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THE WOLVERINE: CUTTING EDGE!

Recently in **MADRIPOOR**, **LOGAN (WOLVERINE)**—with the help of **PSYLOCKE** and **JUBILEE**—rescued **NATASHA ALIANOVNA ROMANOFF (BLACK WIDOW)** from a band of mystic assassins known as the **HAND**.

Their celebratory dinner was interrupted by **STEVE ROGERS (CAPTAIN AMERICA)**, himself in fierce combat with the Hand. In next to no time, all the heroes found themselves fighting for their lives. The battle was ended through the intervention of a notorious coterie of women warriors known as the **BACCHAE**. They needed Psylocke's help.

Turns out Cap and Natasha needed Logan's help as well, with a devastating weapon set to go on auction in Madripoor. So, leaving Jubilee in Psylocke's care, Logan joined forces with his two old friends to prevent the weapon from falling into the wrong hands.

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MADRIPOOR IS AN ISLAND-NATION, LOCATED IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA JUST EAST OF SINGAPORE. IT USED TO BE A HOME TO PIRATES.

SOME SAY IT STILL IS.

IT HAS ONE "CITY," BEARING THE SAME NAME AND SPLIT IN HALF.

ONE'S CALLED "HIGHTOWN," ATOP THE CLIFF THAT DOMINATES THE ISLAND'S GREAT EASTERN HARBOR.

THE OTHER, "LOWTOWN," FRAMES THE PORT BELOW.

HIGHTOWN LOOKS LIKE THE PERSONIFICATION OF WEALTH.

BUT EVERYONE KNOWS LOWTOWN'S WHERE THE REAL POWER LIES.

HIGHTOWN MOGULS HATE THAT.

HALFWAY BETWEEN THE TWO "TOWNS" IS **CAPRISTI'S**. IT'S ONE OF THE FEW PLACES-- LIKE LOWTOWN'S LEGENDARY **PRINCESS BAR**--CONSIDERED SAFE FOR ONE AND ALL.

APPARENTLY,
NO LONGER.

THESE
ARE THE GUYS
WE FOUGHT
BEFORE!

THIS
MUST BE A
TWO-PRONGED
ATTACK--

--ONE
TEAM TO TAKE
US OUT--

--ANOTHER
TO GET THE
CONTACT WHOSE
MESSAGE BROUGHT
US HERE!

WE'VE
GOT TO STOP
THEM!

CAP'S TALKIN' ABOUT
THE HAND, AN ELITE
LEAGUE OF MYSTICAL
ASSASSINS.

THESE GUYS--THE GENIN--
ARE THEIR GRUNT ASSASSINS,
AS DEADLY AS THEY COME.

HAND AN' ME, WE'VE
BEEN ENEMIES FROM THE
MOMENT WE FIRST MET.

THING IS, NEVER IN ALL THAT
TIME HAVE I SEEN ONE MOVE
SO SLOW AN' CLUMSY.

DIDN'T THINK THAT
WAS EVEN POSSIBLE.

FIGURE I'LL DEAL WITH
THE MYSTERY--



--AN' LET CAP AN' TASHA HANDLE THE FIGHT.

AFTER ALL, THEY'RE BOTH AVENGERS.



KWANG



SAVING THE WORLD'S WHAT THEY DO BEST.

STEVE--



AN' CAPRISTI'S IS PART OF THE WORLD, RIGHT?

--WE APPEAR TO HAVE COMPANY!