSES.

SORRY TO DISAPPOINT...

BUT THAT'S NOT GONNA HAPPEN.

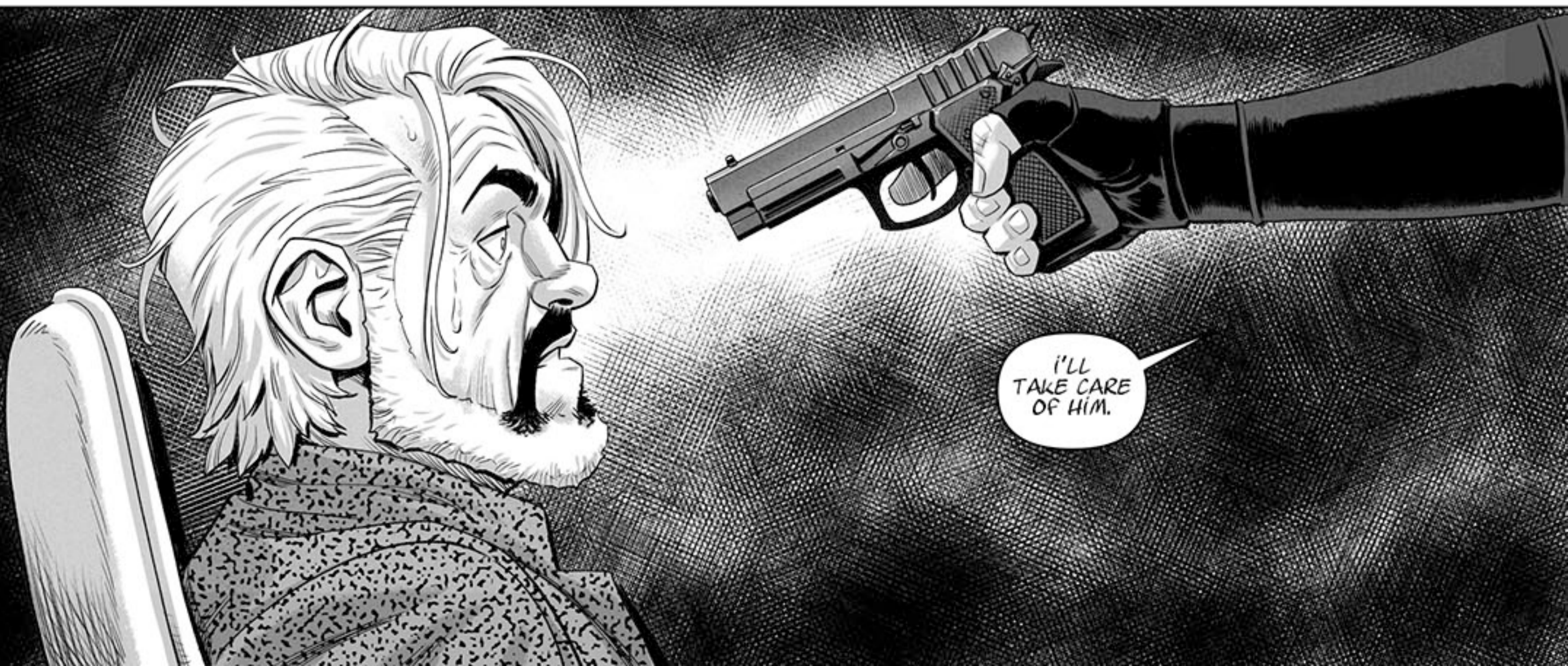


THE SECURITY SYSTEM IS DISABLED AND THE DOORS ARE UNLOCKED. "PAST", YOU TAKE CARE OF LEVELS 1 AND 2, "PRESENT", THE BASEMENT. I'LL DO THE REST.

WAIT! WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO?



WE'RE PUTTING YOUR BUSINESS AT ITS END.





NOT THE BASEMENT!
DON'T BLOW UP THE BASEMENT,
I BEG YOU!



SORRY...



DON'T DO THAT!



YOU'RE READY TO SACRIFICE THE HUMAN RACE FOR YOUR ECOLOGICAL IDEALS AND YOUR FUCKING MORALITY?!

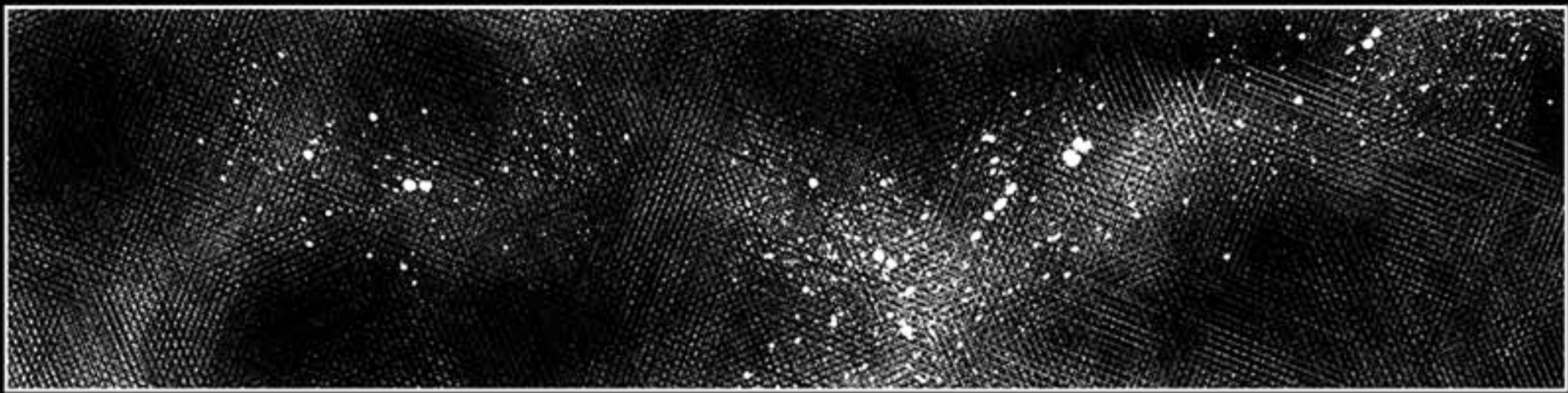
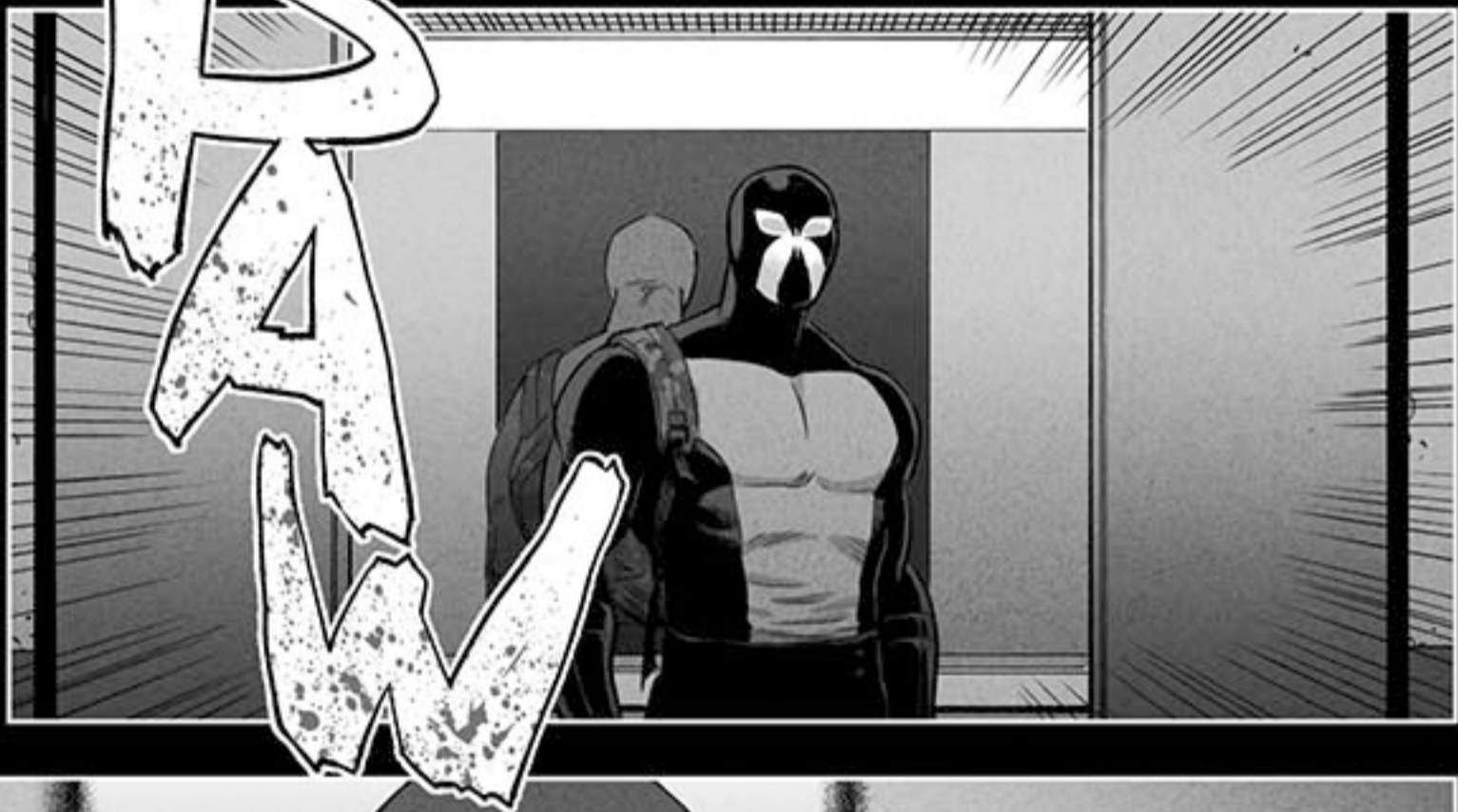
YOU ARE THE ACTUAL THREATS THAT SHOULD BE ELIMINATED!



YOU KNOW, THERE'S NO TRUTH, ONLY BELIEFS. IT'S ALL ABOUT PERSPECTIVE, EDSON, AND IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE...

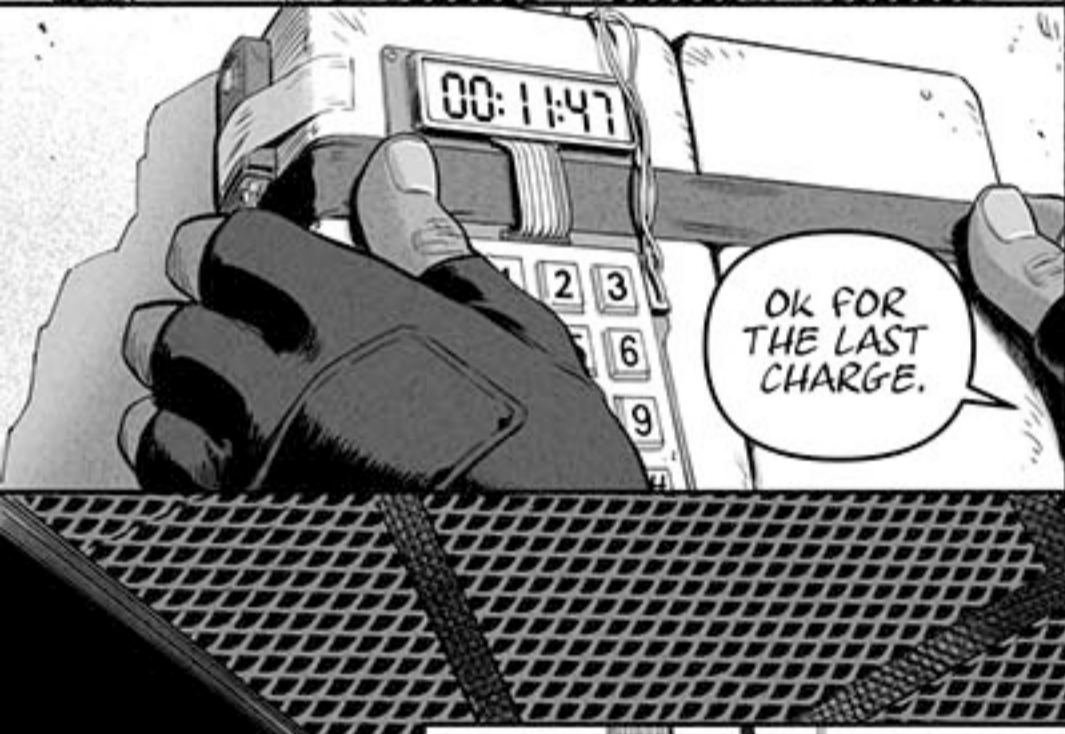


I SUGGEST WE LEAVE IT TO NATURE.





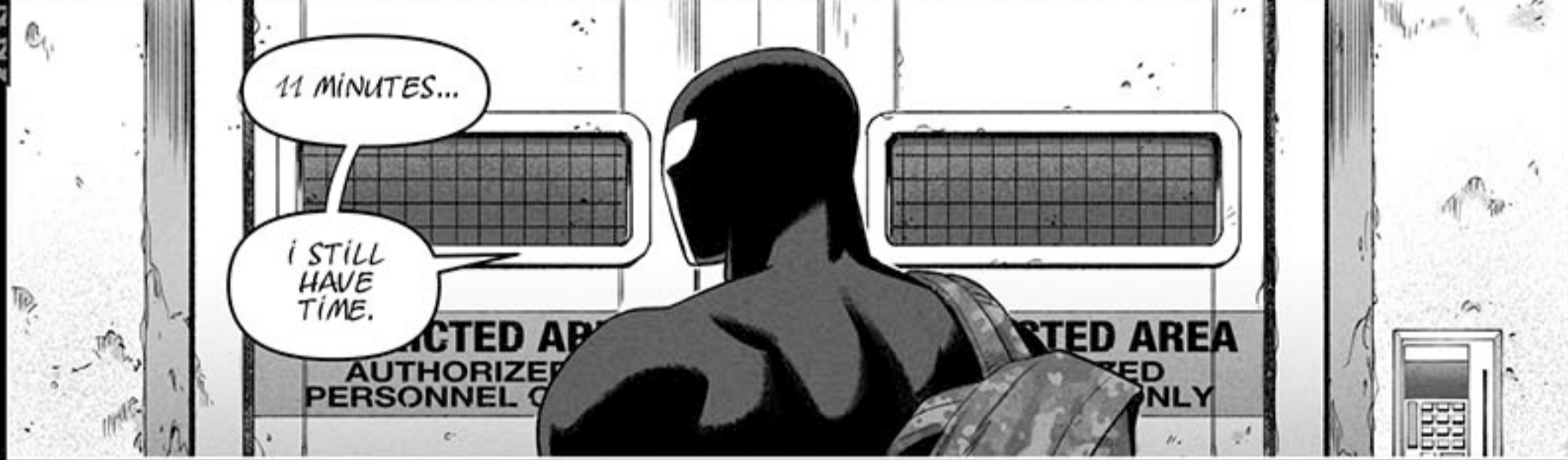
WHY "NOT THE BASEMENT"?



OK FOR THE LAST CHARGE.

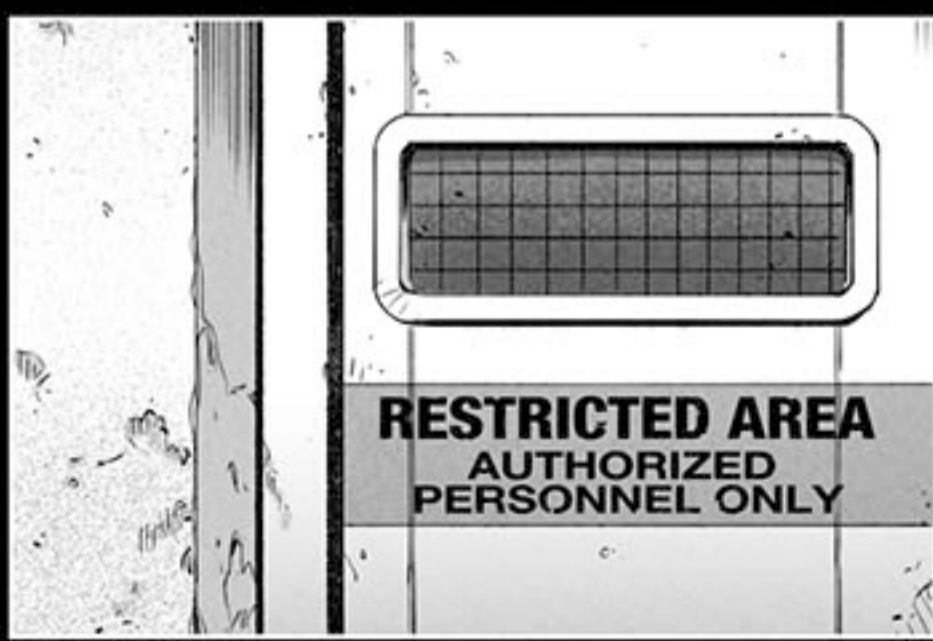


WHAT'S SO IMPORTANT ABOUT THE BASEMENT?



11 MINUTES...

I STILL HAVE TIME.







... SEVERAL DOCUMENTS DISCLOSED ON THE WEB AND TRANSMITTED DIRECTLY TO MANY EDITORS SUCH AS OURS SUGGEST SIG-MACORP'S DIRECT INVOLVEMENT IN THE APPEARANCE AND SPREAD OF MANY VIRUSES RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HEALTH CRISIS THAT WE HAVE BEEN GOING THROUGH FOR SEVERAL YEARS NOW.

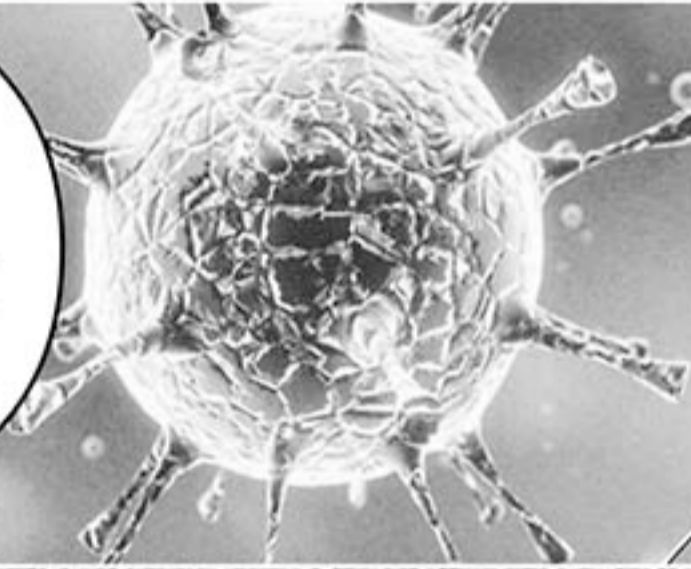
AS A REMINDER, SIG-MACORP IS ONE OF THE LARGEST PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES IN THE WORLD THAT DISCOVERED MANY TREATMENTS CONTRIBUTING TO KEEPING THE PANDEMICS UNDER CONTROL.

... THE C.H.A.O.S. ACTIVIST GROUP CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ATTACK THAT DESTROYED SIG-MACORP'S HEADQUARTERS. THEY ALSO DECLARE POSSESSING DOCUMENTS PROVING THAT MANY OF OUR LEADERS WERE AWARE THAT THE PHARMACEUTICAL GROUP WAS PLAYING A DOUBLE GAME. THEY THUS DEMAND THE GOVERNMENT'S RESIGNATION AND CALL FOR NEW ELECTIONS.



FOR SURE, IF NO IRREFUTABLE EVIDENCE COMES TO QUICKLY CONTRADICT THESE ACCUSATIONS, THE GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE TO ASSUME ITS RESPONSIBILITIES AND ACT ACCORDINGLY.

... DOCUMENTS SEEM TO DEMONSTRATE THAT ERRORS IN THE HANDLING OF MILLENNIA-OLD VIRUSES FOUND IN ICE SAMPLES FROM TIBET COULD HAVE CAUSED CONTAMINATION OF SOME OF THE PERSONNEL AND WOULD BE THE SOURCE OF THIS DRAMATIC PANDEMIC THAT WE ARE STILL FIGHTING.



FUELLED BY THIS NEW SCANDAL, THE GREEN RIOTS MOVEMENT IS EXPANDING AGAIN AND NOTHING SEEMS TO BE ABLE TO CALM ITS ANGER. "WE ARE GOING STRAIGHT INTO A CIVIL WAR", A CLOSE FRIEND OF THE PRESIDENT SAID IN AN OFF-THE-RECORD STATEMENT.

... STILL NO TRACE OF PROFESSOR EDSON DRAKE, AN INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED GENETICIST AND RESEARCH DIRECTOR AT SIG-MACORP. ACCORDING TO HIS BODYGUARDS, HE WAS KIDNAPPED BY THE C.H.A.O.S. TERRORIST GROUP MORE THAN 48 HOURS AGO. DOES THIS MEAN THERE COULD BE A LINK BETWEEN THE RECENT REVELATIONS INVOLVING THE PHARMACEUTICAL GROUP AS WELL AS MANY POLITICAL PERSONALITIES?

