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WHO VOTED FOR US**

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THE LAST THING ON FEMI'S MIND IS THAT HIS FRIEND, DEDE, MIGHT BE DEAD BECAUSE OF WHAT HE HOLDS IN HIS HANDS.

OR THAT HIS FRIEND'S WIFE IS DEAD BECAUSE OF IT. OR THAT HIS FRIEND'S DAUGHTER IS ALSO KIDNAPPED, BECAUSE OF IT

HE IS SURE HE WILL.

MONEY IS ON HIS MIND. FIFTY MILLION NAIRA IS WHAT HAS BEEN PROMISED. BUT WHAT HE HOLDS IN HIS HANDS WILL GIVE HIM ONLY A PORTION OF IT - TILL HE GETS THE OTHER PART.

HERE IS THE DRIVE. I HAVE DONE MY PART.

INDEED

IRONIC. JUDAS ALSO BETRAYED HIS FRIEND FOR THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER.

THE INITIAL PAYMENT. THIRTY MILLION NAIRA, WOULD SUFFICE FOR NOW

THE CHALLENGE WITH BETRAYALS, HOWEVER, IS THAT THEY DON'T GO SO WELL IN THE END!

.....!

WHAAAT LIFE?

ARRGH!

WHACK!

ISSUE 4 EXTRICATION



LOL! IS THIS SUPPOSED TO BE SOME SORT OF JOKE? DO YOU EVEN REALISE WHAT IS AT STAKE HERE?

BU...BU... BUT SIR, YOU TOLD ME NOT TO CHECK THE CONTENTS. I WAS JUST TO BRING THE FLASH DRIVE AND THE LEDGER.

SO HOW DID YOU KNOW IT WAS THE RIGHT FLASH DRIVE?

FROM THE COLOUR, SIR. HE HAD SHOWN ME THE DRIVE ONCE AND I REMEMBERED THE COLOUR. SO I THOUGHT...

WHAT HAVE I GOTTEN MYSELF INTO?

YOU THOUGHT?! YOU THOUGHT?! GOSH!



RRRIIING!

IF THE CHILD IS MISSING, IT MEANS YOU GUYS ARE DEAD. IN FACT, NOT JUST YOU. I WILL MAKE YOU PEOPLE AN EXAMPLE - THAT NO ONE TRIFLES WITH AN ORDER FROM DIKKO PAYNE!



HELLO..... YES, SPEAKING..... EVENING, WHAT IS IT?... WHAT PROBLEM?

THE LITTLE GIRL IS MISSING? HOW?!

YOUR FAMILIES ARE ALSO DEAD!

EARLIER THAT DAY, SOMEWHERE ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF LAGOS...

WHAT WE NEED IS SOMEONE TO GET IN REALLY QUICKLY AND REALLY QUIETLY TO...

SAY PLEASE...

OH COME ON, MORIEL! YOU DO REALIZE THAT TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE! WE DO NOT HAVE -

THEN, SAY PLEASE! TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE.

SIGH HERE WE GO AGAIN! PLEASE, MORIEL. PLEASE!

HEHEHE! THAT WAS VERY NICE TO HEAR, KABZA.

....
NOW, SINCE TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE, YOU WILL GIVE ME A SMILE.

COME ON, SMILE FOR ME, KABZA. SMILE!

GRRRR!

HA! YOUR SMILE IS SO OUT OF PRACTICE!

IF I WAS NOT AROUND, YOU WARRIOR SERAPHS WOULD NEVER SMILE!



3 PRETORS,
2 BAD HUMANS
AND A LITTLE
CHILD.

HOW
LONG WILL
IT TAKE?

HMMMM! 3
MINUTES TOPS,
NO COLLATERAL
DAMAGE...

I'M
MOVING
IN!

HE WALKS, OR FLIES, RIGHT
INTO THE VALLEY OF THE
SHADOW OF DEATH ...

PRETORS!

AND CLEARLY
FEARS NO EVIL!

ONE...

TWANG

KASH

KRAK



THREE...

KRAK!



SURPRISE HAS GIVEN WAY TO RAGE; HE IS BUT A SMALL ADVERSARY



FIVE



AND...



RIGHT ABOUT NOW.

LIKE A NAIVE CHILD, HE BEGINS TO BASK IN THE JOY OF VICTORY AS THOUGH THE BATTLE IS OVER. THE FACT IS...

BUT SOMETIMES, SIZE HAS ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO WITH STRENGTH!



THE BATTLE IS
ALREADY OVER.

CHECKMATE!



I FIRED THOSE FROM EARLIER. LOOKS LIKE THEY JUST "CAUGHT UP" WITH YOU... LIKE SINS.

THESE ARE NOT ORDINARY ARROWS. THESE ONES ...

CRASH



...EXPLODE!



NOW, WHAT AM I GOING TO DO WITH THESE ONES?



YASH-EN

RIGHT UNDER THEIR NOSES. ITS EFFECT WILL PLAY OUT SHORTLY.

THE BATTLE IS OVER, BUT THE CAPTORS HAVE NO IDEA THAT A BATTLE HAS BEEN FOUGHT, AND THAT THE BATTLE HAS BEEN LOST



PFFFT PFFFT PFFFT

IT TAKES ABOUT A MINUTE,

BUT IN THE END, THE CAPTORS GIVE WAY TO SLUMBER AND SWEET DREAMS.



EPH-PHATHA!

THE CAPTIVE IS FREE TO LEAVE, IT APPEARS.



FREE INDEED.

THREE MINUTES PRECISELY.

GOOD JOB, MORIEL - AND THANK YOU.

NOT A PROBLEM, KABZA.

YOUR TECHNIQUES ARE AMAZING!

THANK YOU. WOULD YOU FEEL OFFENDED IF I SAID YOU COULD LEARN A THING OR TWO?

HMM... WHAT EXACTLY?

ECONOMY OF MOTION!

...

YEAH, I KNOW. IT'S JUST WORDS TILL IT IS PUT INTO ACTION. NOW, ATTACK ME WITH YOUR SWORD - AND ATTACK WITH INTENT!

AAEE...

EHHH?

THREE
MOVEMENTS.
THAT IS WASTE. YOU
SHOULD PRACTICE
DRAWING THE SWORD
AND CUTTING IN
ONE MOVEMENT!
ECONOMY!

HMM...
YOUR SKILLS
ARE AMAZING;
MINE PALE IN
COMPARISON.

HAHAHAHA.
YOU DRAW YOUR SWORD,
THEN LIFT YOUR HANDS
TO STRIKE, THEN BRING
THE BLADE DOWN ON
YOUR ENEMY.

YOUR SKILLS
WILL GROW; YOU HAVE
AN ETERNITY TO HONE
THEM. CONSIDERING I WAS
CREATED SEVERAL MILLENIA
BEFORE YOU, YOUNG
WARRIOR, DO NOT BE
DISCOURAGED.

NOW,
I MUST GO.
I TRUST YOU
WILL KEEP THE
CHILD SAFE!

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HOW ARE YOU FEELING NOW?

FINE.

IT IS DUMB QUESTIONS AND SILLY ANSWERS AGAIN - ALL IN THE NAME OF DECORUM. I UNDERSTAND SHE FEELS SOME CONCERN FOR ME, BUT I'M ANYTHING BUT FINE RIGHT NOW.



GOOD TO KNOW YOU ARE FEELING BETTER, DEDE.

I AM FINE NURSE, IT'S JUST THAT I HAVE BROKEN BONES FROM AN ACCIDENT

MY LITTLE GIRL IS MISSING, MY WIFE IS DEAD

AND THE BEAUTIFUL THING, NURSE, IS THAT THIS IS ALL OVER A USB DRIVE. I SURE FEEL FINE RIGHT NOW.



YOU KNOW WHAT MAKES ME 'FINER', NURSE? MY NIGHTMARES ARE BECOMING REALITY.

WHEN I AM CUT IN MY DREAMS, I BLEED IN REALITY - AND THAT IS WHY I HAVE THESE DEMON CLAW MARKS* ON ME.



BUT EVEN IN THE MIDDLE OF THE MADNESS, WITH ALL THE PAIN AND GRIEF, I JUST CANNOT 'UNSEE' WHAT MY EYES HAVE SEEN. THE BABIES, THE RITUALS, THE KILLING, THE POPULAR NAMES, MAGNATES AND SENATORS...EVEN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE, DIKKO PAYNE. ALL ON THE USB DRIVE.

WHAT HAVE I GOTTEN MYSELF INTO?



THE BIGGER CHALLENGE IS, I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT TO DO WITH THE INFORMATION.

AM I SUPPOSED TO GO TO THE POLICE? WHO KNOWS HOW FAR THE ROT EXTENDS?



MAYFAIR HOSPITAL

BUT I GUESS I WILL HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT LATER. RIGHT NOW, I NEED TO MEND.



RIGHT NOW, I NEED TO REST...



DING!



THINGS SHOULD START GETTING INTERESTING RIGHT ABOUT NOW...

HE HAD BEEN AFRAID TO SLEEP, BUT WHILE HIS SPIRIT MAY HAVE BEEN WILLING, HIS BODY IS MUCH TOO WEAK.

HE SLIPS INTO THE MERCIFUL OBLIVION OF MUCH NEEDED REST, AND SLEEP

HELLO DEDE. FEELING BETTER?

HEL-HELLO. UHM... I GUESS I AM, DOC.

IT IS AMAZING THAT YOU'RE ALIVE. YOU SURE ARE A TOUGH ONE. I'LL GIVE YOU SOMETHING FOR THE PAIN, BUT I THINK I CAN SAY THE WORST PART IS OVER.

OK. THANKS. THANK YOU.

THIS WILL ONLY STING A LITTLE BIT, OK?

WHO THE...WHAT ARE YOU DOING? WHO ARE YOU? HE IS NOT SUPPOSED TO HAVE ANY INJECTIONS TODAY!!! HOW DID YOU GET IN HERE!

UH-HUH?



HERE IS MY ANSWER!

OH MY GOD! OH MY GOD! HE HAS A GUN!

AH! AH! PLEASE--



END HIS LIFE, END HIS MISERY. IT WOULD BE AN END FOR THE SADNESS THAT DROWNS HIS SOUL

A PART OF HIS SOUL IS WEARY FROM ALL THE RUNNING. A PART OF HIM WANTS TO WAIT FOR THE GUNMAN TO TURN ON HIM AND KILL HIM.



AN END FROM RUNNING FROM THOSE WHO ARE CHASING HIM

PFFT!!!

PFFT!!!

PFFT!!!

AND END TO THE NEVER-ENDING CHAOS



HE REALLY WANTS TO LIVE!

ON THE OTHER HAND...

AARGH!!

PFFT!!!
PFFT!!!

ON THE OTHER HAND, HE REALLY WANTS TO FIGHT!!!

FOR NOW, HOWEVER, HE HAS TO RUN TO FIGHT ANOTHER DAY!



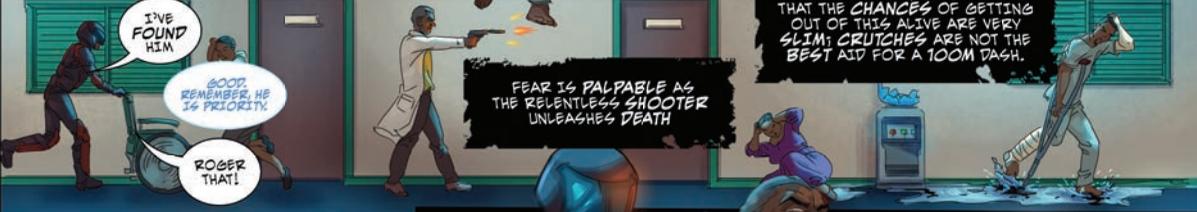
I'VE FOUND HIM

GOOD, REMEMBER, HE IS PRIORITY.

ROGER THAT!

FEAR IS PALPABLE AS THE RELENTLESS SHOOTER UNLEASHES DEATH

IN DEDE'S MIND, HE ESTIMATES THAT THE CHANCES OF GETTING OUT OF THIS ALIVE ARE VERY SLIM; CRUTCHES ARE NOT THE BEST AID FOR A TOOM TASH.



BUT HELP IS ON THE WAY!



AARGH!!

NNNGGHH!!!

AND JUSTICE IS DELIVERED...



OORGGH!!!

QUITE FEROCIOUSLY...

THUMP!

DON'T LOSE SIGHT OF OUR TARGET. HE IS PRIORITY!

AND WITH MAXIMUM PREJUDICE!

ROGER THAT! I'M ON IT!



DEDE I'M HERE TO HELP YOU

DEDE HAS SEEN ENOUGH CRAZINESS FOR ONE DAY. HE IS NOT ABOUT TO STOP RUNNING NOW...

OR HOBBLING AWAY AT LEAST!

GOT YA! HANG ON!

THEY MUST NOT GET TO THE ELEVATOR!

HANG ON!

AAAARGGH!!



PPFFT!!!

AAARRRGGGHHH

NOW, WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?



ГОТЧЫ! ЛЕГШЕ ВЫ ДАЖЕ ВАШИ НОГИ ПРОТИВ КАМНЯ!

HANG ON DEDE.



I DON'T EVEN KNOW THIS GUY, BUT WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS RIGHT NOW?

I'M SURE YOU HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS, BUT FIRST, I NEED TO EXPLAIN TO YOU WHY YOUR WIFE DIED!

NEXT: TABERNACLE

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TRUTH WILL
DEFY FEAR.

FANS DIMENSION

Hi guys,

We've called this section the fan Dimension or Fan Realm because you guys are the VIPs and deserve acknowledgement. AEGIS 4 was a particularly challenging project among others to pull off, but hey, what kept us going was the thought that it will be worth the wait for the fans when we eventually release it. So after a couple of unmet deadlines and discarded attempts (We may share those later on our page), and burning the late night oil, unforeseen constraints, thorough quality check, we thank God we did it and we're glad to put this in your hands at no cost at all. We don't want to go on and on because this is all about you, below are some of the social media comments and reactions we received regarding this project and our studios generally. Please keep them coming. We appreciate the comments, the reviews, the likes and the follows. Its the African Comic Revolution and you're welcome on board to ride with us. Our handles are below. Follow us!



ODUOLOGYWORKS: Just read it..... Mehn!!! U guys brought a new definition to Nigerian comics, really dig the story line. (not like the same old predictable superhero storyline we've been seeing). Thumbs up guys, there is a great future in AEGIS



CHARON_COMICS: 😍



_NOTNICK: Keep it up!



PHILIP JUNIOR IGWEH I cant believe that these guys exist, really amazing!



FRANCIS BASSEY: Hi, just stumbled across your comics on the net, really good quality artwork, nice stories and the concepts are ok... ..great job, guys, cheers!



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