

The Aphrodite Protocol was initiated in the late 20th century in an attempt to save humanity from a predicted extinction level event that became reality in the year 2102 A.D.

The Protocol successfully engineered and evolved humans into new species that survived in this new world via technological singularity and genetic enhancement.

The architect of the Protocol created nine heirs to rule over this new world. They were placed in hibernation for seven-hundred years to be activated in what became known as the Ascension, the year 2802, when the self-proclaimed Gods of the Ninth Generation took control.

This is the city of New Cypress.

Home of ARTEMIS IX.

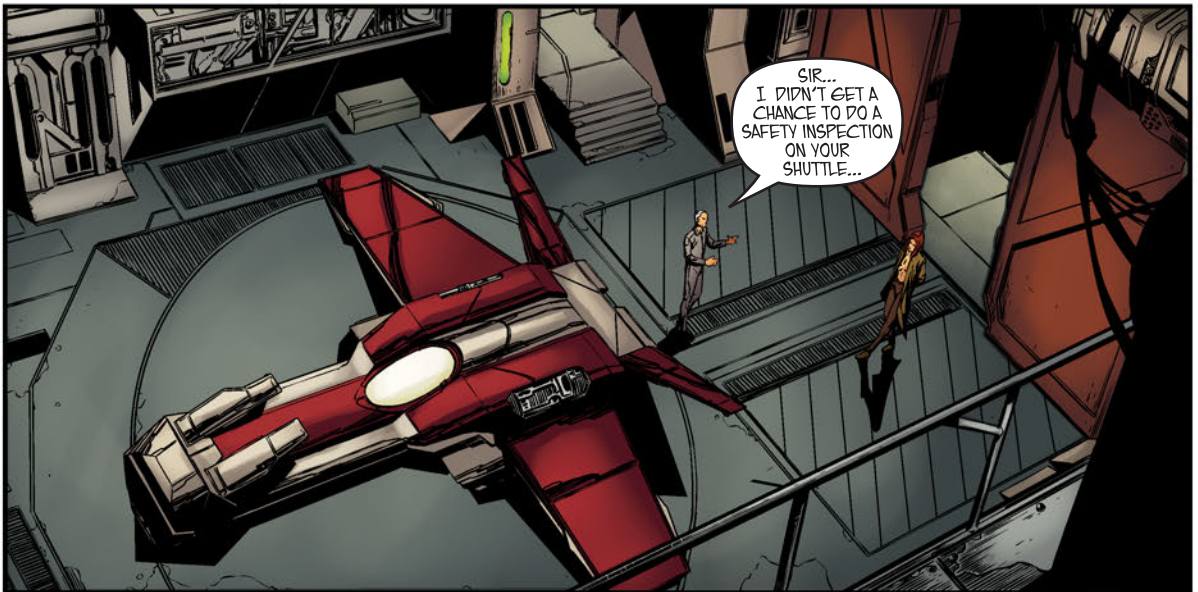
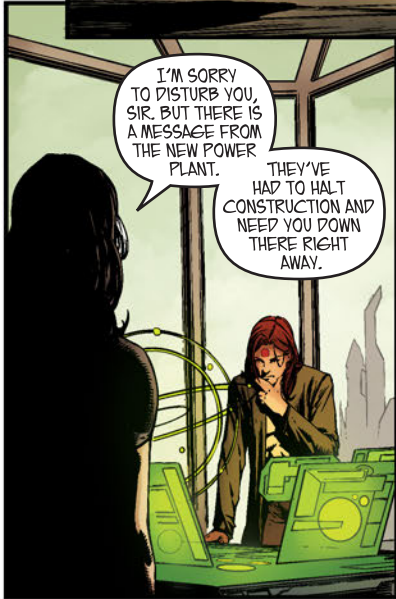
Recently, Artemis hosted his fellow Ninth Generationers.

Like most of their meetings, it began with heated words.

But this one ended with an explosion.









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FOX-ONE, I'M
CLEAR OF THE
HANGAR.



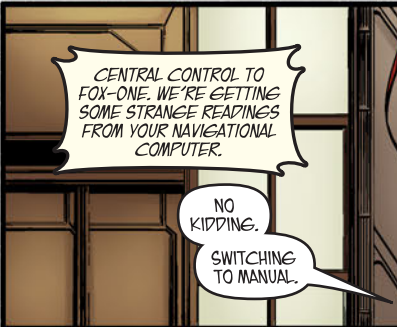
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COMPUTER,
REDUCE SPEED
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CENTRAL CONTROL TO
FOX-ONE, WE'RE GETTING
SOME STRANGE READINGS
FROM YOUR NAVIGATIONAL
COMPUTER.

NO
KIDDING.

SWITCHING
TO MANUAL.



STEERING
CONTROLS ARE
JAMMED AND I
CAN'T THROTTLE
IT DOWN.

CENTRAL,
CAN YOU REBOOT
THE...

OH HELL...