



CAPTAIN NERO...

...WE HAVE ACHIEVED DEPTH. EXTRACTION TEAM READY TO LAUNCH AT YOUR COMMAND.



VERY GOOD, AYEL.



CAPTAIN, CORE SAMPLES SHOW TRACE AMOUNTS OF IRIIDIUM AND DEUTERIUM...

...AND LARGE DEPOSITS OF DECALITHIUM!



THE STAR'S RADIATION IS FLUCTUATING WILDLY. LIKE IT'S COMING APART!



CAPTAIN, WE NEED THIS HALL...

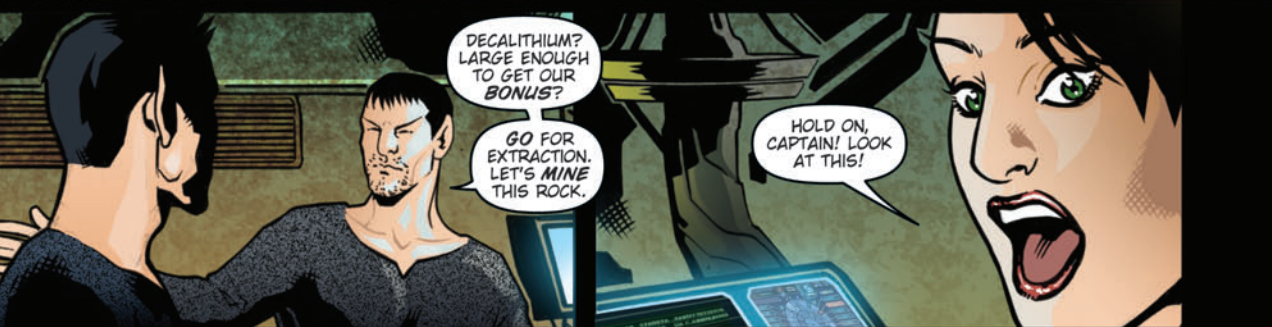


PULL IT!

PULL IT, THAT'S AN ORDER!

THRAL, DISENGAGE THE DRILL! WE'RE REELING YOU IN!

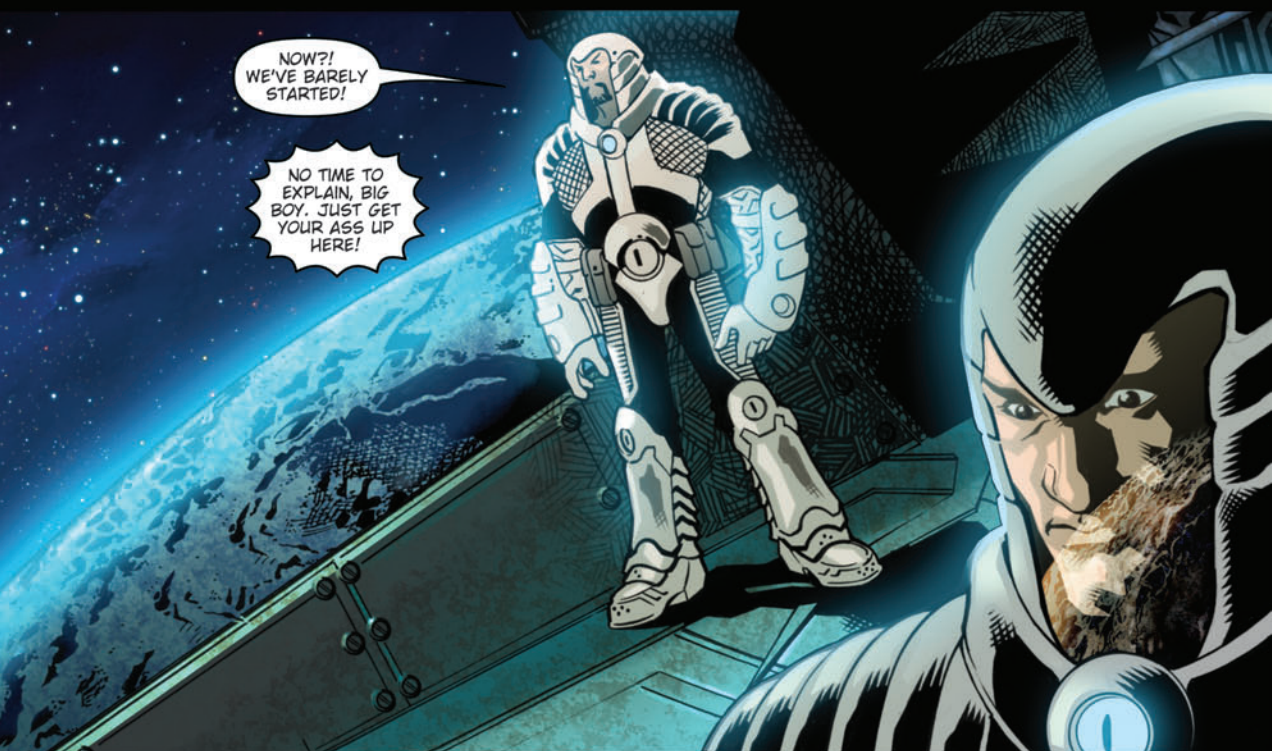




DECALITHIUM?
LARGE ENOUGH
TO GET OUR
BONUS?

GO FOR
EXTRACTION.
LET'S *MINE*
THIS ROCK.

HOLD ON,
CAPTAIN! LOOK
AT THIS!



NOW?!
WE'VE BARELY
STARTED!

NO TIME TO
EXPLAIN, BIG
BOY. JUST GET
YOUR ASS UP
HERE!





I HAVE THEM! WARPING BACK NOW!



LAY IN A COURSE TO ROMULUS, **MAXIMUM SPEED!** ENGAGE AS SOON AS THE SHUTTLE'S BACK!

WHAT ABOUT THE DRILL? WE CAN'T WARP WITHOUT RETRACTING IT!

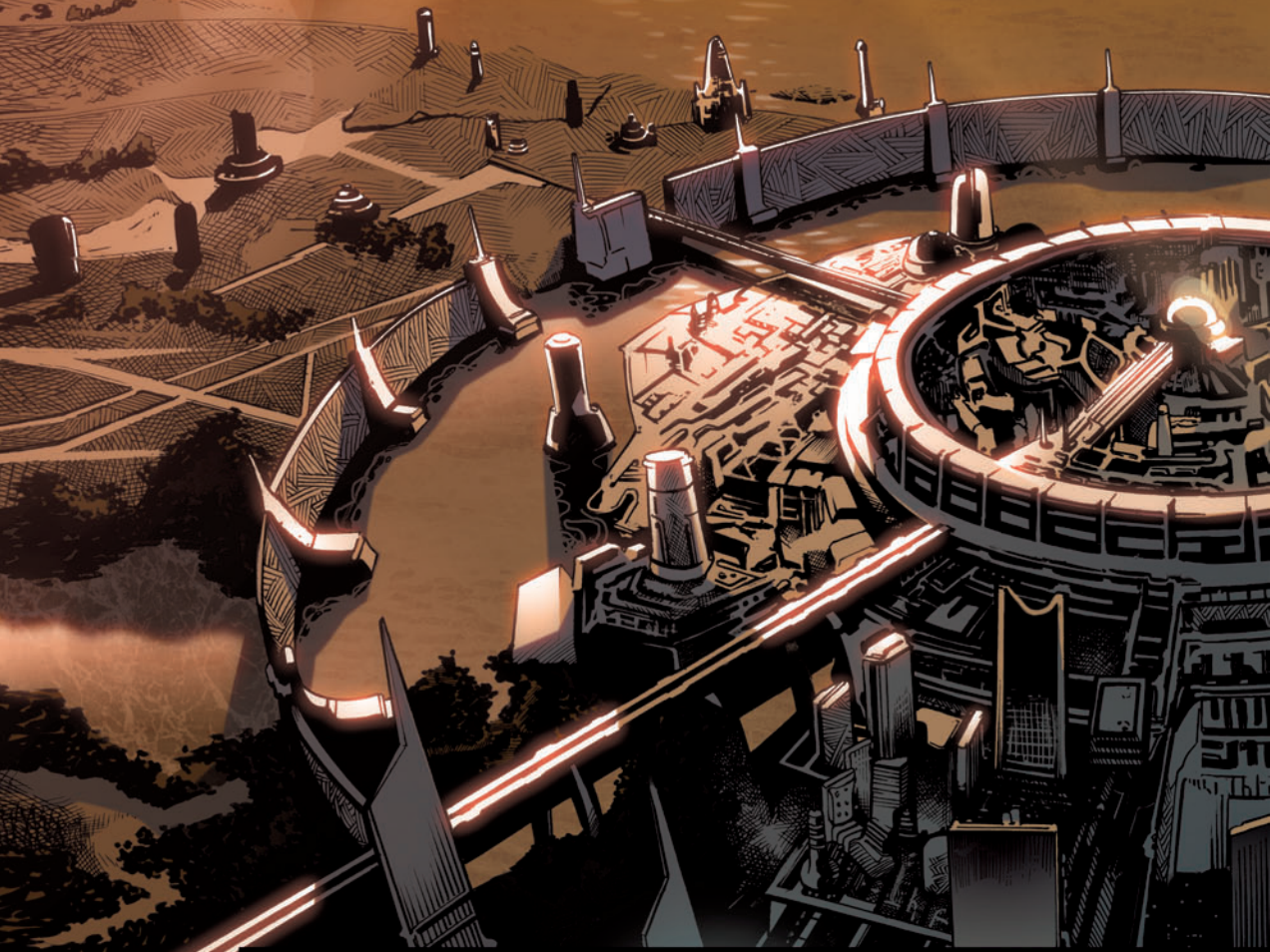
WE HAVE NO CHOICE!



GODS HAVE MERCY ON US ALL.

ROMULUS.

MY HOME FOR THE
LAST TWENTY YEARS.



CURIOSITY, TOLERANCE, AND DIPLOMACY CEASED
TO BE FORBIDDEN WORDS IN THE EMPIRE.

