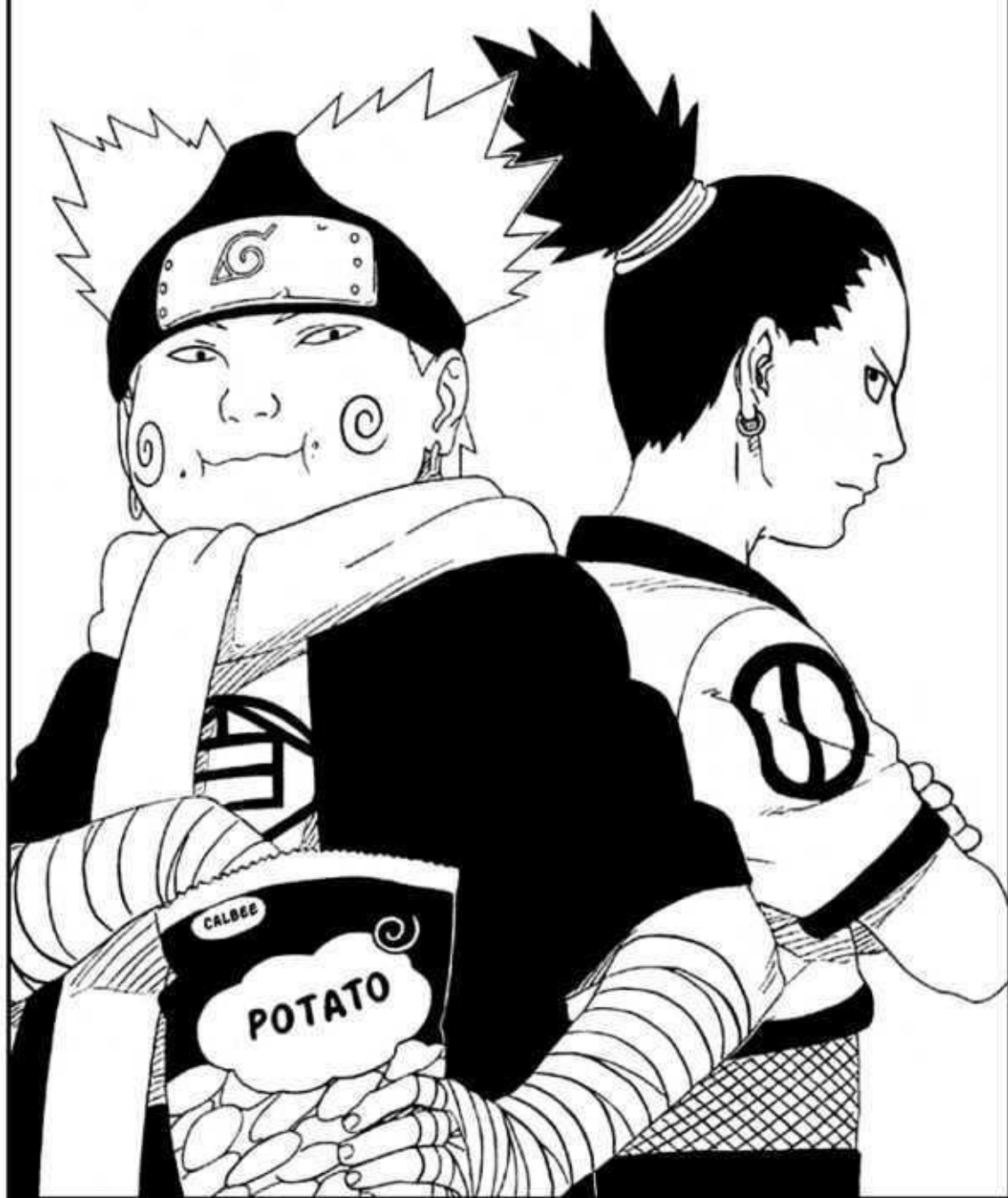


The Top Secret Weapon of the Leaf? The fatty and the lazy, the duo is the focus of this week...NOT



#MANGAREADERS

KAKASHI STILL NEEDS SOME REST ...!!

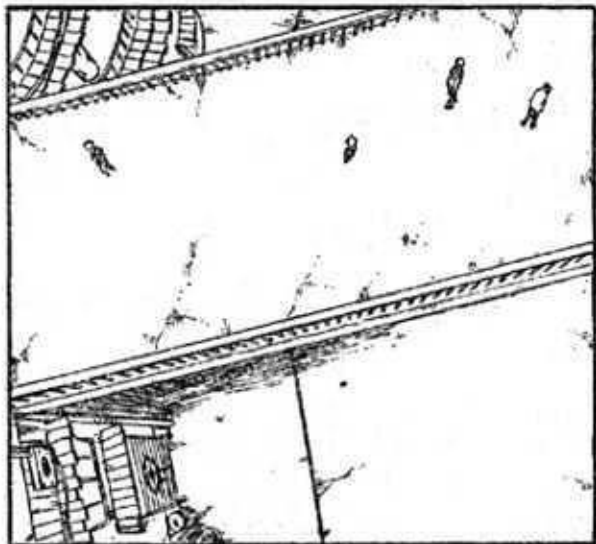
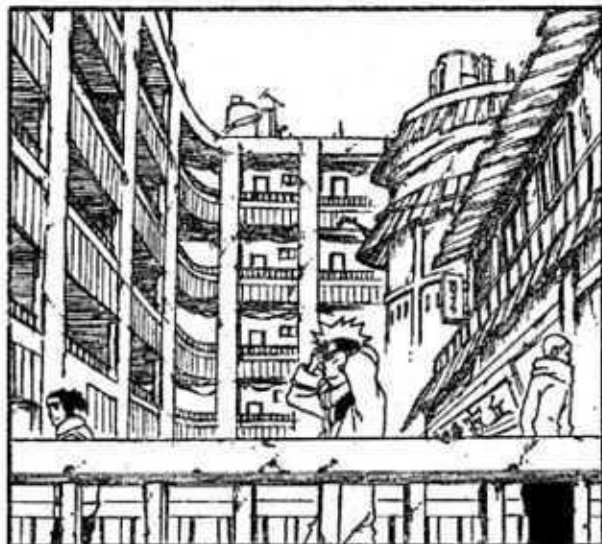


...BUT?



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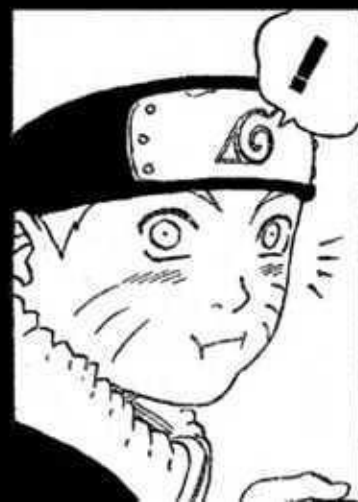




SFX: TWEAK



SFX: SLUURP









HOWEVER,  
WE STILL NEED  
TO COMPLETE  
ALL THE  
MISSIONS  
REQUESTED OF  
US JUST AS  
BEFORE

INCLUDING OUR  
3RD HOKAGE, WE  
LOST MANY TAL-  
ENTED SHINOBI.  
WE'VE LOST  
NEARLY HALF OF  
OUR FORCES



NARUTO..

THIS IS A  
HARD TIME  
FOR US  
LEAF



IF WE  
WERE TO  
TURN DOWN  
SOME OF THE  
MISSIONS,

WE CAN'T  
DO THAT...

IT'S LIKE  
TELLING  
THE OTHER  
NATIONS THAT  
OUR VILLAGE  
IS GETTING  
WEAK

SEE, WE'VE  
BEEN KEEPING  
THE BALANCE  
OF POWER WITH  
OTHER NATIONS  
STEADY WITH  
OUR VILLAGE'S  
FORCES



WHY'S  
THAT?

IF WE DON'T  
HAVE THE MEN,  
WHY CAN'T WE  
JUST REFUSE  
THEM?



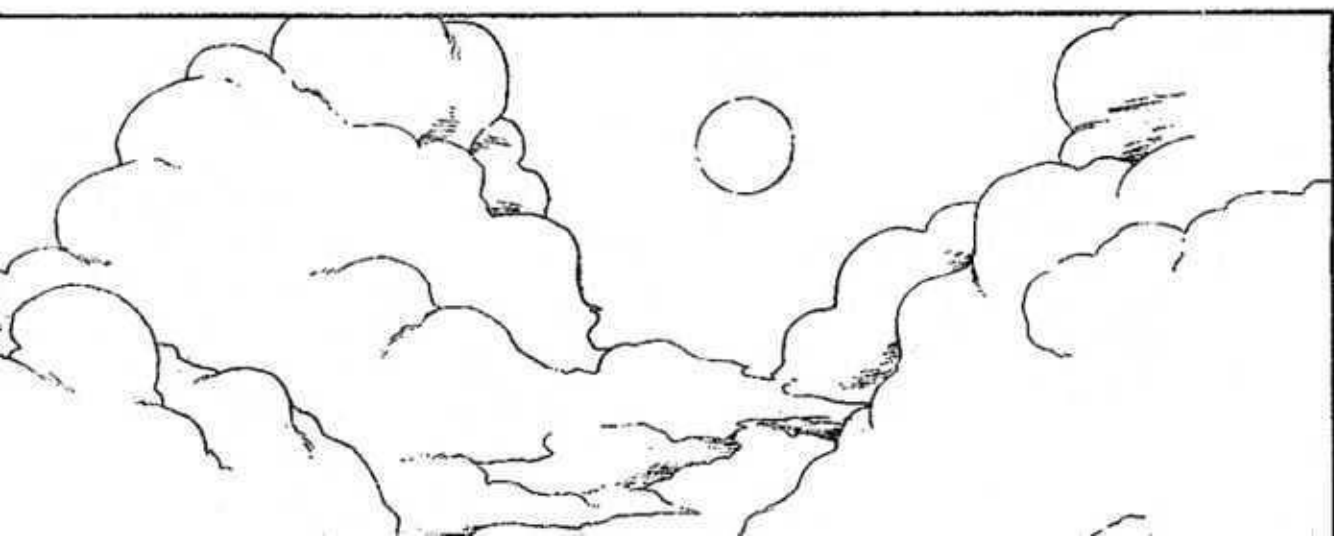
I HEARD  
KAKASHI'S  
ALREADY BEEN  
ASSIGNED A  
MISSION  
ALTHOUGH  
HE'S STILL  
RECOVERING



EVEN I  
HAVE TO  
COMPLETE  
SOME FIELD  
MISSIONS

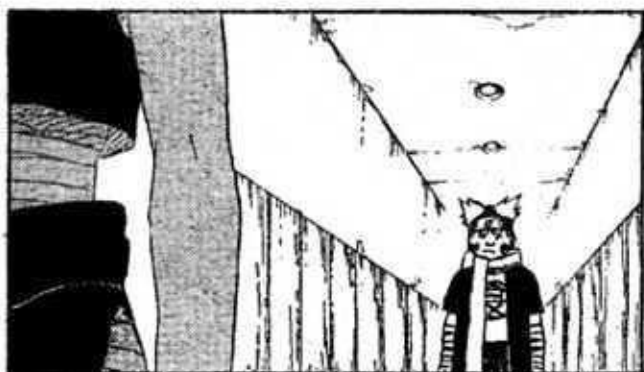
THAT'S  
WHY EVEN  
THE NINJA  
ACADEMY  
HAS BEEN  
TEMPORARY  
CLOSED

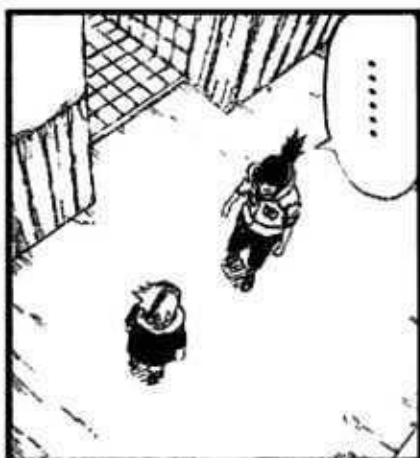








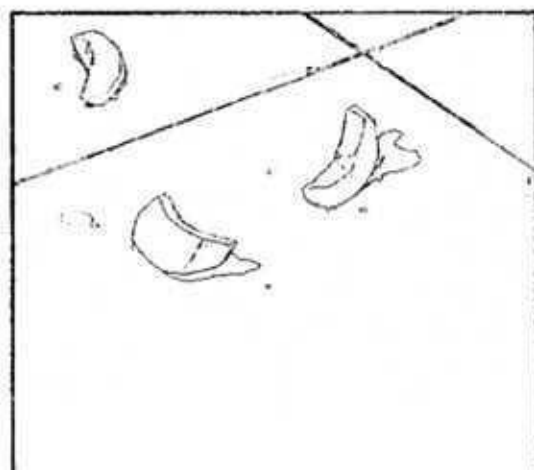
















A black and white manga-style close-up of Sasuke Uchiwa's face. He has a serious, intense expression with his eyes wide open, showing the Sharingan. His dark, spiky hair frames his face. A speech bubble is positioned in the upper right corner of the frame.

**SHUT UP  
AND FIGHT  
ME!!**





THAT  
FOOLISH  
FIFTH  
HOKAGE OR  
WHOEVER...



SFX:TAP



