

**ACTS of VENGEANCE!**

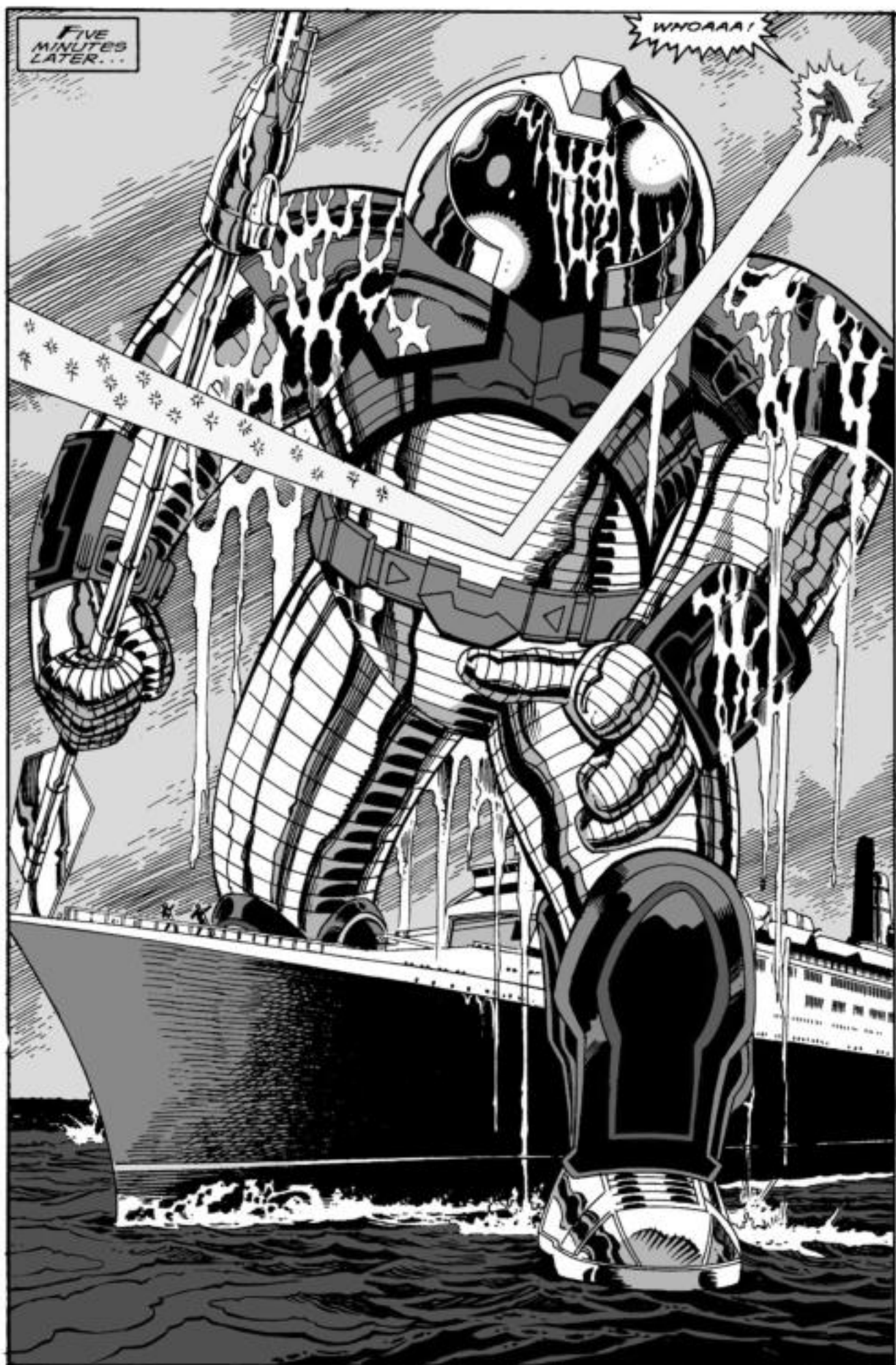
**AVENGERS**

**#3**

**MARVEL**

FIVE  
MINUTES  
LATER...

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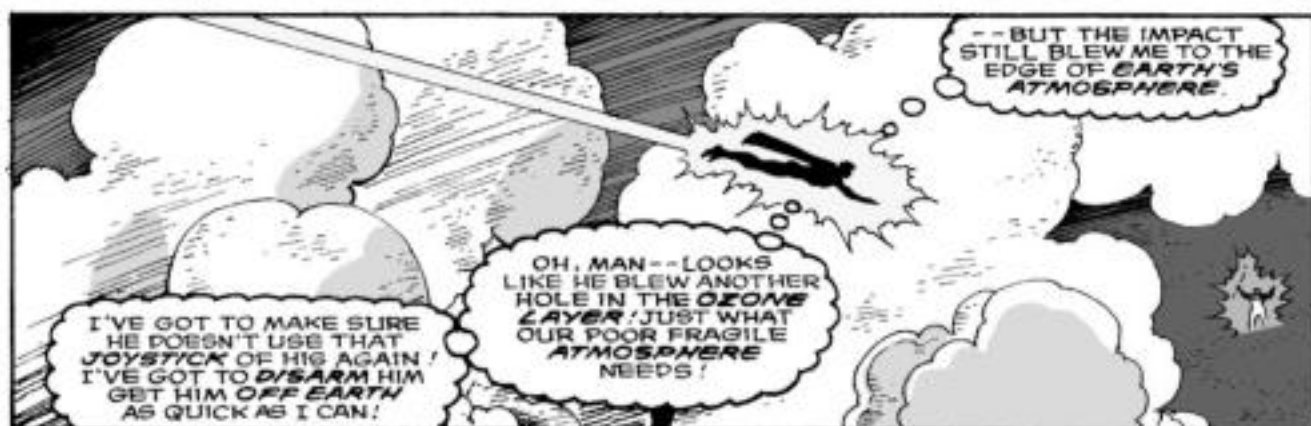




WHAT A JERK I AM...

...LETTING MYSELF GET TAKEN BY SURPRISE LIKE THAT!

MANAGED TO LEECH OFF SOME OF THE ENERGY OF THAT BLAST TO BOLSTER MY OWN PROTECTIVE ENERGY FIELD...



-- BUT THE IMPACT STILL BLEW ME TO THE EDGE OF EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE.

I'VE GOT TO MAKE SURE HE DOESN'T USE THAT JOYSTICK OF HIS AGAIN! I'VE GOT TO DISARM HIM GET HIM OFF EARTH AS QUICK AS I CAN!

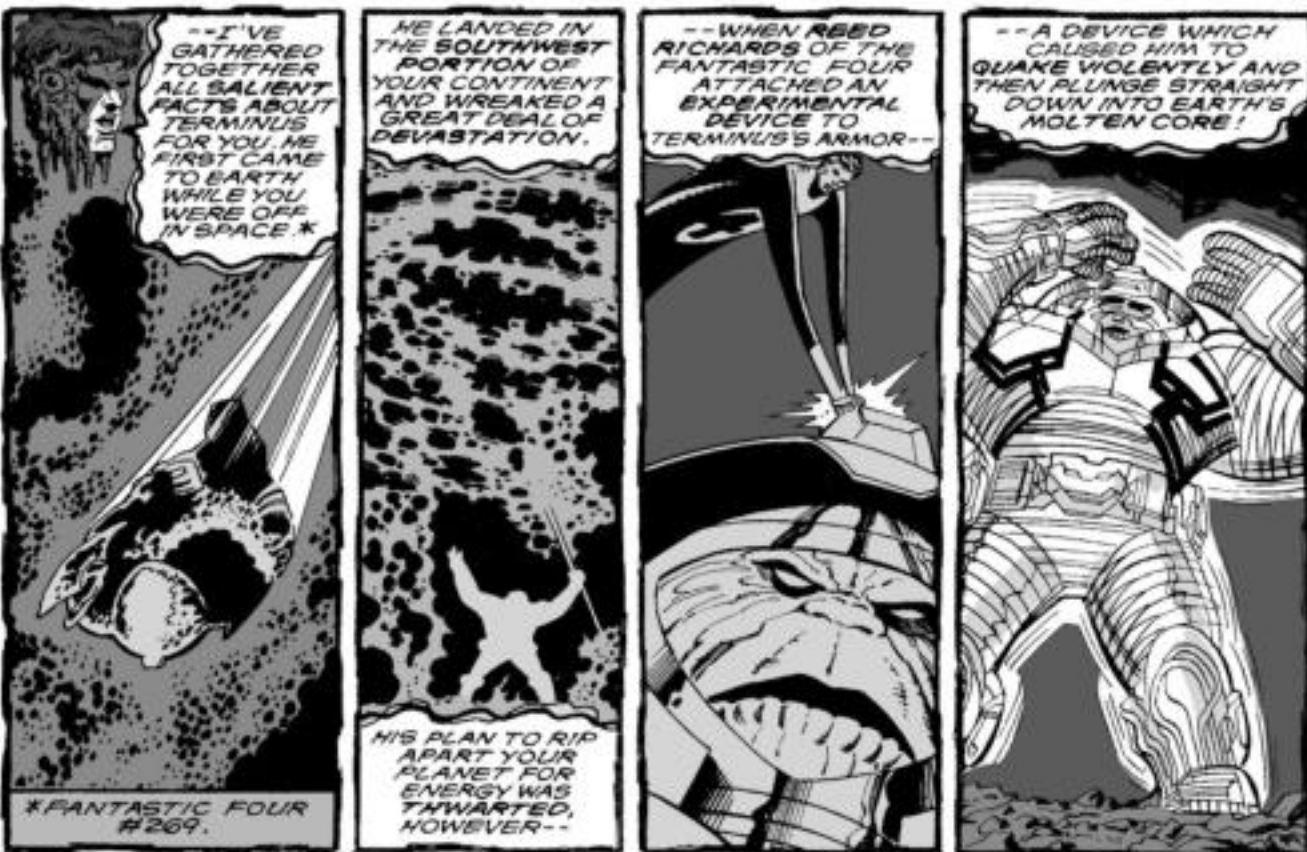
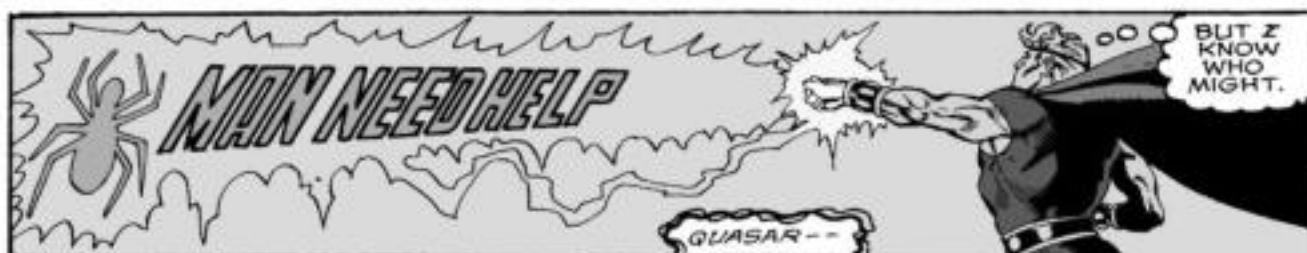
OH, MAN-- LOOKS LIKE HE BLEW ANOTHER HOLE IN THE OZONE LAYER! JUST WHAT OUR POOR FRAGILE ATMOSPHERE NEEDS!



NOW THAT MY QUANTUM-BANDS HAVE "TASTED" THE ENERGY OF HIS LANCE, I SHOULD BE ABLE TO LOCK ONTO IT, SUCK IT DRY--!

BLAST! IT'S NOT WORKING! APPARENTLY I CAN'T LEECH ENERGY FROM IT UNLESS IT'S IN USE! AND USING IT IS THE LAST THING I WANT HIM TO DO!

NOW WHAT?





THE IMMENSE HEAT AND PRESSURE DID NOT FAZE THE DEVASTATOR IN THE LEAST.

SEPARATED FROM HIS POWER-LANCE, HE SPENT THE NEXT FEW MONTHS CLAWING HIS WAY BACK TOWARD THE SURFACE--



WHEN HE HAD BUT A FEW MORE MILES TO GO, HE HAPPENED UPON AN IMMENSE SUBTERRANEAN LABORATORY--

--A FACILITY BUILT BY THE SISTER RACE TO MANKIND KNOWN AS THE DEVIANTS--

--AND CURRENT WORKSHOP OF JORRO THE WEAPONS MAKER.



TERMINUS BADE THE TINY DEVIANT TO BUILD A REPLICAF OF HIS SPACE ARMOR--

--THEN DISPATCHED HIM TO THE SURFACE CLAD IN IT. JORRO'S MISSION WAS TO RECOVER TERMINUS'S LANCE--



--AND ENGAGE EARTH'S CHAMPIONS IN BATTLE SO TERMINUS COULD BETTER GAUGE THE EXTENT OF THEIR MIGHT.

JORRO USED THE IMMENSE POWER OF THE ENERGY-LANCE TO DESTROY THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL MACHINES THAT KEPT WARM THE ANTARCTIC JUNGLE MEN CALL THE SAVAGE LAND.

IT WAS THERE THAT JORRO WAS DEFEATED BY YOUR COLLEAGUES, THE AVENGERS.\*

\* BACK IN AVENGERS #257.



JORRO HAVING PERISHED, TERMINUS DIRECTED YET ANOTHER BEING TO ANIMATE HIS ERSATZ ARMOR. THIS STAND- IN ALSO MET DEFEAT, BUT NOT WITHOUT PROVIDING TERMINUS WITH MORE ROUGH DATA.

SO WHAT'S HE PLANNING NOW?

REED RICHARDS WAS THE FIRST BEING TO OUTWIT HIM IN UNTOLD MILLENNIA. HE APPARENTLY INTENDS TO MAKE RICHARDS HIS HERALD.



JUST THEN--

OKAY, Q-BALL, THIS HAD BETTER BE GOOD.

BELIEVE ME, SPIDER-MAN, IT IS.

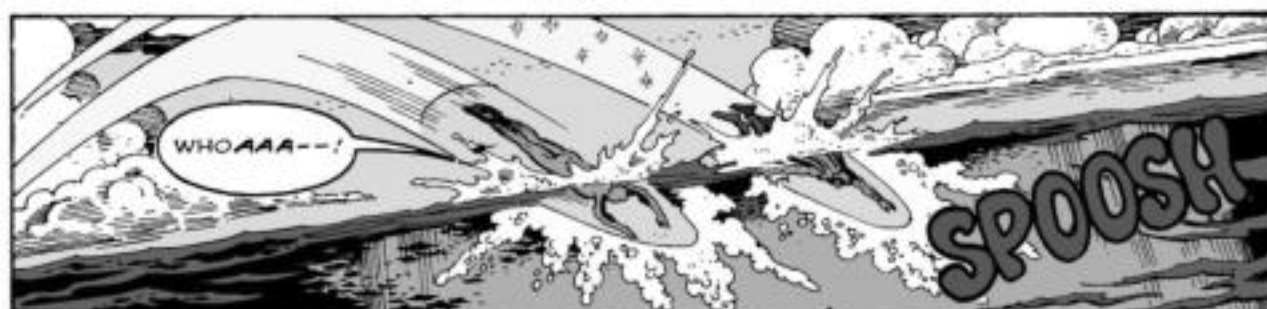


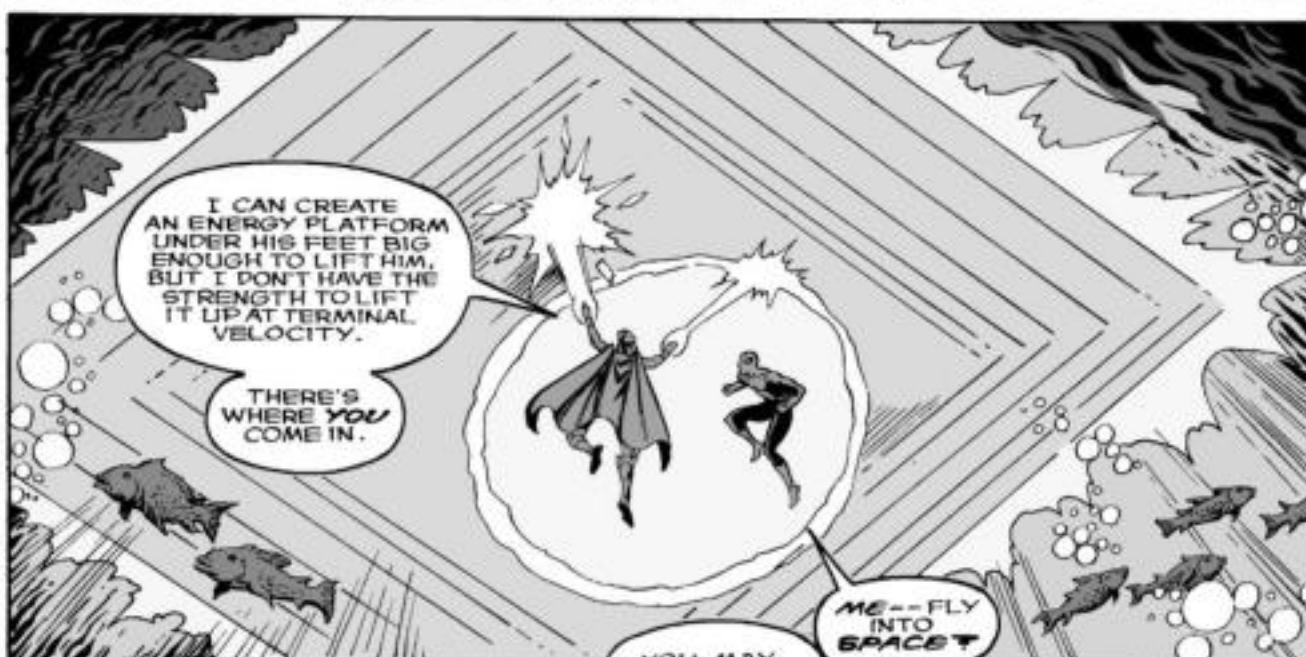
AND AFTER A BRIEF EXPLANATION...

NOW WAITAMINUT--150 FOOT SPACE ALIENS ARE WAY OUT OF MY LEAGUE

YOU YOURSELF TOLD ME YOU WERE THE STRONGEST MAN IN THE WORLD.





















Stan Lee  
PRESENTS:

# CAPTAIN AMERICA

## MAGNETIC REPULSION

AVENGERS HEADQUARTERS...



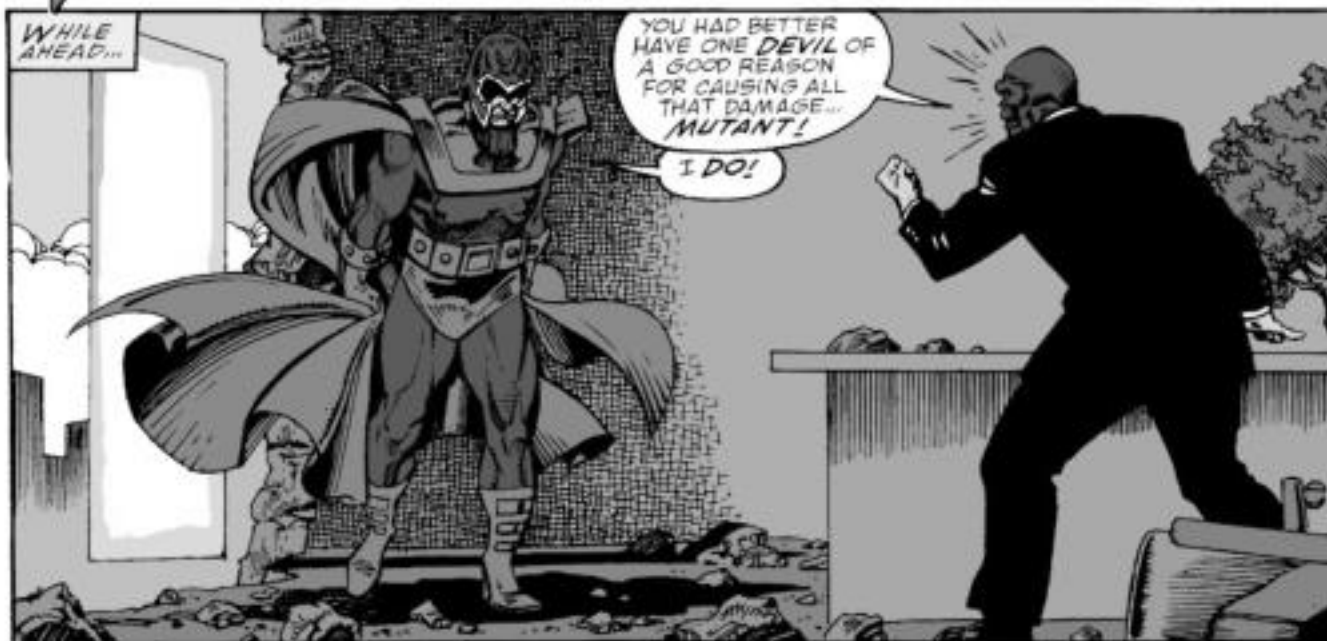














I NEED TO *KNOW* SOMETHING, ARE YOU OR ARE YOU *NOT* THE SAME RED SKULL WHO WORKED FOR ADOLF HITLER DURING WORLD WAR II?

YES...



THOUGH I AM ON MY SECOND BODY, LURE THE FOOL CLOSER!

MY FAMILY AND I WERE VICTIMS OF NAZI OPPRESSION... OF CONCENTRATION CAMPS... OF BRUTALITY...

I SWORE TO AVENGE THEM!



THOUGH AS FAR AS I CAN DETERMINE, YOU PERSONALLY HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THEIR DEATHS--

--YOU WILLINGLY SERVED THE MOST BARBARIC DESPOT OF THIS CENTURY AND COMMITTED COUNTLESS ATROCITIES TO ADVANCE YOUR TWISTED REGIME!



HOW DO YOU PLEAD?

WE ARE MUCH ALIKE, YOU AND I, MAGNETO. BOTH OF US WISH TO SEE OUR MASTER RACE INHERIT THE EARTH.

YOU CALL MY FUEHRER BARBARIC? AM I MISTAKEN OR DID YOU YOURSELF NOT KILL HUNDREDS OF MEN BY SINKING A SUBMARINE A FEW YEARS BACK?

TO HELP REALIZE YOUR MINORITY GROUP'S DESTINY, WOULD YOU BALK AT THE IMPRISONMENT OF INFERIORS? THE EXTERMINATION OF THE UNFIT?

COME, COME MAGNETO. DO NOT EXPECT ME TO BE IMPRESSED BY YOUR SANCTIMONIOUS POSTURINGS OF MORAL SUPERIORITY!

