

Fugitive Faction

TECHNOLOGICALLY ADVANCED FUTURE WARRIORS
BATTLE EVIL ACROSS TIME AND SPACE


COLLECTION FOUR

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Planetoid 431 D

This mostly inhospitable surface is barely livable with an atmosphere that is similar to homeworlds. However oxygen levels can be thinner at times. Its strategic location is Midway between home worlds safe space and the **Indu**strium Battlefront.



Survey crew member Zeno 10 requesting access to station base.

However most of its usable resources have been depleted long ago. The humanoid battle bunker sits alone on a Barren landscape. The inhabitants take turns scanning the surface for any usable resources to help them survive out here in space.

The **Indu**strium has left them alone to operate on this planetoid... perhaps the enemy is unaware of the activity of humanoids. The survey crew studies the surface... hopefully they can secure their base before the alien enemy discovers their location.



Planetoid 431 station base
Operator to Zeno 10,
Survey report required
for re entry to base.

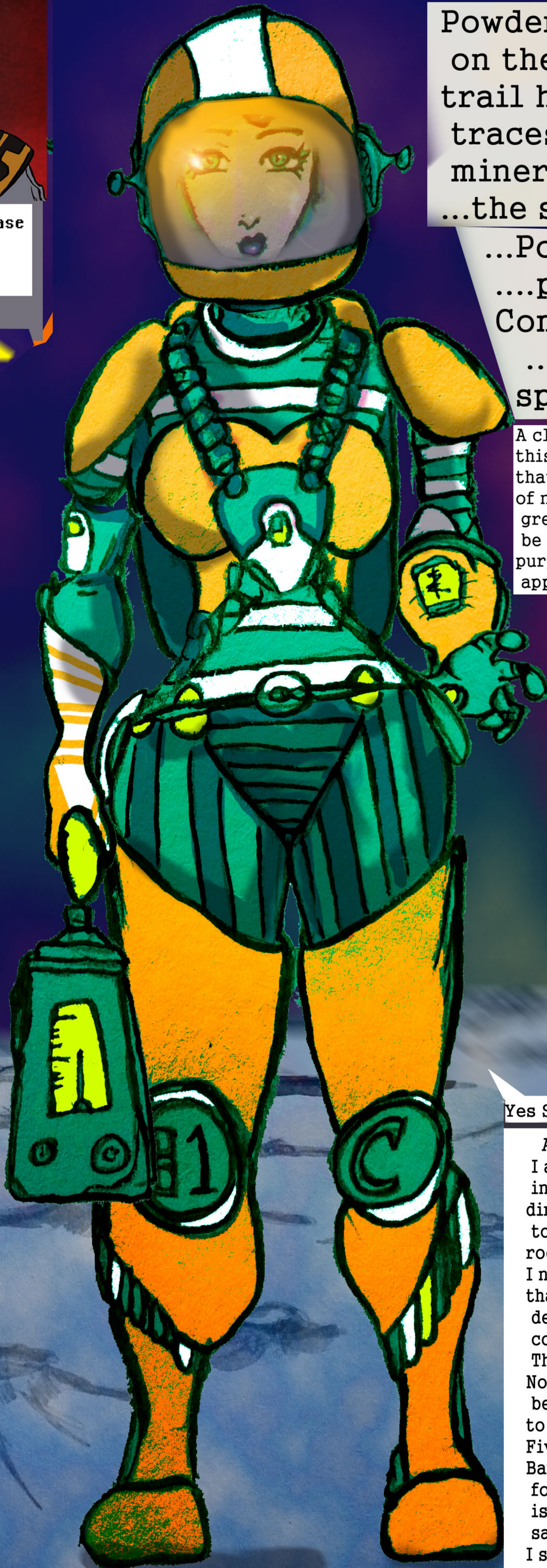
Stand By...

ZENO 10, REPORT...



Your imaginative
speculations do
not yield results
that are usable.

In the future realize that unless
we find actual usable resources
we will never secure this
planetoid for the home world.
It is only a matter of time before
the enemy alien discovers us
and eliminates us.



Powder Ridge
on the North
trail has some
traces of usable
minerals on
...the surface ...

...Possibly from
...passing...
Comet Tail
...or from ...
spent weaponry.

A closer investigation of
this sector, Marked in Report
that I am sending you a copy
of now, could possibly reveal
greater resources that may
be exploited for survival
purposes or military
applications.

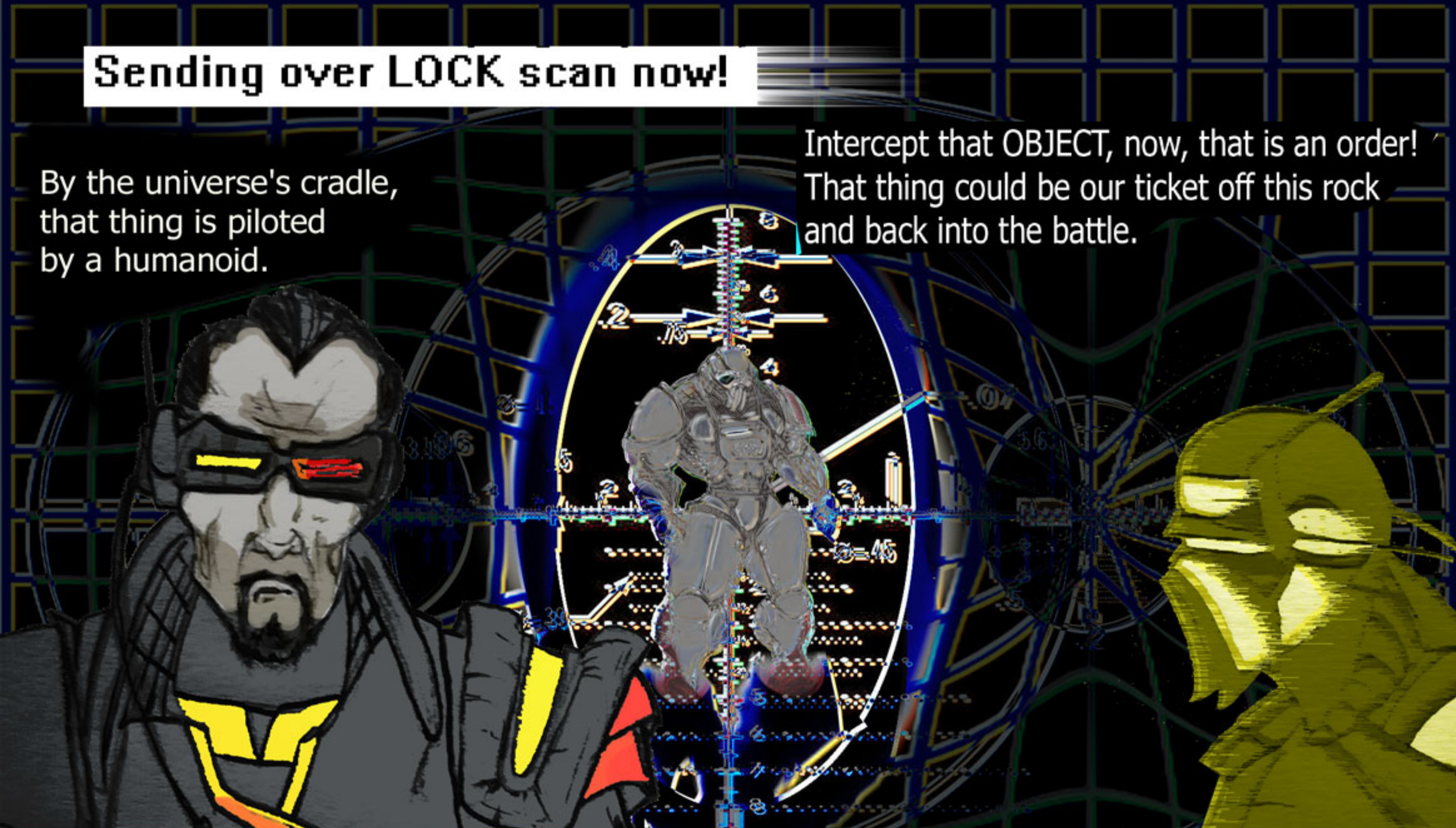
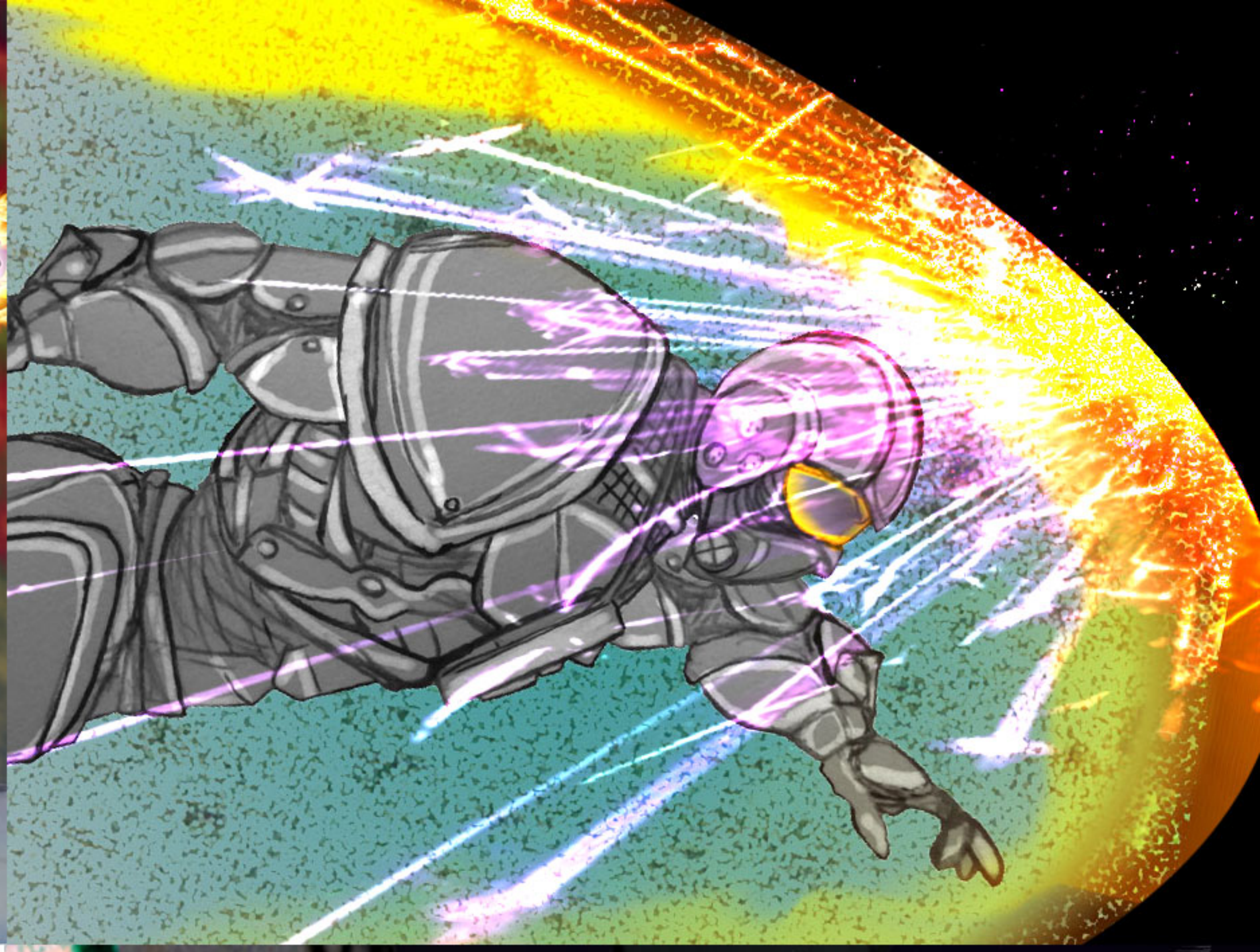


Yes Sir. **END TRANSMISSION**

As if I don't understand this!
I am out here walking around
in a plastic suit scanning
dirt to find a scrap of anything
to help me get off of this dead
rock floating out in space.
I need to have you remind me
that the Damned aliens who
destroyed half of my home planet
could wipe us out at any minute?
Thanks a lot, SIR.
Now just let me into the base,
because I really need to go
to my private quarters and unwind.
Five Homeworld Cycles on this
Barren shell is enough time
for anyone to see that there
is absolutely nothing worth
salvaging here.
I signed up for duty,
so, I intend on seeing it through.



Sir, unidentified flying object approaching fast!



Sending over LOCK scan now!

By the universe's cradle,
that thing is piloted
by a humanoid.

Intercept that OBJECT, now, that is an order!
That thing could be our ticket off this rock
and back into the battle.

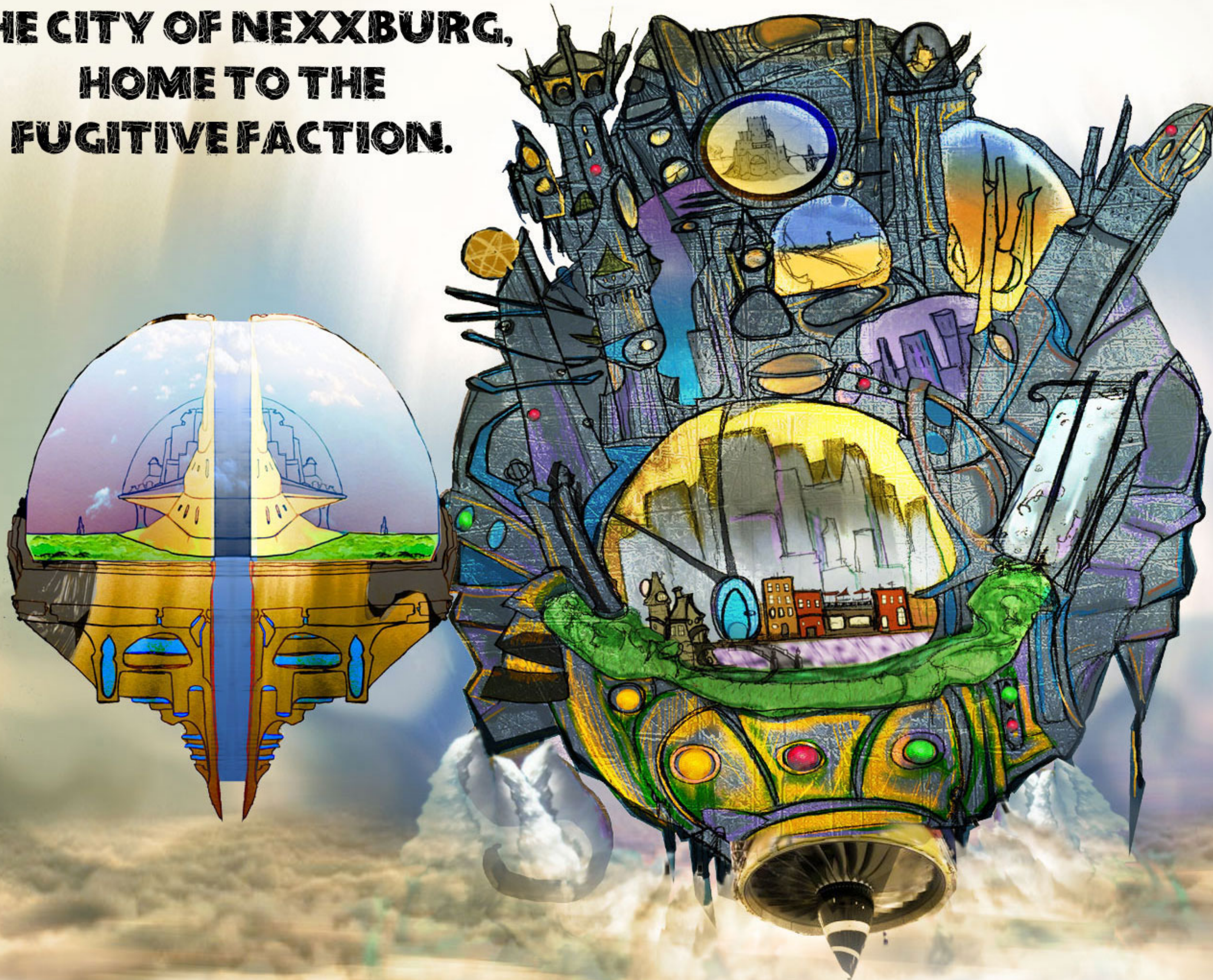


Whatever that
thing is, it just
got the attention
of the INDUSTRIUM



Oh no.

**THE CITY OF NEXXBURG,
HOME TO THE
FUGITIVE FACTION.**



*Hello! Hey! Yo! Danger Son, Roxi, Enigma Rivercrow,
I'm back from my last Quest.
Time for some much needed R&R!
Hey! What the? Oh man, what's all this?*



**Emergency. Emergency. An industrium Monolith has breached the
Temporal superstructure of the Wyzardlund Dominion.
Full Manifestation to occur shortly. Wyzardlund Peace Treaty
at King Xard's Palace targeted in surprise attack. All units
in Wyzardlund Dominion missing and or offline.**

It looks like
I had better
cancel those
Vacation Plans.



SECURITY BREACH



So what happened then?

He ran up to the Nexus Danger suit base and said 'activate danger suit' and the suit activated and then they both vanished?



It was Omni Atomic! He was scared, he ran downstairs when he saw the peace treaty get attacked, he went to the Nexus Danger Suit, he wanted to go help!



I told him not to go in there!

Great! So...There's some rookie... lost Somewhere in Time piloting a highly experimental weapon and almost every one of our soldiers are missing in action.



Agent Kid, I will have you know that even though Omni Atomic is an exhuberant individual, I believe that he would do no harm on purpose...

The bigger question is how could the suit be operated by any one other than Danger Son, the Nexus Danger Suit is encrypted to operate by Danger Son's energy signature alone. (Dear Lord, What if Danger Son is Dead and the suit auto assigned a new pilot?! If Only Enigma Rivercrow were here to answer these technological questions!)



Dear heavens, No! All of this just as the Wyzardlund Peace talks were attacked!

Looks like Your boyfriend really messed things up this time.

...by what looks like an Industrium Monolith! I'd know that foot anywhere, especially because I was almost smashed by one!

I can not understand how the Industrium could have carried out the attack?

Yes, many puzzles to solve, it is disturbing. (Roxi usually handles the logistics and mission strategy! I am going to have to tackle this on my own!)



Miss Maxine, I am sorry that your student tour of the Base has been cut short, until we fully understand the situation at hand, it is best that your faculty and pupils remain safe inside the institute.

So, if Danger Son, Roxi and all of the other Fugitive Faction members are missing in action, does that mean that we are going to be rushed into service at a much faster rate?

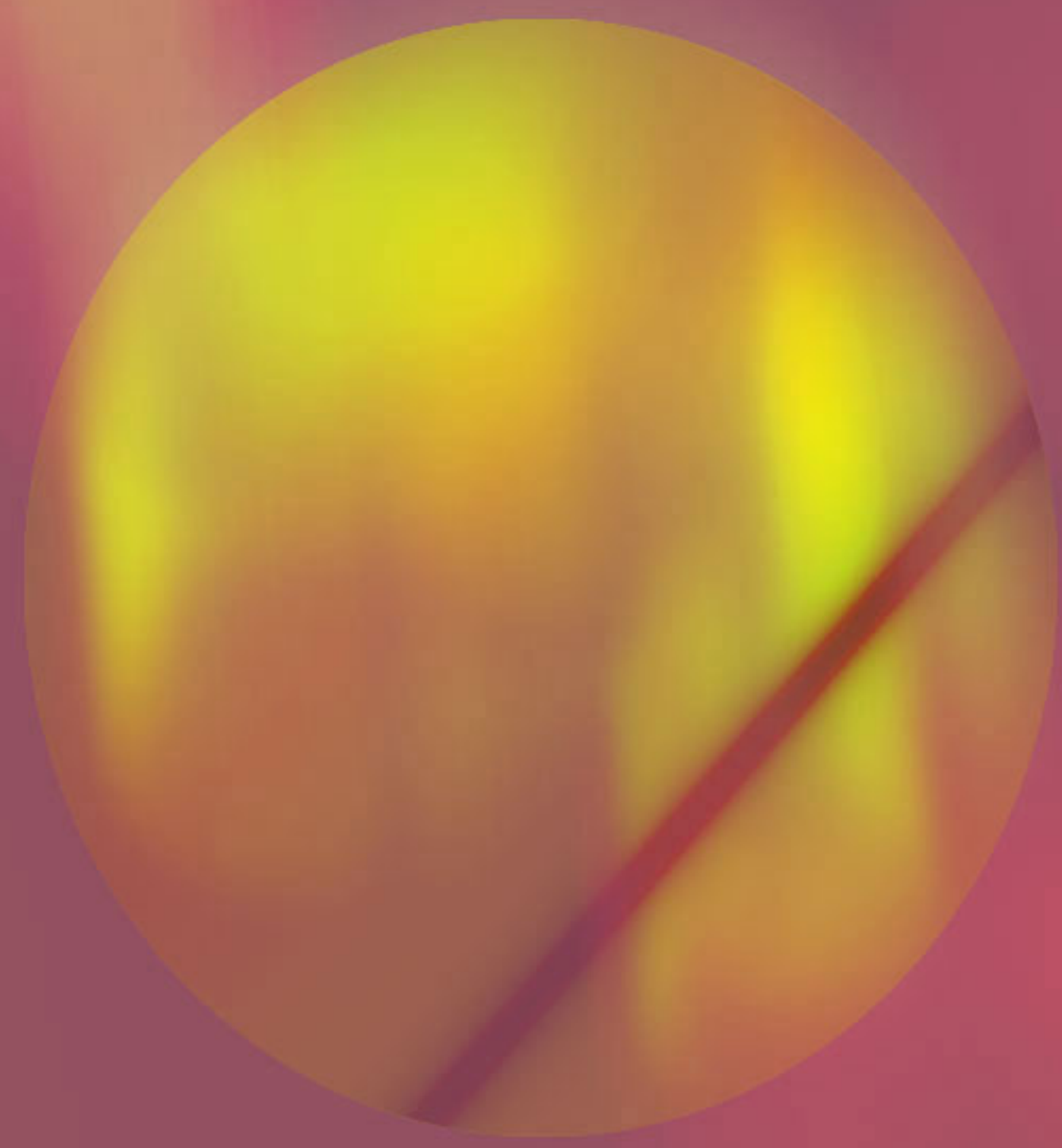
Under the current circumstances, this is completely understandable.



This is all my fault.

Planetoid 431 D

The Industrium Warp Gate Infiltration Site...



**FOR TOO LONG
HAS THE FUGITIVE FACTION
BEEN A THORN IN THE SIDE OF
THE INDUSTRIUM.**



**I HAVE BEEN ATTACKED
AND LEFT FOR DEAD BY
THEIR LEADER, AND TODAY
...I HAVE...
WROUGHT MY REVENGE
DOWN UPON THESE
MEDDLING FOOLS!
Ha Ha Ha!**



ONCE I HAD DISCOVERED THAT THEY WOULD ALL BE AT THE WYZARDLUND PEACE TALKS, MY GOAL WAS CLEAR. USING THIS EXPERIMENTAL DIMENSIONAL WARP GATE I WAS ABLE TO IMPLEMENT A PRECISE AND STRATEGIC ATTACK.



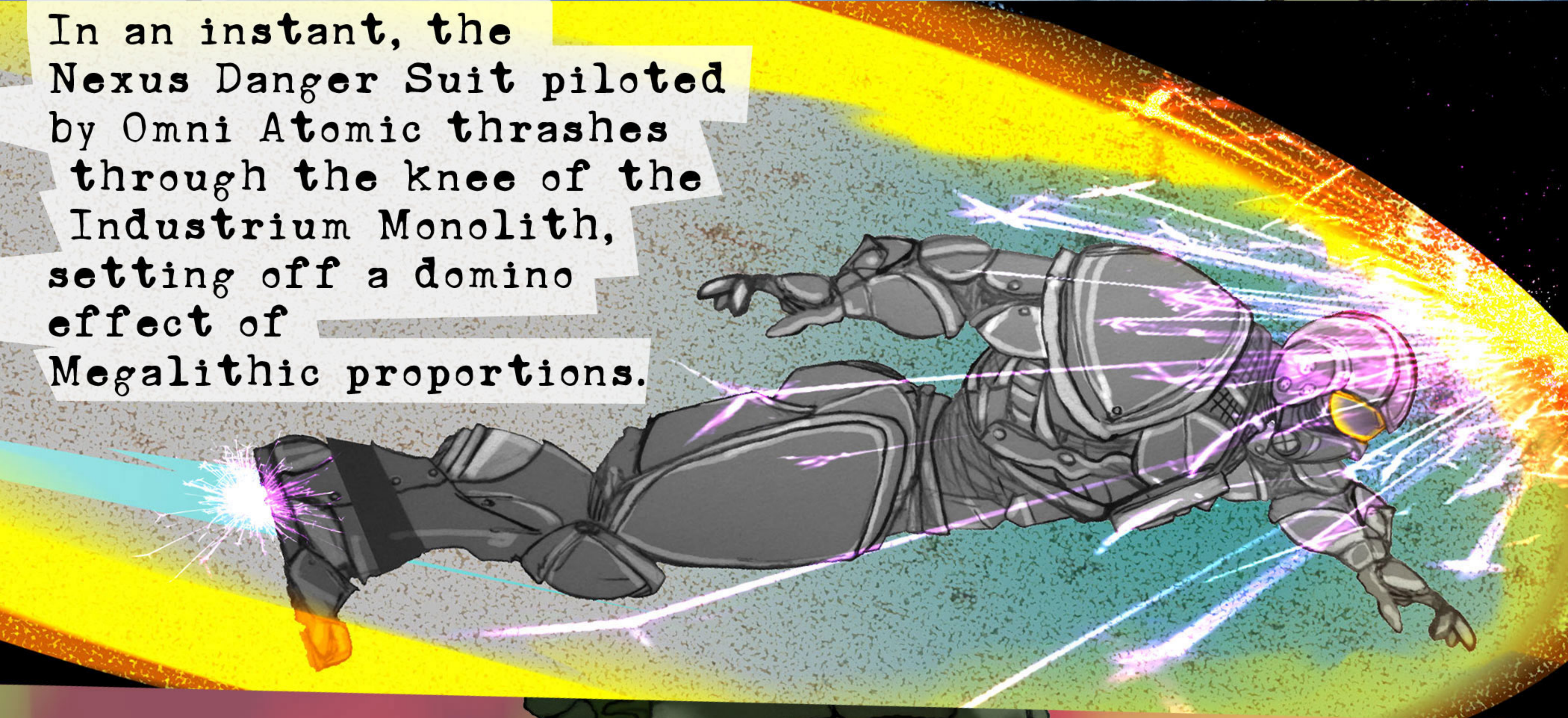
AND NOW, NOT ONLY HAVE I DESTROYED MY ENEMY...



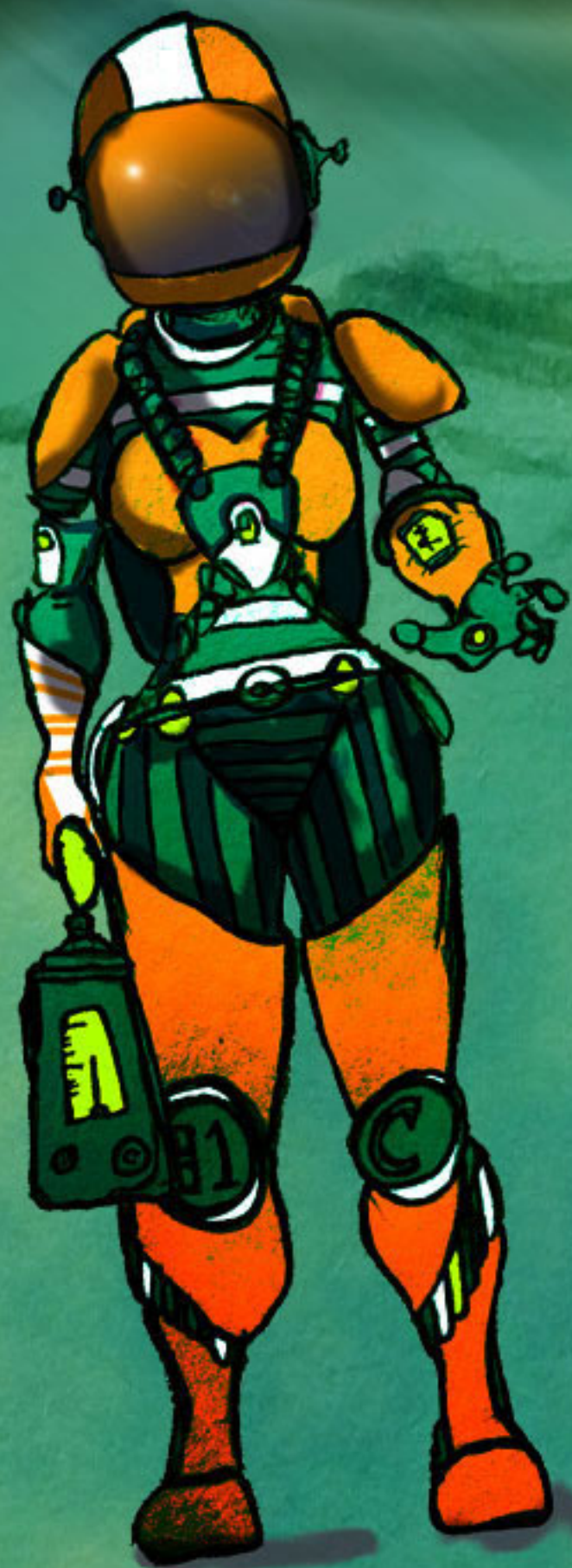
I HAVE GAINED A NEW REALM TO CONQUOR FOR THE INDUSTRIMUM!



In an instant, the Nexus Danger Suit piloted by Omni Atomic thrashes through the knee of the Industrium Monolith, setting off a domino effect of Megalithic proportions.



Omni Atomic
crash lands the
NEXUS DANGER
SUIT into a
nearby rock
cluster.



OH, MAN!



I AM GOING TO GET IN SO MUCH TROUBLE FOR THIS.



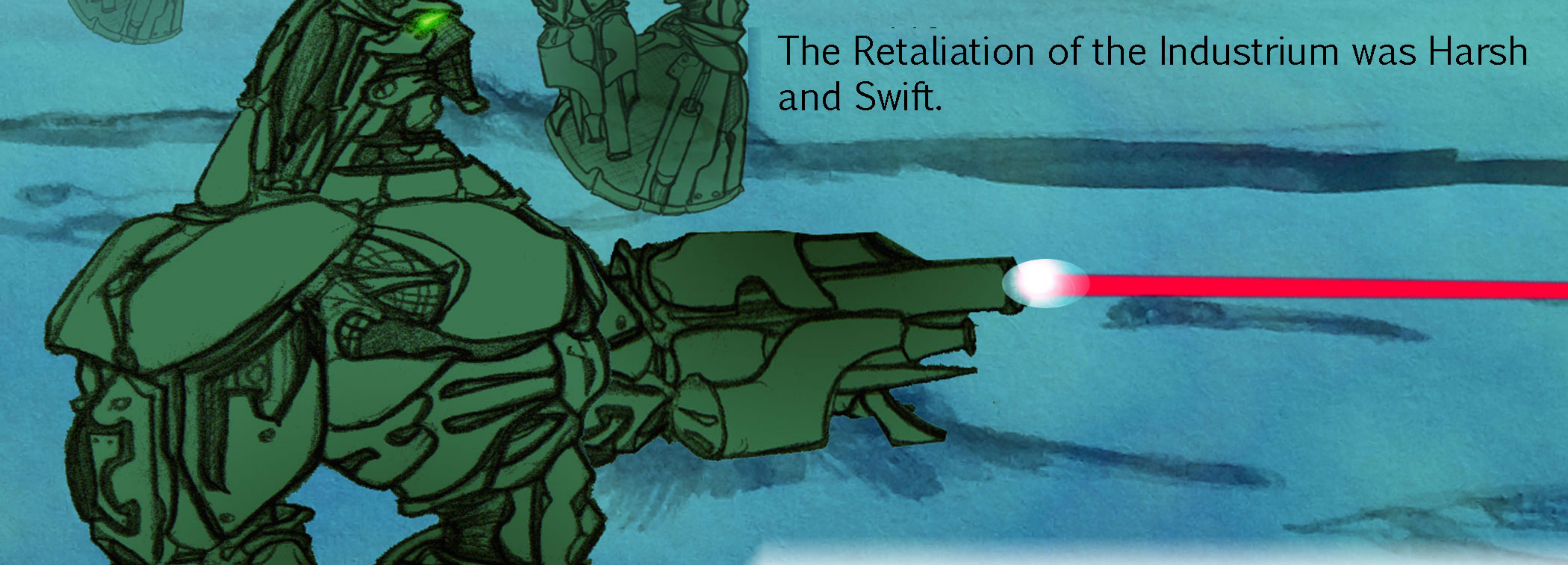
YES! THIS DAY WILL
LIVE ON IN THE
HISTORICAL CODEX
..FOR THE...
INDUSTRUM
...WHAT?



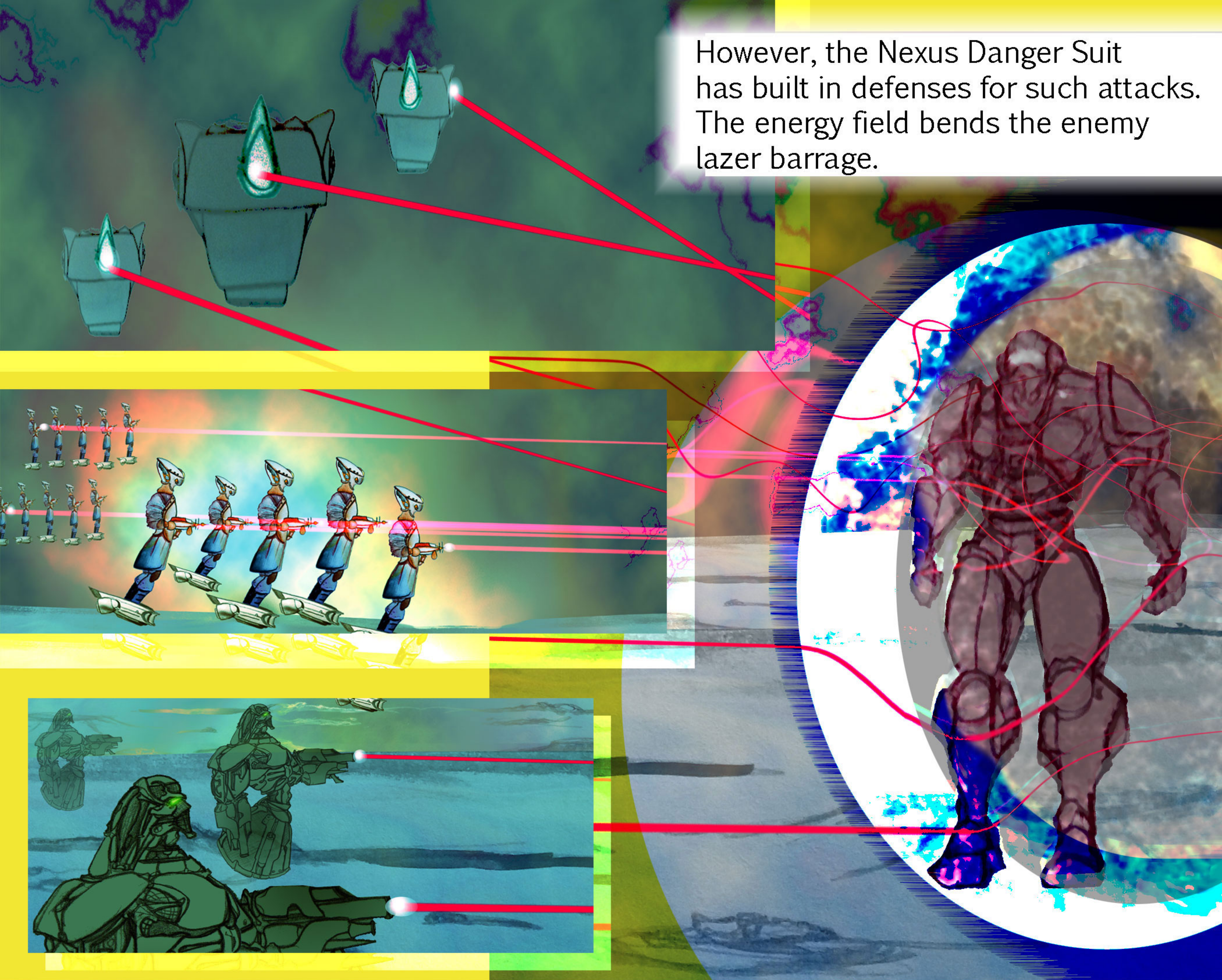




The Retaliation of the Industrium was Harsh and Swift.



However, the Nexus Danger Suit has built in defenses for such attacks. The energy field bends the enemy lazer barrage.

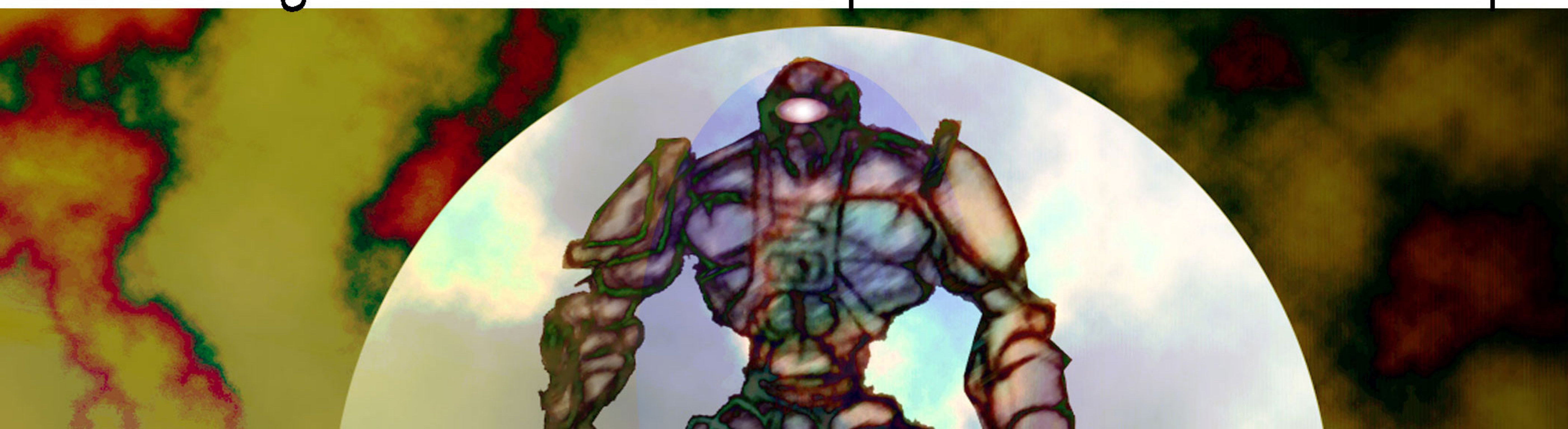




I begin to motivate, progressing steadily...Soon I am at a full charge, the speed of the Nexus Danger Suit accelerates my efforts. It was made for this. I push forward and as I do, I become a powerful force of raw demolition...



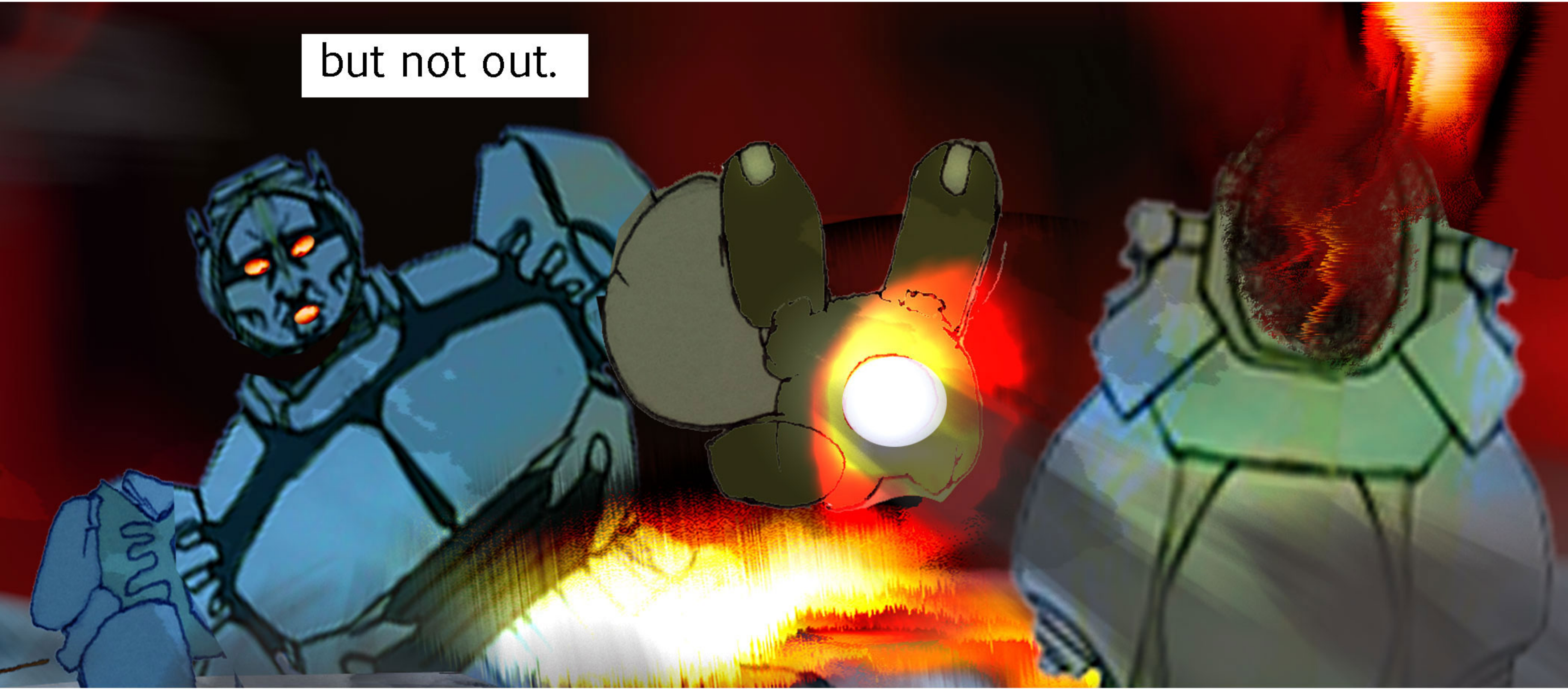
I cut through the ranks like a sharpened blade slices the crop.



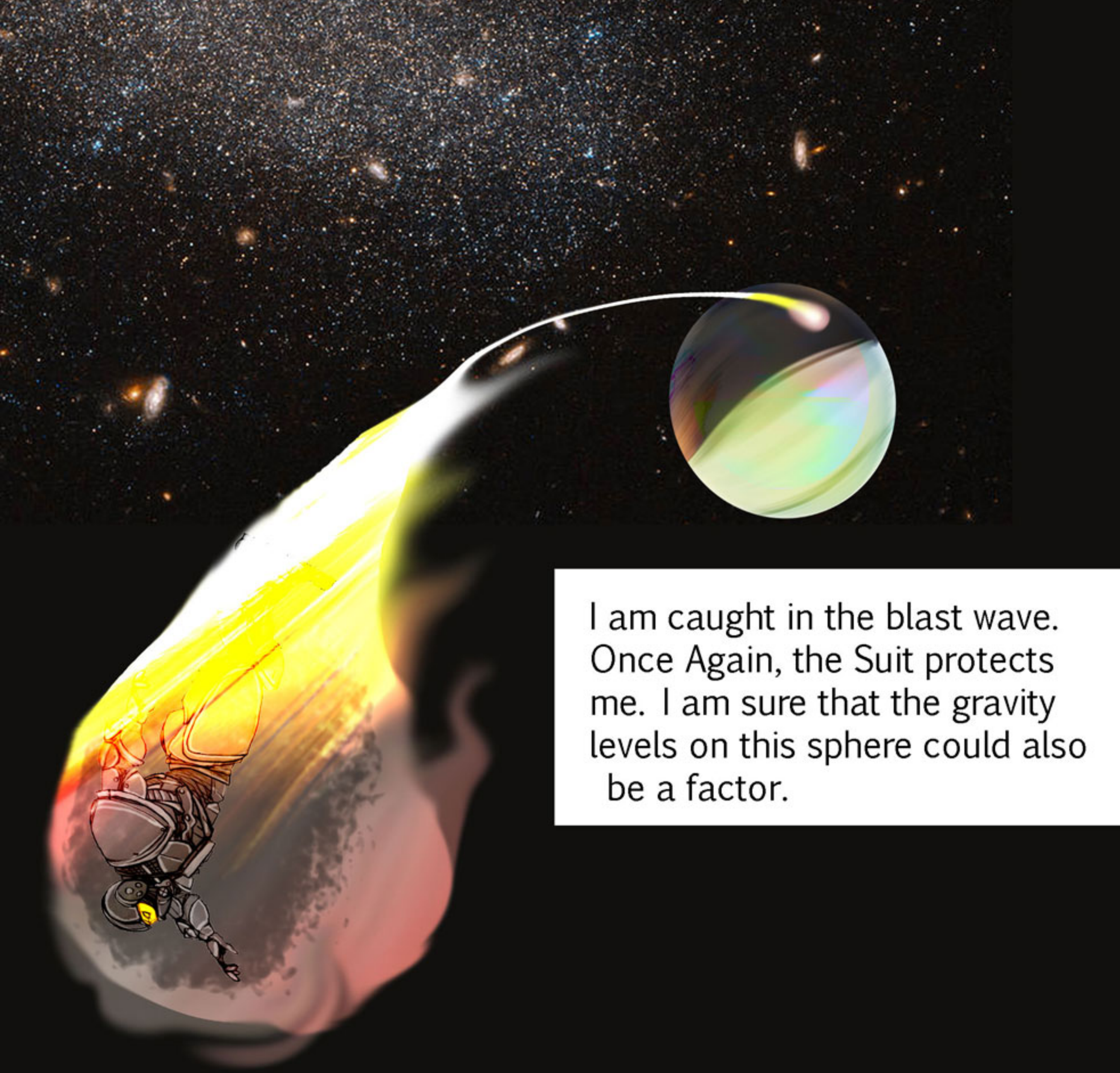


The Monolith is down,

but not out.



I find out too soon
how powerful it's blast can be.



I am caught in the blast wave. Once Again, the Suit protects me. I am sure that the gravity levels on this sphere could also be a factor.



I will use this to my advantage.



I attack with an orbital assault Punch

...Time to give this guy a splitting headache!



WHISTLING...

BOOM!




All...all of the Industrium war machines have been broken this day.



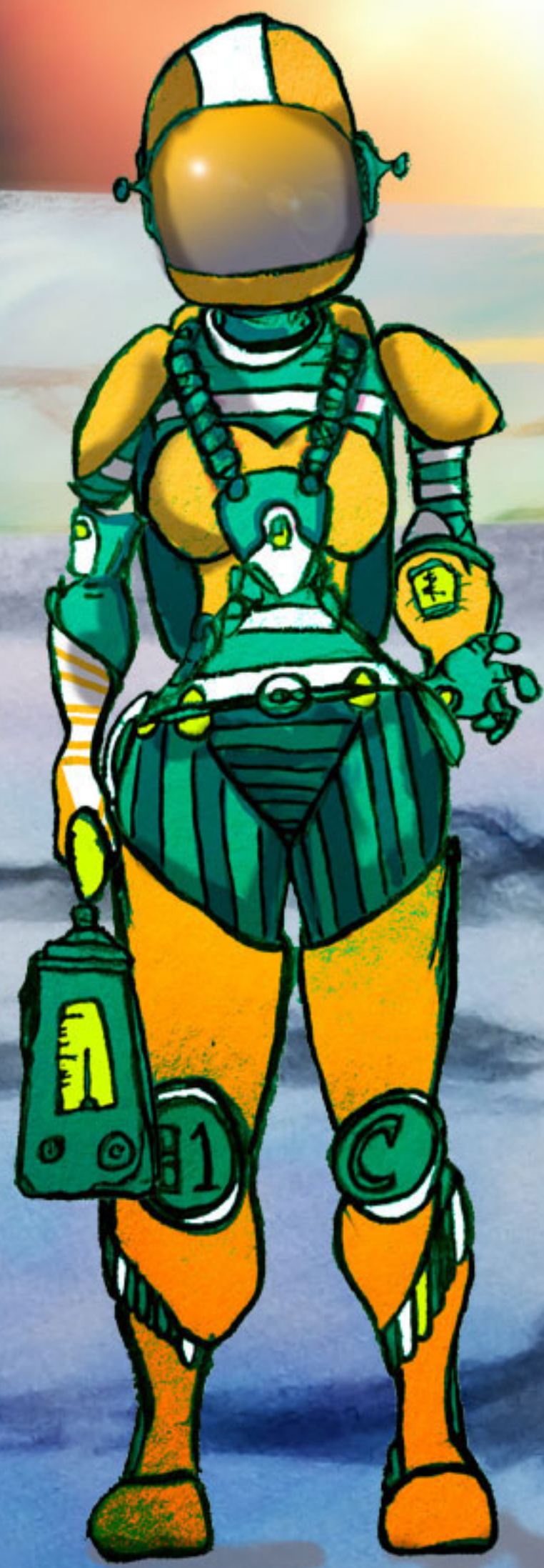
Yes...This day will live on
in the Historical codex
for the Industrium...
in Infamy.



ART, STORY, CONCEPT...
SHANE RONZIO



Hey there! That was some serious fireworks display that you lit off!



I came here to crush the enemy, and that is what I have done.

I sure do wish that you could have got here a little sooner. **The Industrium destroyed my Station Base.**



Survey crew member Zeno 10 reporting.

Oh? Your base was destroyed? Where will you go?

I...don't know. I'm sort of... stuck, homeless. I was a forager for my research group, we were stationed here on this barren rock. I signed up for 5 cycles. Pay out was after the 5th...now...everything is...

Open! You are free to go anywhere now. There is a whole Universe to explore, and the Industrium won't be in this sector anymore, at least not for a while.

Yes, but, how? I don't even have a ship, My life support systems are going to collapse under the strain of continual use.

I'm sure that things will work out. Don't you have people that you can contact, people that will look for you?

I'm not too sure, after my base was destroyed, they could have signed off on the whole thing. I doubt it, honestly.

I...was an orphan on a battlefield...long ago. I don't remember anything before that day my Guardian found me, It was a terrible battle, I just remember a time when I was young, happy, then there was war...everything is a fog after that. I can't even remember the faces of my family.

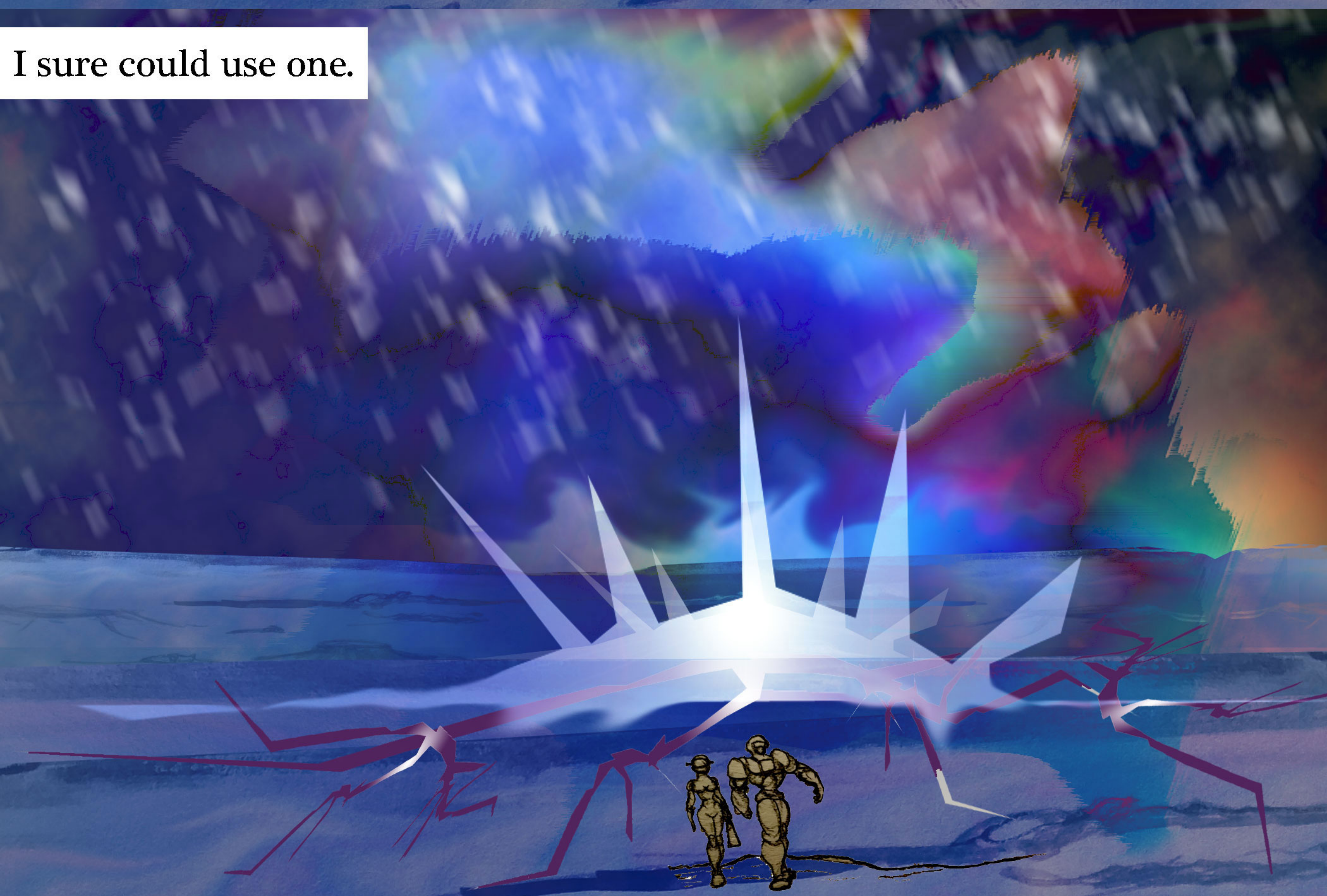





Do they all have these ...Super Suits where you come from?

This suit?...Well...it is better if I don't say too much about this suit ...or where I come from.

I sure could use one.



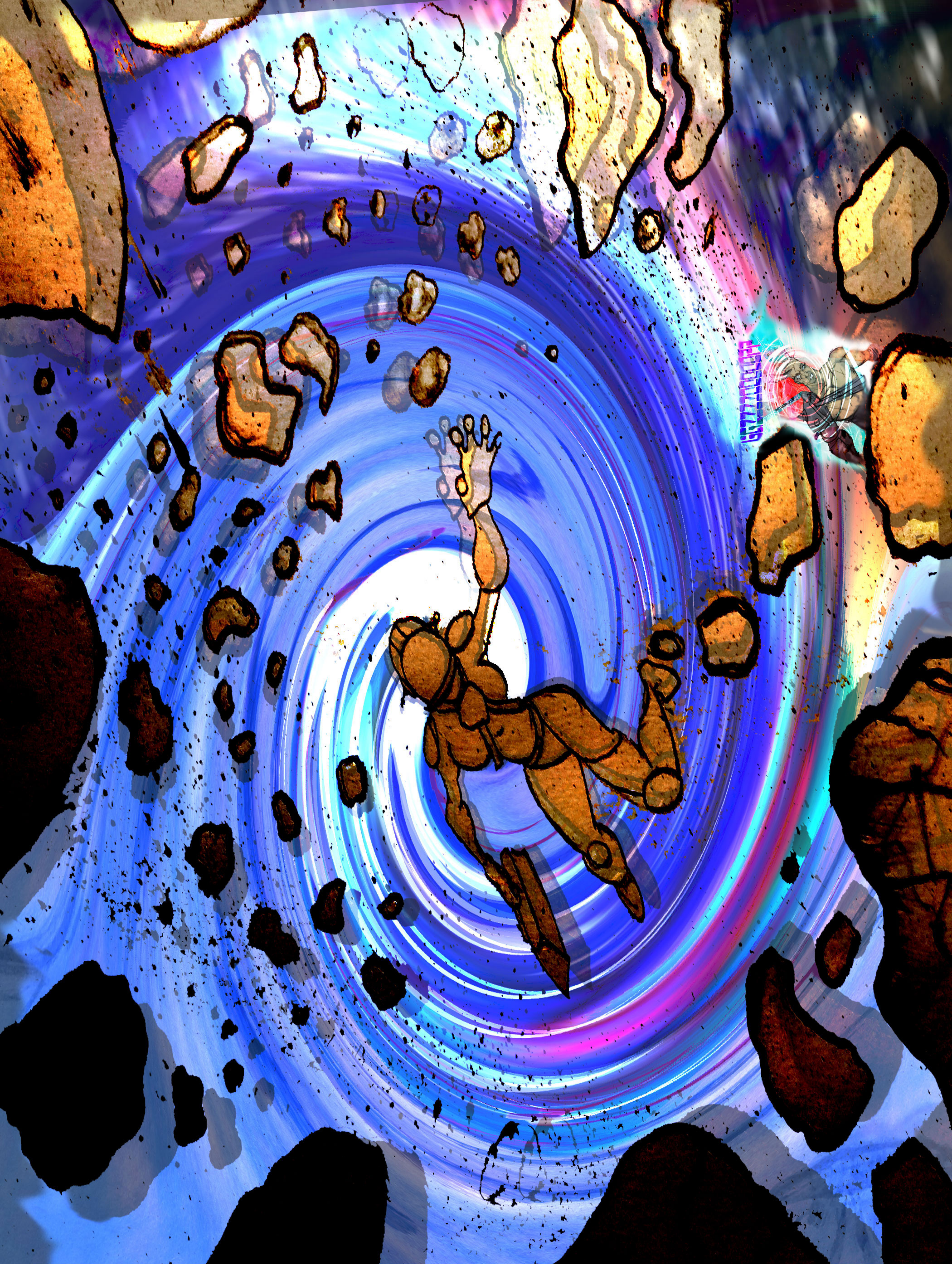
Yeah, there are tons of people out there that would love to get the technology that went into building this suit!
Cross dimensional alien tech, reverse engineered by the greatest machinist to ever go through the academy...



OMNI ATOMIC THIS IS SPECIAL
AGENT KID AT NEXXBURGH BASE ONE
CLOSE THE BREACH I REPEAT
YOU MUST CLOSE THE BREACH

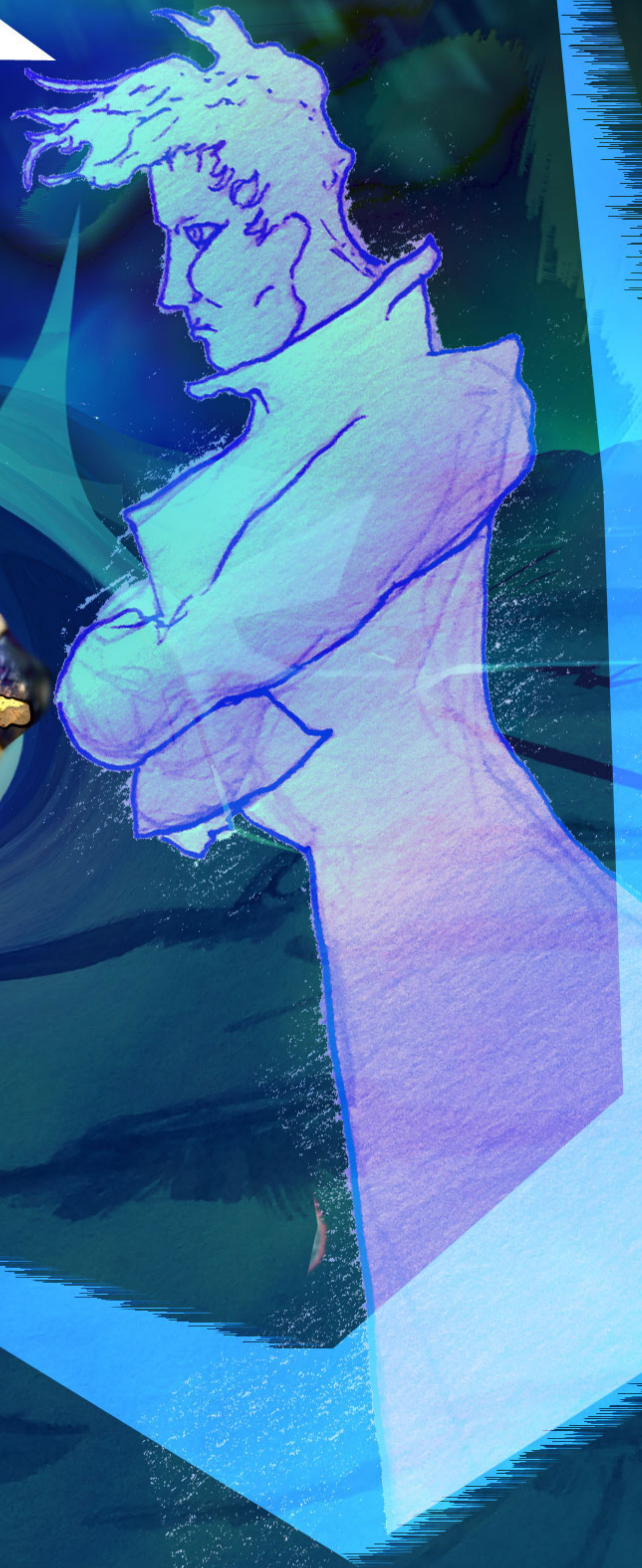


Agent Kid! Wait...what?

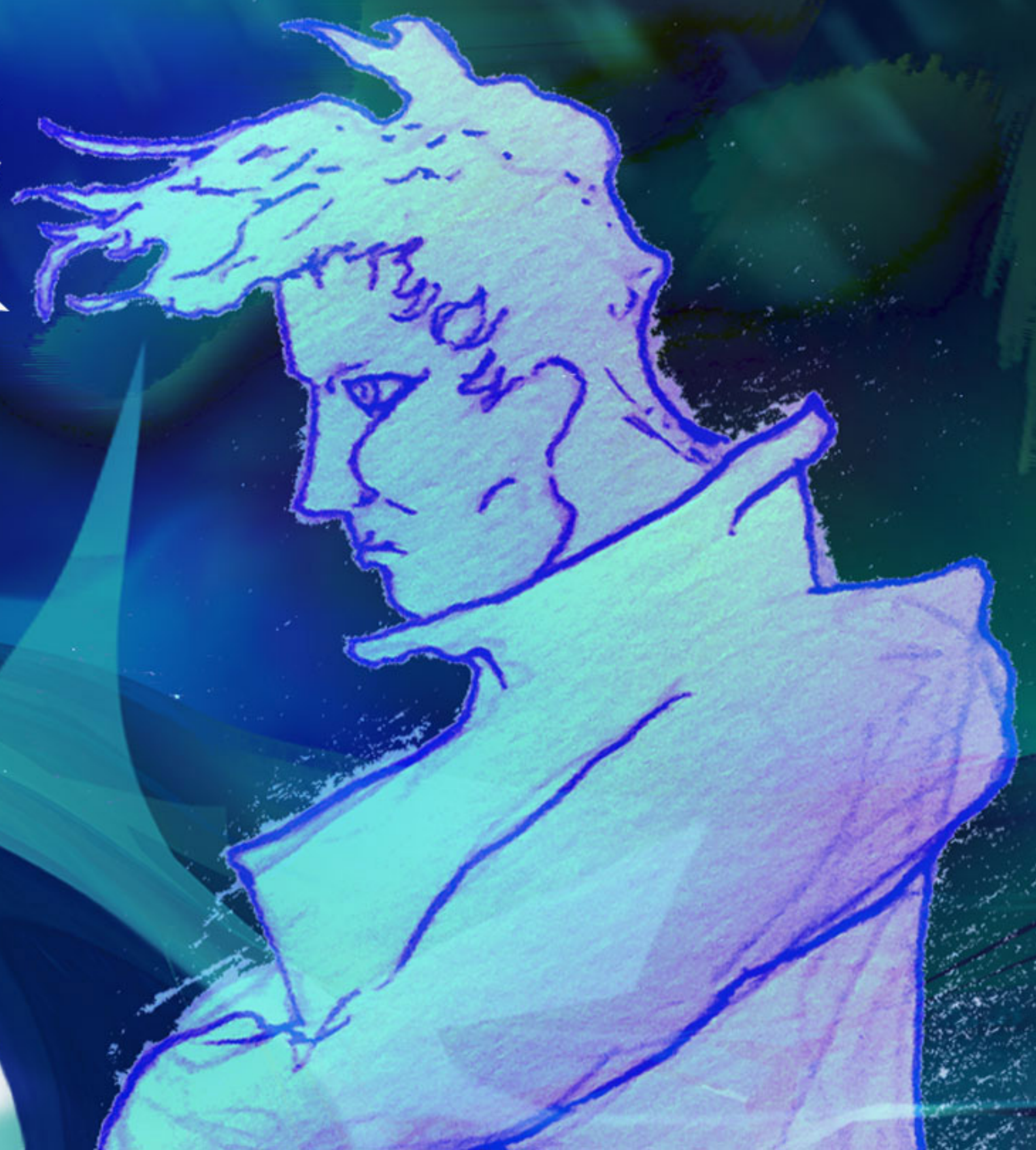


Just then the unthinkable happens, Omni looks on in horror as the girl is swept in by the undertow current of the Collapsing industrium rift.

THE WARP BREACH HAS NOT BEEN FULLY CLOSED
THE RIFT IS GROWING IN POWER IT COULD POTENTIALLY
DESTROY EVERYTHING IN ITS PATH AND CAUSE
A BLACK HOLE IN TIME AND SPACE AND RIP REALITY
TO SHREDS IT IS AN UNSTABLE RIFT



OMNI ATOMIC YOU ARE THE ONLY AGENT
THAT CAN GET THERE IN TIME YOU MUST
CLOSE THE BREACH



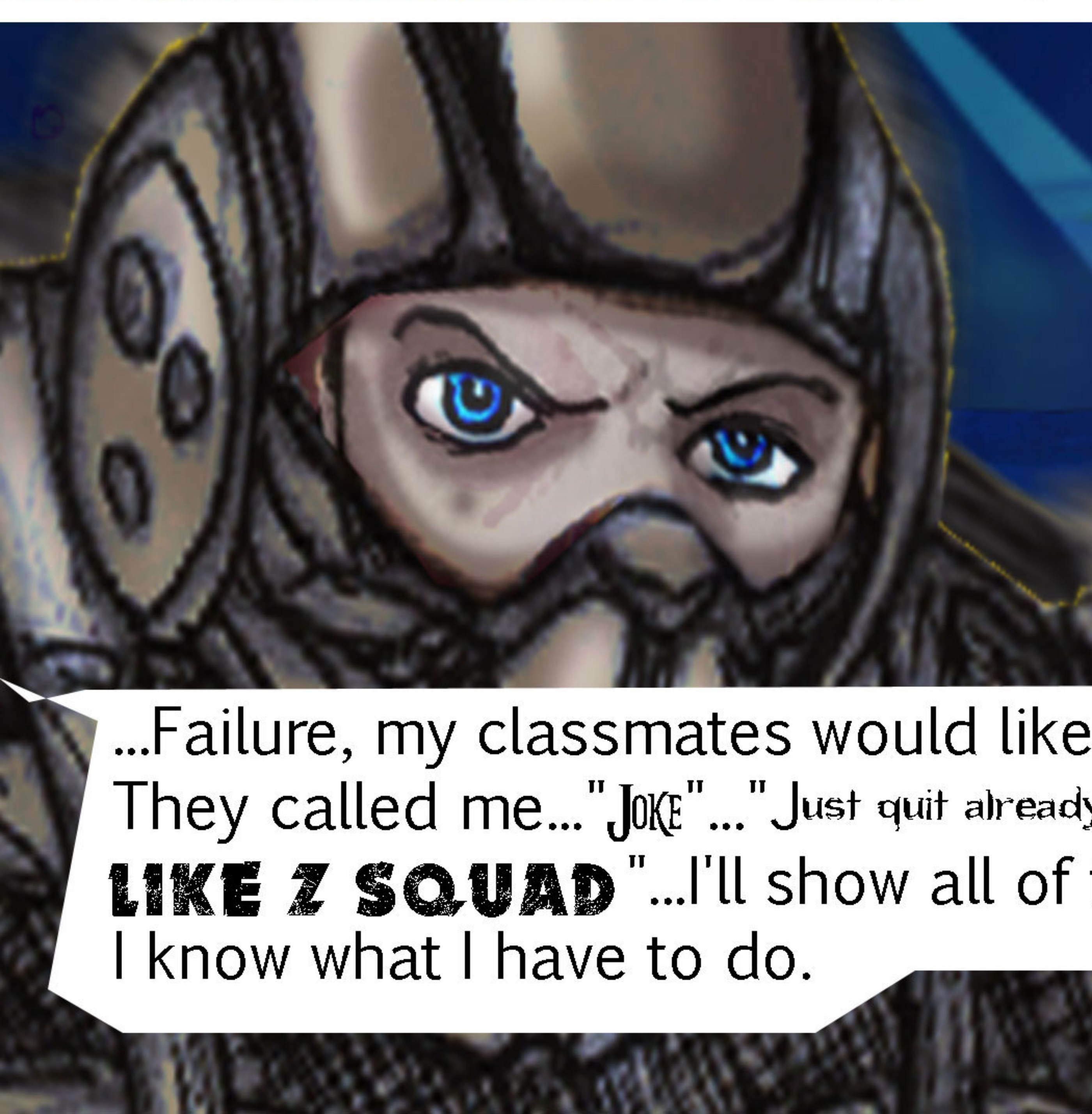


But' I can't do both

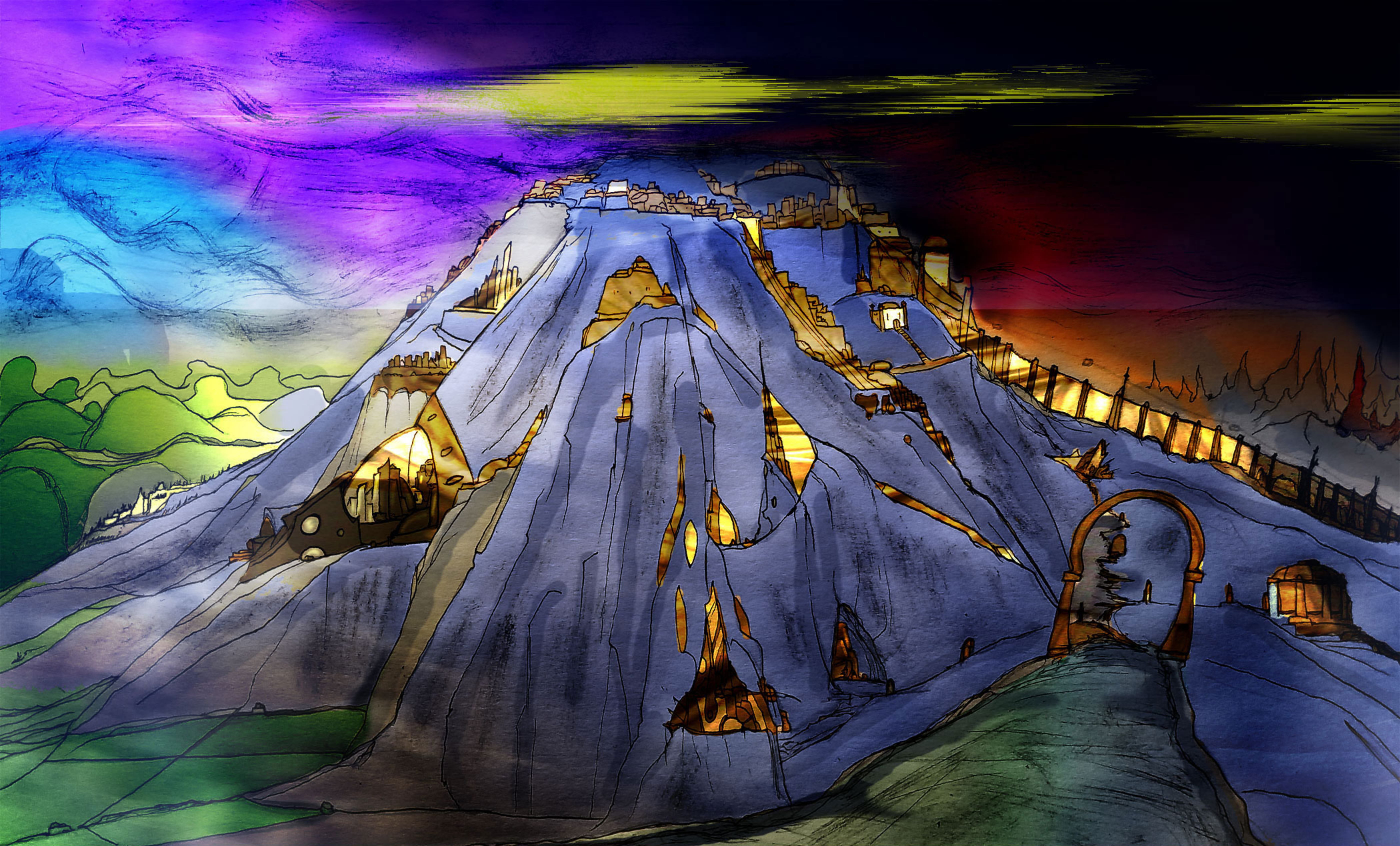
...If I seal the Breach, I can't save the Girl!



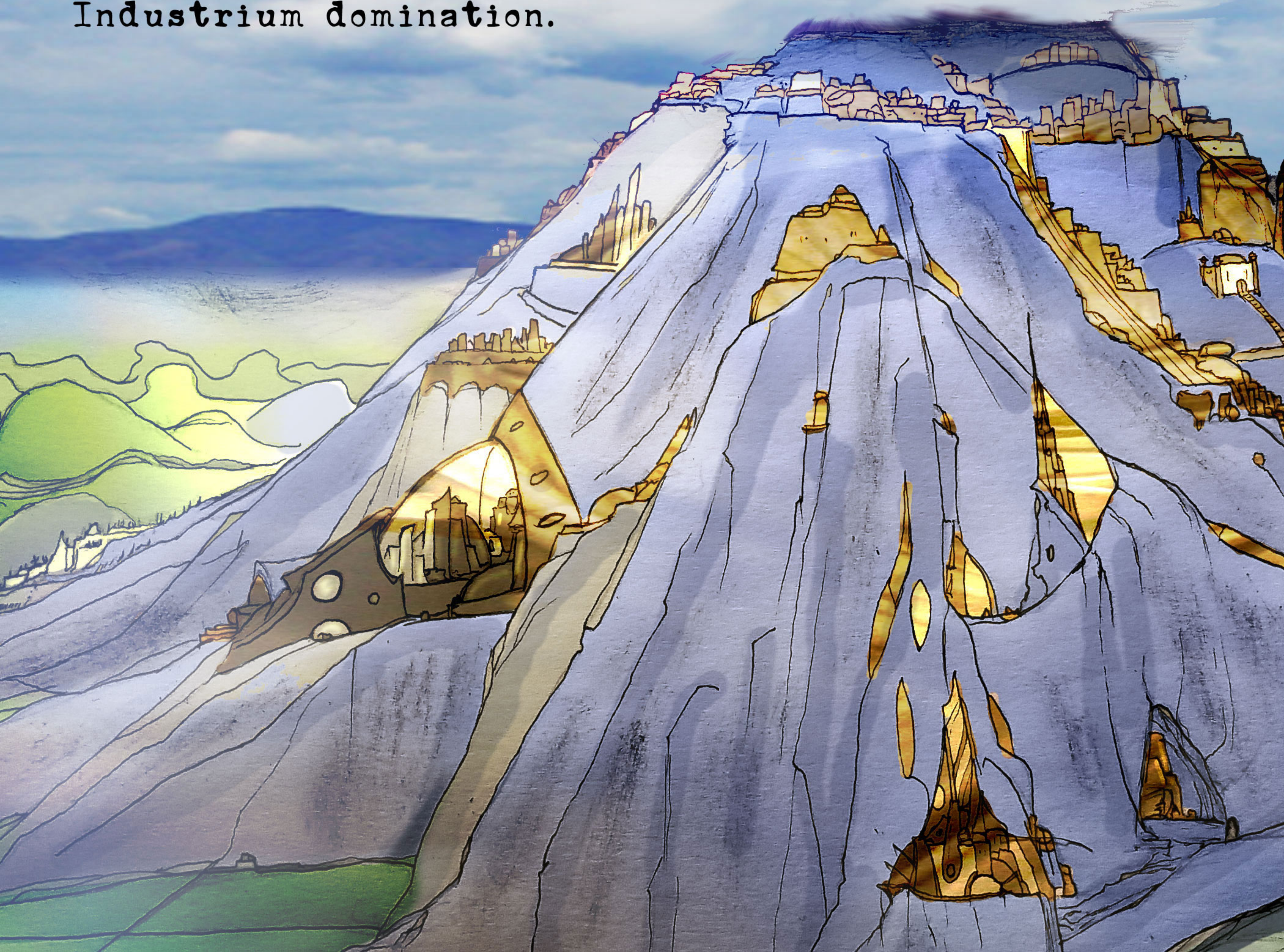
WE HAVE REMOTELY ACTIVATED A TIME SUSPENSION
ALLOWING YOU TO SEAL IT



...Failure, my classmates would like that, wouldn't they?
They called me... "JOKE" ... "Just quit already" ... "**B SQUAD...MORE
LIKE Z SQUAD**" ...I'll show all of them! I'm sorry...
I know what I have to do.



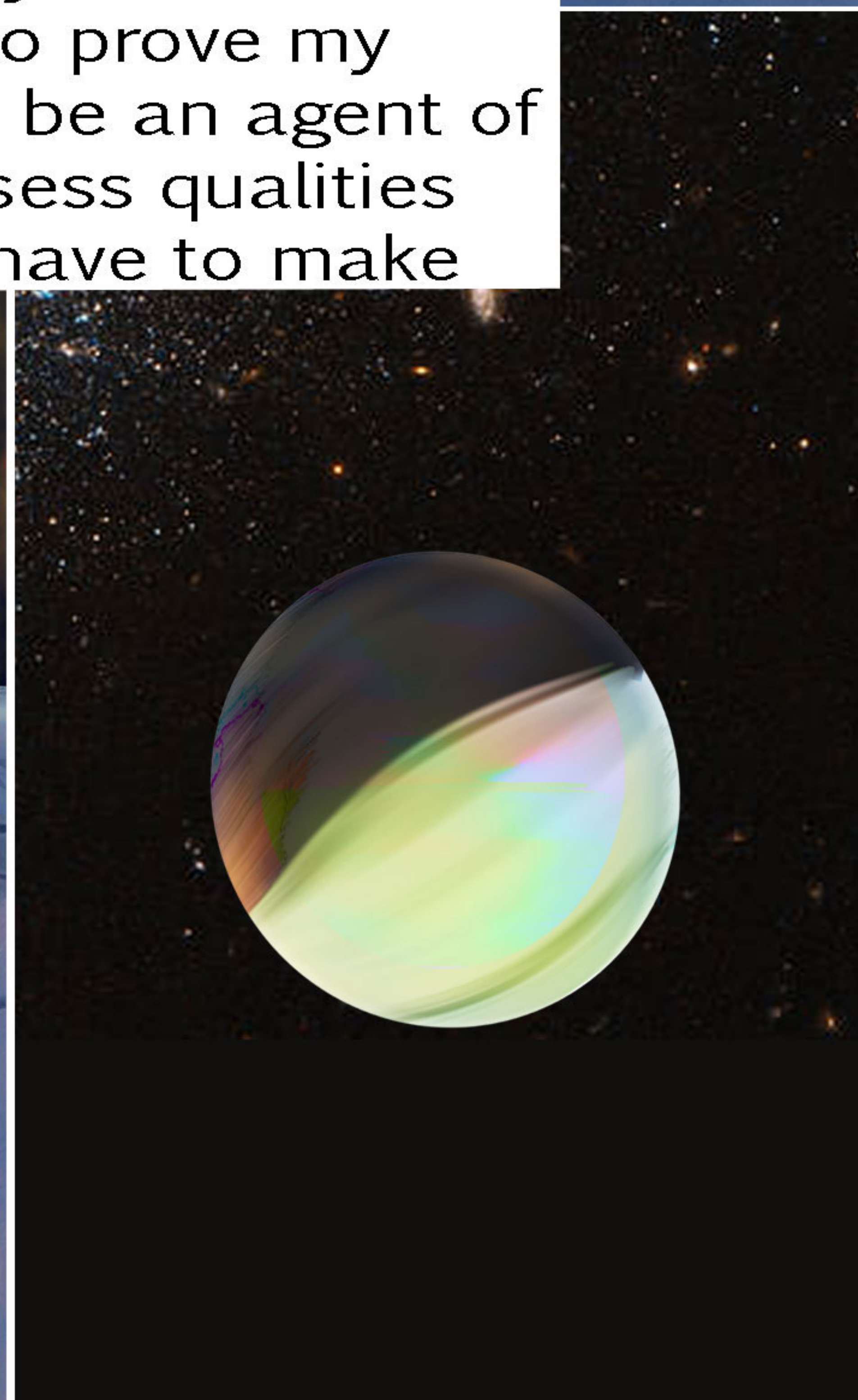
In the Realm of Wyzardlund, the Invasion comes to a grinding halt, the sky above the ruins of King Xard's palace loses it's menacing appearance ...And a new era dawns on this Magical Realm...One free of Industrium domination.



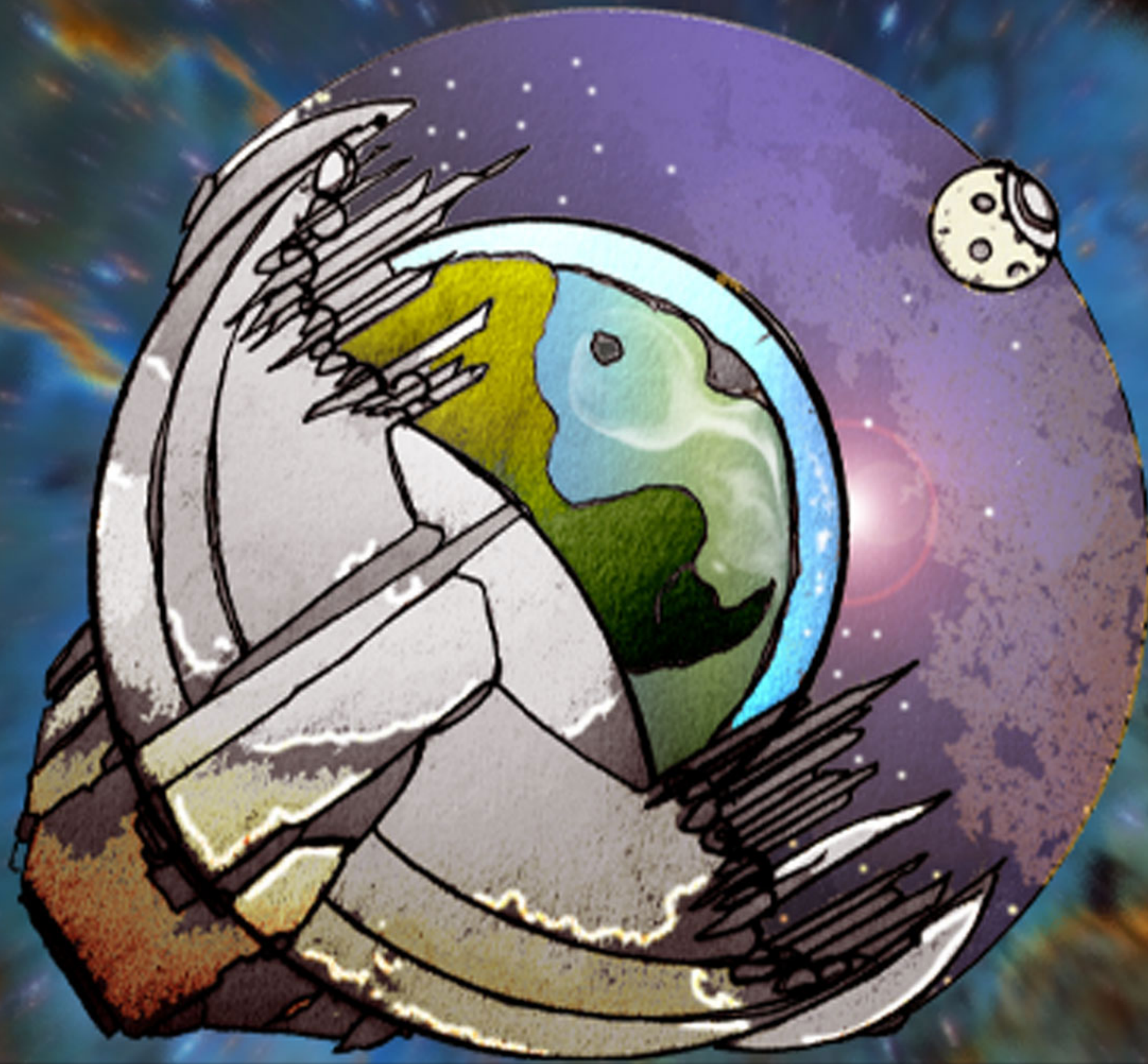
GOOD WORK TODAY, OMNI...RETURN TO BASE.



My Order is ancient, I have studied to be in it's ranks, I have struggled to be recognized for my efforts. Recently, I have seized the opportunity to prove my self in the heat of combat. However, to be an agent of the Cross Worlds Nexus, you must possess qualities other than brute force. Sometimes you have to make the tough call.



Today I had to make a hard decision.

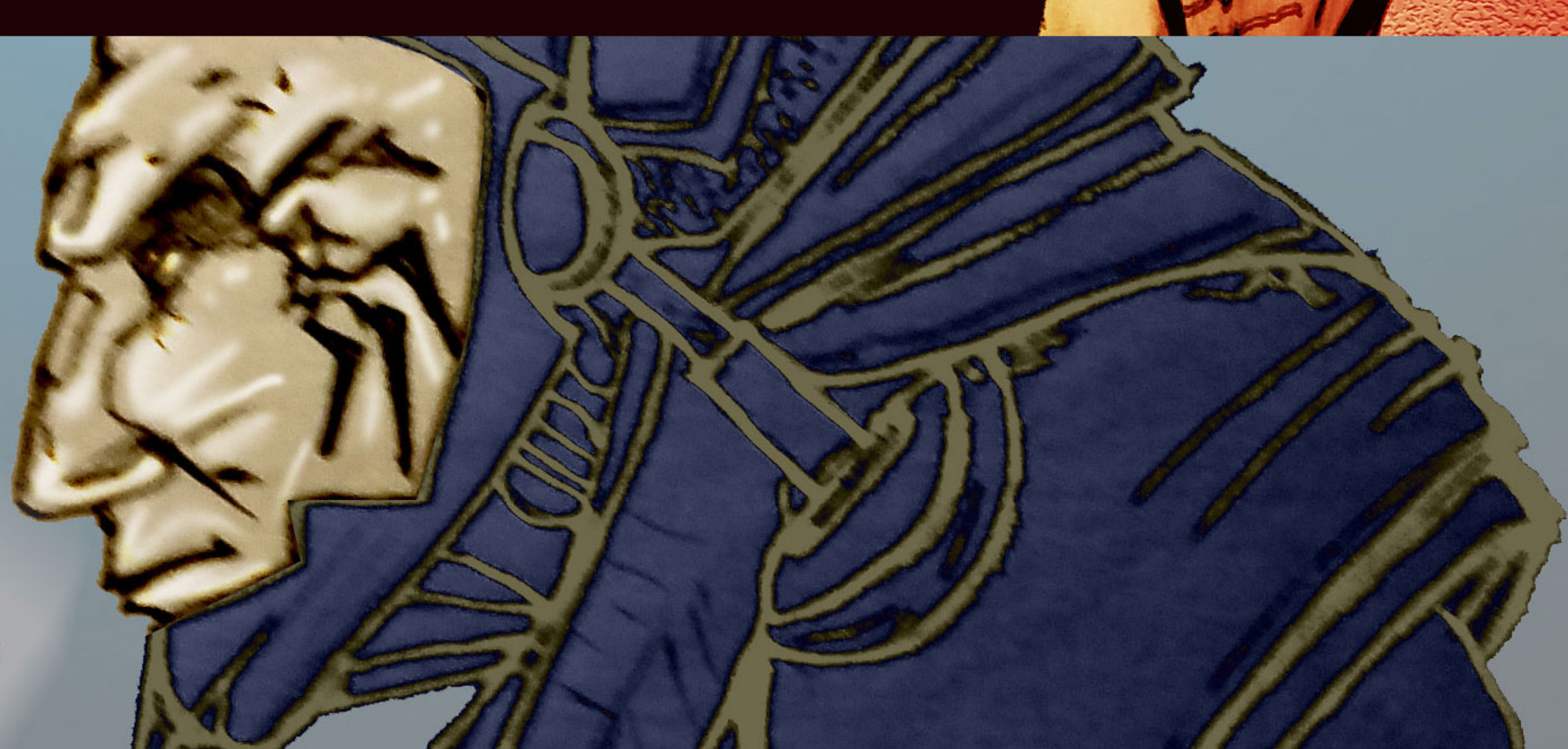
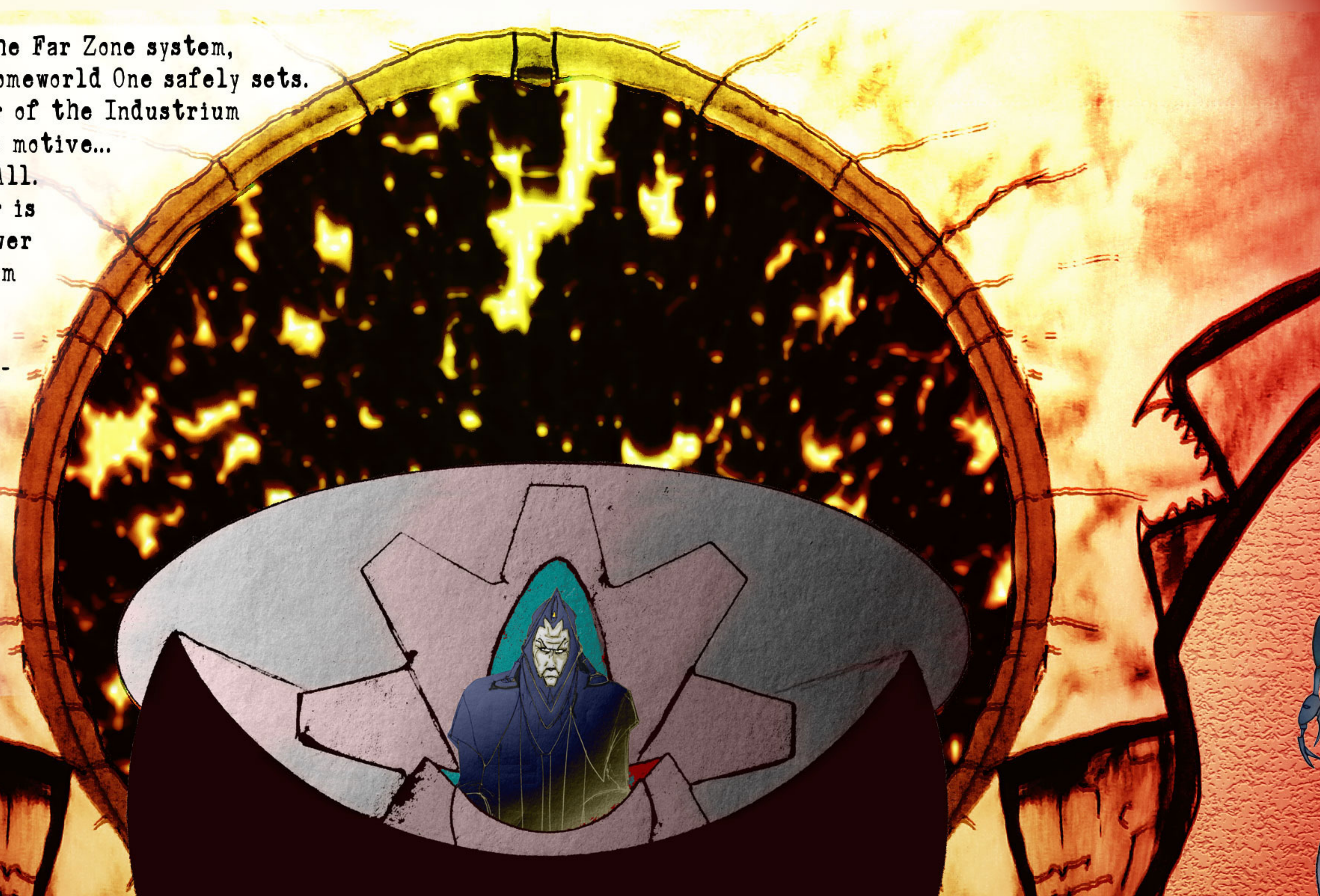


INDUSTRIMUM HOMEWORLD ONE

On the edge of the Far Zone system,
the Industrium Homeworld One safely sets.
The Ancient Ruler of the Industrium
order has only one motive...
Industrium Over All.
The Cold Chamber is
the center of power
for the Industrium
Dominion.

-Conquest Report.-

This is an odd
unscheduled
event.
After a heavy
thoughtful
moment,
The ancient
ruler speaks...



SEND THEM FORWARD.

Greatest leader, I am ever most humbled to have the privilege to deliver this message for you. I should get on with it then, yes , you see, there has been a Delay with the invasion of Wyzardlund. The forces at the experimental warp gate site have all been laid asunder by none other than the same Fugitive Faction that destroyed the All Factory recently.



Only this time it was just one man.

...And now that makes a total of 3 a'hem 'indestructable' Industrium Monoliths that have been reduced to rubble by them...in only a short ammount of time.

Word of your weakening reign has spread far and wide as they continue to steal victory from your grasp.





SNIVELING WHELP!

**LEAVE THIS CHAMBER
AT ONCE!
I WANT YOU
OUT OF MY SITE!
ACTIVATE THE SLEEPER
AGENT,
I WILL NOT
TOLERATE THESE
AGGRESSIONS
ANY LONGER!
THE REIGN
OF THE
INDUSTRIMUM
SHALL BE
ABSOLUTE!**

**THE CITY OF NEXXBURG,
HOME TO THE
FUGITIVE FACTION.**



But why can't we just go back before the incident in Wyzardlund and get our people out before it happens?

Because you activated the suit prematurely and took the available Flux Point, that's why our missions are planned out and implemented by responsible experts. Now a year will pass before we can even find out what happened to our field operatives.

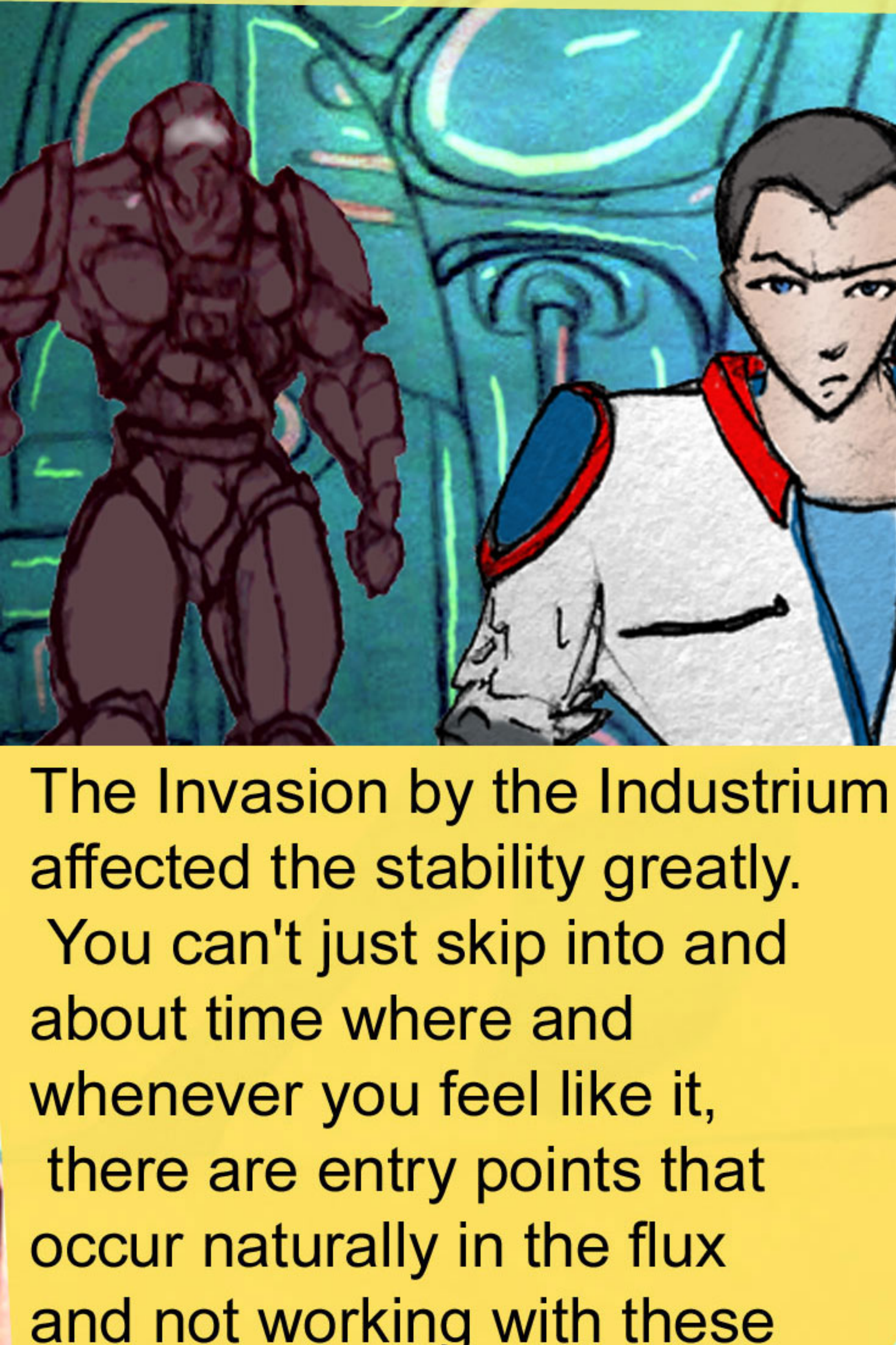
A year has passed since the incident there?



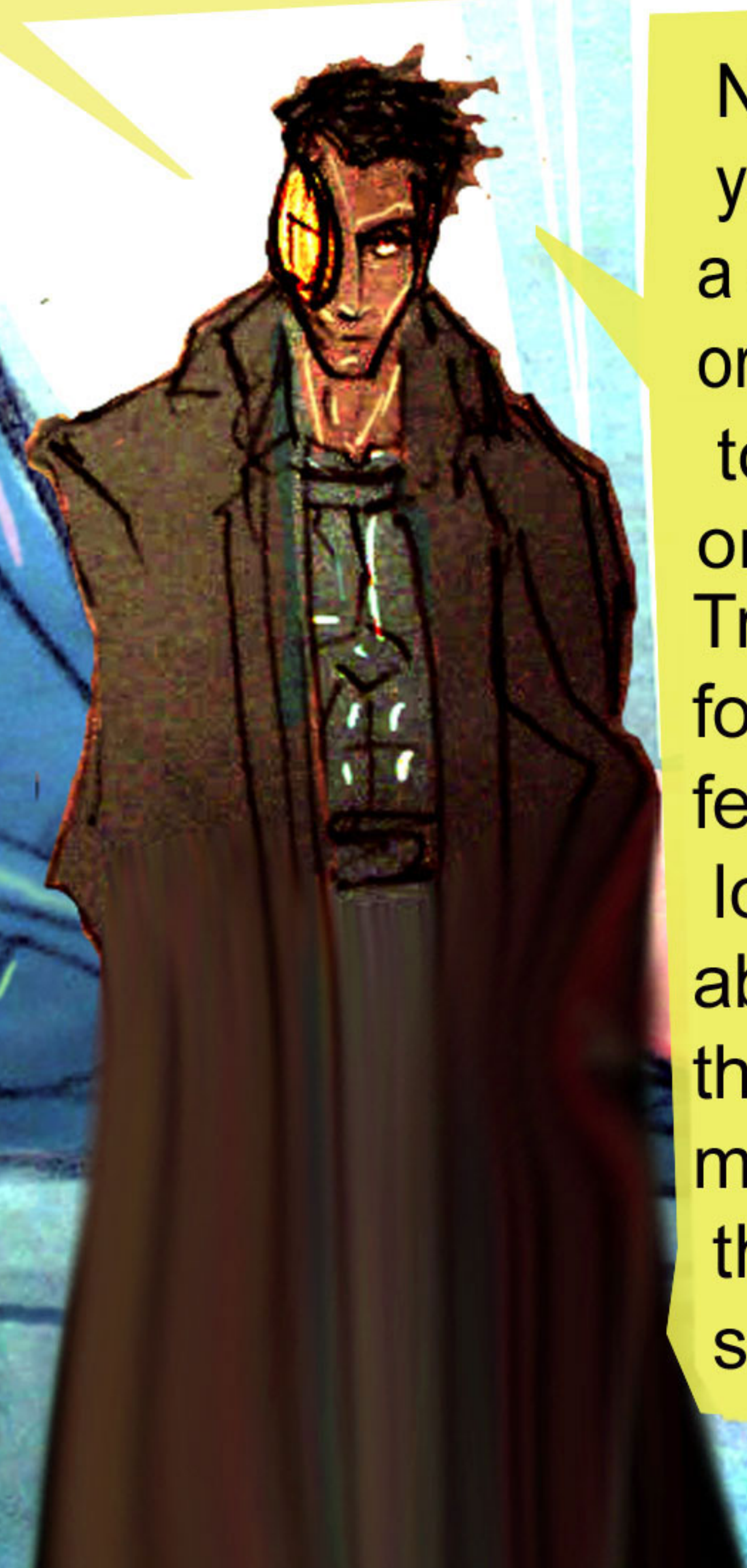
Time flows differently between here and there, the next available entry point is about a year later. Why can't we just go back before? The Time Break made everything unstable. The Invasion by the Industrium affected the stability greatly.

That's why you can't just go back and try to change things. We can respond to Time Breakers, we can shut down the people who try. When that happens we have to go to the time break and stop the crisis before it fractures and splinters into infinity! That's also why your supersuit there knew exactly where to go, it went in autopilot to the time break.

Look, just don't.



But the girl!
Her Base,
her people
were already
destroyed!
What about
all of the
casualties
in
Wyzardlund?



Need I remind
you that this is
a clandestine
order. Don't talk
to locals while
on a mission!
Try not to
focus on the
few that were
lost and think
about all of
those untold
multitudes
that were
saved!

The Invasion by the Industrium affected the stability greatly. You can't just skip into and about time where and whenever you feel like it, there are entry points that occur naturally in the flux and not working with these natural phenomenon can really mess things up!

Bzz

BZZ

-INCOMING

ALERT-

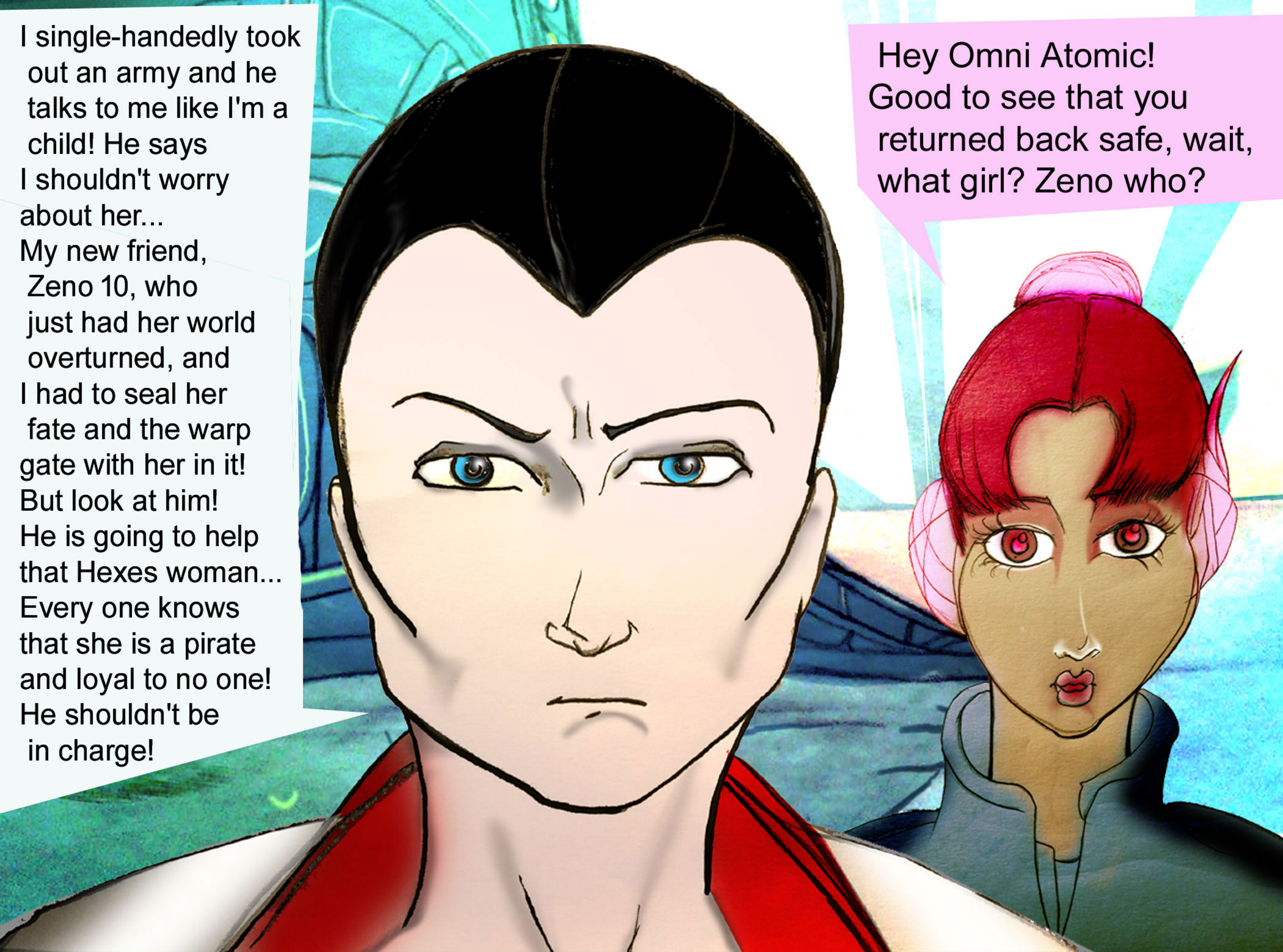


Well, I have a
distress call from
Hexes. I have to go.
Good work out there,
you did manage to
stop the crisis.
I'll return shortly.
Just keep away from the
locked down super
weapons unless they
are needed or...
You are directed to do so.
Stay out of trouble young man.



I single-handedly took out an army and he talks to me like I'm a child! He says I shouldn't worry about her... My new friend, Zeno 10, who just had her world overturned, and I had to seal her fate and the warp gate with her in it! But look at him! He is going to help that Hexes woman... Every one knows that she is a pirate and loyal to no one! He shouldn't be in charge!

Hey Omni Atomic! Good to see that you returned back safe, wait, what girl? Zeno who?



I should be in charge.

Oh!?





THE TRUNK.



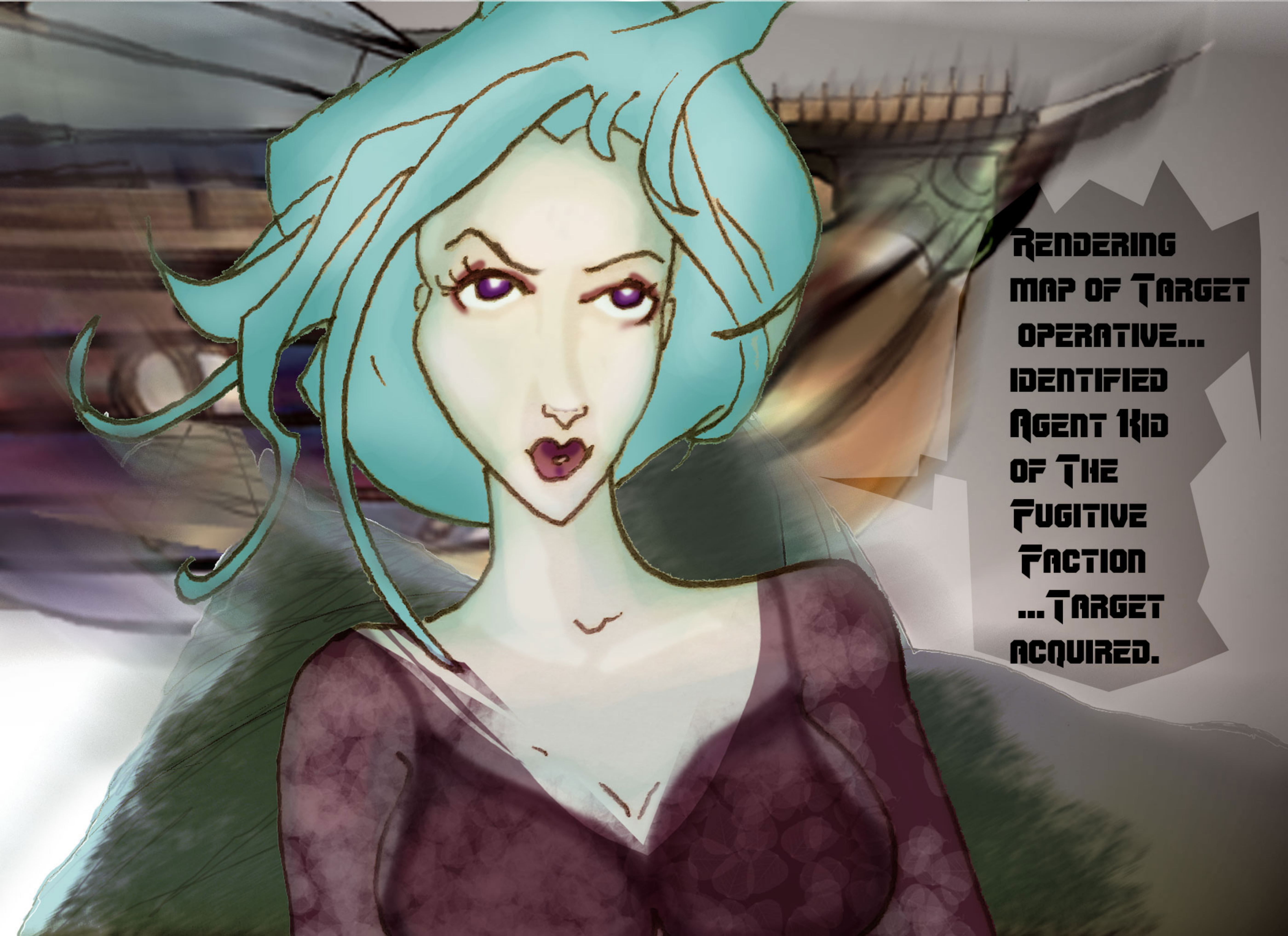
Cap'n Skinny Docks his fine ship,
the Nautee Lass, for a brief hiatus.
All is calm under the stars.

HEY! IF IT ISN'T ME OL PAL,
AGENT KID! WHAT BRINGS
YER SORRY SELF ALL THE
WAY OUT TO THE TRUNK IS YE
ON ONE OF THEM SECRET
MISSIONS?

Hey
Cap'n
Skinny



RENDERING
MAP OF TARGET
OPERATIVE...
IDENTIFIED
AGENT KID
OF THE
FUGITIVE
FACTION
...TARGET
ACQUIRED.



Hexes sent me an urgent distress signal, I made it here as fast as I could, but it seems rather calm here?

THINGS ARE PRETTY DULL AROUND HERE, LAD. THAT'S WHY I LIKES THE PLACE! IT'S A GOOD SPOT TO LAY LOW & HAVE A DRINK OF SOME ALE! HEY, I EVER TELL YOU ABOUT THE TIME...

Target acquired?

-Target Acquired-



KILL KILL KILL



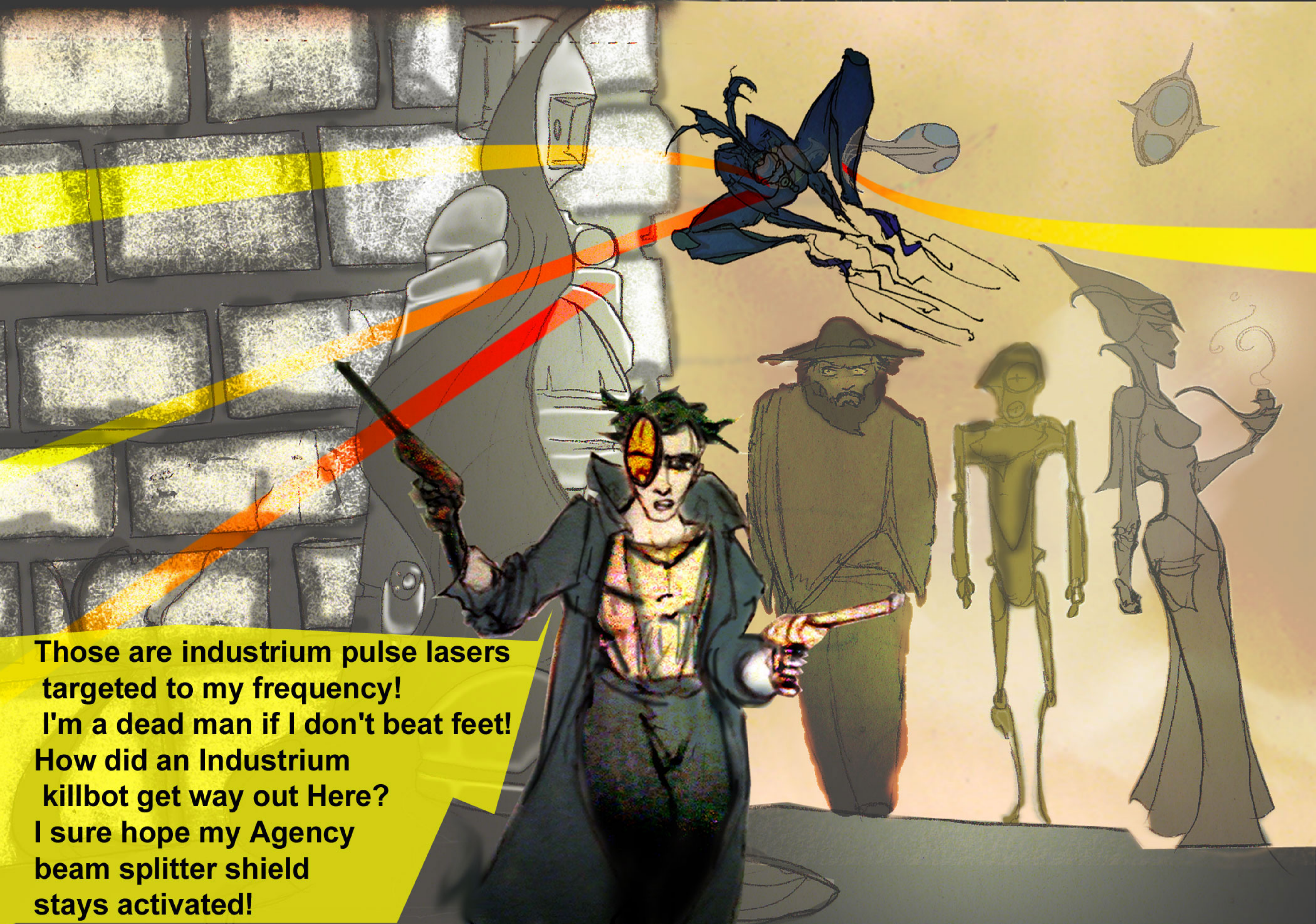
Death to the Fugitive Faction!

BETTER RUN, BOY-O!

Whoa?



Wait, what the...?



Those are industrium pulse lasers targeted to my frequency!
I'm a dead man if I don't beat feet!
How did an Industrium killbot get way out Here?
I sure hope my Agency beam splitter shield stays activated!



KILL KILL KILL

KILL KILL KILL www

HEY UGLY!

**I'm
toast!**

**YOU AIN'T HEXUS!
I KNEW YOU WAS
ACTIN' DIFFERENT
LATELY!**

THWACK



WELL KID, I NEVER SAW THAT COMING!
I'VE SEEN HEXES HAVE HER MOOD SWINGS,
THIS ONE THO, CAN'T SAY I'VE SEEN ANYTHING
LIKE THAT BEFORE!



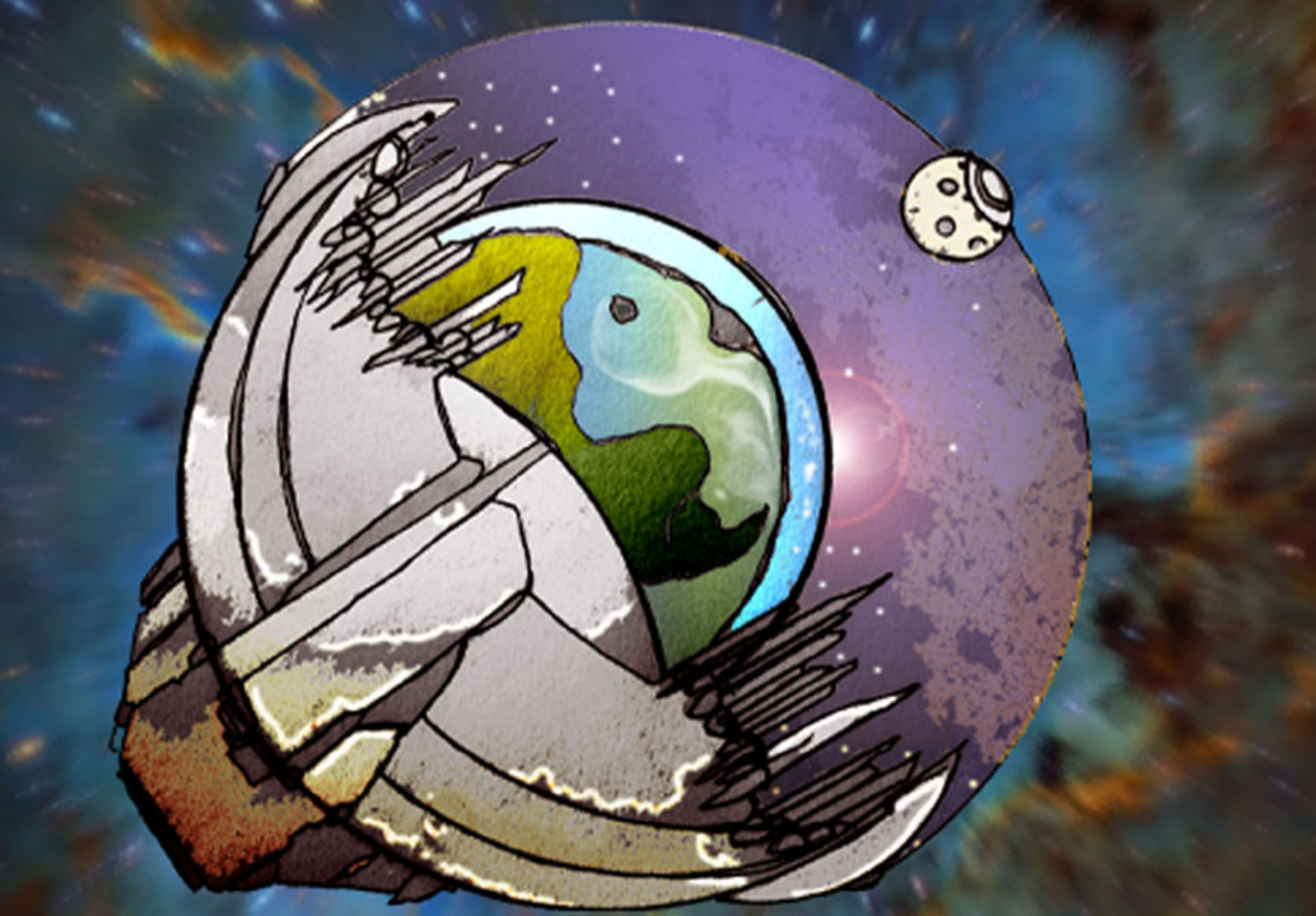
...**KABOOM**
POP
FIZZ
BURST™

**SO, IF THAT WASN'T HEXES?
WHERE DO YOU SUPPOSE SHE IS?**

**I have a pretty good idea Captain.
I need to Charter your ship.**



INDUSTRIUM HOMEWORLD ONE



HOW UNFORTUNATE.



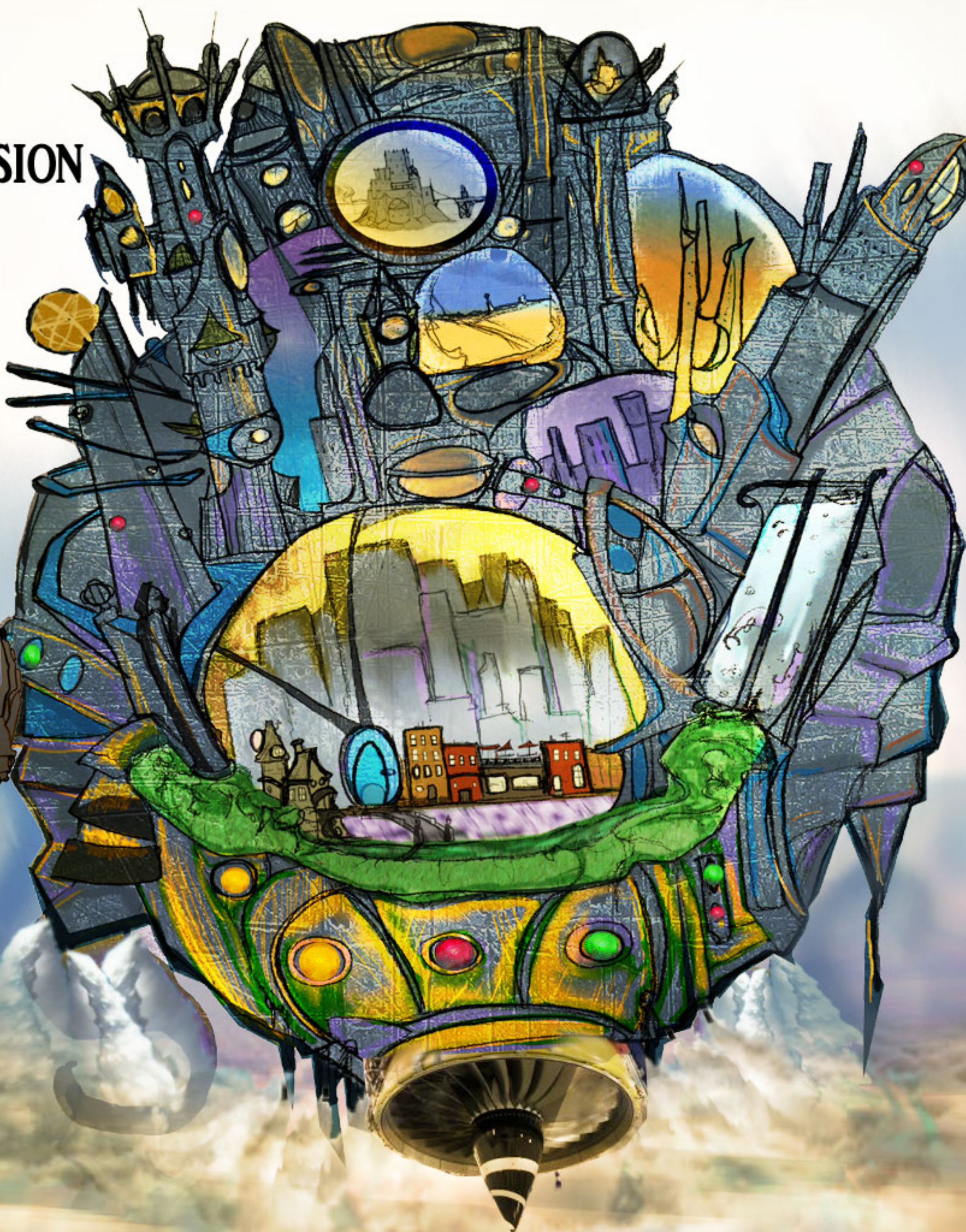
IT SEEMS MY SLEEPER AGENT HAS BEEN DISPATCHED RATHER QUICKLY.

**NO MATTER,
I WILL SAVOR THE ANTICIPATION
OF HAVING THEM SLAIN. NOW I
WILL WAIT FOR THEM
TO COME HERE
AND ATTEMPT TO RESCUE
HEXES, THE PIRATE.**



**I wish they'd hurry up
already! I'm not getting
any younger!**

THE CITY OF NEXXBURGH, HOME TO THE FUGITIVE FACTION. MUCH CONFUSION HERE ON THIS DAY BECAUSE THEIR LEADERS ARE MISSING IN ACTION.



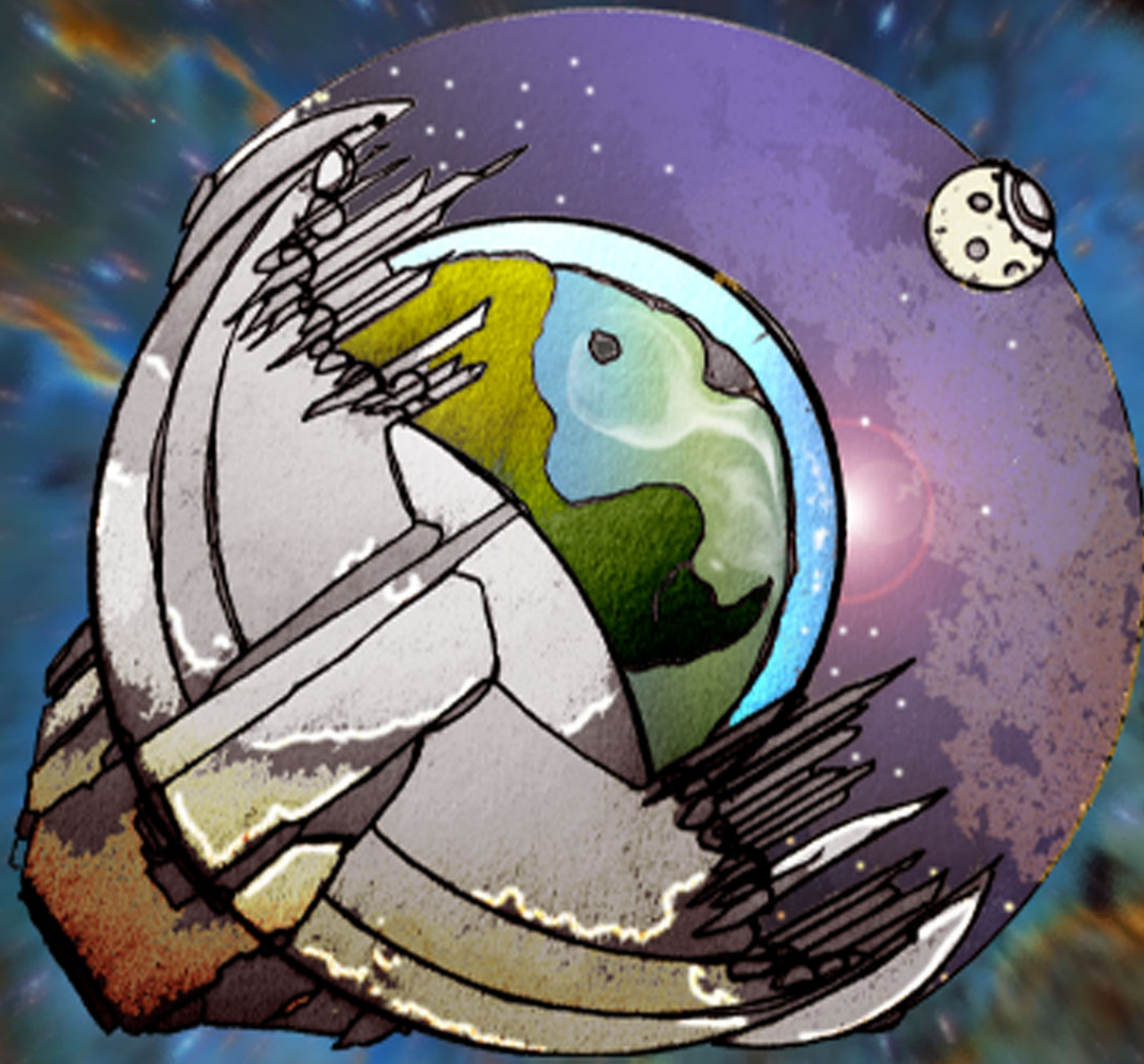
I have to do something about this!

YOU'RE GOING TO GET IN TROUBLE AGAIN!

I don't care, I can't stand by and let this happen!



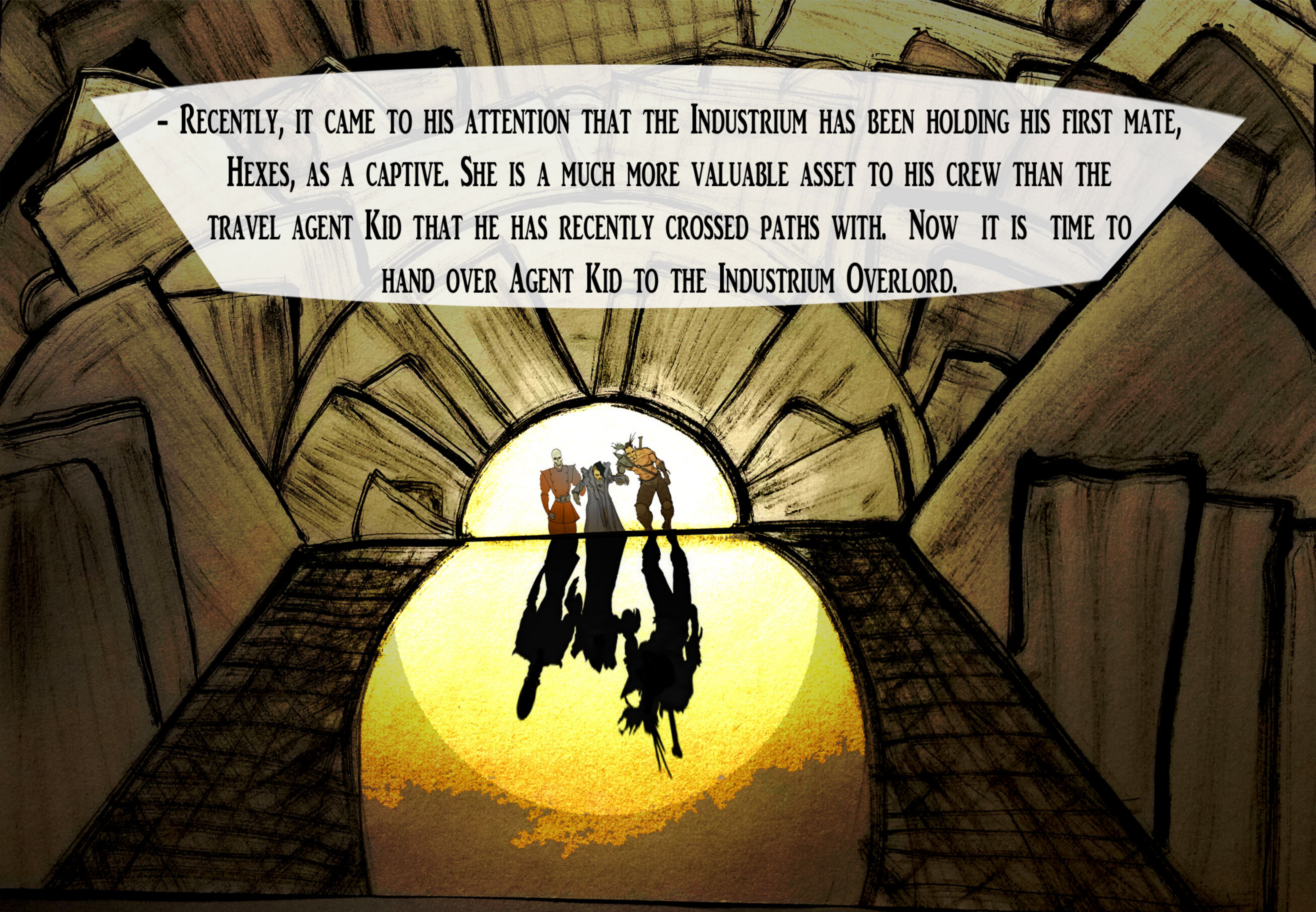
You!



INDUSTRIUM HOME WORLD ONE.
CAPTAIN SKINNY PILOTS HIS SHIP THE NAUTEE LASS.
HE HAS MADE AN ARRANGEMENT WITH THE LEADER
OF THE INDUSTRIUM FOR A PRISONER EXCHANGE.



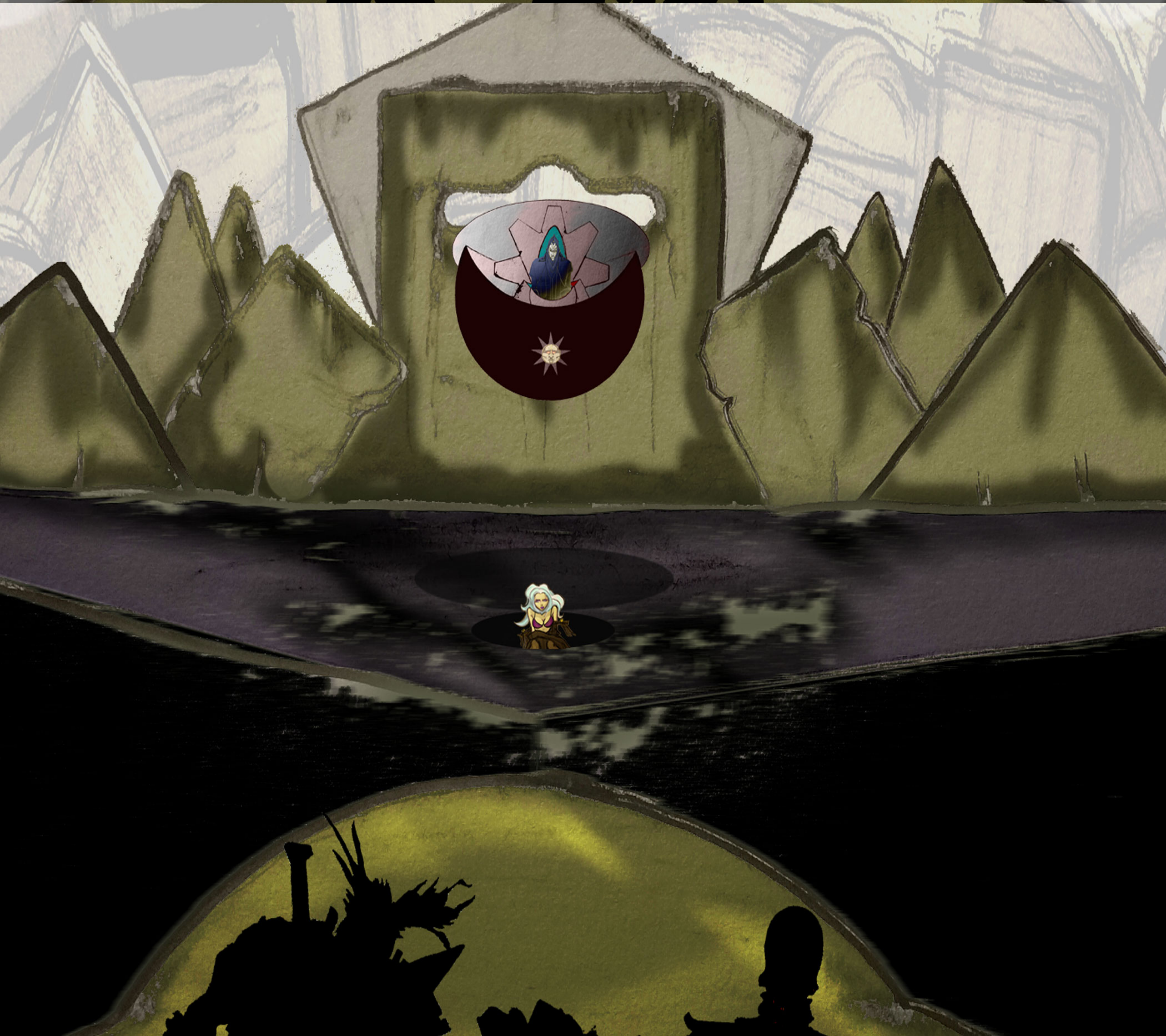
- RECENTLY, IT CAME TO HIS ATTENTION THAT THE INDUSTRIUM HAS BEEN HOLDING HIS FIRST MATE, HEXES, AS A CAPTIVE. SHE IS A MUCH MORE VALUABLE ASSET TO HIS CREW THAN THE TRAVEL AGENT KID THAT HE HAS RECENTLY CROSSED PATHS WITH. NOW IT IS TIME TO HAND OVER AGENT KID TO THE INDUSTRIUM OVERLORD.







FOR TOO LONG HAS THE INDUSTRIUM OVERLORD WAITED FOR THIS DAY. HIS PLANS HAVE FINALLY COME TOGETHER AND NOW HE WATCHES AS THE GREEDY CAPTAIN SKINNY PULLS FORWARD THE RAGGED AND BEATEN AGENT KID, HOWEVER HE CAN SEE THAT BY HIS REQUEST, THE AGENT IS STILL ALIVE.

HEXES HAS BEEN KEPT SAFE AND THE EXCHANGE HAS TO BE MADE NOW, HE WILL HAVE HIS REVENGE ON THE CROSS WORLDS NEXUS. THESE AGENTS OF NEXXBURGH WILL LEARN WHO RULES THE INDUSTRIUM.





**IF IT ISN'T THE VAGRANT CAPTAIN SKINNY
AND HIS CREW MEMBER
THAX! IT LOOKS AS THOUGH YOU HAVE BROUGHT ME WHAT
I HAVE REQUESTED
AND YOU SHALL
HAVE HEXES BACK NOW.**



**YAR!
HERE HE BE.
NOTHING BUT TROUBLE THIS ONE IS.
CAN'T WAIT TO HAVE HIM OUT OF ME SIGHT!**

**AGENT KID OF THE
CROSS WORLDS NEXUS, YOU FACE
YOUR DOOM, HAVE YOU ANYTHING
TO SAY FOR YOUR
ACTS OF TREACHERY
THAT YOU HAVE IMPOSED
UPON THE INDUSTRIUM?**



So, I bet
you're
wondering
if I'm facing
my Doom
why am
I smiling?



It all goes back to a little while ago, I was in Pursuit of a mission and I stopped to see Captain Skinny and Thax and Hexes turned out to be an evil agent of the Industrium duplicate who attacked me! That's when we figured out that the industrium actually has had Hexes HELD CAPTIVE!



Captain Skinny, how are we going to get Hexes back from those creeps.

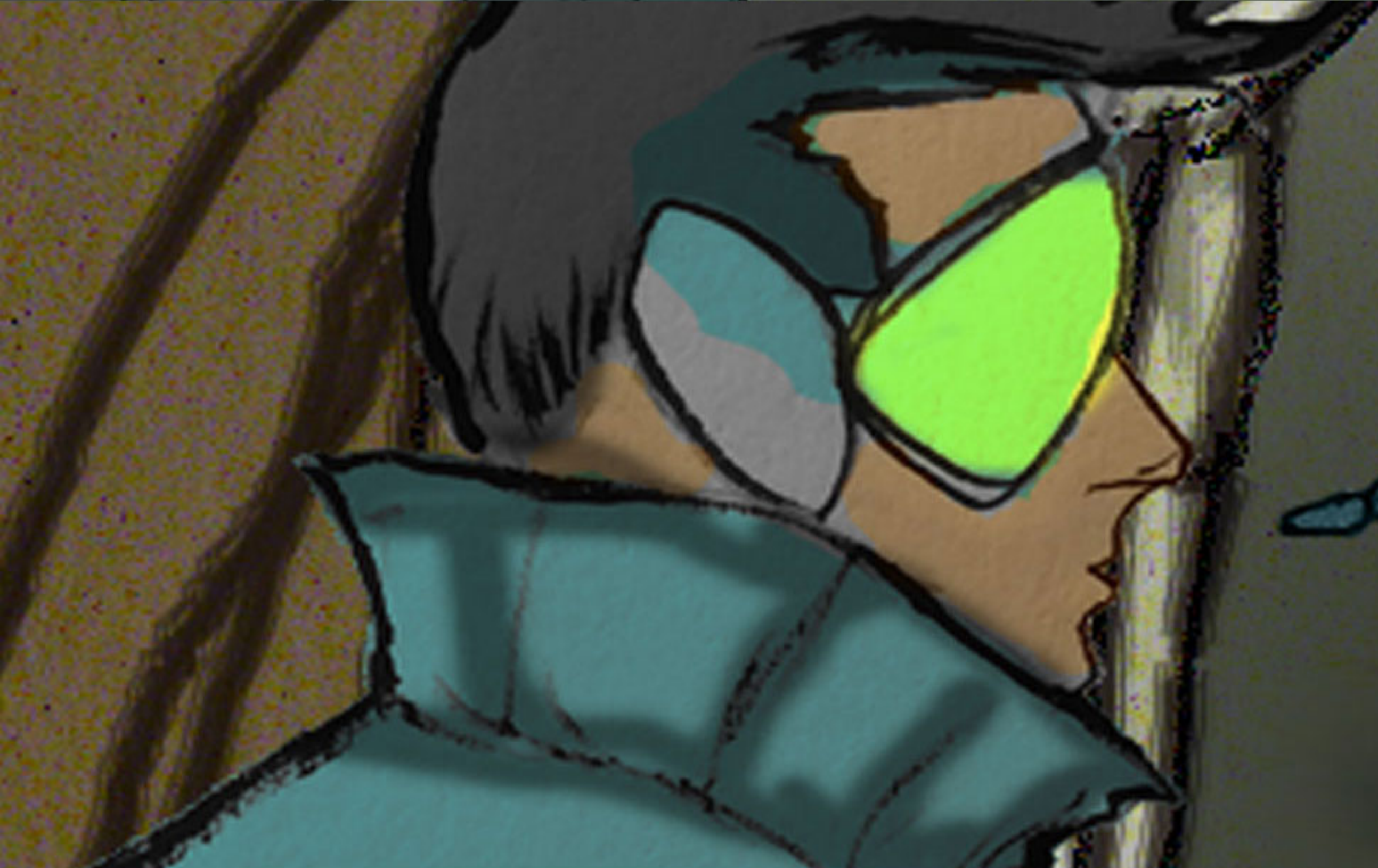
YAR LAST TIME YOU GOT TANGLED UP WITH THEM YE ALMOST GOT CRUSHED BY A GIANT ROBOT.

Yeah, I remember that!



Wot!? Doctor Zig can talk?!

IF PASSAGE TO THE INDUSTRIUM IS WHAT YOU REQUEST, KNOW THAT I, DR. ZIG, AM IN FACT THE EXILED LEADER OF THE INDUSTRIUM!



LONG AGO, MY PEOPLE LEFT FOR SPACE. WE WERE GOING TO BLAZE THE TRAIL FOR OUR SPECIES TO HAVE AN OPEN ROAD ACROSS THE STARS. I WAS ONE OF THE SCIENTISTS BUT IN OUR QUEST, WE LOST OUR HUMANITY. FOR YOU SEE SURVIVAL IN SPACE WAS NO EASY TASK, WE WERE BUT FLEAS TRYING TO CROSS AN OCEAN! SOON WE DISCOVERED THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO EVOLVE.





I STAYED ON THE COUNCIL OF SCIENTISTS AS A VOICE OF REASON AND MANY NEW TECHNOLOGIES WERE DEVELOPED FOR OUR SURVIVAL. AS WE WENT ACROSS THE STARS IN OUR EXODUS, HOWEVER THERE WERE EVIL SCIENTISTS AS WELL! EVENTUALLY, I WAS SEEN AS A ROADBLOCK TO THEIR EVIL WAYS AND THAT IS WHEN I BECAME AN EXILE AND I WATCHED AS THOSE SCIENTISTS DID MANY TREACHEROUS THINGS ACROSS THE GALAXY I COULD DO NOTHING BUT WATCH.

I TOOK A VOW OF SILENCE BECAUSE I SAW MY INVENTIONS USED FOR EVIL. IN TIME, I BECAME A MECHANIC ON CAPTAIN SKINNY'S SHIP, THE NAUTEE LASS AND NOW YOU MENTIONED THAT YOU NEED PASSAGE INTO THE INDIUSTRIUM HOME WORLD? WELL, SIR... I HELPED DEVELOP THE INDIUSTRIUM HOME WORLD!



**Wot?!
Doctor
Zig
can
talk?**

I knew the goal was in sight.

YAR LAD SURE SOUNDS FINE TO ME, LET S BE ON OUR WAY THEN!

Captain Skinny, I'm going to need to borrow your ship!
We need to make it into a genuine time traveling machine!
Also, I know how we are going to get Hexes back!



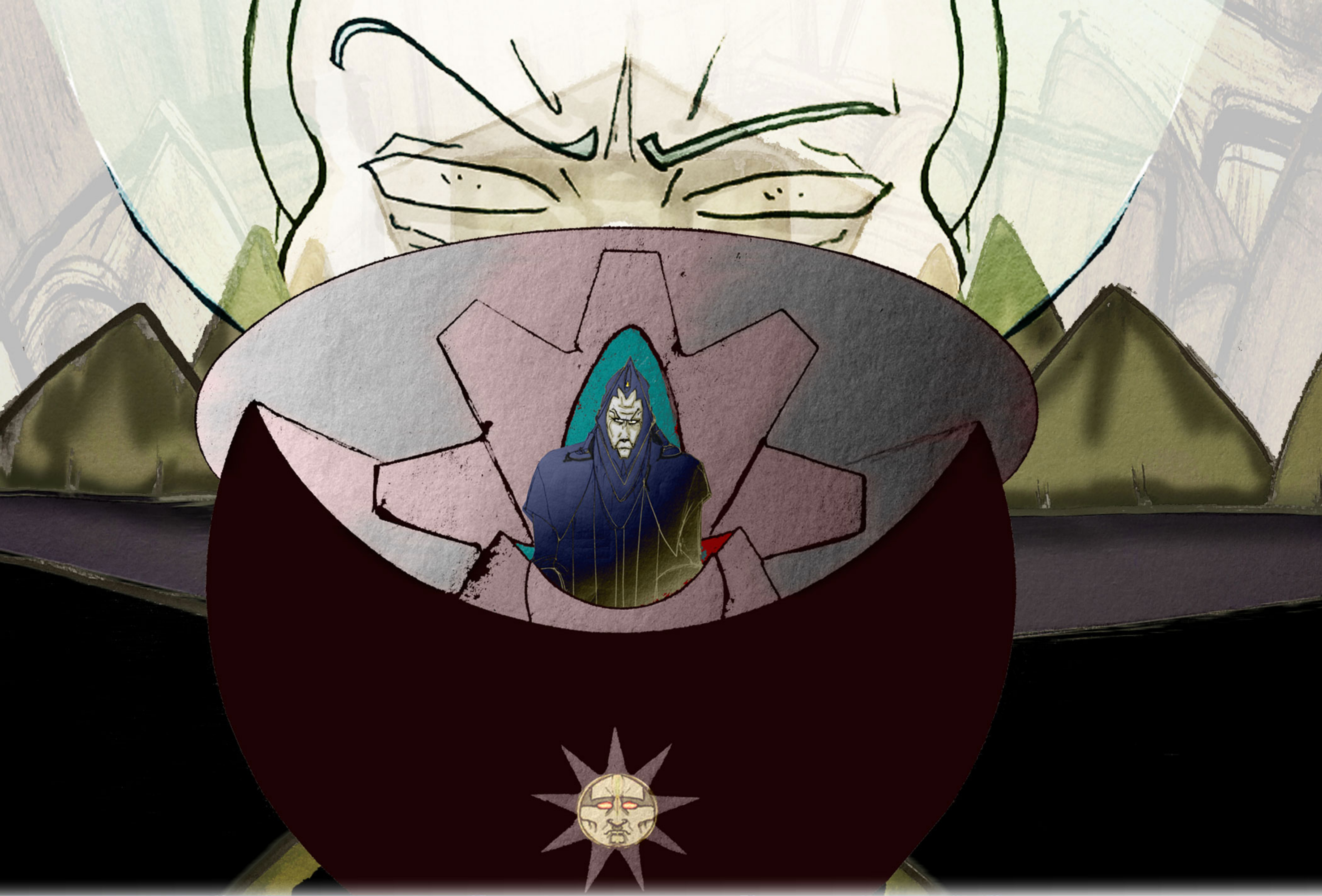
We made a beeline for the Industrium rift that was opened and recently sealed on Planetoid 431 D!



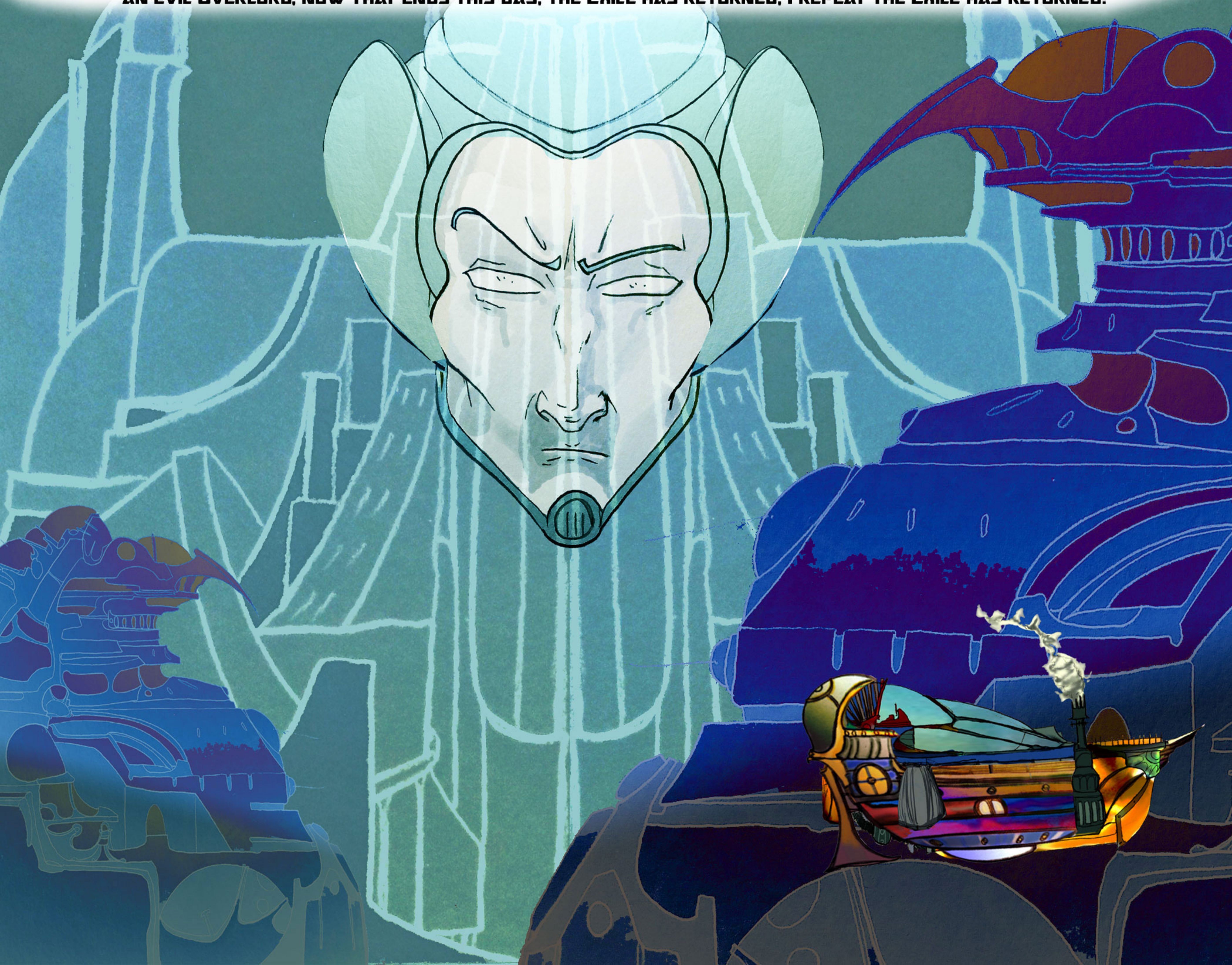
After some brief explanation and having them witness the foot that was about to destroy them, I was able to evacuate the treaty Hall rather quickly unbeknownst to the industrial adversaries. As far as they knew, all were killed within, however that was not the case, no. There was arguing between all of them for they were many proud and arrogant leaders of Wyzardlund, however I was able to convince them rather quickly when they saw their Doom was at hand.

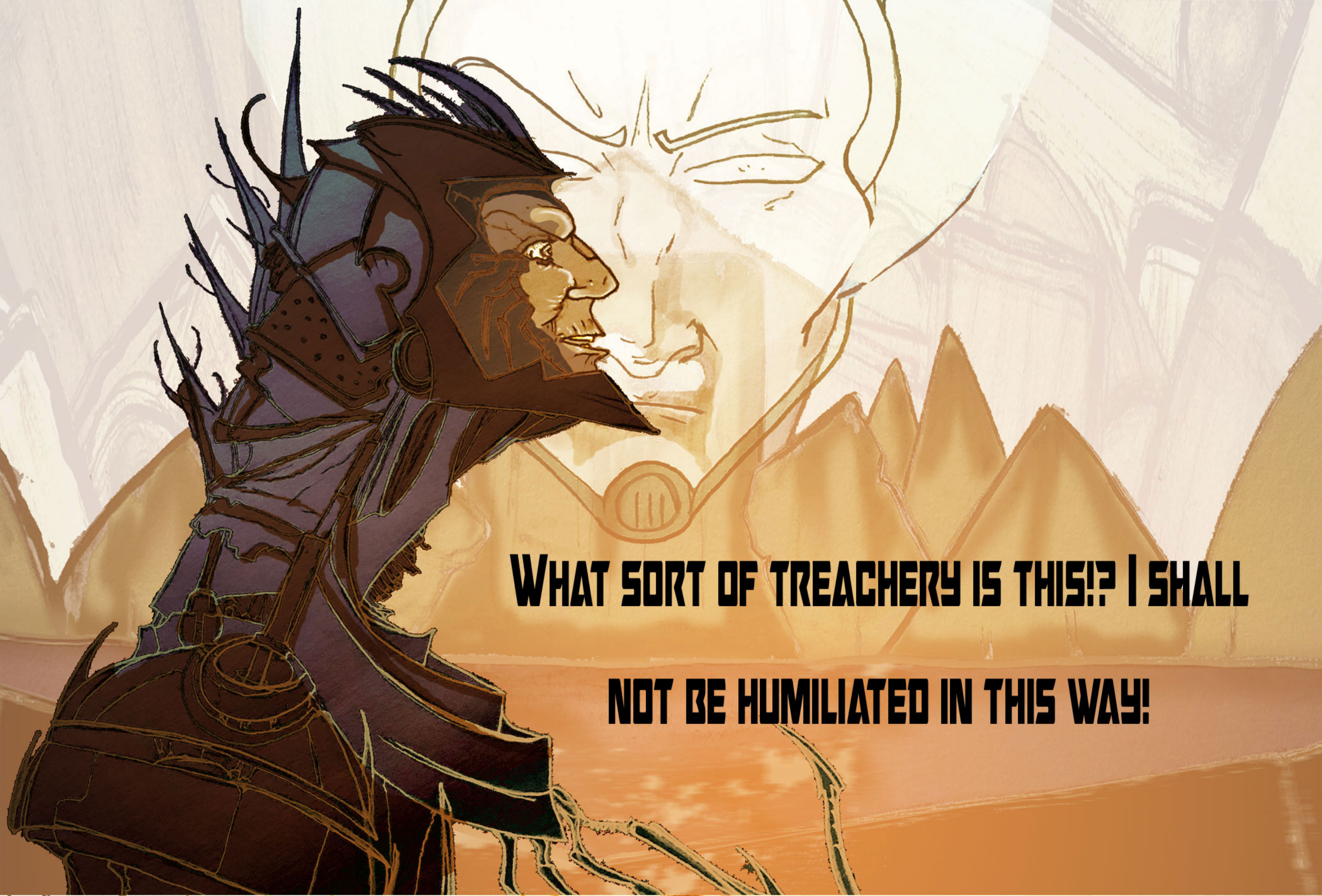






CITIZENS OF THE INDUSTRIUM, FOR TOO LONG YOU HAVE BEEN MISLED, YOU HAVE BEEN MISTREATED, ALL OF YOUR EFFORTS HAVE SERVED AN EVIL OVERLORD, NOW THAT ENDS THIS DAY, THE EXILE HAS RETURNED, I REPEAT THE EXILE HAS RETURNED!





WHAT SORT OF TREACHERY IS THIS!?! I SHALL

NOT BE HUMILIATED IN THIS WAY!



YAR!

KABOOM



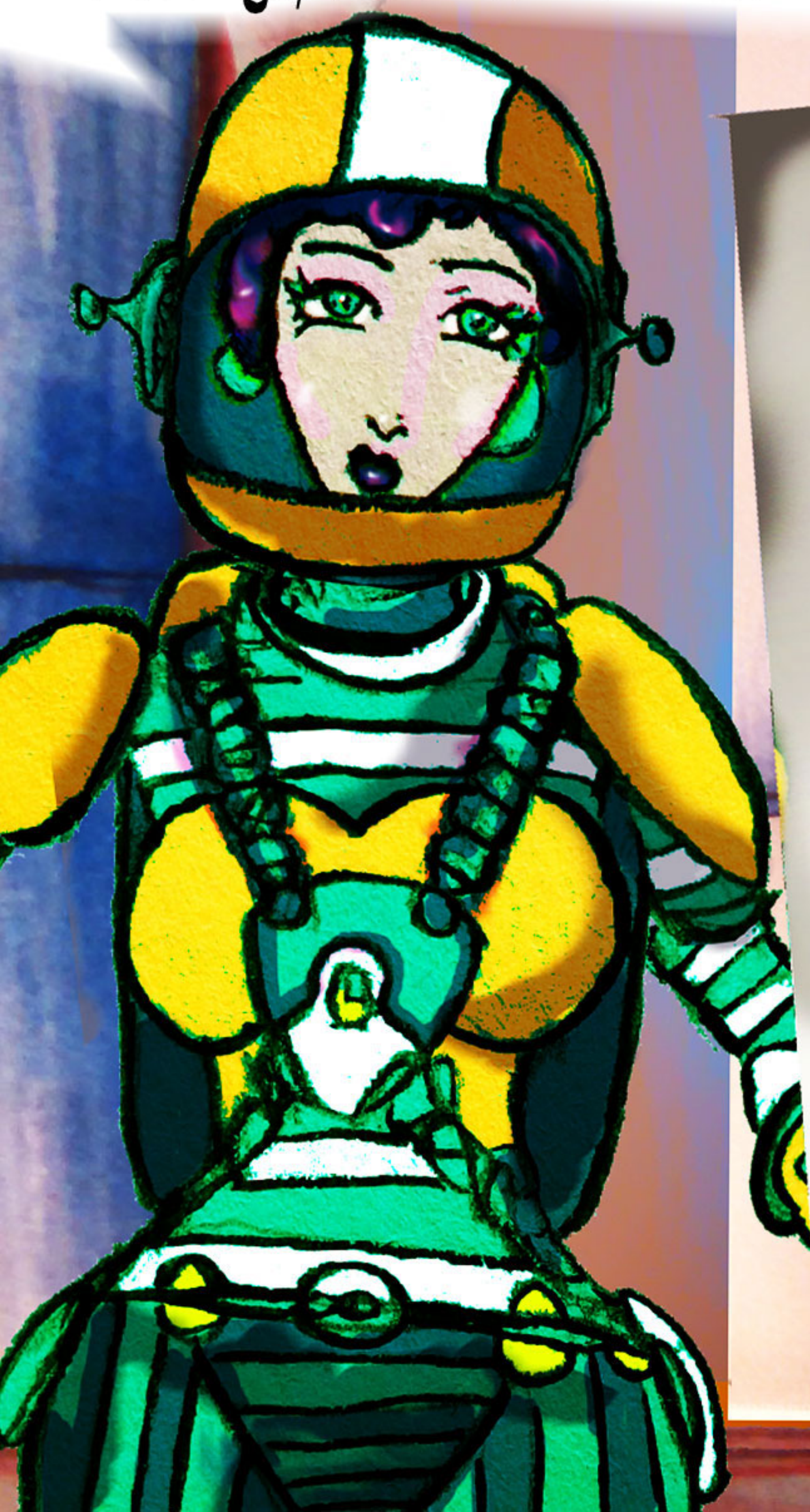
Game Over.



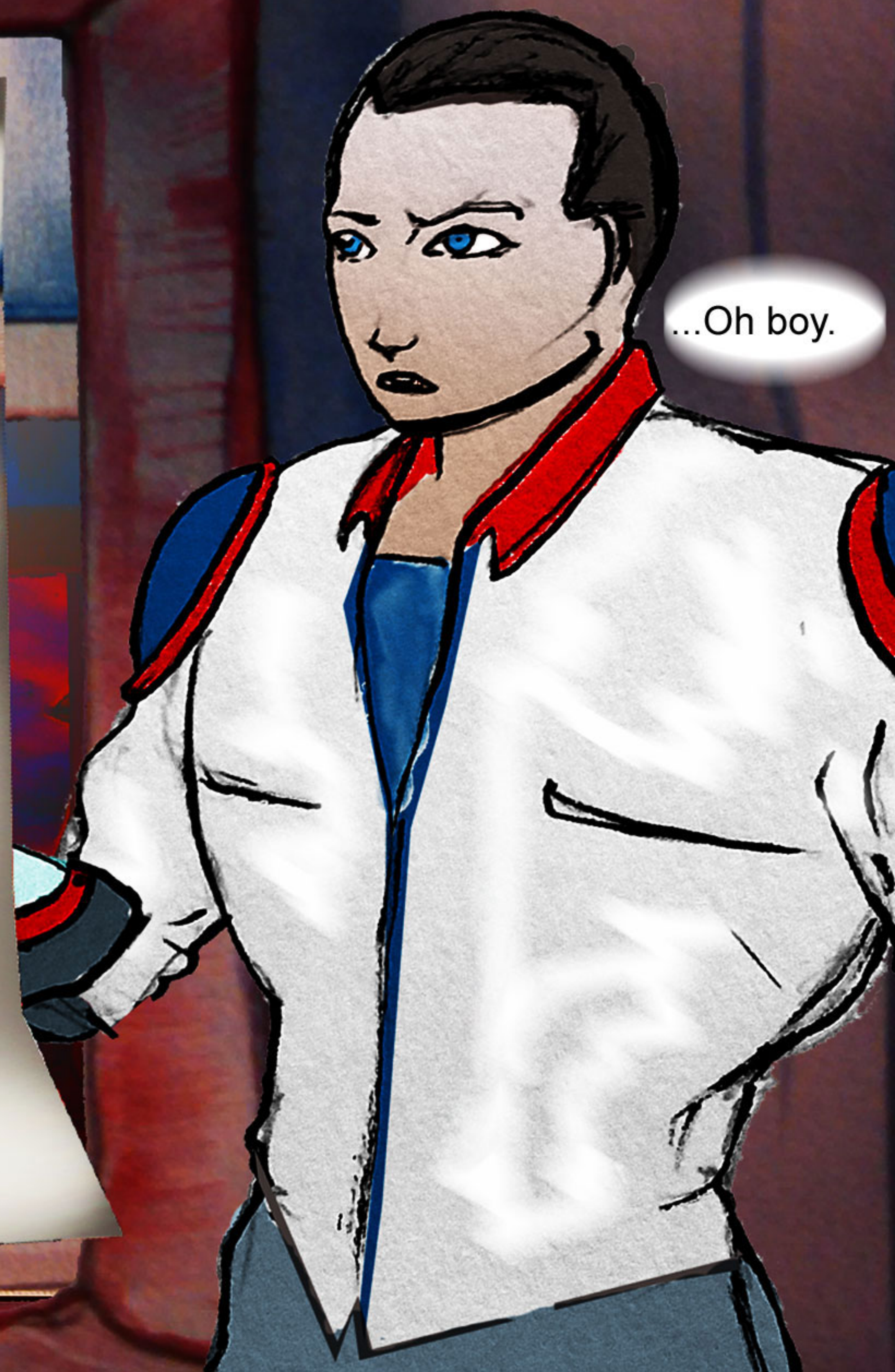
Zeno 10! You are Alive!
How did you get here?



Greetings, Omni Atomic! I'm to hand you this message...



Omni Atomic...
It is of the
utmost imperative
that we discuss
your most recent
behavior.
Sincerely
Danger Son



...Oh boy.

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