

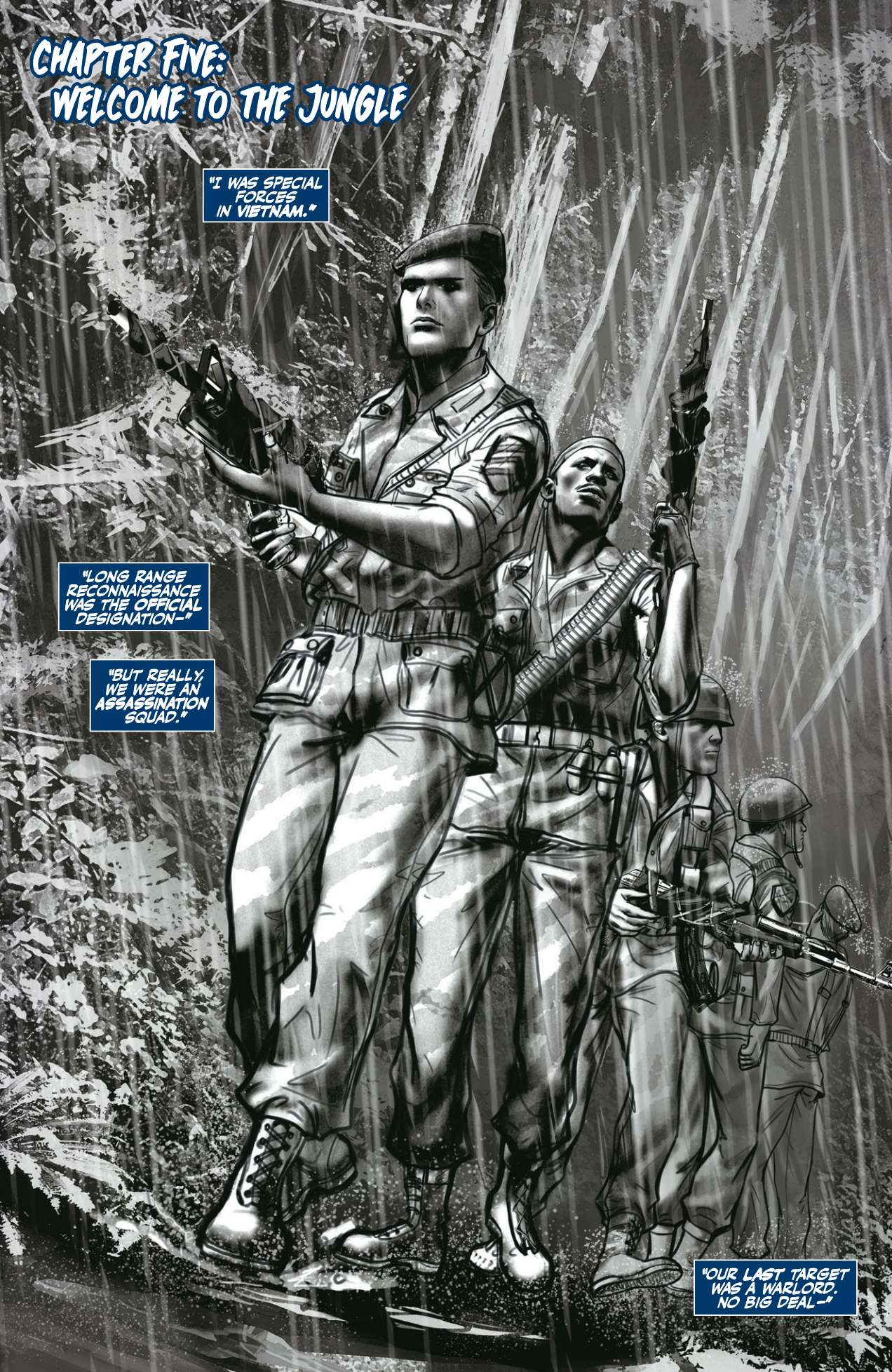
CHAPTER FIVE: WELCOME TO THE JUNGLE

"I WAS SPECIAL
FORCES
IN VIETNAM."

"LONG RANGE
RECONNAISSANCE
WAS THE OFFICIAL
DESIGNATION—"

"BUT REALLY,
WE WERE AN
ASSASSINATION
SQUAD."

"OUR LAST TARGET
WAS A WARLORD.
NO BIG DEAL—"



**"EXCEPT THE WARLORD
TURNED OUT TO BE
A WEREWOLF—"**


**"THE BIGGEST
AND NASTIEST
I'VE EVER SEEN!"**





**"HE SLAUGHTERED
MY SQUAD—"**

**"EVEN ATE ONE
MAN ALIVE!"**



ONLY TWO OF US, DAVE CHRISTIANSEN AND I, SURVIVED.

SOMEHOW WE MADE IT BACK TO BASE. THE ARMY DOCS SHIPPED US STATESIDE IN A HURRY-



BEFORE OUR RANTING AND RAPID HEALING BROUGHT ON *QUESTIONS* THEY COULDN'T ANSWER.



HMMM...



AND YOU'RE TELLING US THIS NOW BECAUSE...?



UH-HUH. BECAUSE CHRISTIANSEN TOOK PART IN THE ATTACK AT MY HOUSE.

DIDN'T COME IN, BUT I CAUGHT HIS SCENT.



WERE YOU THE TARGET ALL ALONG?



WHY THE KIDNAP ATTEMPT AT THE GARAGE IF THEY WANTED TO USE MAC TO GET TO ME?

I CAN'T MAKE SENSE OF ANY OF IT.



"I BROUGHT IN THE PACK TO DISCUSS THE ATTACK AT MERCY'S GARAGE. AFTER THEY LEFT THERE WAS A KNOCK AT THE DOOR--"

"MAC ANSWERED IT BEFORE I COULD STOP HIM."

"SOMEONE SHOT HIM WITH A TRANQUILIZER GUN--"

"AND WHEN I RAN IN THEY GOT ME."

"I WOKE UP BOUND IN SILVER."



"I BROKE FREE WHEN I HEARD JESSE SCREAM--"

"BUT IT WAS TOO LATE TO PREVENT THEM FROM TAKING HER."



AND I ARRIVED JUST A LITTLE LATER--

AFTER THEY DUMPED MAC'S BODY AT MY DOOR.