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STAN LEE PRESENTS:

"EACH TIME,
IT'S ALWAYS
SO CLEAR..."

"IT'S LIKE...
I CAN TASTE
THE SALT OF MY
SWEAT. I CAN
FEEL THE AIR
RUSHING
PAST ME.

"AND THEN
I SEE HIM..."

"...AND SUDDENLY,
I DON'T CARE IF IT'S
A DREAM OR NOT.

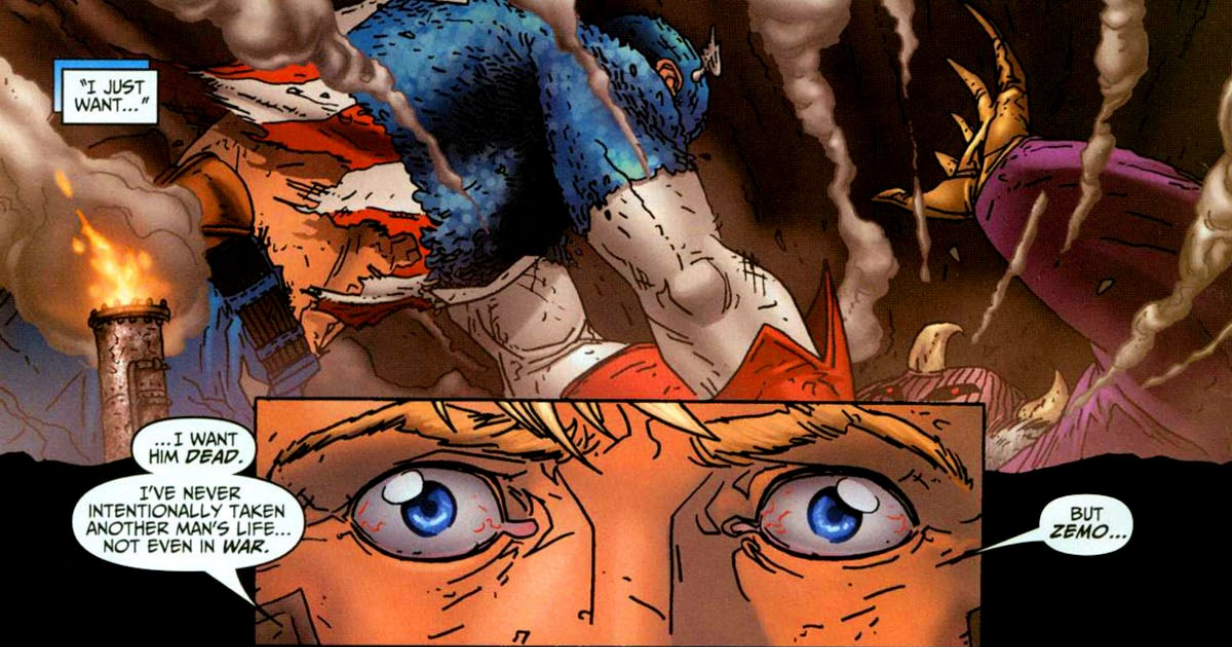
"I JUST KEEP
MOVING.

"I FORGET MYSELF.
I FORGET WHAT I'M
FIGHTING FOR. THIS
OVERWHELMING
FEELING...
IT BECOMES ALL
I KNOW.

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"I JUST
WANT..."

...I WANT
HIM DEAD.

I'VE NEVER
INTENTIONALLY TAKEN
ANOTHER MAN'S LIFE...
NOT EVEN IN WAR.

BUT
ZEMO...



IT ALL
CAME BACK
TO ME UP ON THAT
ROOFTOP. WHEN
I SAW HIM...

...HEARD HIS
VOICE...



YOU'RE LUCKY
TO BE ALIVE, CAP.
THAT BULLET--

I'M FINE. I'VE
BEEN GRAZED
BY GUNFIRE
BEFORE.
I WOULD'VE
TAKEN A
THOUSAND
BULLETS...



...JUST TO
GET MY HANDS
ON HIM.




AND NOW...

...IT'S ALMOST
ALL I CAN THINK
ABOUT, ASLEEP
OR AWAKE.



AND NOW...

...IT'S ALMOST
ALL I CAN THINK
ABOUT, ASLEEP
OR AWAKE.



'TIS NOT A
TORTURED WARRIOR
I WISH TO SEE
FIGHTING AT MY SIDE.
OUR CAMPAIGNS
REQUIRE
FOCUS--

FIRST
THINGS FIRST,
THOR.

YOU SAY IT ALL
CAME BACK TO YOU...
WHAT EXACTLY CAME
BACK? WHAT DO YOU
REMEMBER THAT
YOU COULDN'T
BEFORE?

I REMEMBER...

...EVERYTHING.

"WE'D TRACKED ZEMO
ONTO AN E.T.O. BASE
IN BRITAIN... HOME TO
AN EXPERIMENTAL,
AMERICAN-DESIGNED
DRONE PLANE THAT
WE KNEW THE NAZIS
WERE DESPERATE TO
GET THEIR HANDS ON..."

"WELL... WE WERE
JUST AS DESPERATE
TO KEEP THEM
FROM GETTING IT..."

WE'RE
TOO LATE,
BUCKY!

NO! DON'T
STOP!

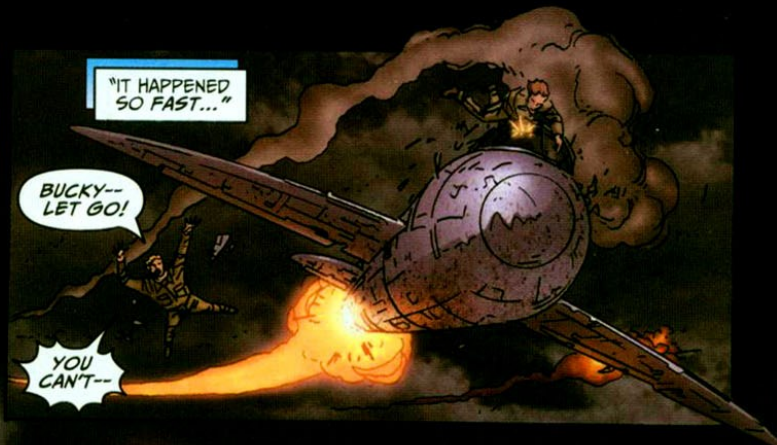
"ZEMO WAS HITLER'S
GREATEST SCIENTIST...
I COULDN'T COUNT HOW
MANY OF HIS SCHEMES WE'D
DEALT WITH ALREADY..."

"BUT THIS TIME..."

"...WAS DIFFERENT."

I THINK
I CAN REACH
IT, CAP--!

DON'T
TRY TO GO
IT ALONE!



THE ANSWER'S "NO."

I SEE.

TELL THE REST OF THE JOINT CHIEFS I'M SORRY, GENERAL WALLACE...

I DON'T BELIEVE THIS--!

I CAN'T SAY I'M NOT **DISAPPOINTED**, IRON MAN. I'D HOPED THIS WOULD BE AN ARRANGEMENT THAT BENEFITS US **BOTH**...

I UNDERSTAND. BUT MY TEAM-MATES AND I ARE IN COMPLETE **AGREEMENT** ABOUT THIS, REGARDLESS OF HOW IT AFFECTS OUR **PRIORITY CLEARANCE**...

...WE'LL WORK WITH YOU. NOT FOR YOU.

WELL, IN THAT CASE...MAYBE YOU WOULDN'T MIND TAKING A LOOK AT THIS...

NASA SPY SATELLITES PICKED THIS UP OVER THE ATLANTIC LAST NIGHT. FOR AWHILE, IT WAS RADAR-INVISIBLE UNTIL IT SHOWED UP AGAIN OUTSIDE OF **WAYNESBORO**, OF ALL PLACES...

...FLUSHING IT RIGHT DOWN THE TOILET...!

WE'VE GOT TROOPS MOVING IN, BUT I HAVE A FEELING THEY MAY NOT BE ENOUGH...



...ROGER THAT, CENTER. BEGINNING OUR DESCENT, OVER.

STRANGE CARGO, HUH...?

UNDERSTATEMENT OF THE YEAR. MAYBE THIS SPACESHIP'S COME TO PICK 'EM UP...



SO, HOW IS HE...?

KINDA IN HIS OWN WORLD, IF YOU ASK ME.

WE'RE TAKING A RISK HERE, SHELLHEAD. IT'S LIKE HE'S FIXATED ON ZEMO. I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH GOOD HE'LL BE TO US...



I HATE TO SAY IT, BUT YOU MIGHT BE RIGHT, HON.

I MEAN, LOOK AT HIM. HE HASN'T SAID A WORD SINCE WE LEFT...



P-PARDON ME, SIR...



I WAS WONDERING...
IF I COULD
G-GET A QUICK
INTERVIEW...
...F-FOR
STARS &
STRIPES.



THEY
STILL PUBLISH
THAT...?
OKAY,
SOLDIER...WHAT
DO YOU WANT TO
KNOW...?



ALRIGHT,
THEN...

I GUESS I WAS
JUST WONDERING--
I MEAN, WE'RE ALL
WONDERING--HERE YOU
ARE, READY TO TAKE
ON WHATEVER THIS
THREAT MAY BE...

YOU'VE SEEN
YOUR SHARE OF WAR.
WE ALL KNOW IT. YOU'VE
CERTAINLY EARNED THE
RIGHT TO STOP. SO...
WHY DO YOU KEEP DOING
IT? WHAT'S LEFT TO
FIGHT FOR...?



I...
...DON'T SEE
THAT I HAVE A
CHOICE,
SOLDIER.

FORGET ABOUT
MY PAST...WHAT I'VE BEEN
THROUGH...THAT DOESN'T
MATTER. THIS ISN'T ABOUT
ME. IT NEVER WAS.

I WEAR THESE
COLORS BECAUSE I BELIEVE
IN SOMETHING GREATER
THAN MYSELF. SOMETHING
BIGGER...

AT SOME POINT
IN LIFE, A MAN MAKES A
DECISION...IS HE ALONE IN
THIS WORLD OR ARE WE ALL
IN THIS TOGETHER?

THOSE OF US IN
THIS PLANE RIGHT NOW...HAVE
MADE THAT DECISION.



I DON'T CARE WHAT DECADE IT IS.
THE VALUES THAT THESE COLORS
REPRESENT TRANSCEND
SELFISHNESS...THEY TRANSCEND
POLITICS...

IT'S ABOUT
FREEDOM. THAT'S WHAT
I FIGHT FOR. IT'S WHAT THE
AVENGERS FIGHT FOR.
AND I CAN'T EVER SEE
MYSELF GIVING
UP ON THAT.



COUNTLESS CIVILIZATIONS HAVE BEEN TRAMPLED UNDER MY BOOT HEEL. NOW, ACROSS THE SEAS OF **TIME ITSELF** I HAVE SAILED... TO **EMBRACE** THE CONFLICT THAT LIVES WITHIN EVERY HUMAN HEART... TO PINPOINT THE **PRECISE** MOMENT OF MAXIMUM PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT.

AND HOW
I WILL **RELISH** THIS
MOMENT...



TO
CONQUER.

FIVE HOURS LATER



...AFTER A BRIEF SKIRMISH, THE AVENGERS WERE TAKEN CAPTIVE BY THE MYSTERIOUS VISITOR KNOWN ONLY AS KANG.

THE WORLD WAITS ON ANY NEWS OF THEIR SURVIVAL AS KANG MAKES HIS TERRORIST DEMANDS.



NEVER HAS THE CONCEPT OF HEROISM BEEN MORE ELOQUENTLY DEFINED AS IT WAS BY CAPTAIN AMERICA MERE HOURS BEFORE BEING CAPTURED.

THIS AUDIO TAPE SUPPLIED BY A REPORTER FROM STARS & STRIPES CONTAINS PERHAPS THE LAST WORDS OF A LEGENDARY FIGURE...



...I BELIEVE IN SOMETHING GREATER THAN MYSELF. SOMETHING BIGGER...



FILE PHOTO
RECORDED VOICE OF
CAPTAIN AMERICA

...IT'S ABOUT FREEDOM. THAT'S WHAT I FIGHT FOR. IT'S WHAT THE AVENGERS FIGHT FOR. AND I CAN'T EVER SEE MYSELF GIVING UP ON THAT.



STIRRING WORDS FROM A LIVING ICON. AS THIS TEAM OF HEROES HAS POSSIBLY SACRIFICED THEMSELVES IN THE NAME OF HUMANITY, PUBLIC OPINION HAS SUDDENLY TURNED IN THEIR FAVOR...



EH...?



NINE HOURS LATER





THEY ARE TRYING
MY PATIENCE.
I HAVE BESTED
THEIR GREATEST
CHAMPIONS, AND
STILL THEY OFFER
RESISTANCE.



HISTORY WILL
RECORD THIS
UPHEAVAL AS THE **FIRST**
STEP TOWARD A NEW ERA.
SOON, THE HUMAN RACE WILL
FULLY **COMPREHEND** THEIR
FATE... AND BOW DOWN
BEFORE ME.

IRONICALLY,
I HAVE DONE FOR THEM
SOMETHING THEY HAVE NEVER
DONE FOR **THEMSELVES**...



...I HAVE **UNITED** THEM. EVEN
NOW, EACH AND EVERY NATION
ON EARTH ENGAGES IN OPEN
DIALOGUE ON HOW BEST TO DEAL
WITH **ME**. ONLY IN TIMES OF **WAR**
IS THERE FINALLY SERIOUS
TALK OF **PEACE**.

I WILL
GIVE THEM
THEIR **PEACE**...
BUT UNDER
MY **RULE**.



...THINE
ARROGANCE
SHALL BE YOUR
UNDOING.

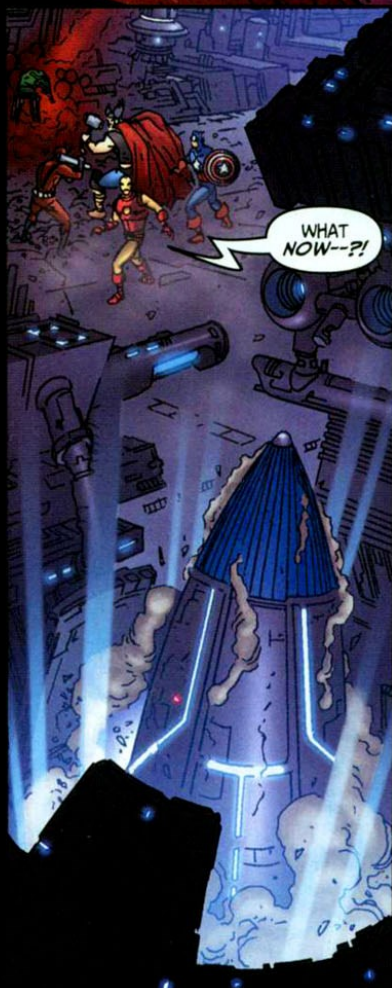
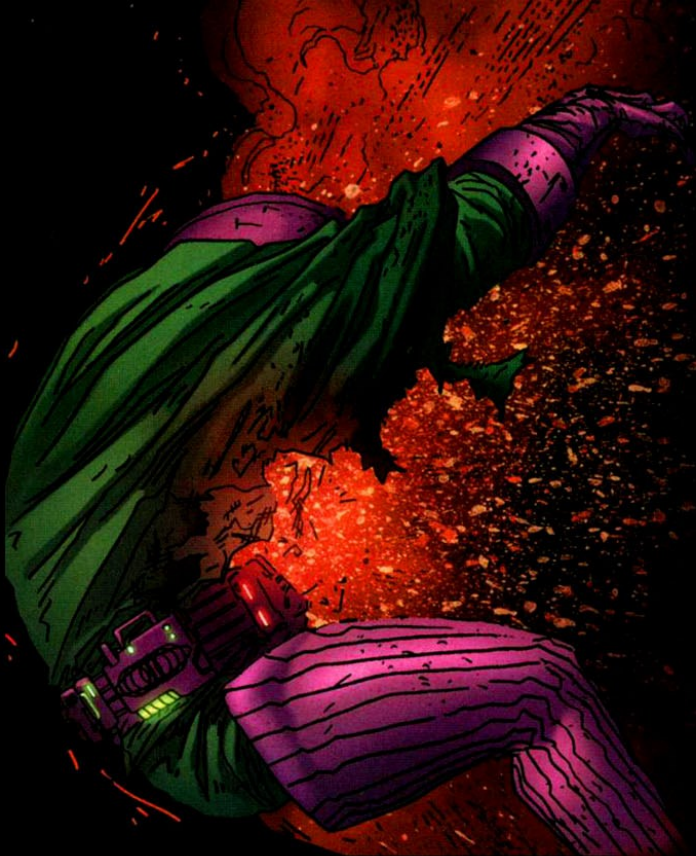
YOU LABEL
YOURSELF A **CONQUEROR**...
AND YET YOUR **ENEMY** STANDS
BEFORE YOU ONCE AGAIN, UNWILLING
TO LIE DOWN. THE AVENGERS HAVE
RETURNED TO DELIVER A SINGLE
MESSAGE UNTO YOU ON BEHALF
OF ALL OF **MIDGARD**...

BEWARE,
TIME-
TRAVELER...

...THOU ART
UNWELCOME
HERE.









C'MON...
C'MON--!



YOU
THINK... YOU'VE
WON...?!

I HAVE AN ENTIRE
BATTERY OF NEUTRINO
MISSILES TARGETING
YOUR CENTERS OF
CIVILIZATION!

MY VERY BEING SEETHES
WITH THE RADIOACTIVITY
YOUR ERA SO FEARS! I WILL
SEE THIS PLANET
BURN--



I
SAY THEE
NAY!

ENCHANTED
MJOLNIR SHALL
TAKE THAT WHICH
YOU HOLD SO
DEAR--!





INTERNAL TRACKING SENSORS ARE GOING OFF THE CHARTS! WHAT IN GOD'S NAME--

'TIS A MORTAL-MADE WORMHOLE! OUR ENEMY IS USING HIS MASTERY OF TIME TO MAKE HIS ESCAPE!



THAT'S IT, MEN!

ALL DIVISIONS-- MOVE IN!



--LIVE ON THE SCENE, AND I'D BE HARD-PRESSED TO ACCURATELY DESCRIBE TO YOU WHAT WE'RE WITNESSING HERE!

NEEDLESS TO SAY, I THINK THE SELF-STYLED CONQUEROR HAS DECIDED TO RETREAT!



GIANT-MAN--!

CAREFUL, PARTNERS...THE ENTIRE SHIP IS FOLLOWING KANG OUT OF EXISTENCE!

I CAN'T GET AN ACCURATE CHRONAL READING... IT'S WARPING TOO RAPIDLY--!



WHOA...!

RICK... WHAT YOU DID...

...OFFERING YOURSELF UP TO KANG TO GET ONTO THAT SHIP TO FREE US...IT WAS A RISK...

BUT I'M...PROUD OF YOU.

CAPTAIN AMERICA!



WE'RE LIVE ON ACTION NEWS 5! ANY COMMENT ON WHAT HAPPENED HERE TODAY?

DID THE AVENGERS JUST SAVE THE EARTH?



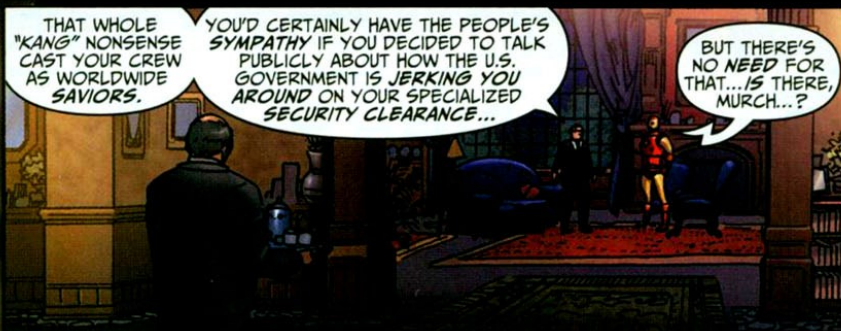
**NEW YORK CITY;
FOUR DAYS LATER**



I FIND THIS MORTAL DISPLAY OF GRATITUDE TO BE... EXCESSIVE.

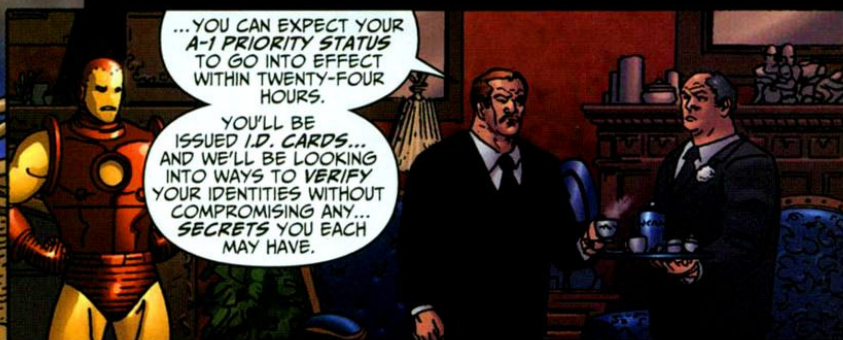
MAYBE IT IS, THOR...
...BUT YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW MUCH THIS IS GOING TO HELP US.

THERE'S NOTHING SO POWERFUL AS GOOD P.R....



I HAVE TO HAND IT TO YOU, IRON MAN...

...YOU PULLED YOUR FAT OUT OF THE FIRE.





HOW FARE THEE,
AVENGER...?

HAS THE
HEAT OF BATTLE
SOOTHED THY
BROODING
NATURE...?

I WISH
IT *HAD*,
THOR.



I CAN PUT UP
A GOOD FRONT,
THAT'S FOR
SURE...

I DON'T...EVEN
WANT TO SLEEP
ANYMORE. THE
NIGHTMARES--



THE OCCASIONAL
THIRST FOR REVENGE
IS PART OF A WARRIOR'S
HEART...*ESPECIALLY*
WHEN THY BRETHREN
HATH BEEN TAKEN
FROM YOU...

THE
SON OF ODIN
KNOWS.



WE
SHOULD BE
BETTER THAN
THAT.

I DON'T THINK
BUCKY WOULD THINK
TOO HIGHLY OF ME RIGHT
NOW...SO PREOCCUPIED
WITH THOUGHTS OF
HIS KILLER'S
DEATH...



...BUT I
JUST CAN'T *HELP*
MYSELF.
I DON'T
THINK I'VE
EVER *WANTED*
ANYTHING
SO BADLY.



I'M AFRAID
THAT...UNTIL I
SEE ZEMO
DEAD...



...I DON'T
KNOW HOW
MUCH LONGER
I'LL BE ABLE TO
FUNCTION.



THY
DEMONS RUN
DEEP, CAPTAIN
AMERICA.

HAVE A CARE
THEY DO NOT OVERTAKE
YOU. PERHAPS THE CURE
LIES IN FULFILLING THE
DESTINY THY DREAMS ARE
PROPHEZIZING.



WHAT ARE YOU
SAYING...?

THAT I SHOULD
DELIBERATELY
SEEK HIM OUT
AND...



...AND...



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