I'M SORRY THAT THINGS HAVE TURNED OUT THIS WAY, PROFESSOR.

DON'T SAY THAT, MAJOR KANG.
I'M THE ONE WHO'S SORRY FOR PUTTING YOU AND YOUR MEN IN THIS SITUATION.

THIS RESCUE MISSION WOULD'VE SUCCEEDED IF ONLY THAT GODDAMN INFORMANT HADN'T TURNED ON US.

...

THESE MEN HERE WERE HIGHLY-TRAINED SOLDIERS, NOT JUST COMMON MILITIA...

NOT TO MENTION TRIPLE THE MANPOWER OF WHAT OUR INTEL PROJECTED...

THEY KNEW THE DETAILS OF OUR PLANS AND COMPLETELY AMBUSHED US.

THE WHOLE THING WAS A TRAP TO ROPE US INTO THIS MESS!

CLANG

THUD

UGH...

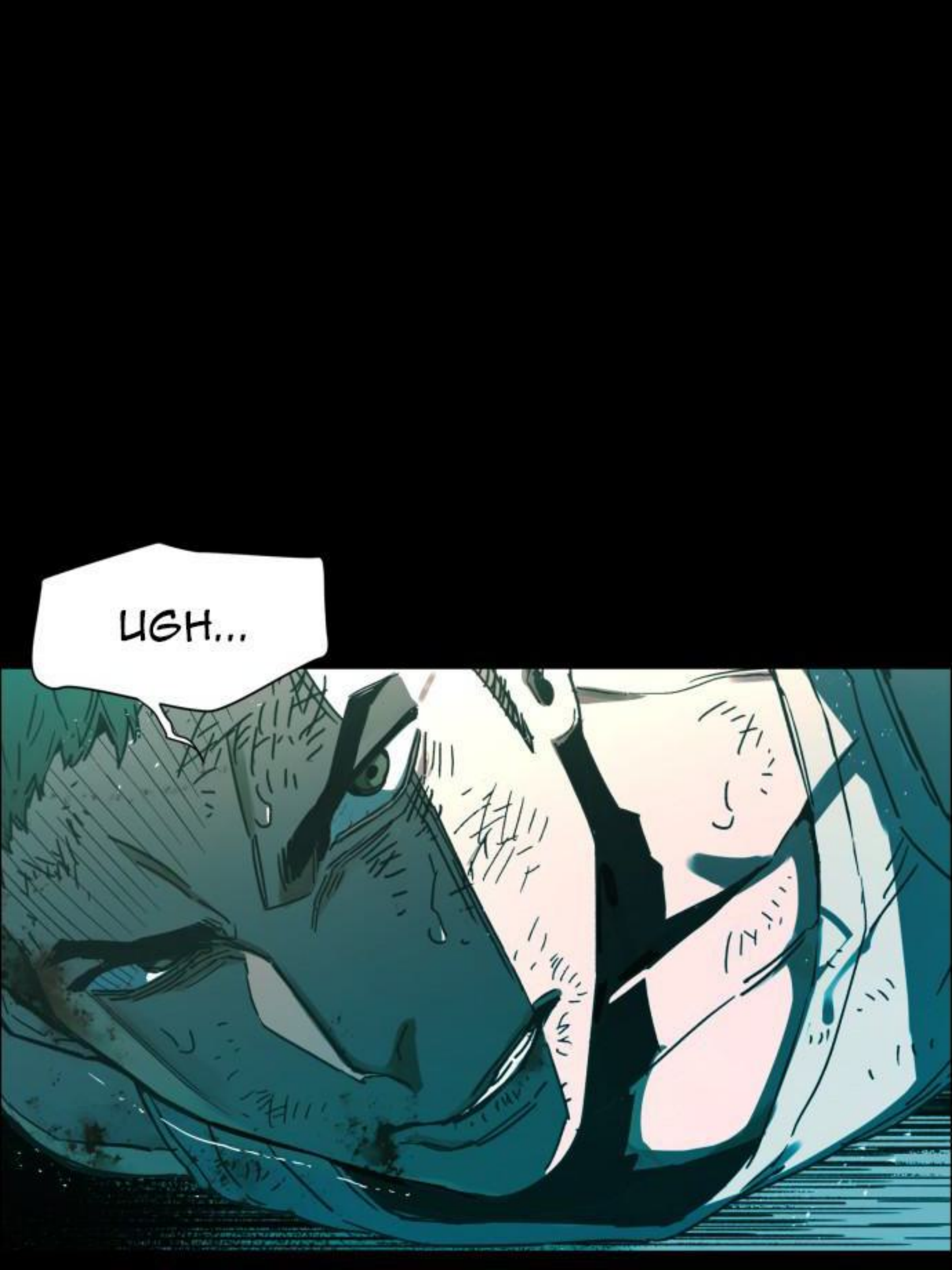
SERGEANT KIM!

YOU BASTARD!!
JUMP

Who is Hyperion?

THWACK
!!

THUD


UGH...

CREEEAK

THAT BASTARD IS PLAYING US LIKE PAWNS...

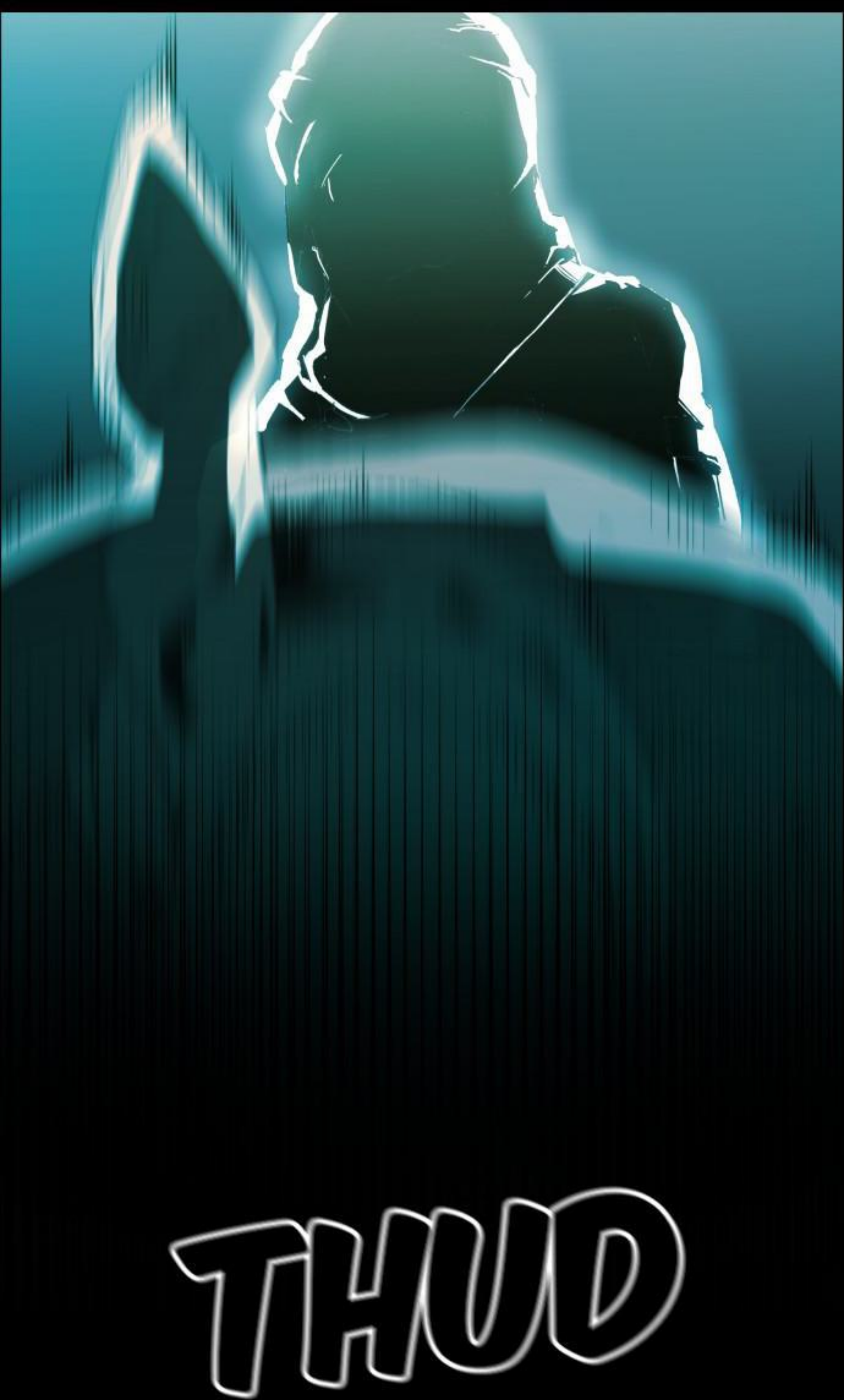
MAJOR KANG, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
I'M FINE. HOW ARE THE REST OF THE MEN?

I DON'T KNOW. THEY WERE ALL TAKEN SOMEWHERE...
RATTLE

RATTLE
RATTLE
TURN

CREEEAK

WHAT NOW?
SLUMP


THUD

ARE YOU MAJOR HAMCHAN KANG?

HE SPEAKS KOREAN?

WHO ARE YOU?

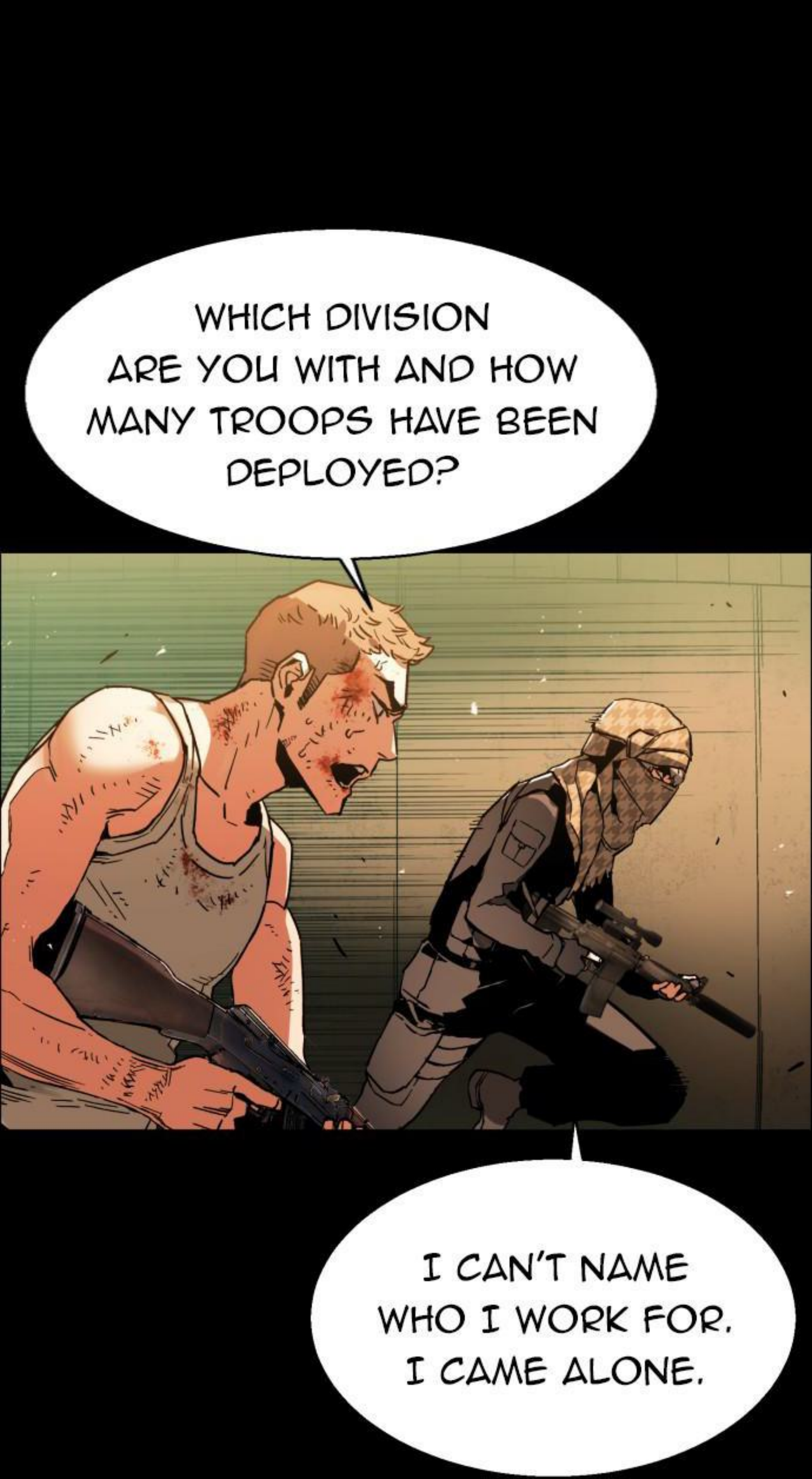
HE DOESN'T SOUND QUITE FLUENT...

...BUT HE DEFINITELY JUST SPOKE KOREAN.

I CAME FOR YOU.
ALL YOU PRISONERS, FOLLOW ME.

DASH

ALL OF THE MEN ARE KNOCKED DOWN ALREADY?
BUT WE WOULD'VE HEARD SOMETHING...


WHICH DIVISION ARE YOU WITH AND HOW MANY TROOPS HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED?
I CAN'T NAME WHO I WORK FOR. I CAME ALONE.

?!
HE KNOCKED OUT ALL THESE MEN BY HIMSELF?

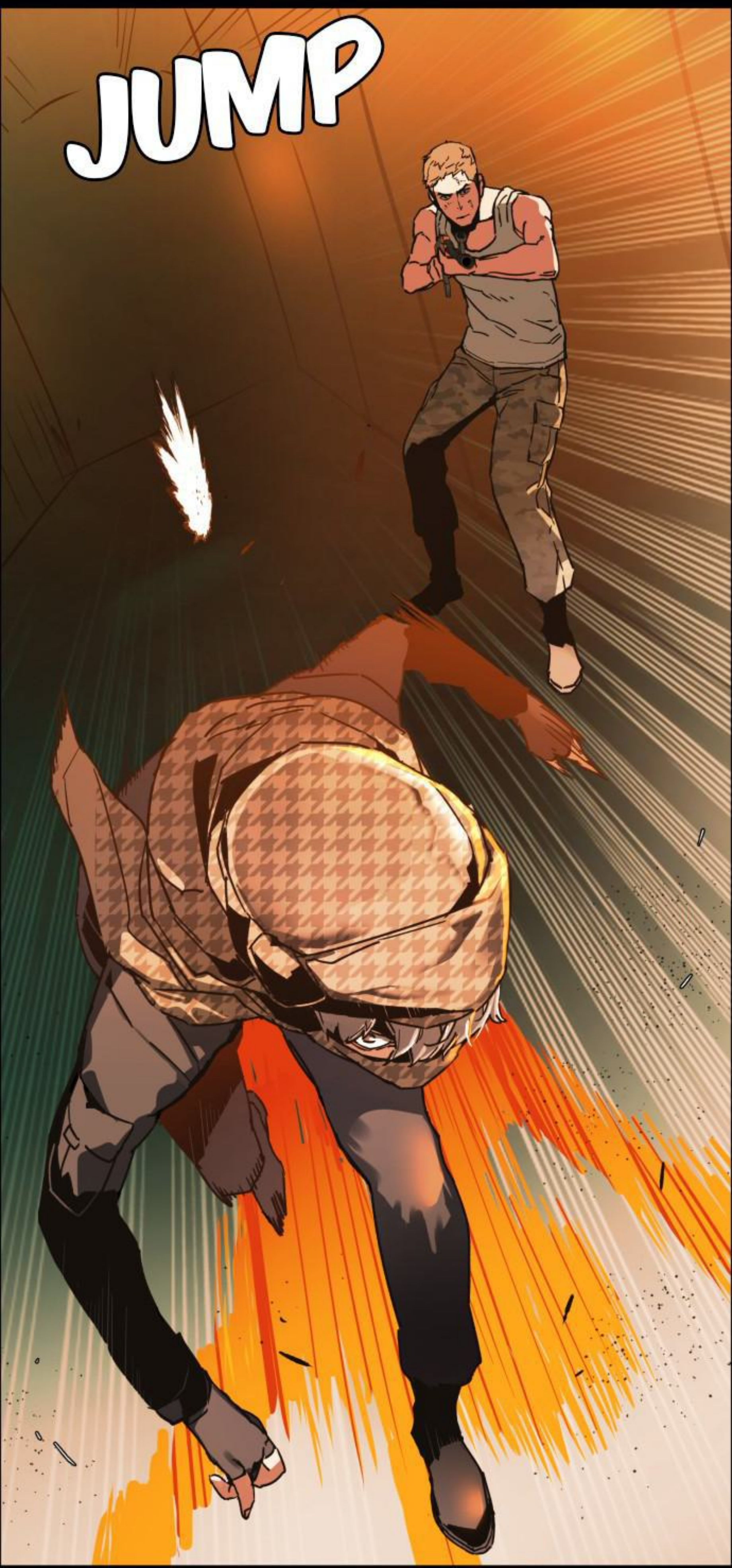
AND UNDETECTED, AT THAT?
THUNK

IT'S ONE
OF THEM!

HE'LL GIVE US AWAY!
?!
GRAB
!

AND THERE'S ANOTHER ONE ON THE OTHER SIDE...

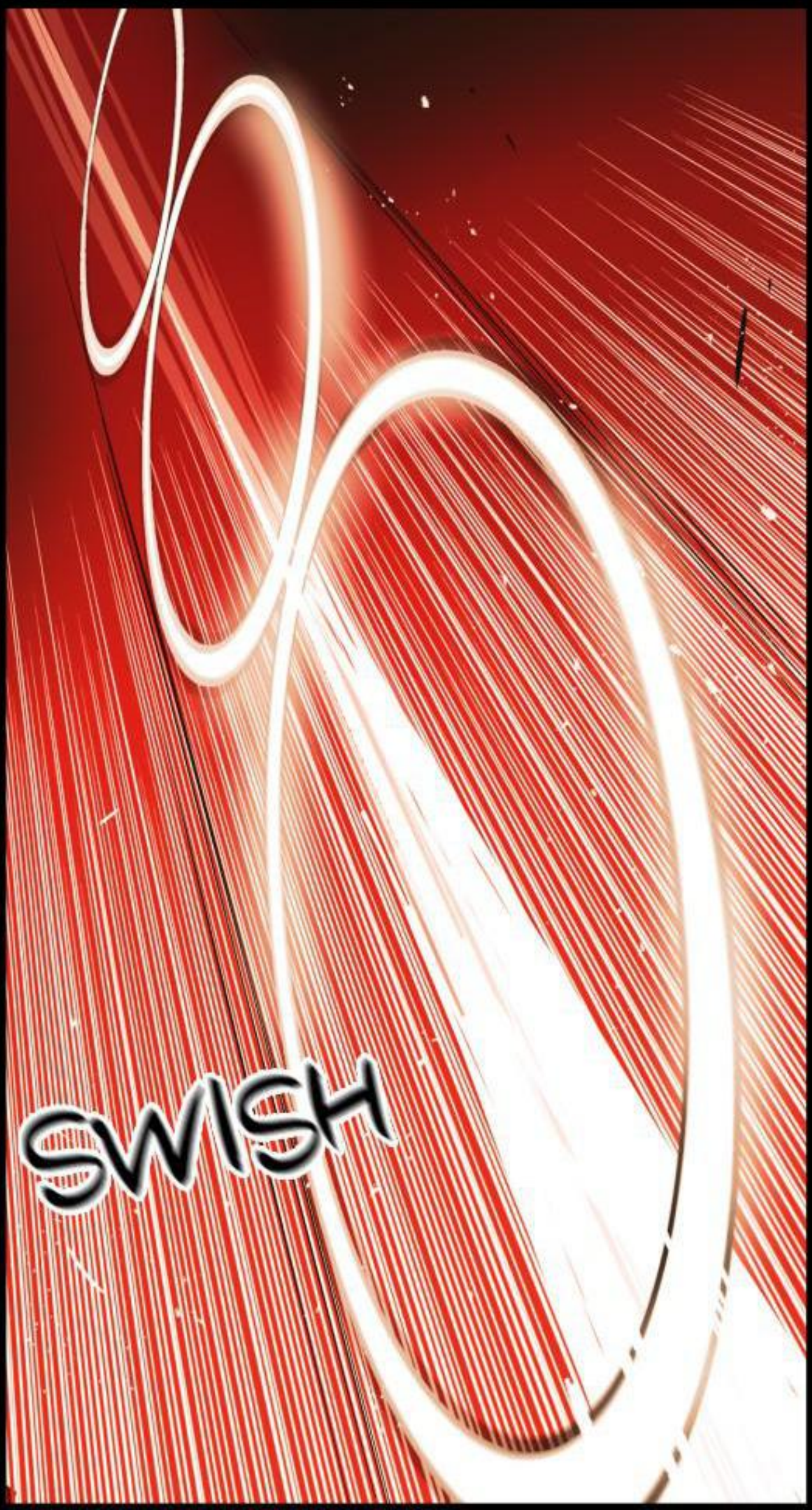
WE WON'T GET PAST THEM QUIETLY!


JUMP

Pow

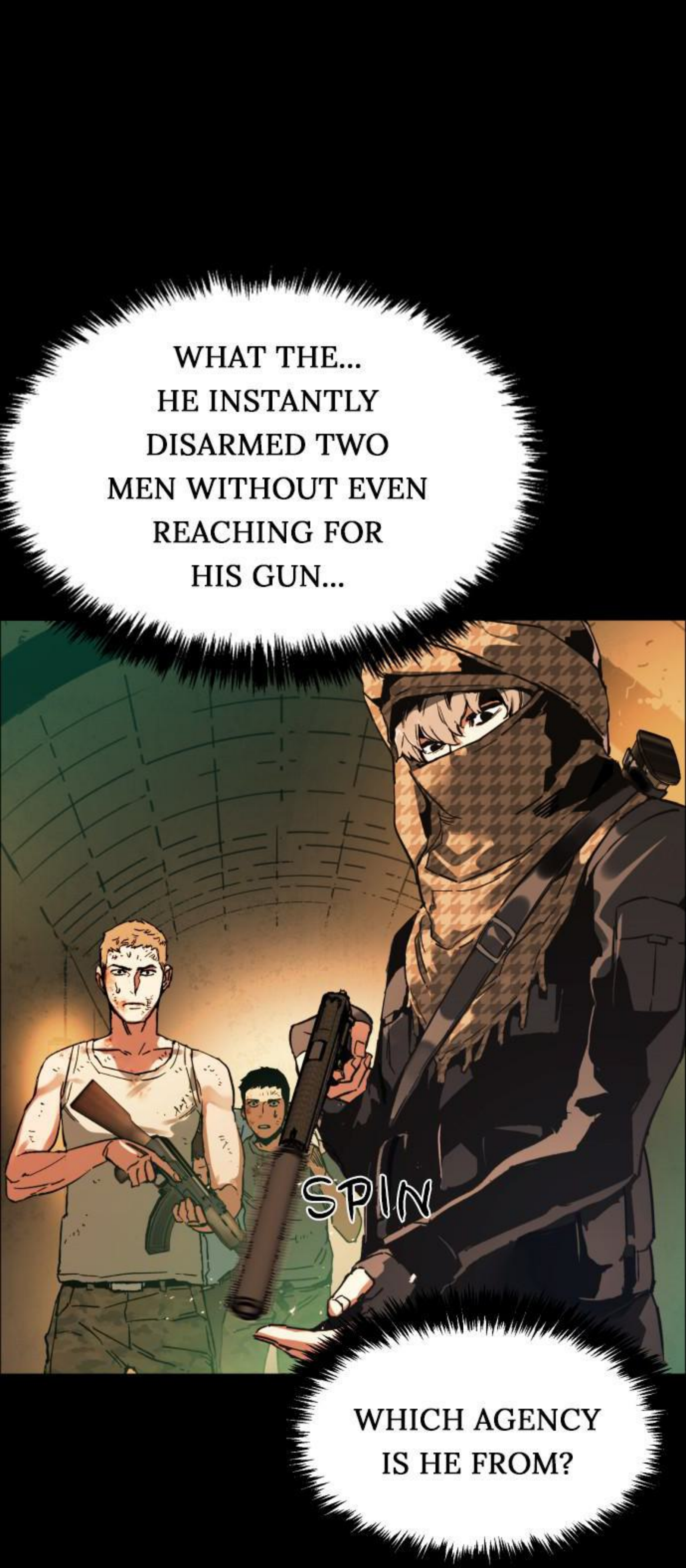
BAM

THUD


SWISH

STAB

SLUMP


WHAT THE... HE INSTANTLY DISARMED TWO MEN WITHOUT EVEN REACHING FOR HIS GUN...
SPIN
WHICH AGENCY IS HE FROM?

WE MUST PICK UP THE PACE.
KACHUNK
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THE HOSTILES AS WE CONTINUE, SO TRY NOT TO USE YOUR RIFLE UNLESS IT'S NECESSARY.

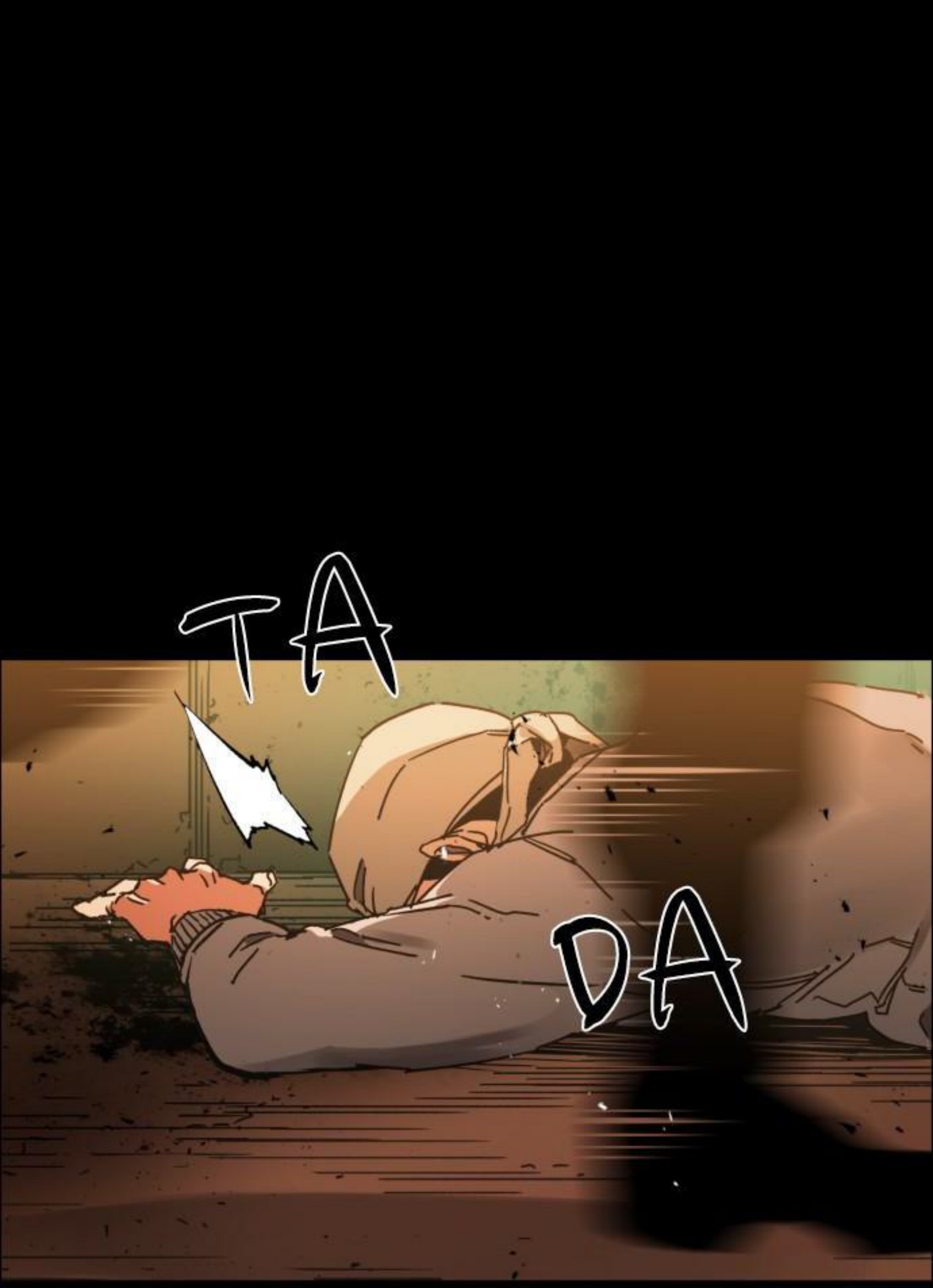
S-SURE.

IN OTHER WORDS, "DON'T GET IN MY WAY"...

FWIP
FWIP

TADA

PSHT
PSHT
PSHT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MULTIPLE
HOSTILES
UP AHEAD!

I SHOULD HELP HIM GET PAST THIS ONE NOW.

GRIP

WELL, SO MUCH FOR KEEPING QUIET.

ΔΓΛΙ

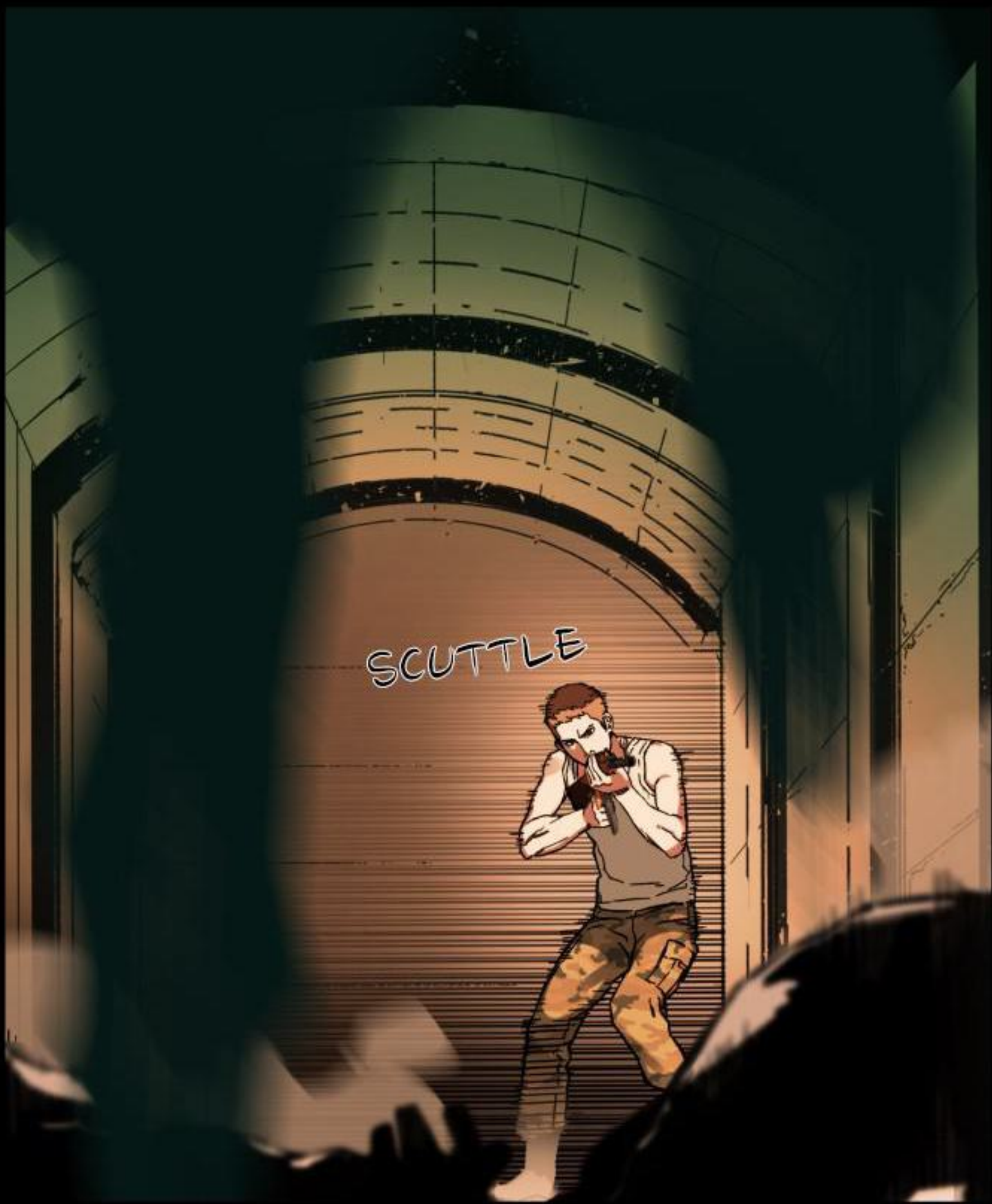
WHY IS HE JUST CHARGING IN LIKE THAT?!

WE SHOULD BE CALM AND THINK THIS THROUGH BEFORE WE MOVE!

SKID

ΗΩΣΡ

KACHUNK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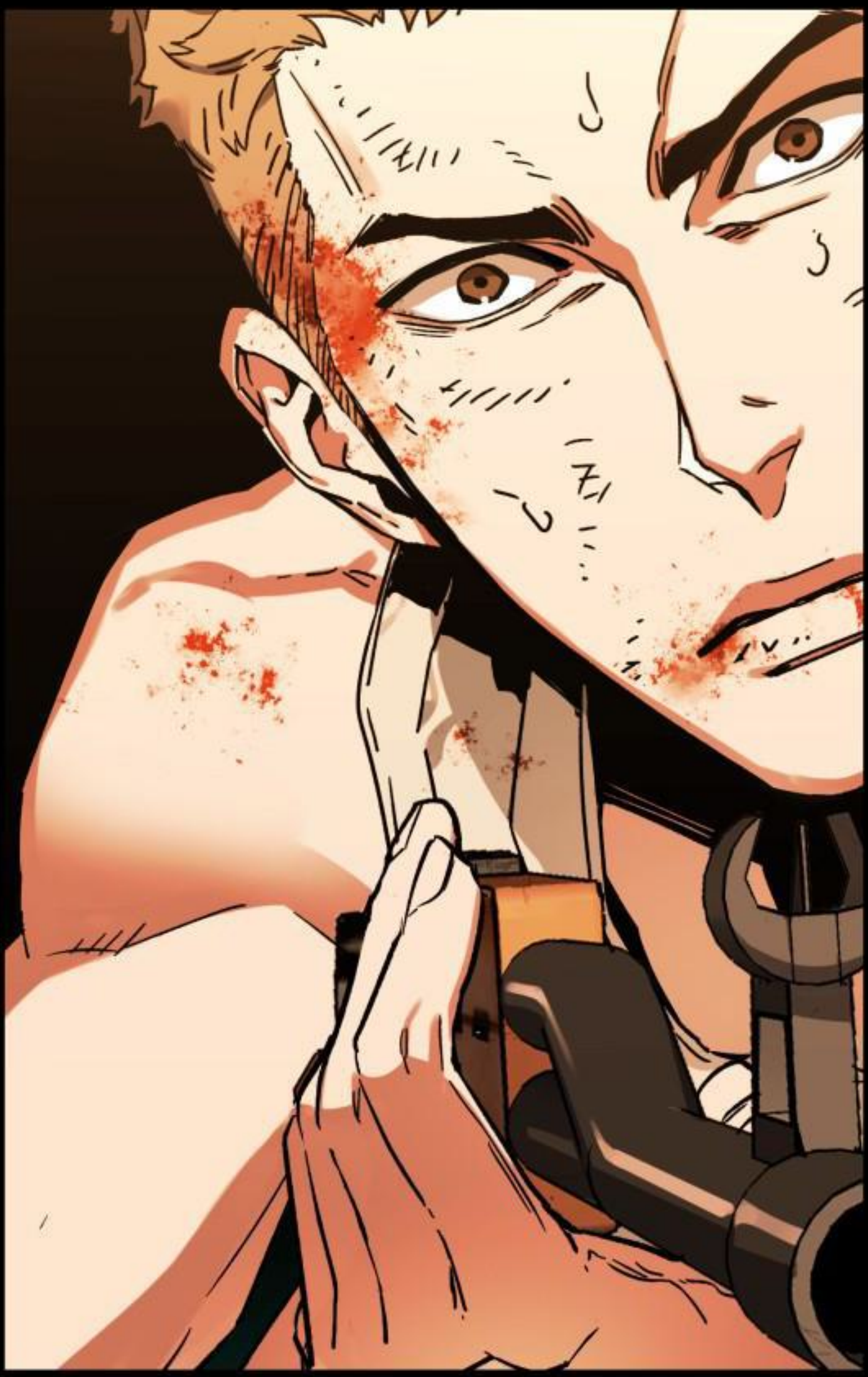

WHAT A BEAST...
BUT HIS TACTICS ARE TOO RECKLESS FOR SOME TYPICAL MILITARY SOLDIER...

SNOOP

HOLD

WE WAIT HERE.
ONE MINUTE.

WHAT FOR?

PANT

GLANCE

HUFF
HUFF
PANT
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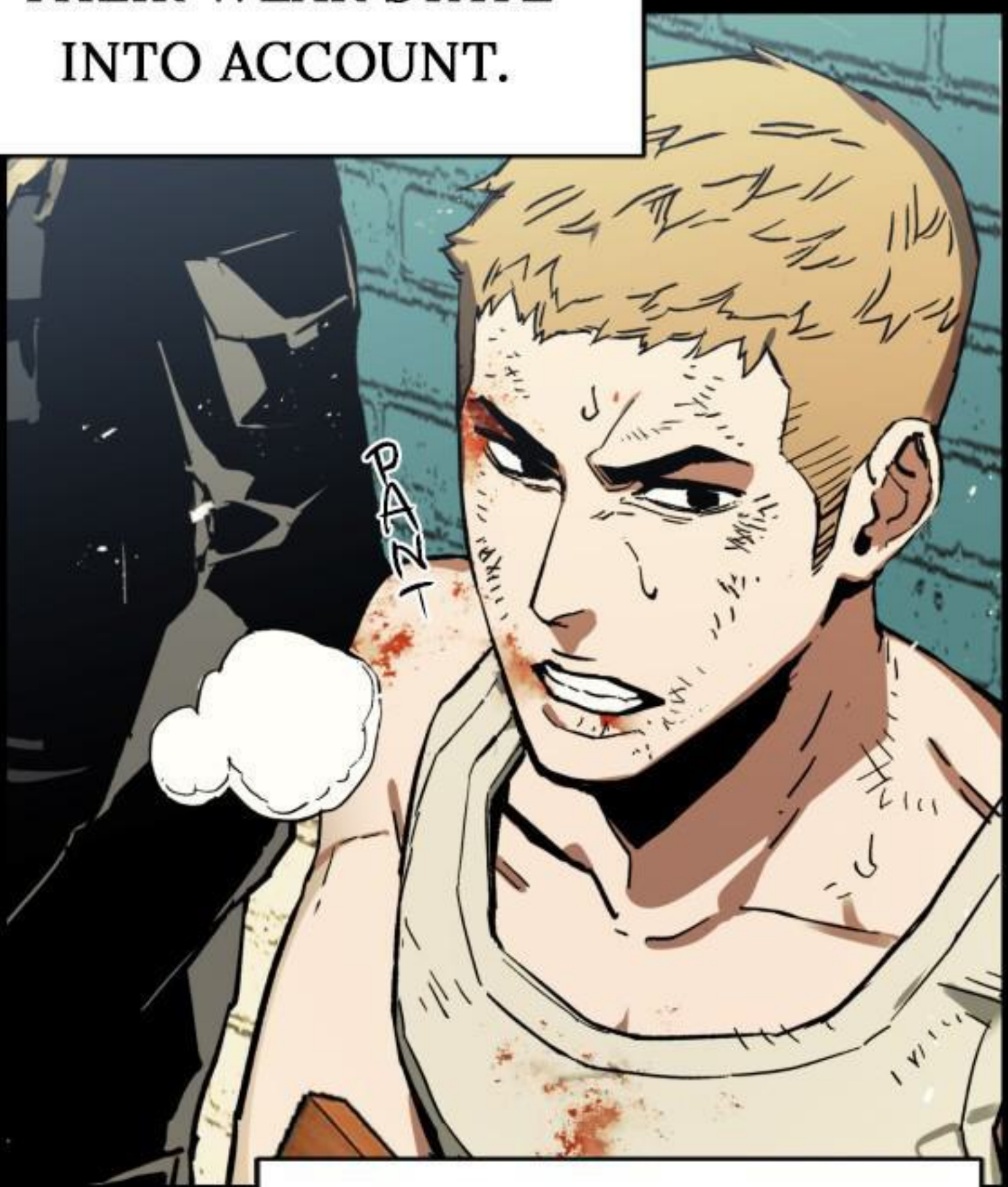
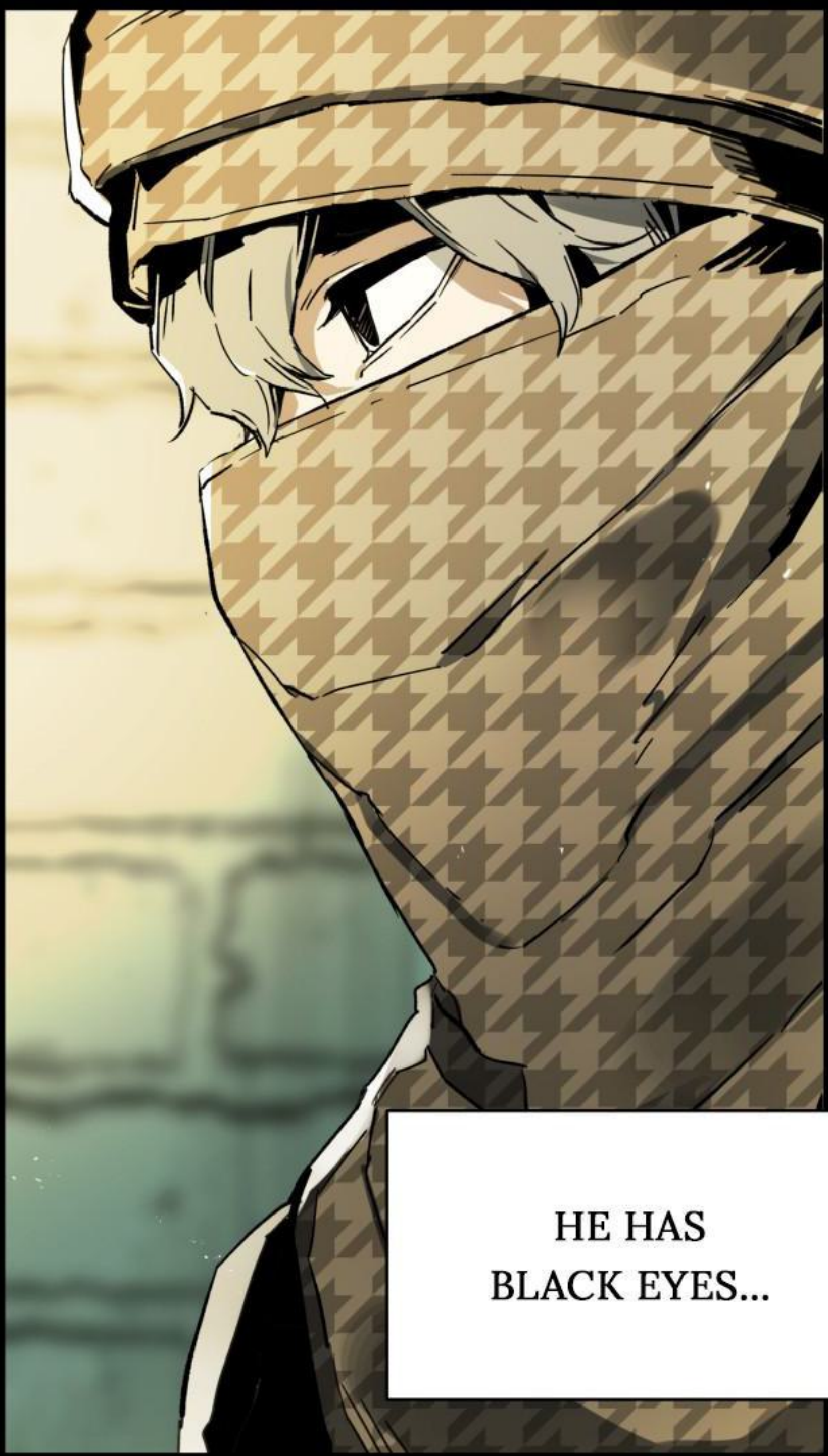
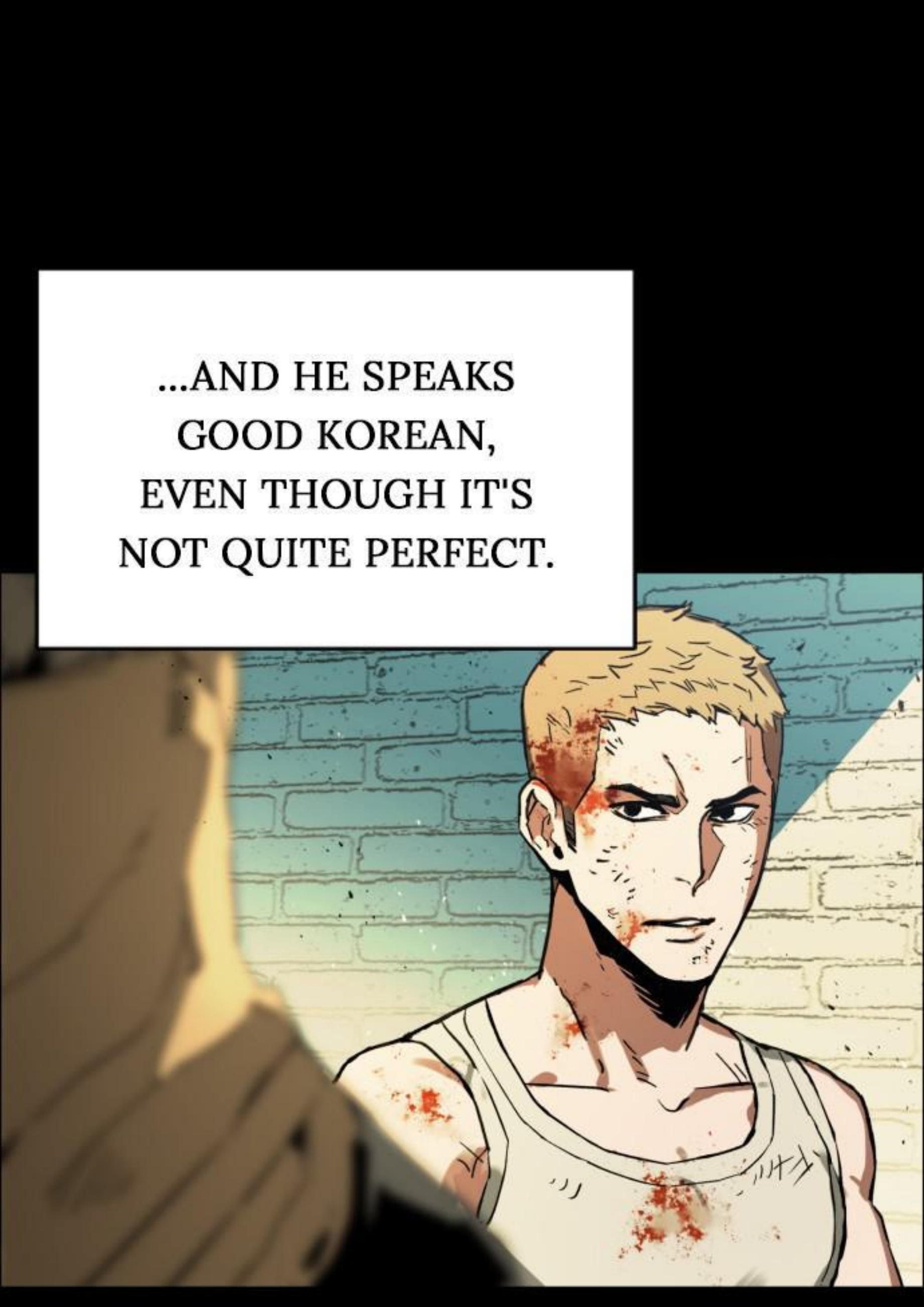

I FAILED TO TAKE THEIR WEAK STATE INTO ACCOUNT.
PANT
NO MATTER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, I SHOULD'VE KEPT NOTICE OF THAT...

WHICH MEANS
HE WAS CALCULATING
ALL OF THAT THIS
WHOLE TIME...




...AND HE SPEAKS GOOD KOREAN, EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT QUITE PERFECT.

ARE YOU KOREAN?
FLINCH

DID I
GET YOU?

TIME TO MOVE.
...

RUSH

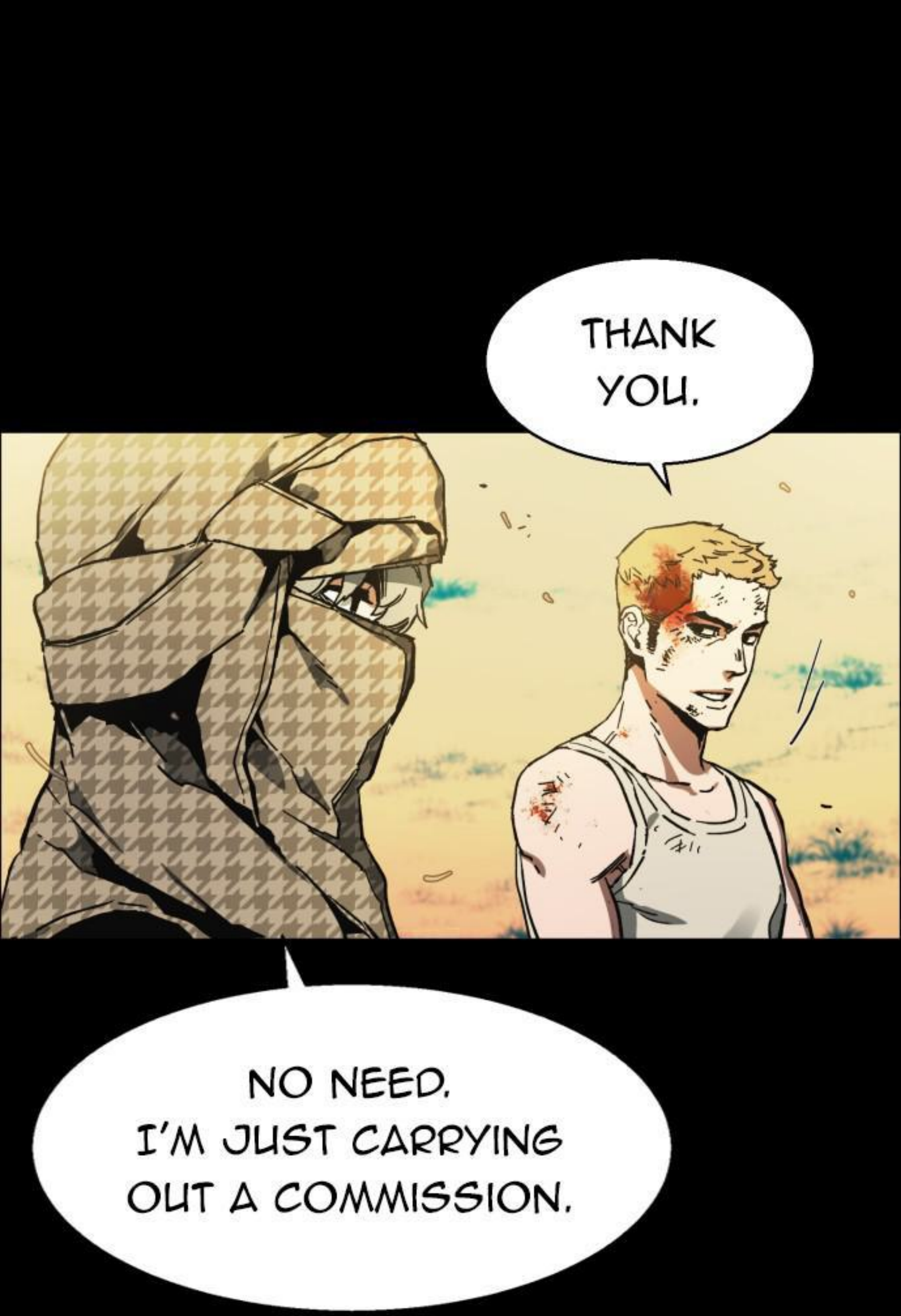
WHOOSH

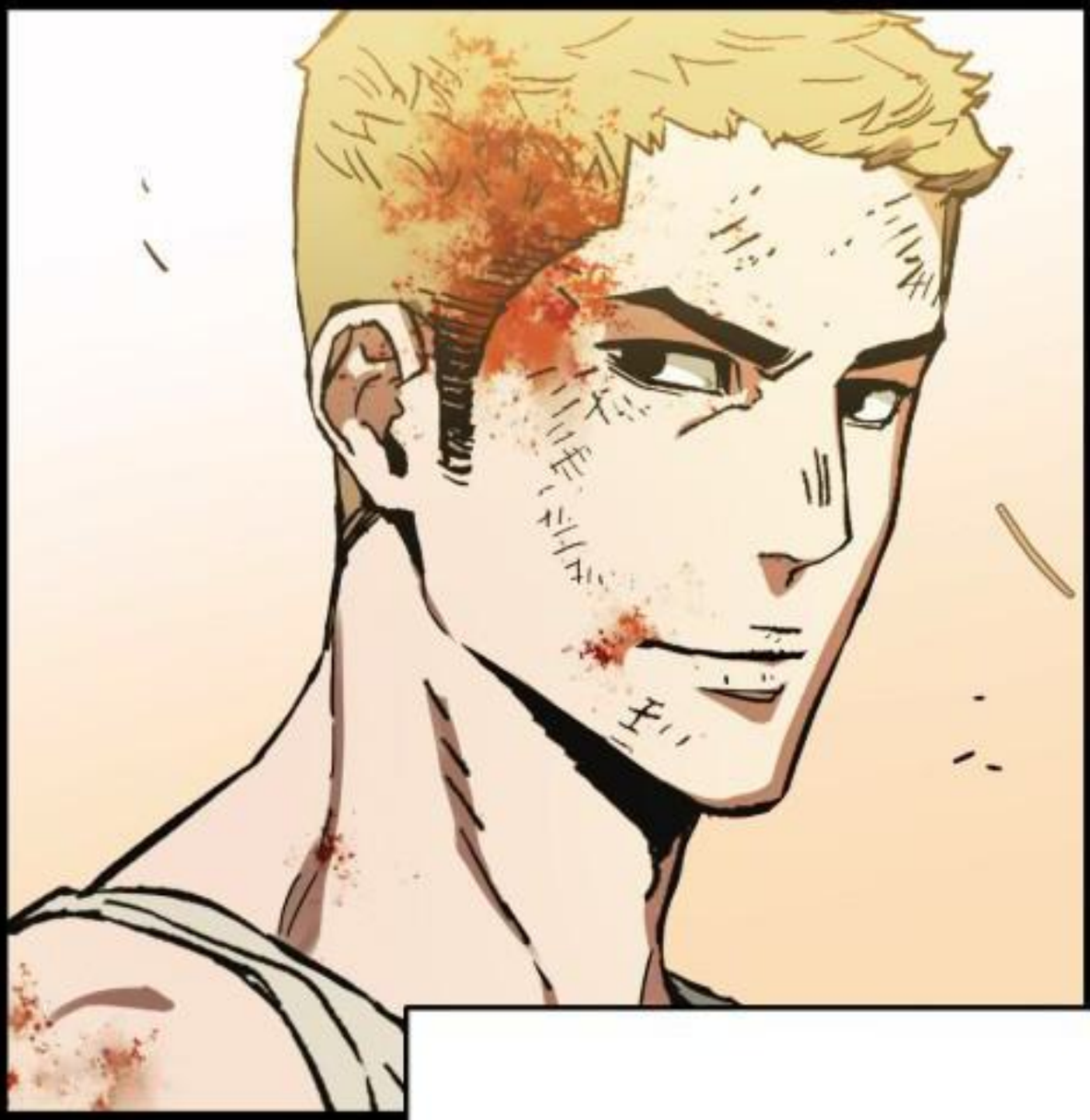
MAJOR KANG!

MY PLATOON?! BUT THEY WERE ALL TAKEN SOMEWHERE ELSE!
HOW DID YOU ALL GET HERE?!

THAT MAN GOT US ALL OUT.
HE TOLD US TO WAIT HERE FOR A WHILE, AND NOW HE'S COME BACK WITH YOU.

RUSTLE
I STOP HERE. CONTINUE SOUTHWEST AND SOMEONE WILL BE WAITING FOR YOU.

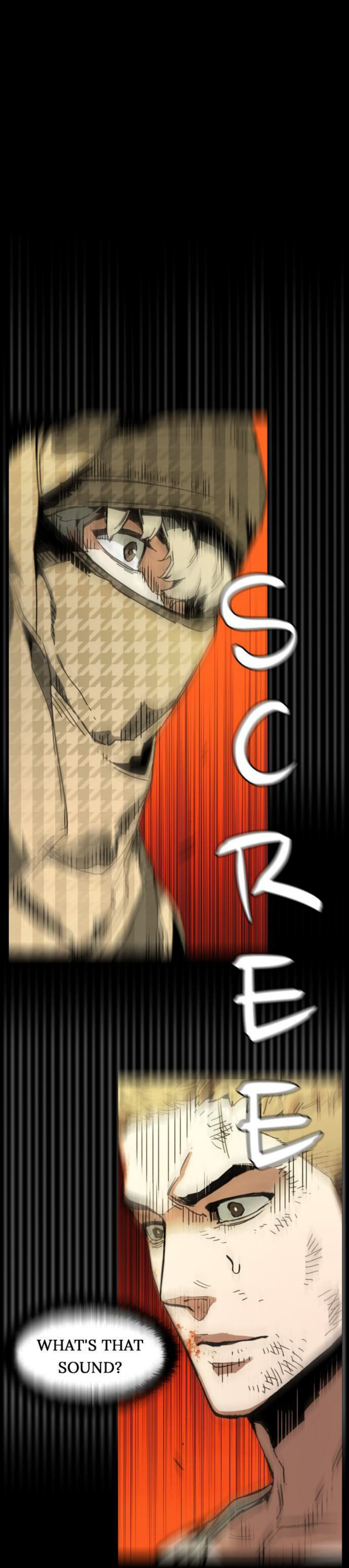

THANK YOU.
NO NEED. I'M JUST CARRYING OUT A COMMISSION.

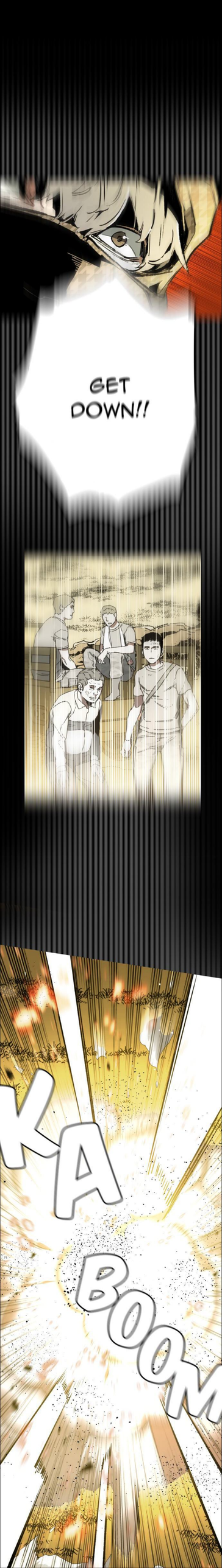


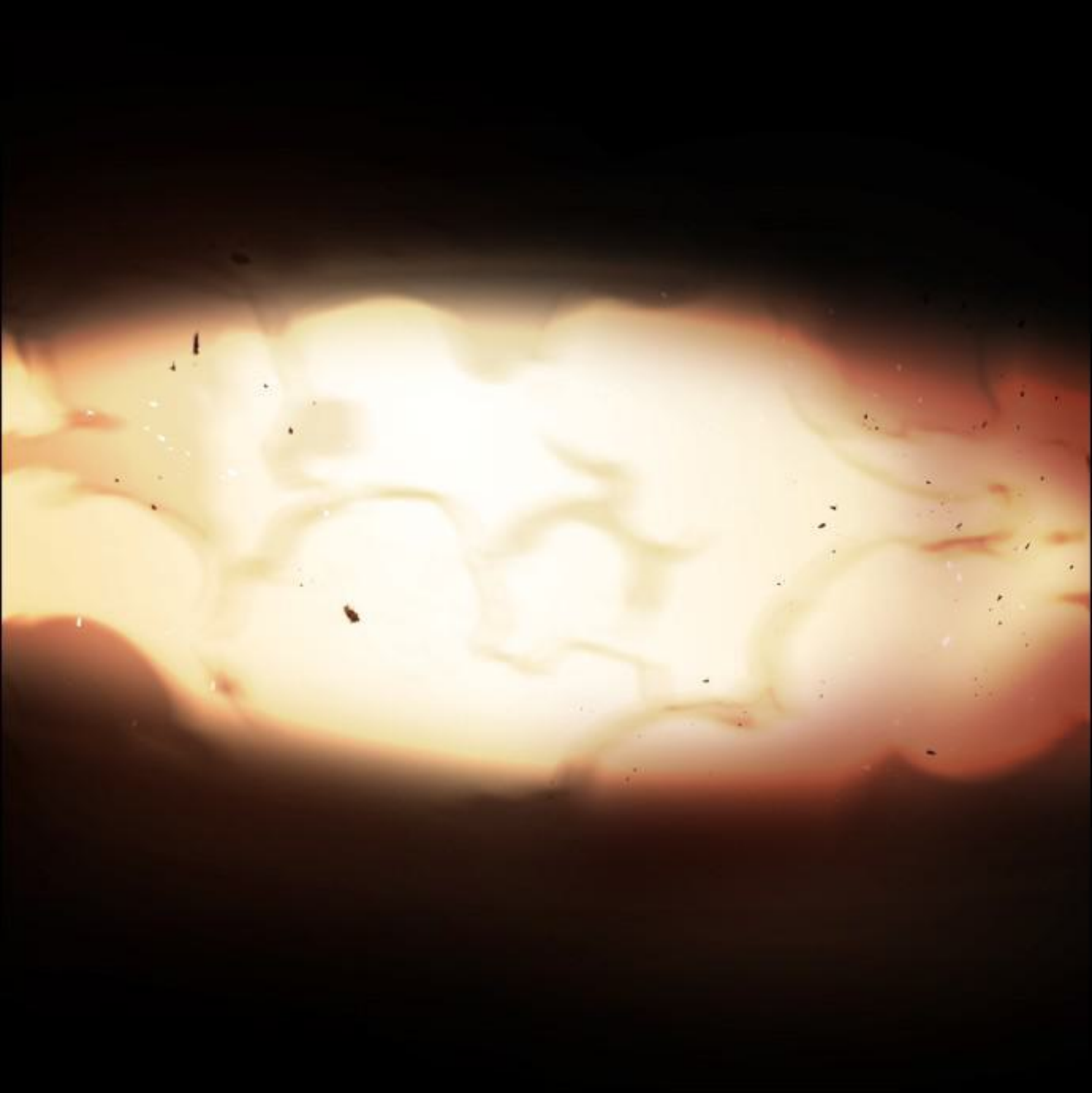
A MERCENARY,
LIKE I FIGURED.

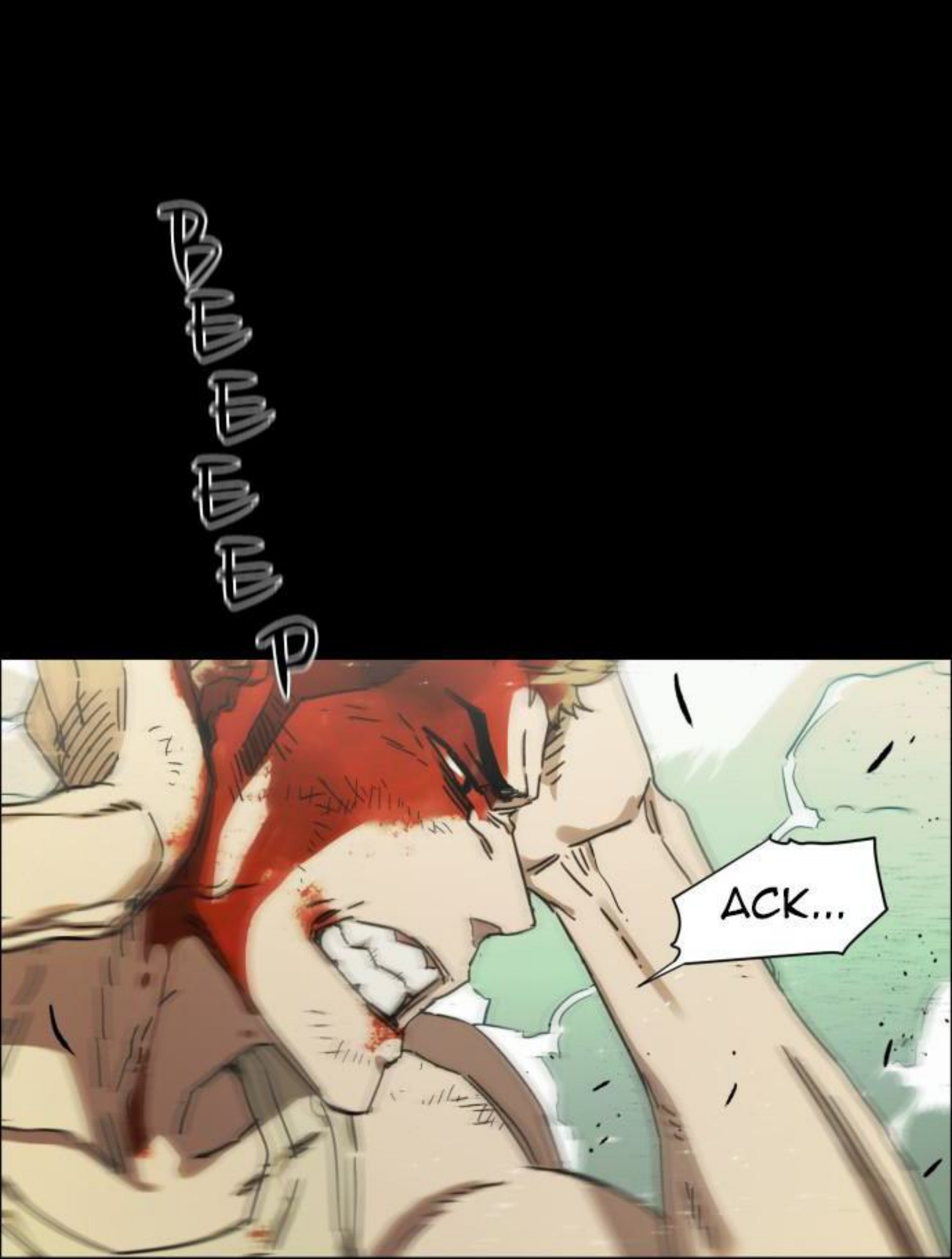
REACH

EVEN IF IT'S JUST ANOTHER JOB FOR YOU, I STILL WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.
WHATEVER YOUR REASON WAS, YOU STILL SAVED ME AND MY MEN.


SCREE
WHAT'S THAT SOUND?


GET DOWN!!
KA BOOM




BEEEEEP
ACK...

IS IT A MORTAR?!*

*MORTAR: PORTABLE WEAPON USED TO FIRE BOMBS AT HIGH ANGLES

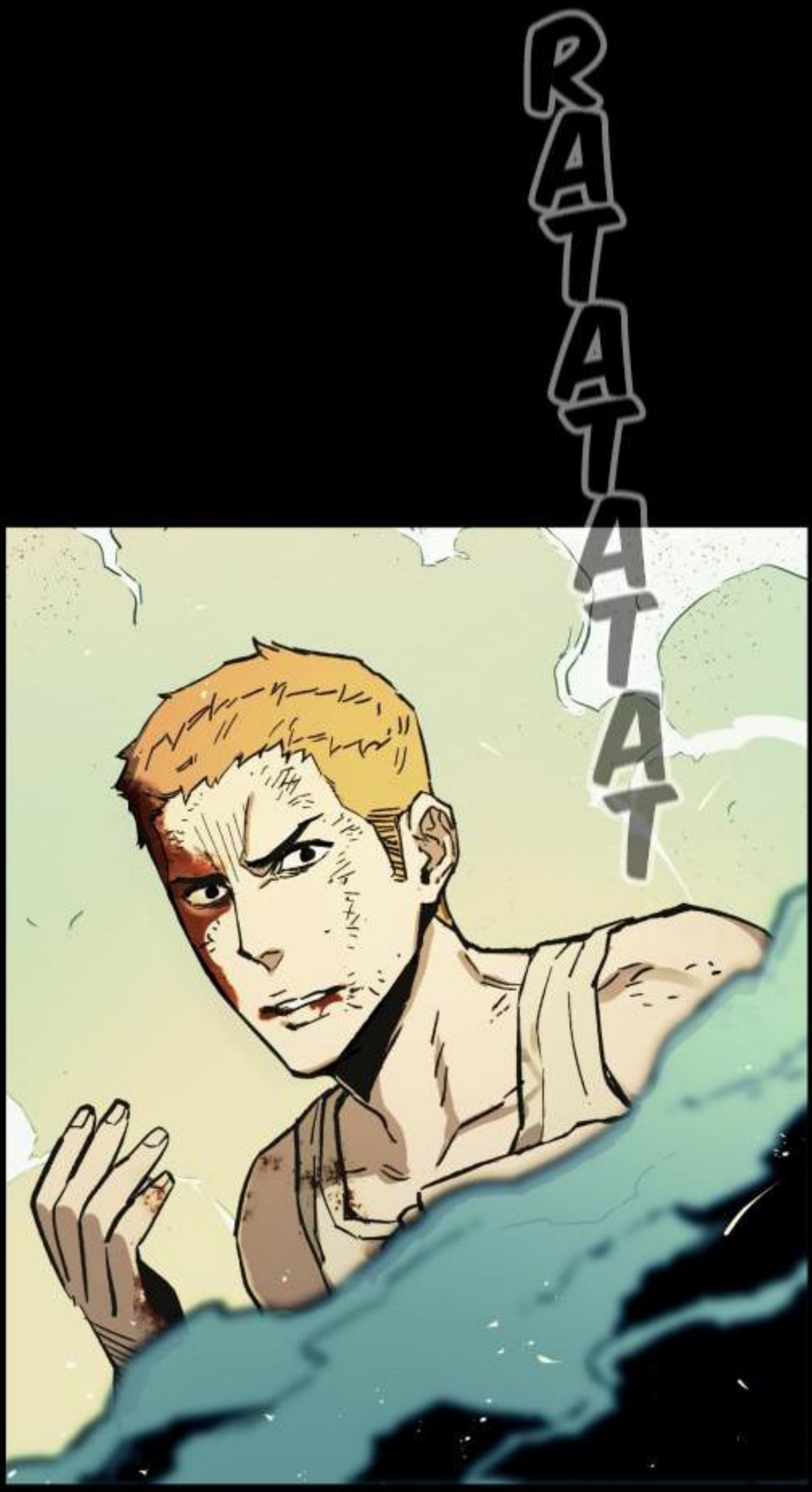
I CAN'T HEAR A DAMN THING!

WHAT ABOUT MY MEN AND THE PROFESSOR?!

GOOD.
THEY'RE
UNHARMED.

RATATAT

GUNFIRE?


RATATAT

RATATAT
HE'S STILL FIGHTING BACK BY HIMSELF?

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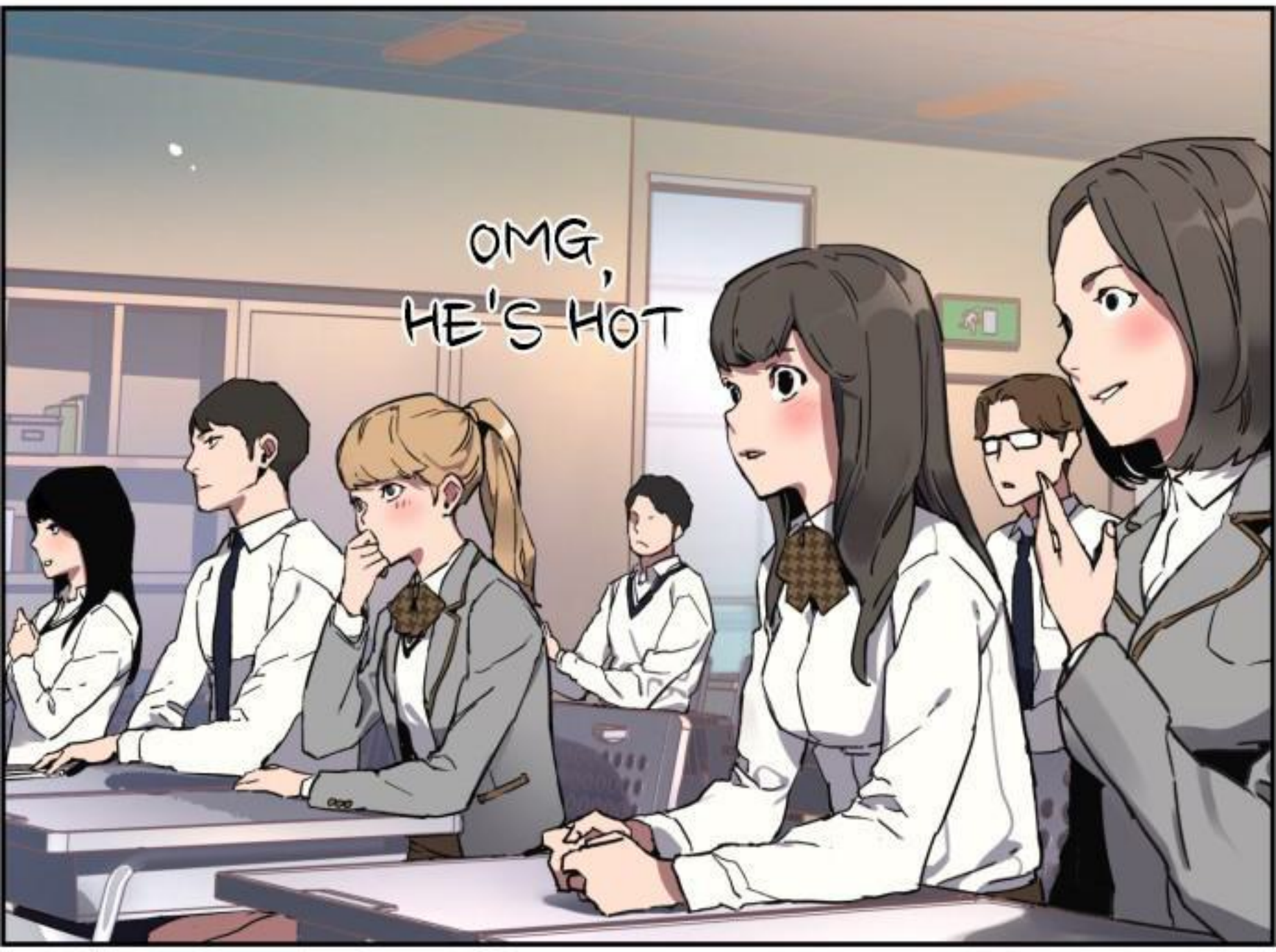
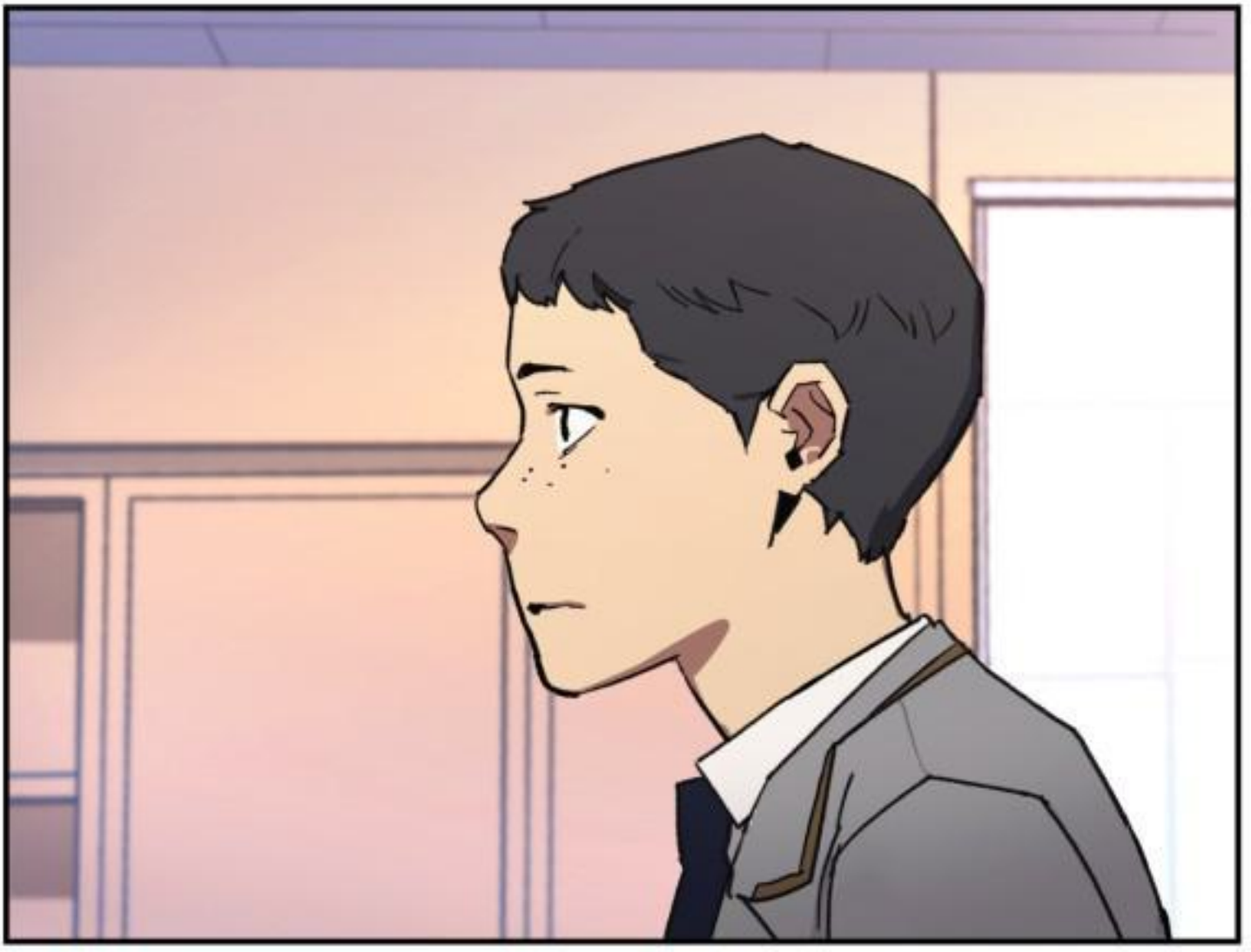
WHAT THE...

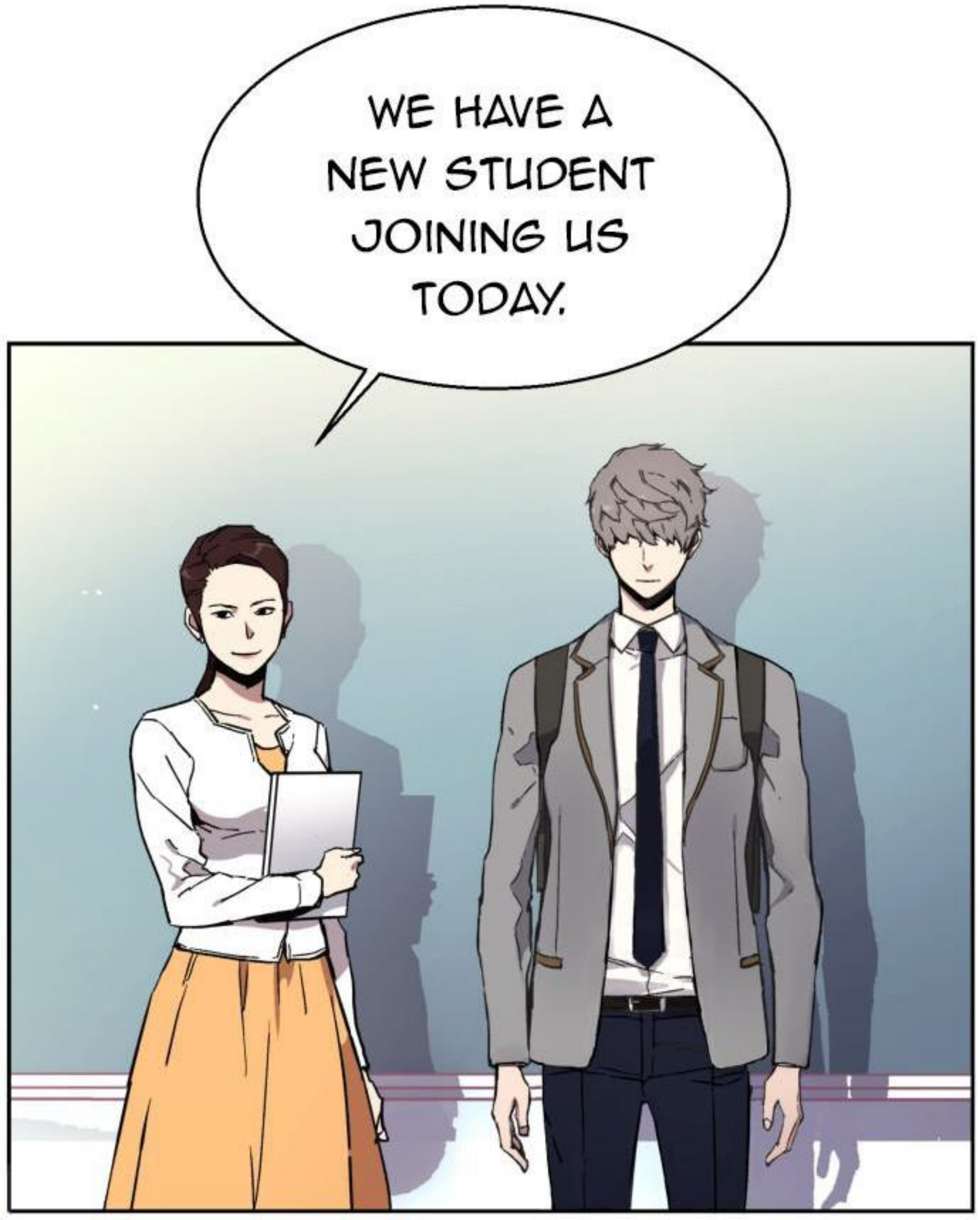
SIX MONTHS LATER

EYES UP HERE, EVERYONE.



WHO THE HELL
IS THIS BITCH?




WE HAVE A NEW STUDENT JOINING US TODAY.

NICE TO MEET YOU.
I'M IJIN YU.

TEENAGE MERCENARY

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ART BY RAKYEON

ASSISTANCE BY
YURI KANG
JEONGHO LEE

JHS
STUDIO