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▶ **IN 2122, THE MULTINATIONAL CORPORATION WEYLAND-YUTANI DIVERTED THEIR COMMERCIAL TOWING VEHICLE, THE *NOSTROMO*, TO THE MOON LV-426. WEYLAND-YUTANI, PURPORTING TO ANSWER A POSSIBLE DISTRESS CALL, SECRETLY WISHED TO SECURE SPECIMENS OF A DANGEROUS ALIEN SPECIES KNOWN AS XENOMORPHS FOR STUDY AND PROFIT. TRAGEDY STRUCK THE CREW.**

**IN 2179, A COLONY KNOWN AS HADLEY'S HOPE--BUILT ON LV-426 --WAS OVERRUN BY XENOMORPHS. ALL RESCUE ATTEMPTS FAILED.**

**WITH THE XENOMORPHS STILL AT LARGE, SPACE IS A MORE DANGEROUS PLACE THAN HUMANS EVER THOUGHT POSSIBLE. BUT FEW ARE AWARE OF THE XENOMORPHS' EXISTENCE, AND THOSE WHO VENTURE BEYOND THE STARS OFTEN DO SO WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF THE GRISLY DESTRUCTION THAT AWAITS THEM...**

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WOULD YOU LIKE  
ME TO TELL YOU  
A *STORY*?



*I'D* LIKE TO  
TELL YOU A  
STORY.

GLORIOUS  
PROLETARIAN BRETHREN  
OF FORWARD.

CIRCUMSTANCES  
REQUIRE A **PEOPLE'S**  
DECISION.

PROXIMITY  
ALERT

A STORY OF  
THOSE WHO  
CAME BEFORE.

OF HOW THE  
PATH WAS PAVED  
FOR YOU.

AND  
THE PEOPLE  
ANSWER.

AND  
THE PEOPLE  
ANSWER.

AND  
THE PEOPLE  
ANSWER.

AND  
THE PEOPLE  
ANSWER.

VALIANT NAVIGATORS HAD  
DISCOVERED A CORPORATIST  
SHIP, FAR FROM ITS NORMAL  
EXPLOITATION GROUNDS AND  
DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR.  
MORE IMPORTANTLY, A FAINT  
SIGN OF LIFE INSIDE IT.  
A SINGLE SURVIVOR.

TO OTHERS, PERHAPS A  
TRIVIAL CONCERN. NOT  
WORTH THE DANGER AND  
THE **LOSS OF PROFIT.**

BUT TO THE SOCIALIST  
HEROES OF THE GENERATION  
SHIP **FORWARD**, RAISED IN  
THE LIGHT OF THE UNION OF  
PROGRESSIVE PEOPLES...

...IT WAS A  
CHANCE TO LIVE  
THEIR IDEALS.



OH, I LIKE HER.

VALENTINA PETROVICH, CORRECT? OF THE PETROVICH ESTATE...?

THAT'S THE ONE. I GUESS SHE NEEDED TO LEAVE EARTH TO FIND A CREATURE SHE *HASN'T* KILLED YET.



SORRY... I THINK SOMETHING'S WRONG WITH--

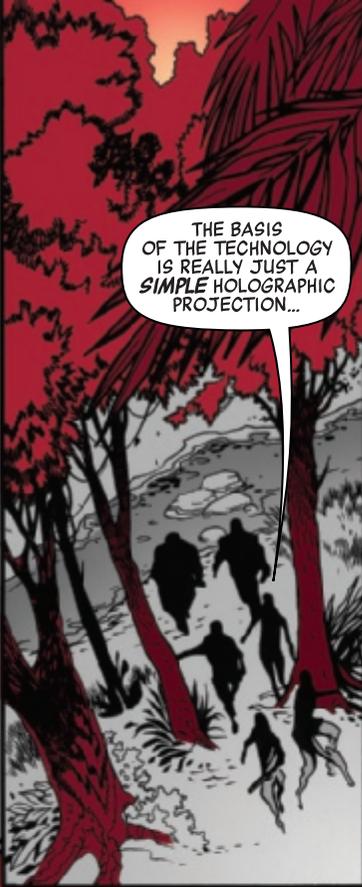


THANK YOU.



HOPE YOU AT LEAST KNOW *WHAT* YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE SHOOTING AT.





THE BASIS OF THE TECHNOLOGY IS REALLY JUST A SIMPLE HOLOGRAPHIC PROJECTION...



...BUT OF COURSE THE CORPORATION WANTED TO USE REAL ENVIRONMENTAL *STIMULI* TO CREATE THE MOST AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCE POSSIBLE.



THAT KID'S HALF MY AGE AND OWNS ONE OF THE LARGEST TECH COMPANIES IN THE WORLD.

I HEARD HE WAS OFFERED A PRETTY SIZABLE *DISCOUNT* TO COME ON THIS TRIP. MORE THAN HALF OFF.

MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE VOLUNTEERED *MY* COMPANY TO SUPPLY WEAPONS TO WEYLAND-YUTANI IN EXCHANGE FOR A LITTLE MONEY OFF THE TOP...

YOU SEEM TO KNOW A LOT, HUH?

SURE DO. JUST LIKE I KNOW YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A WAY BACK INTO THE *GAME*.

NOTHING LIKE A LITTLE P.R. STUNT TO HELP *RELAUNCH* YOUR CAREER.

I NEVER *LOST* MY CAREER.

RIGHT. YOU CHOSE NOT TO BOOK ANY MOVIE OR TV ROLES FOR THE LAST SIX YEARS... OR HAS IT BEEN *SEVEN*?

WHAT'S YOUR *PROBLEM*, MAN?

NOTHING AT ALL. I *LOVED* YOUR MOVIES. HUNTING ALIENS ON THE BIG SCREEN AND NOW HUNTING THEM FOR *REAL*?

IT'S A *GREAT* PHOTO OP. I'M NOT KNOCKING IT.

THEN MAYBE TALK LESS AND FOCUS ON FINDING...



INDEPENDENT  
RESEARCH VESSEL  
ABHARTACH.

MU-TH-UR 8500:  
RECORDING TO  
BLACK BOX.



THIS IS  
MOTHER.

CONTAINMENT  
HAS FAILED.



I HAVE  
FAILED.



ALL  
HANDS  
LOST.

SELF-DESTRUCT  
IMMINENT.

IN COMPLIANCE  
WITH THE SHIP'S  
CHARTER, THIS WILL  
BE MY FINAL LOG.

  
ALERT! LIFE SIGNS DETECTED!  
PAUSE DESTRUCT?

WHAT FEW CREW MEMBERS  
SURVIVED THE INITIAL  
VIOLENCE WERE CAPTURED  
BY THE CREATURES. NONE OF  
THEM MANAGED TO ESCAPE.

ALL  
LOST.

ALL...

...BUT  
DR. TANYA  
BAKER'S  
SON.

IF SHE COULD HAVE  
GOTTEN HIM TO AN  
ESCAPE POD, SHE  
WOULD HAVE.

HIDDEN. SEDATED--  
AS A MERCY, I  
SUSPECT.

ODDS OF SUCCESSFUL SHIPWIDE NAVIGATION.....33%  
ODDS OF SUCCESSFUL ESCAPE-POD LAUNCH.....32%  
ODDS OF CONTAMINATION DURING ESCAPE PROCESS.....74%  
ODDS OF OVERALL POST-ESCAPE SURVIVAL.....50%

THIS CONTAMINATION  
MUST NOT SPREAD  
BEYOND THE ABHARTACH.  
**RESUMING SELF-  
DESTRUCTION IS THE  
SAFEST COURSE OF  
ACTION.**

HIS DEATH  
DURING THE  
EXPLOSION  
WOULD BE  
INSTANTANEOUS.  
A **KINDNESS.**

AND  
YET...

BAKER,  
JOSHUA M.

M-M-MAMA?

NO. I AM  
MOTHER--  
NOT YOUR  
MOTHER. BUT  
DR. TANYA  
BAKER WOULD  
WANT YOU TO  
DO AS I SAY.

OH...  
OKAY.