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The **Dora Milaje** (pronounced “DOR-ah muh-LAH-jay,” and which means “Adored Ones”) are the personal bodyguards of the Black Panther and the royal family, recruited from every tribe of Wakanda. An ancient tradition originally designed to help keep the peace among the rival tribes, the *Dora Milaje* used to also be potential wives-in-training for the king, but that aspect has since fallen by the wayside. And now the time has come for the *Dora Milaje* to perhaps evolve even further...

Ayo is a *Dora Milaje* initiate who is quickly rising up the ranks despite an initial personality clash with Captain Aneka. On the eve of Namor’s attack on Wakanda, Ayo achieved the rank of full *Dora Milaje*.

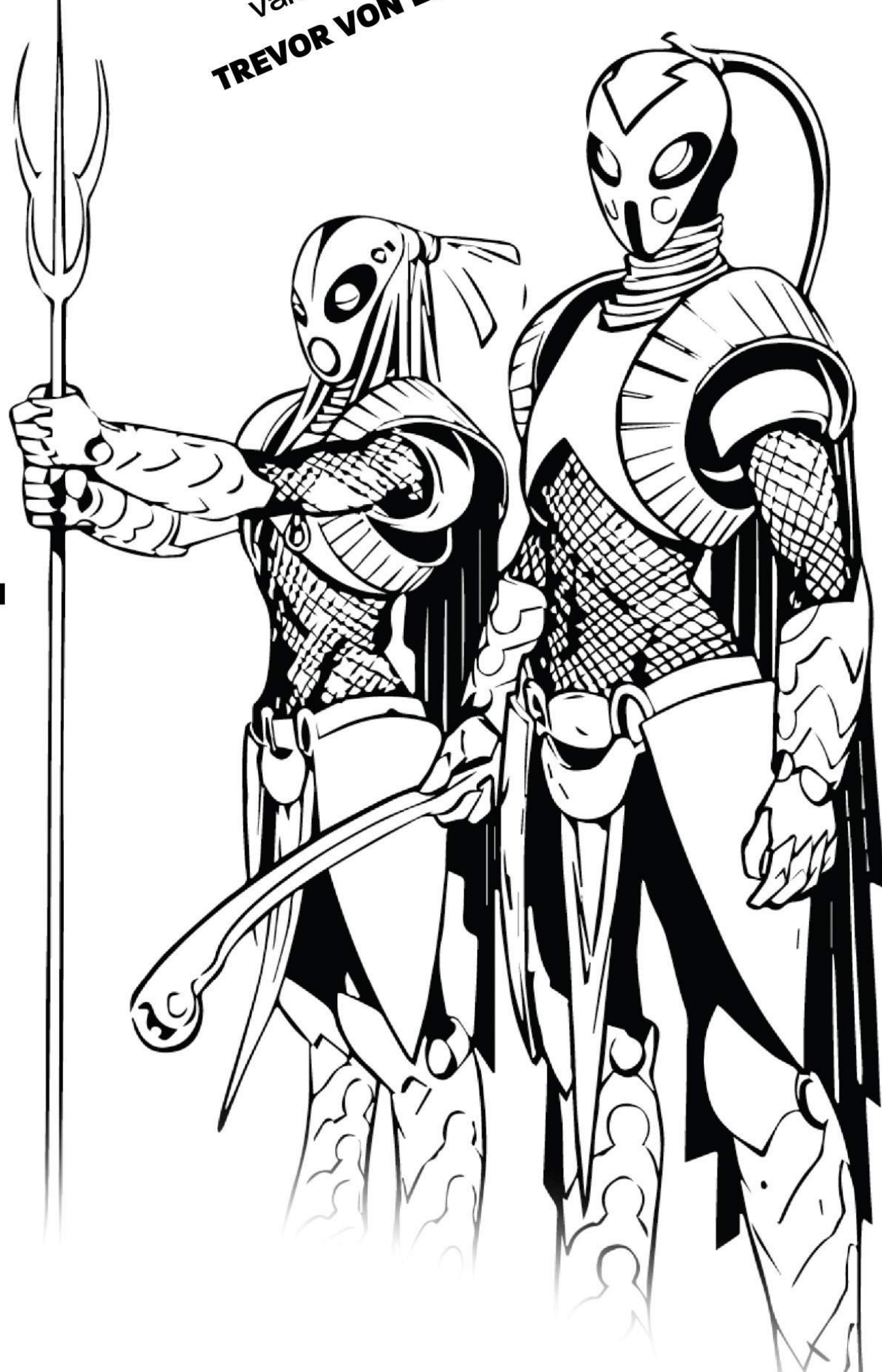
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THE GOLDEN CITY, AFTER NAMOR'S ATTACK



THE DORA MILAJE RECOVERY EFFORT



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CANNOT
LET THIS
STAND.

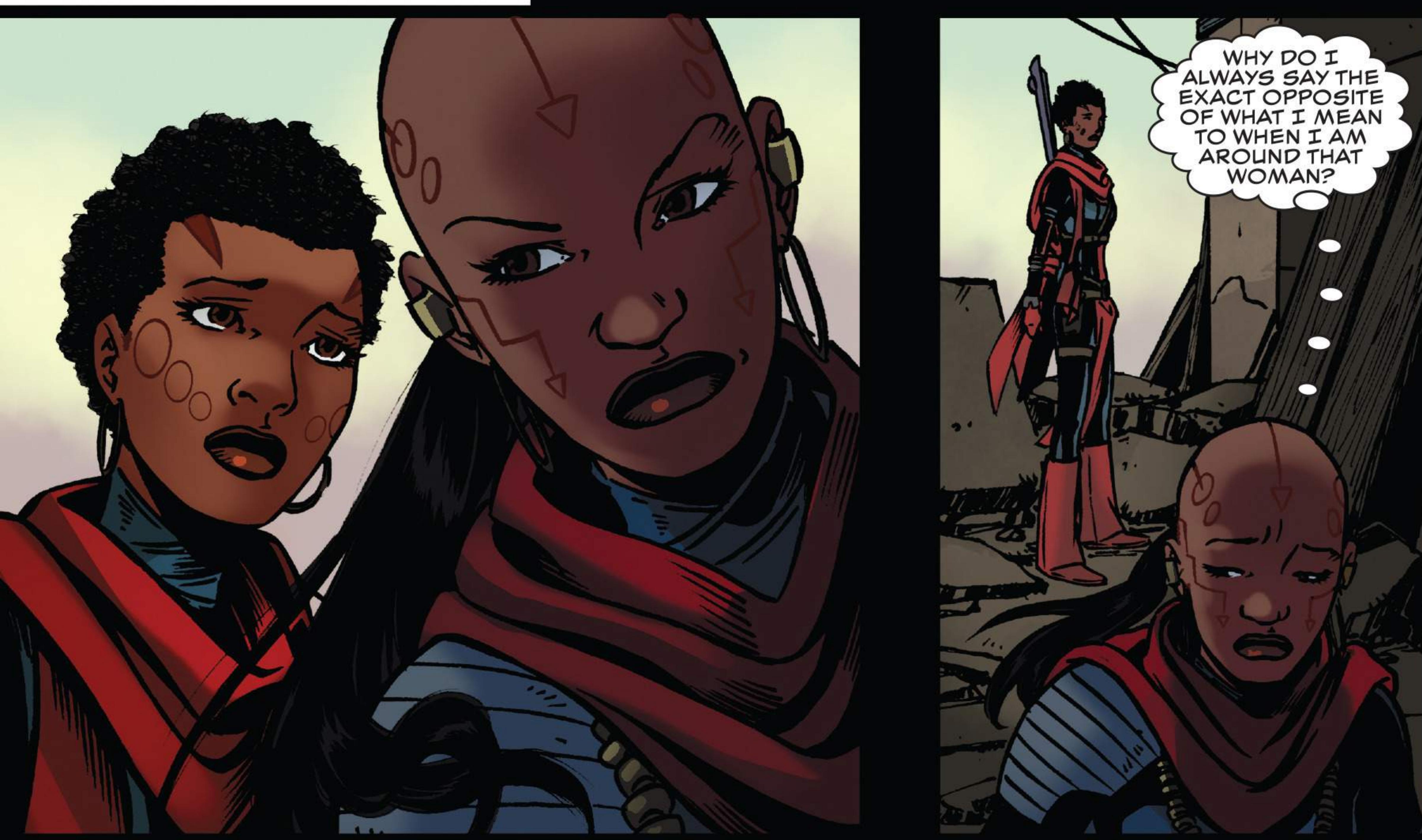
I ASSURE
YOU, AYO, WE
WILL NOT.

AND WE SHOULD
BE DOING MORE THAN
THIS, ANEKA. WE SHOULD
BE HUNTING NAMOR DOWN!
WHAT HE HAS DONE TO
THIS CITY CANNOT GO
UNANSWERED.

WE CANNOT
SHOW OUR
ENEMIES ANY
WEAKNESS.

WE ARE DOING
IMPORTANT WORK
IN ALL OUR SERVICE
TO WAKANDA AND HER
ROYAL FAMILY. YOU
MUST BE PATIENT,
MY YOUNG, FIERY
FRIEND.

OUR COUNTRY
IS STRONG AND
THE WORLD KNOWS
IT, EVEN NOW.



UPANGA, DORA MILAJE TRAINING FACILITY





HALL OF LETTERS DEDICATION CEREMONY

THANK YOU
ALL FOR
JOINING US
THIS DAY.

IT HAS BEEN
TWO MONTHS
SINCE THE GOLDEN
CITY WAS DEVASTATED
BY NAMOR'S
FLOOD.

OUTSIDERS
THOUGHT THEY
COULD DESTROY
THE HEART OF
THIS PROUD
COUNTRY.

THEY THOUGHT
THAT WITH WATER,
THEY COULD WASH
AWAY OUR PEOPLE,
OUR HISTORY,
OUR PRIDE.

TODAY, AS THE
HALL OF LETTERS
OPENS ITS DOORS
ONCE AGAIN, WE SHOW
THE WORLD THAT
WAKANDA IS
UNBROKEN AND
UNBOWED.

CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP

SOMETHING
DOES NOT FEEL
RIGHT...

LET ME
THROUGH!

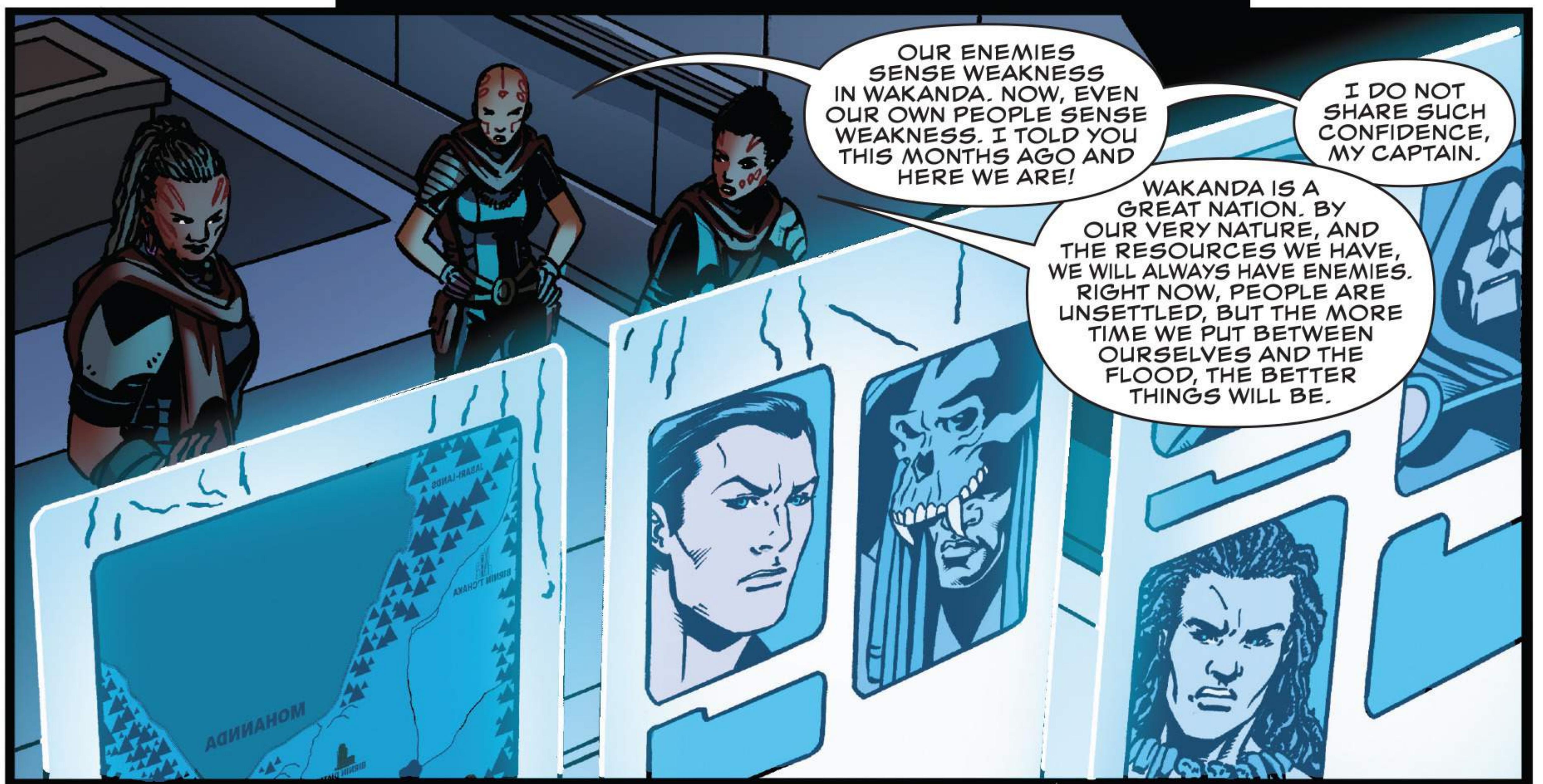


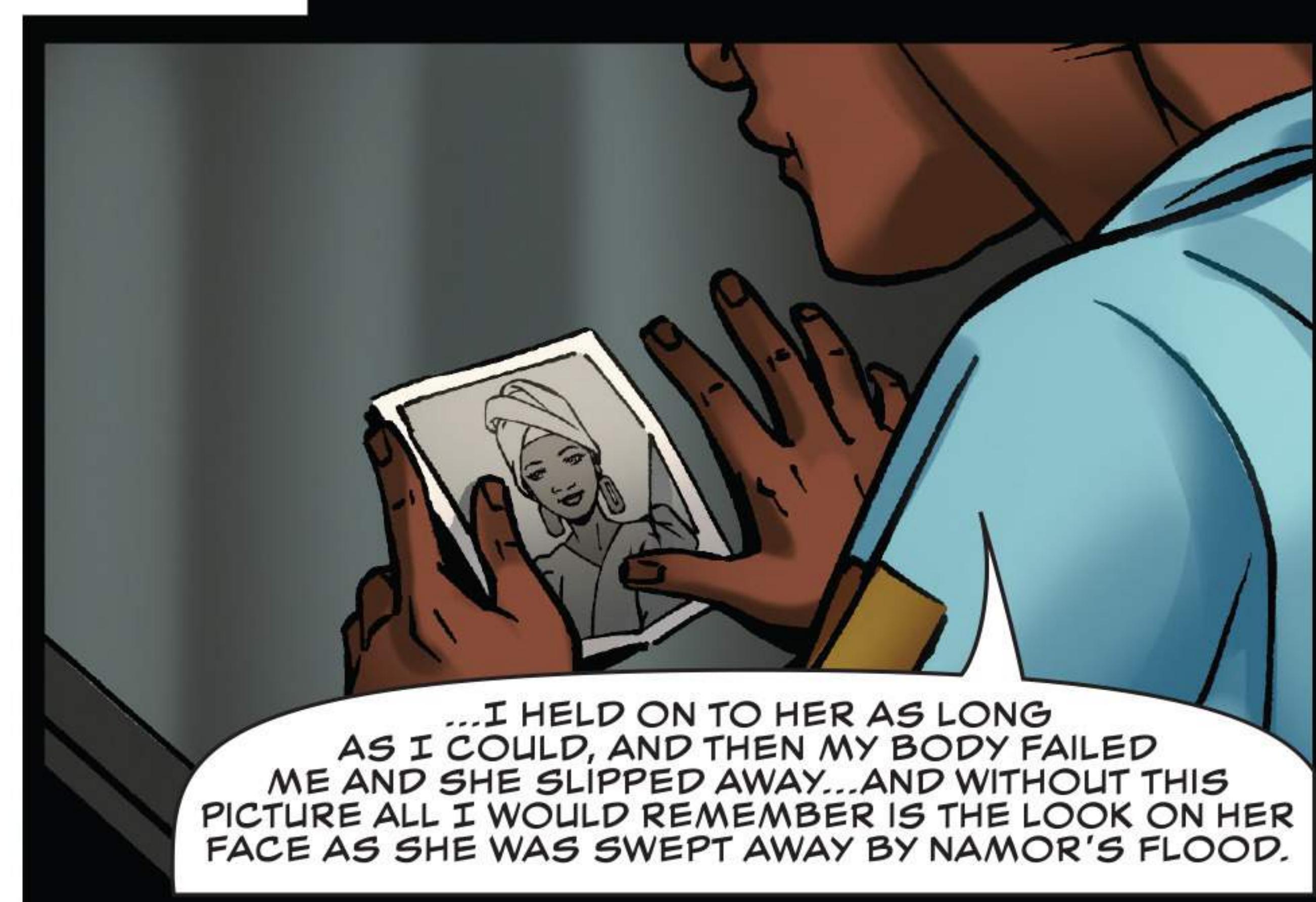


...LEAVE THE PEOPLE TO THEIR QUEEN.

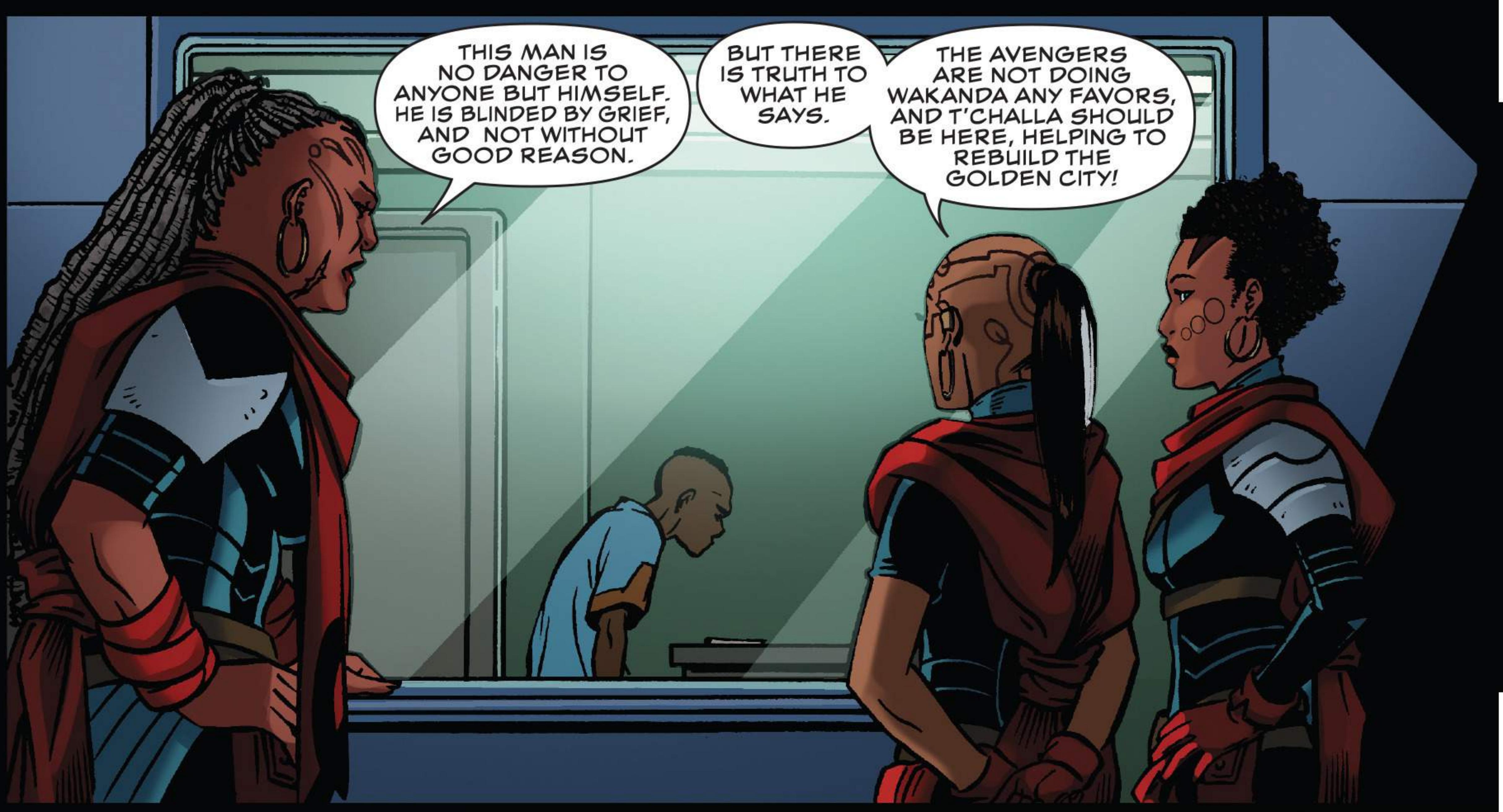


UPANGA









HOW DARE YOU CALL ME "DEAR" WHEN YOU TRY TO UNDERMINE ME IN FRONT OF MISTRESS ZOLA? I GROW WEARY OF YOUR GAMES.

UNDERMINE YOU? GAMES? I WAS PROTECTING YOU FROM YOURSELF, YOU FOOLISH WOMAN!

WE ARE HERE TO SERVE. WE ARE WOMEN T'CHALLA COULD MARRY. WE DO NOT QUESTION HIS DECISIONS.

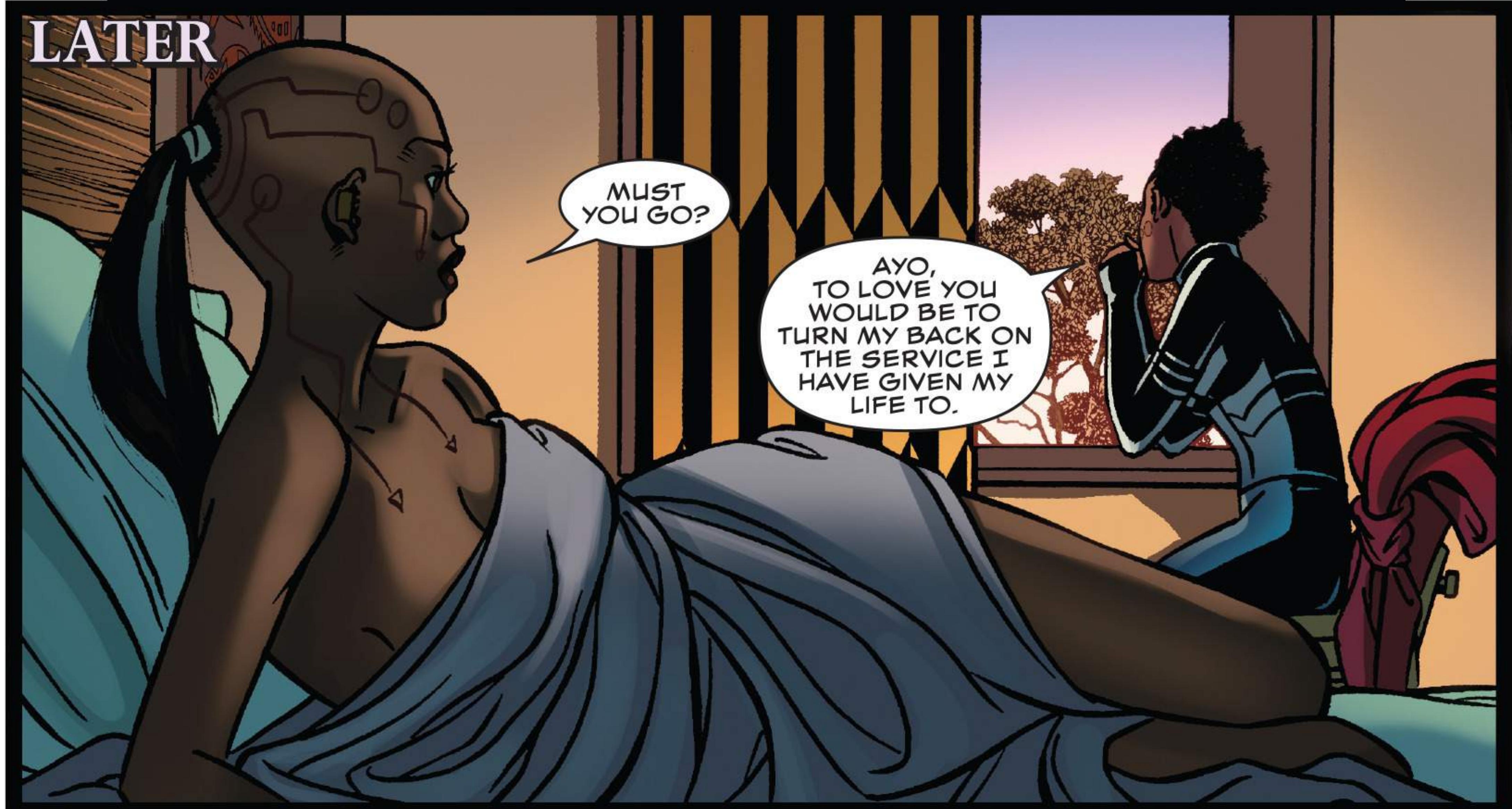
I AM MANY THINGS, BUT I AM NOT FOOLISH. AND I WILL SERVE, CAPTAIN, BUT I WILL NEVER MARRY THE KING.

WHAT ANTIQUATED Nonsense. AND... FRANKLY, I AM SURPRISED YOU WOULD CONSIDER SUCH A THING.

AYO, YOU ARE A BEAUTIFUL KIND OF TROUBLE. IF I DON'T WALK AWAY I KNOW I AM LIKELY TO SURRENDER TO YOU COMPLETELY, AND THAT TERRIFIES ME.

YOU DRIVE ME MAD, BUT WHAT MAKES YOU THINK I WOULD LET YOU WALK AWAY NOW THAT I HAVE HAD A TASTE OF YOU?

LATER





WAR ROOM

THE FOUR OF YOU ARE TO GO TO NECROPOLIS WHERE YOU WILL SERVE AND PROTECT KING T'CHALLA, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

YOU ARE TO LEAVE IN TWO HOURS. SERVE HIM WELL.



NECROPOLIS





WAR COMES TO WAKANDA

HOW MANY TIMES MUST WE CLOSE THE EYES OF DEAD WAKANDANS BEFORE WE STAND UP TO T'CHALLA? FIRST NAMOR, AND THEN WE DID NOTHING WHEN T'CHALLA COLLUDED WITH HIM.

NOW THANOS HAS ALMOST DESTROYED OUR COUNTRY IN HIS SEARCH TO FIND... WE DON'T EVEN KNOW.*

T'CHALLA IS SO BUSY SAVING THE WORLD HE HAS FORGOTTEN THAT IT IS WAKANDA IN NEED OF SAVING.

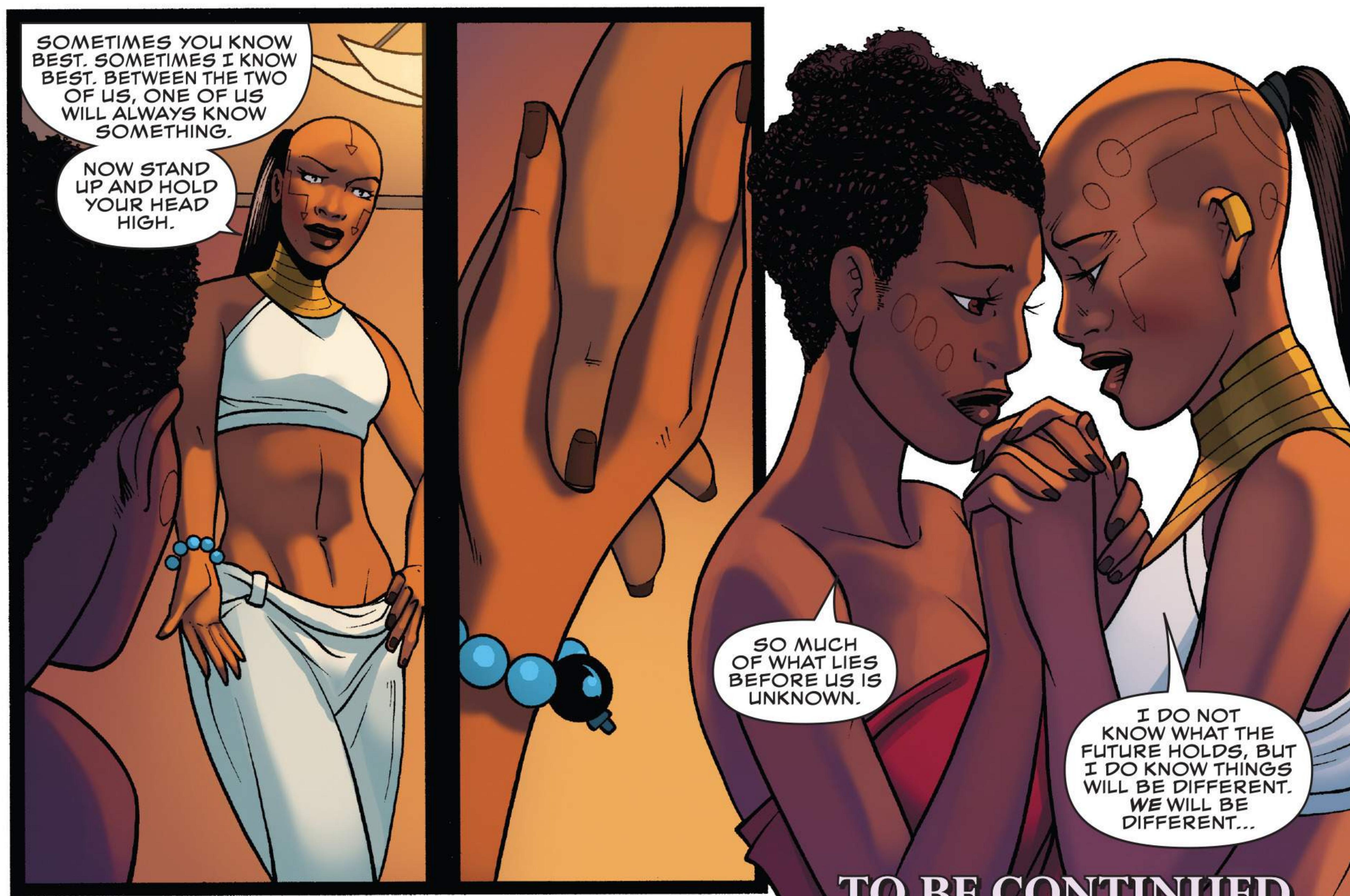
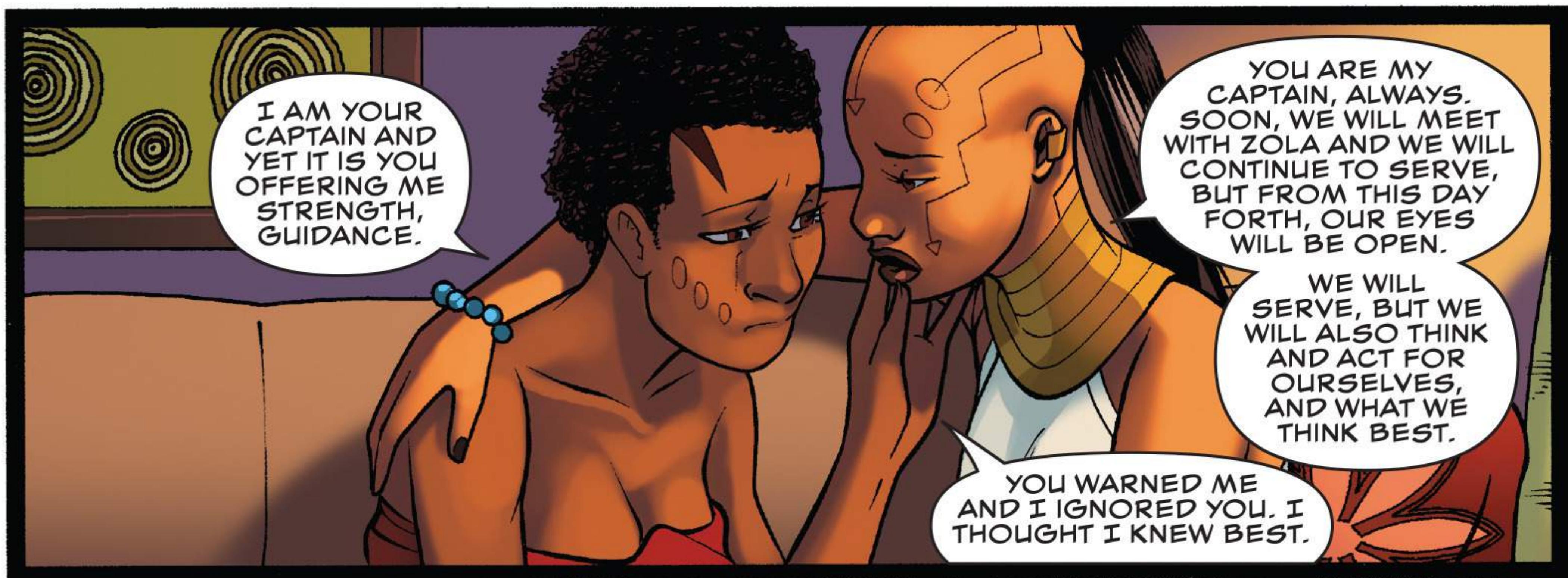
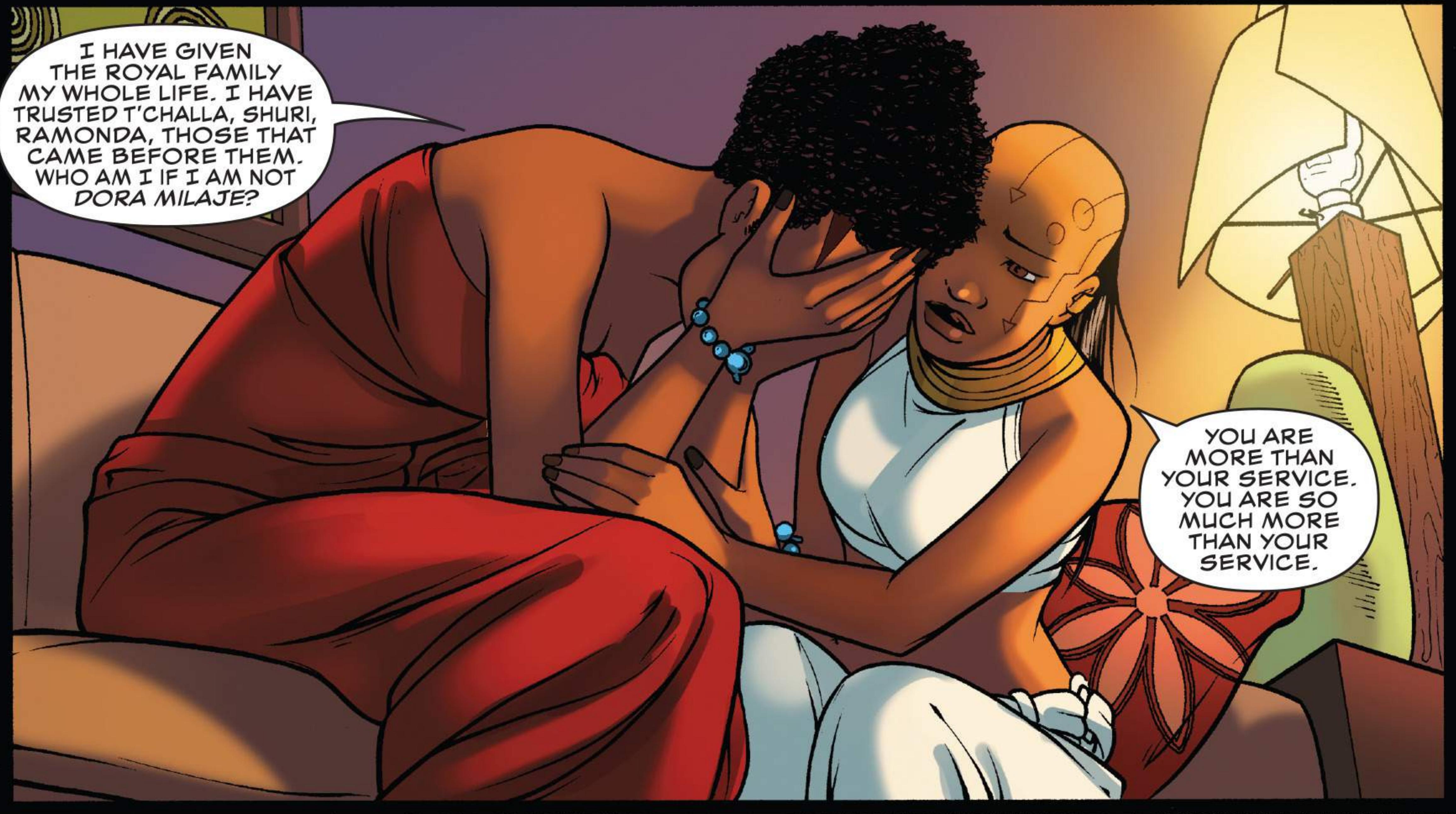
*SEE THE INFINITY TPB.

I DO NOT KNOW. I AM SO TIRED. I FEAR I KNOW NOTHING ANYMORE.

LEAN ON ME. STOP FIGHTING ME. STOP FIGHTING WHAT YOU FEEL FOR ME OUT OF A MISGUIDED DEVOTION TO A MAN WHO IS NOT WORTHY OF YOU, OF ME, OF ANY OF US.

I DO NOT KNOW ABOUT THAT. BUT I DO KNOW...





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