

MARLITH



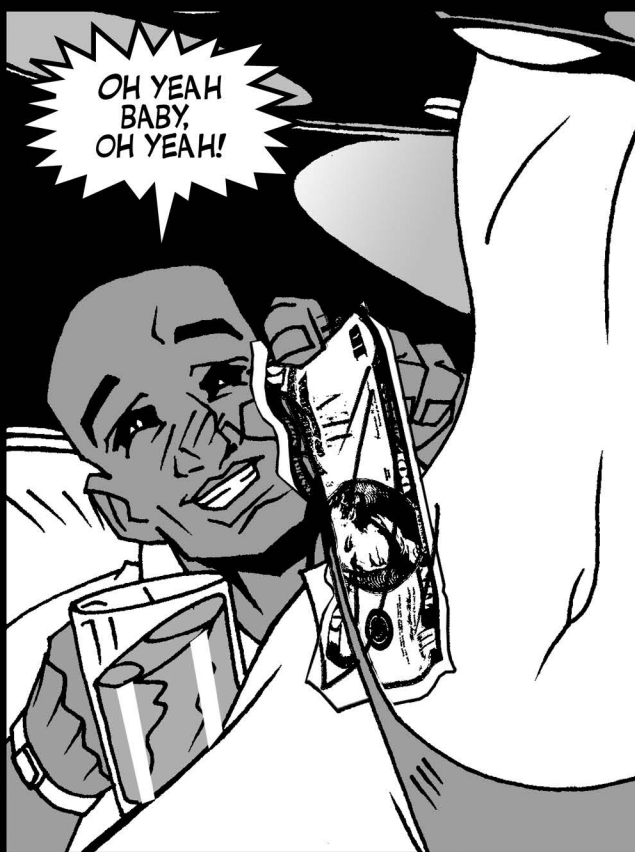
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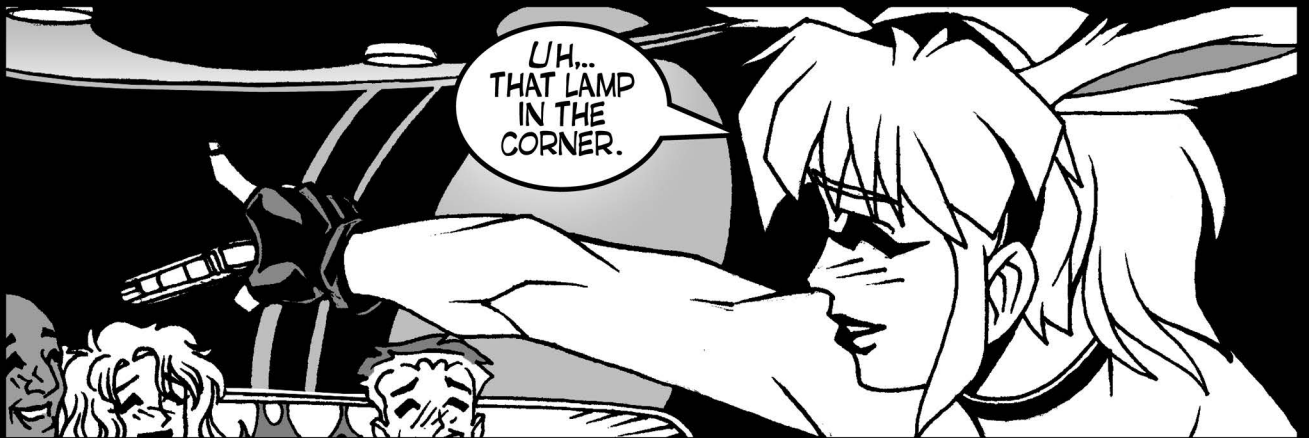


THIS IS
AWESOME, MAN!
WE GOTTA COME
HERE MORE
OFTEN!

LIFE'S A
PARTY
AS FAR AS
I'M
CONCERNED.







UM, BAXTER?
BAXTER?
BAXTER?!!

POS
CLUB



YEAH AARRRGHH!!!



MY NAME IS
MARILITH
MILLIONS.

THE FIRST NAME IS
REAL, THE LAST ISN'T.
I'M AN ASSASIN.



I KILL PEOPLE
FOR MONEY.



HOW'D IT
GO?

IT WENT.

I'LL KILL ANYONE FOR
THE RIGHT PRICE.

WELL...
ALMOST
ANYONE.

WE MET UNDER... LESS THAN IDEAL CIRCUMSTANCES. I HAD KIDNAPPED THIS BILLIONAIRE HEIRESS TO RANSOM HER FOR A RETIREMENT FUND. BUT...



WE BECAME FRIENDS. MORE THAN FRIENDS, WE WERE PARTNERS.



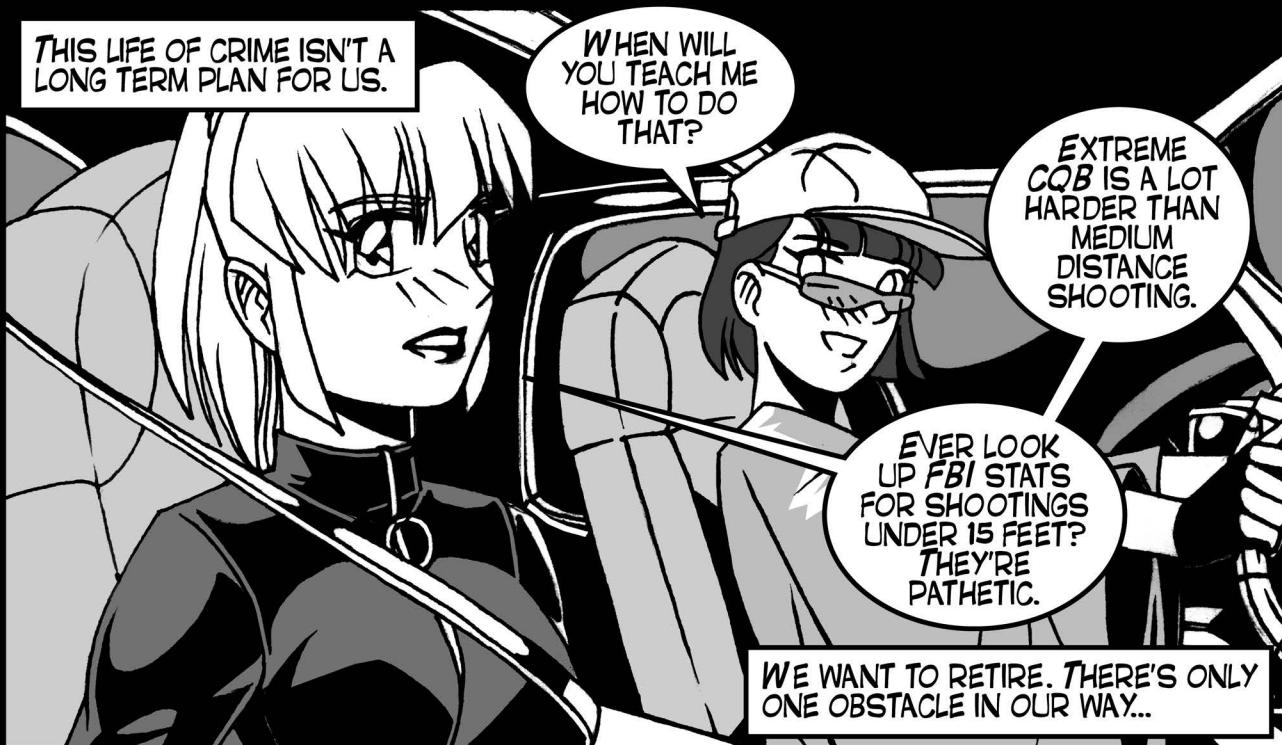
THIS LIFE OF CRIME ISN'T A LONG TERM PLAN FOR US.

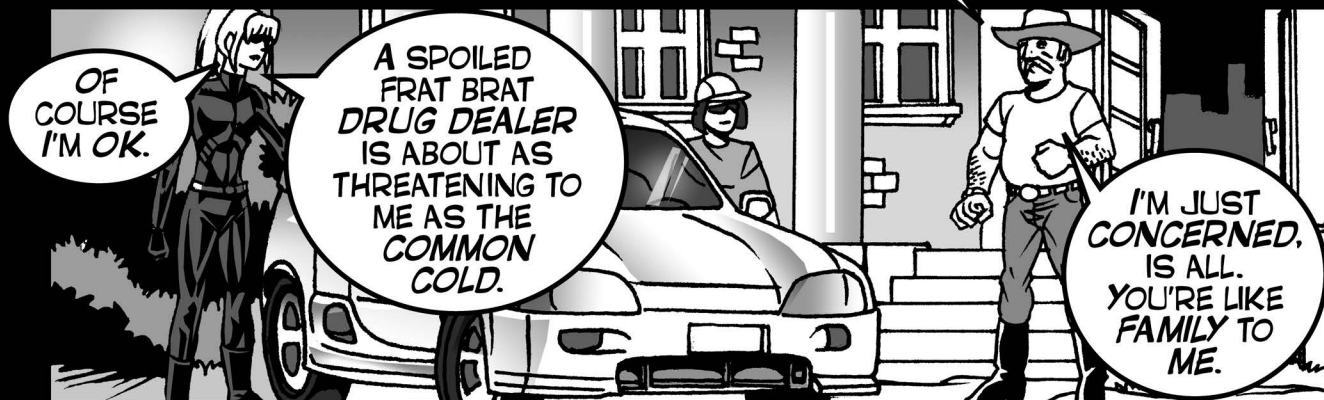
WHEN WILL YOU TEACH ME HOW TO DO THAT?

EXTREME CQB IS A LOT HARDER THAN MEDIUM DISTANCE SHOOTING.

EVER LOOK UP FBI STATS FOR SHOOTINGS UNDER 15 FEET? THEY'RE PATHETIC.

WE WANT TO RETIRE. THERE'S ONLY ONE OBSTACLE IN OUR WAY...





THE PASSPORTS ARE COMPLETED,
PRIMO STUFF.



MINE
STILL SAYS
I'M A MAN
NAMED
MARTINEZ.



HEY,
IT'S NOT A
FAKE, IT'S
A REAL
PASSPORT!

THAT WAS
MAILED BY THE
CONSULATE,
YOU SHOULD BE
GRATEFUL TO
HAVE
ANYTHING!

ALL I DID
WAS HAVE
YOUR PHOTOS
PUT ON THEM,
YOUR FRIEND MINH
DID A GREAT JOB
GETTING THEM.



IT'S
GOOD ENOUGH.
THANKS, CALI. WHAT
DID YOUR SCOUTS
SAY ABOUT THE
AIRPORT?

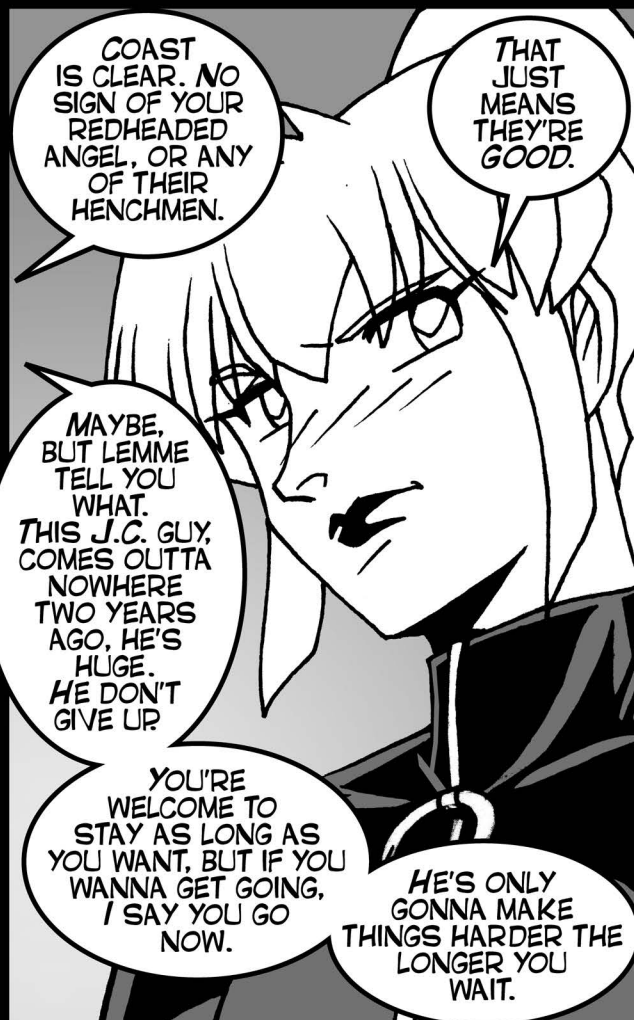
COAST
IS CLEAR. NO
SIGN OF YOUR
REDHEADED
ANGEL, OR ANY
OF THEIR
HENCHMEN.

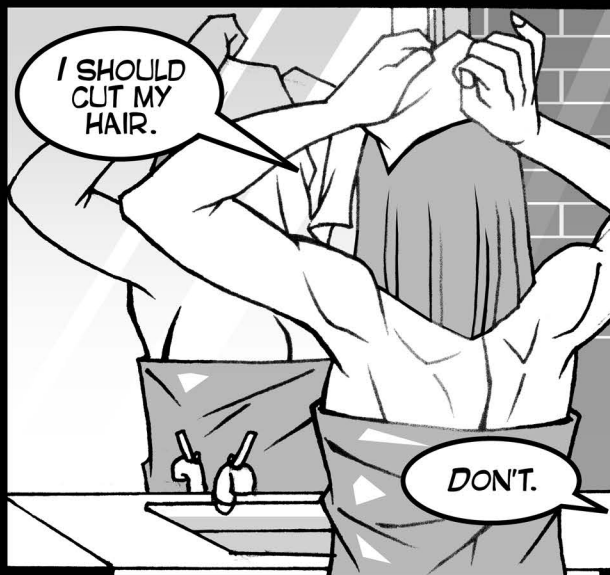
THAT
JUST
MEANS
THEY'RE
GOOD.

MAYBE,
BUT LEMME
TELL YOU
WHAT.
THIS J.C. GUY,
COMES OUTTA
NOWHERE
TWO YEARS
AGO, HE'S
HUGE.
HE DON'T
GIVE UP.

YOU'RE
WELCOME TO
STAY AS LONG AS
YOU WANT, BUT IF YOU
WANNA GET GOING,
I SAY YOU GO
NOW.

HE'S ONLY
GONNA MAKE
THINGS HARDER THE
LONGER YOU
WAIT.







WHY AM
I PACKING THESE
JEANS? THEY
DON'T EVEN FIT
ME.

WE HAVE
TO PACK
SOMETHING.

TRYING
TO BOARD A
PLANE WITH AN
EMPTY SUITCASE
WILL RING ALL
KINDS OF
WARNING BELLS
NOWADAYS.

I'LL BUY
YOU NEW
WARDROBE
IN
ARGENTINA

DON'T
WORRY, WE'LL
GET A LOAN. AS
WELL AS FULL
ARGENTINE
IDENTITIES.

MINH WAS
THOUGHTFUL
ENOUGH TO HACK
ME A CREDIT
RATING AS
WELL.

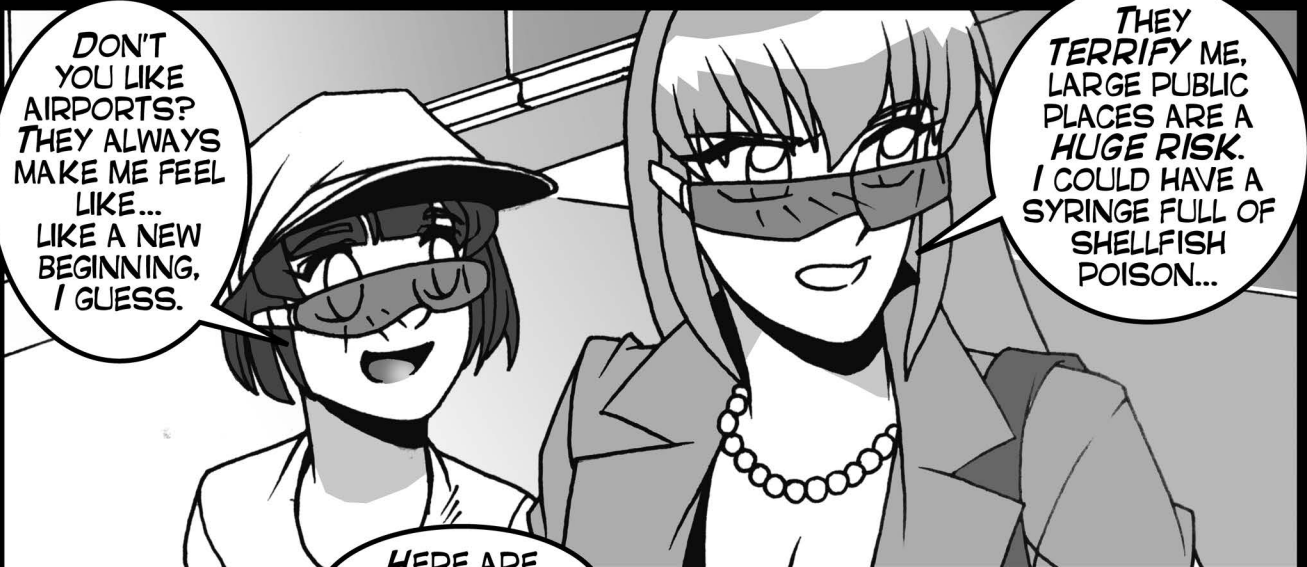
YOU'RE
NOT PACKING
ANY GUNS?
THAT'S ODD FOR
YOU.

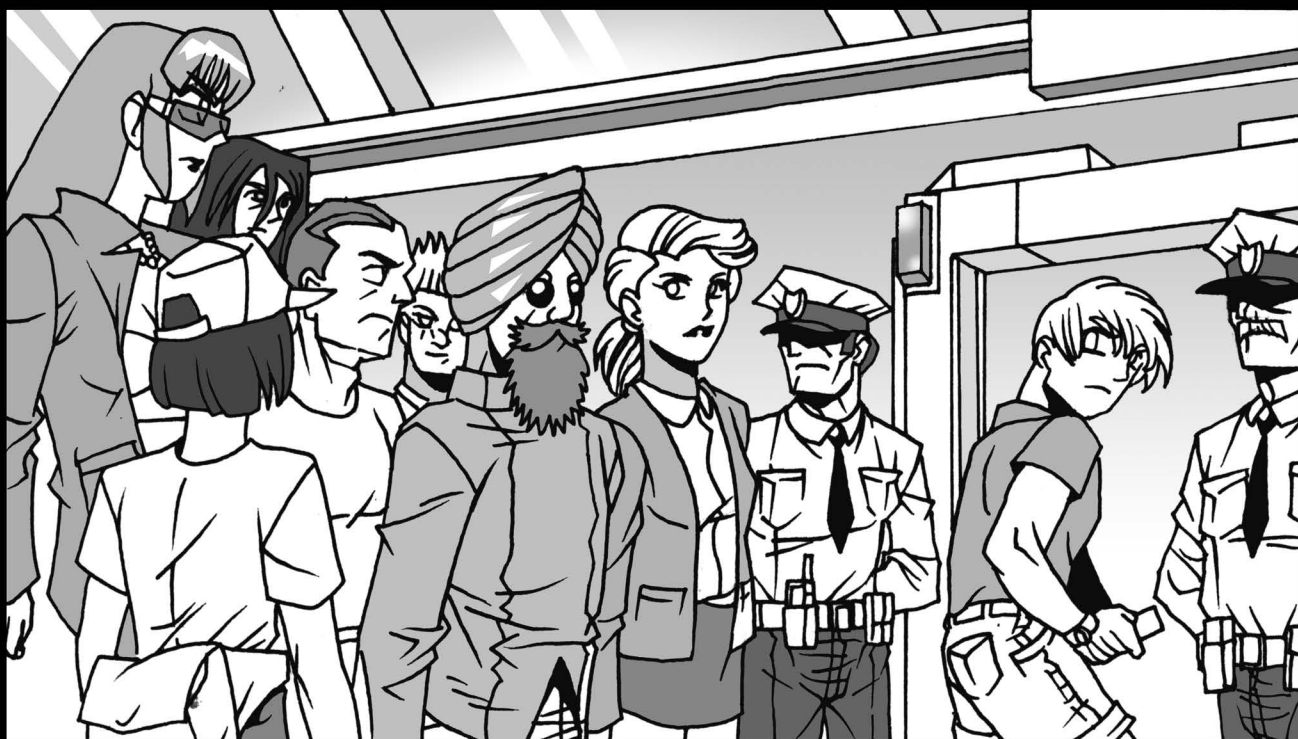
I'LL BE HAPPY
IF I NEVER TOUCH
A GUN AGAIN.
NOT A LOT OF CALL
FOR THAT RUNNING
A COFFEE SHOP
ANYWAY.

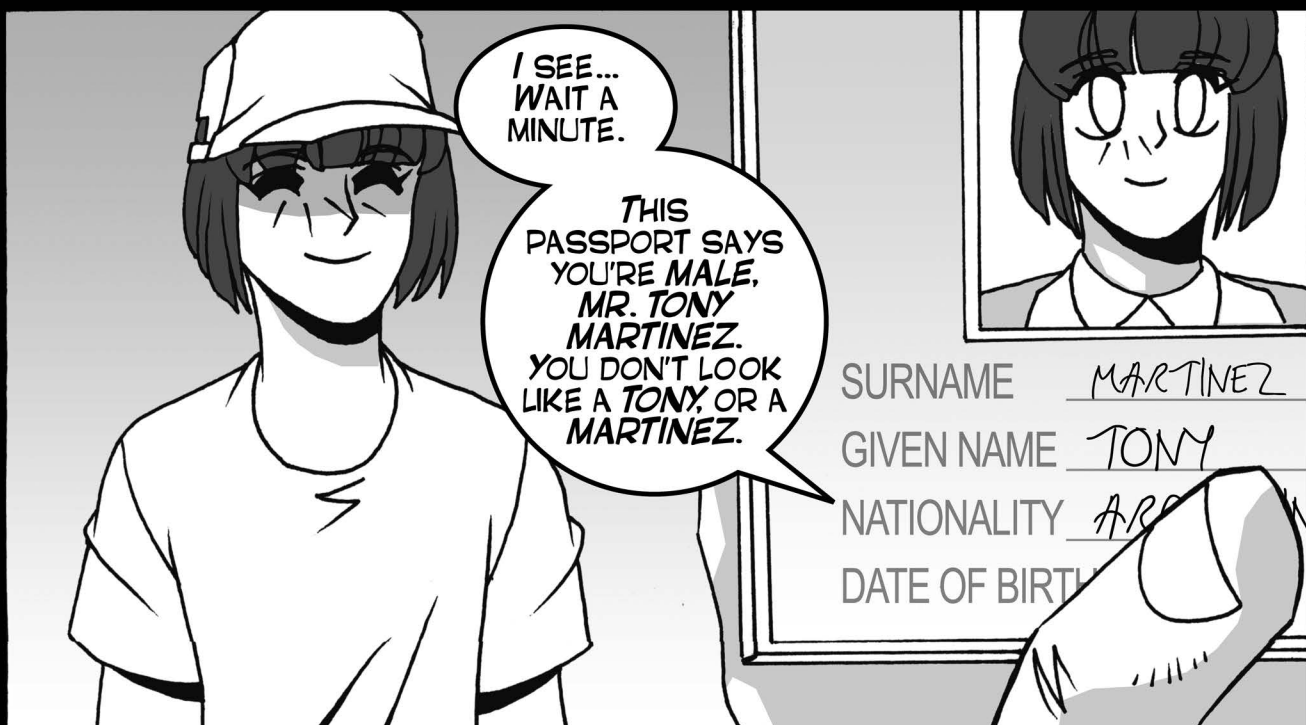
BUT NOT
THOUGHTFUL
ENOUGH TO HACK
US SOME
MONEY.

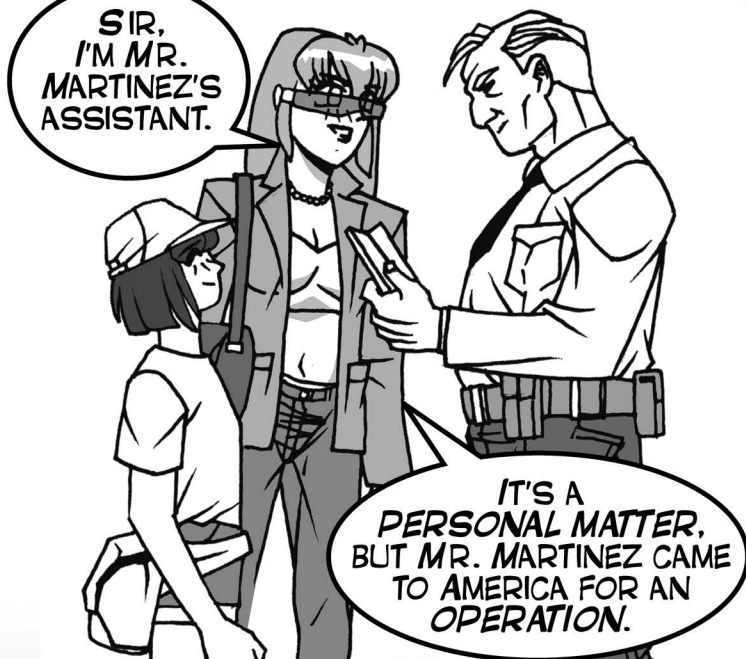
ACTUALLY,
CAN WE EVEN
AFFORD A COFFEE
SHOP? OR DO WE
HAVE TO START AS
WAITRESSES AND
WORK OUR
WAY UP



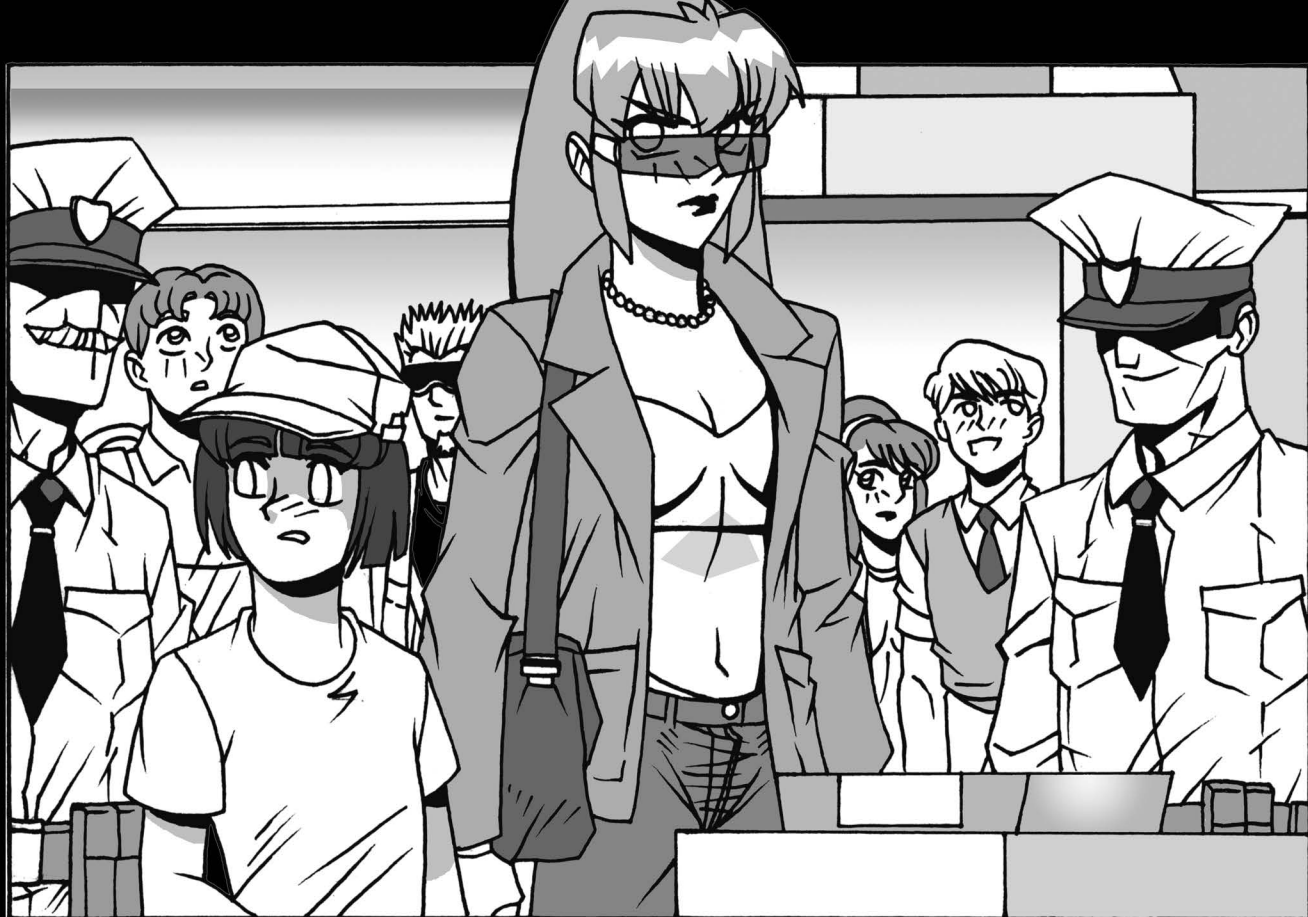


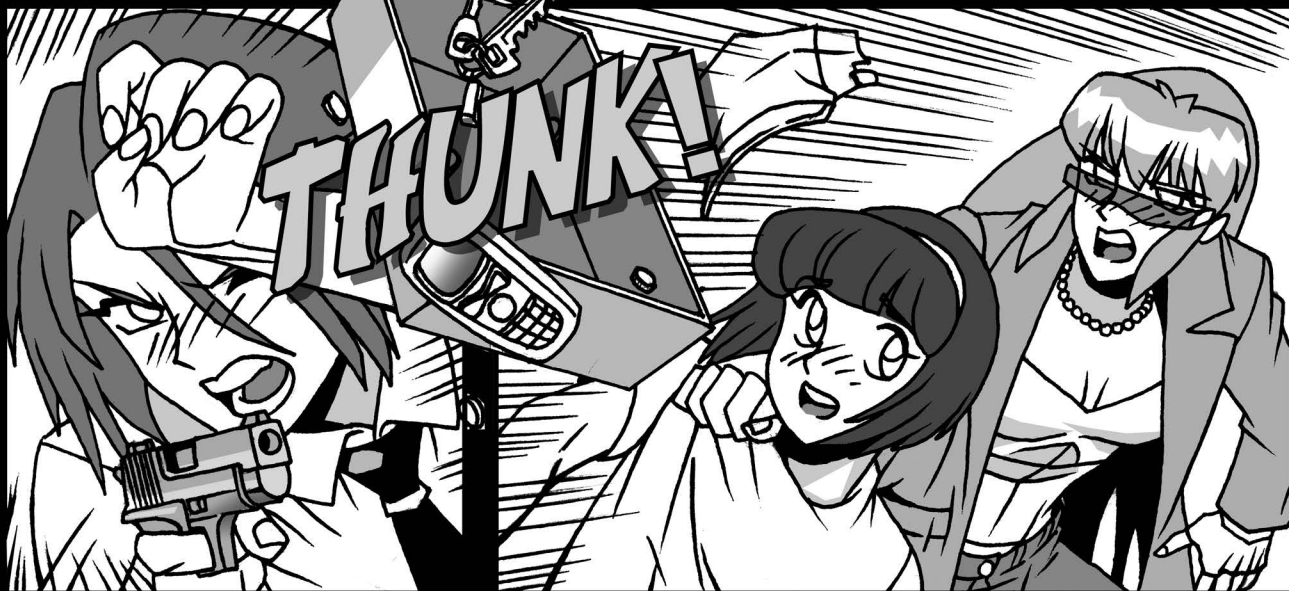




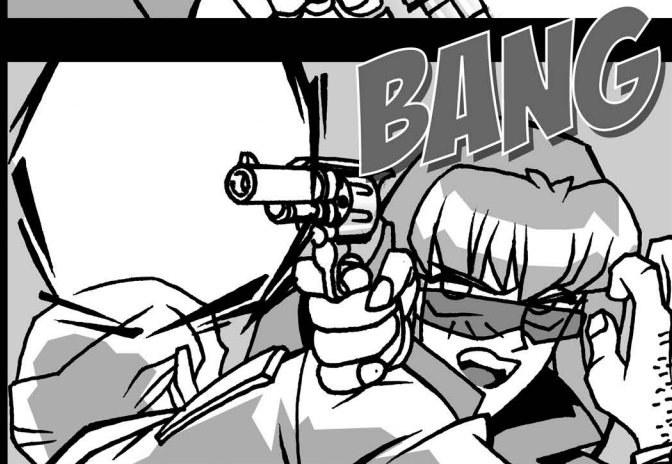








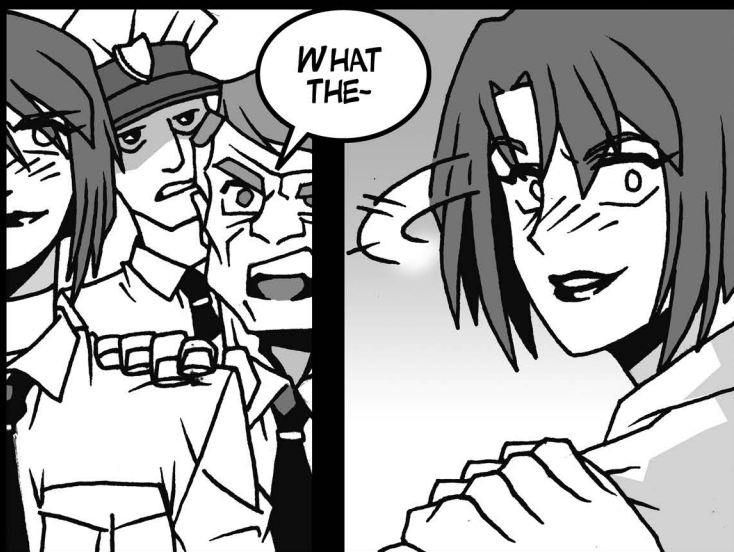
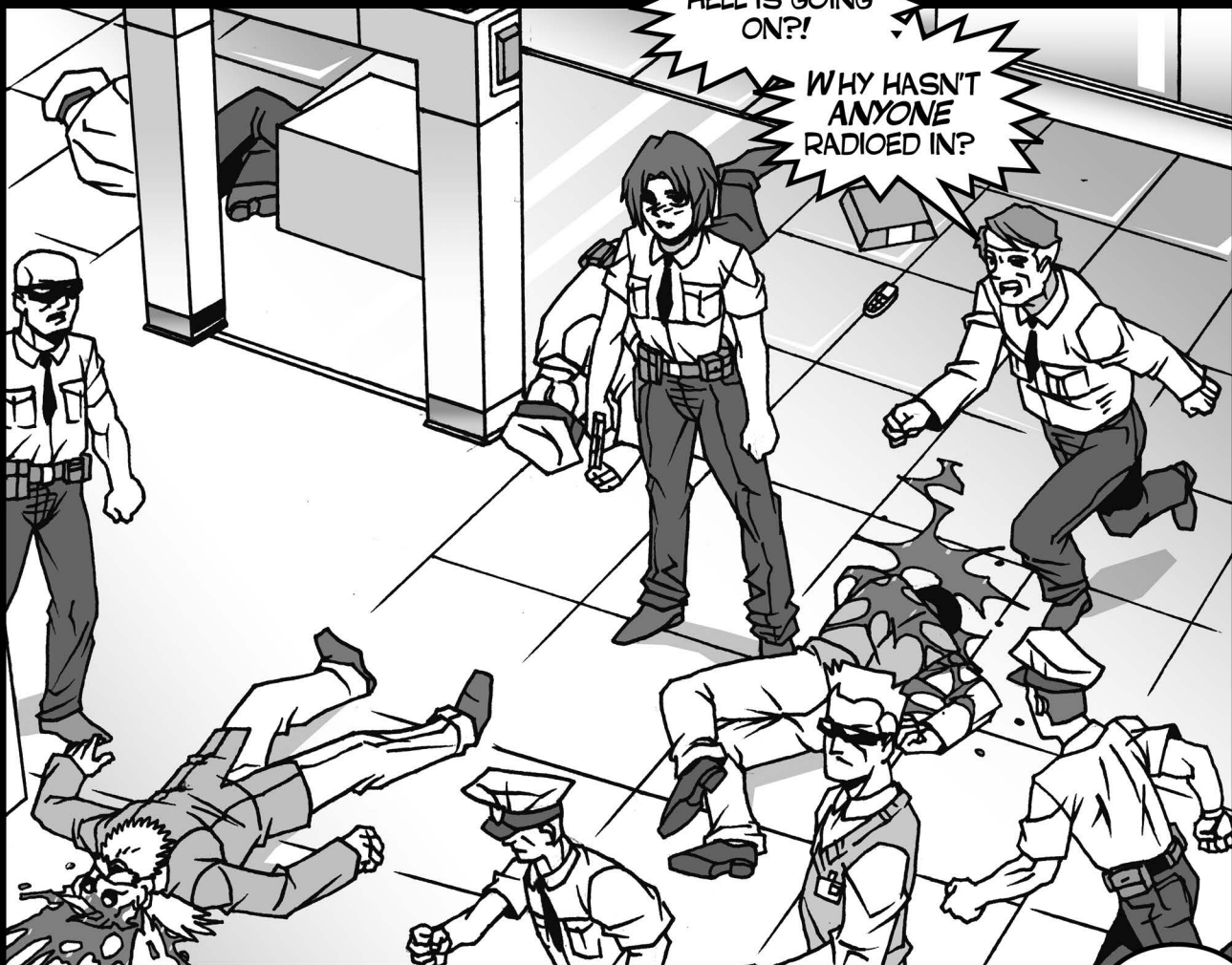


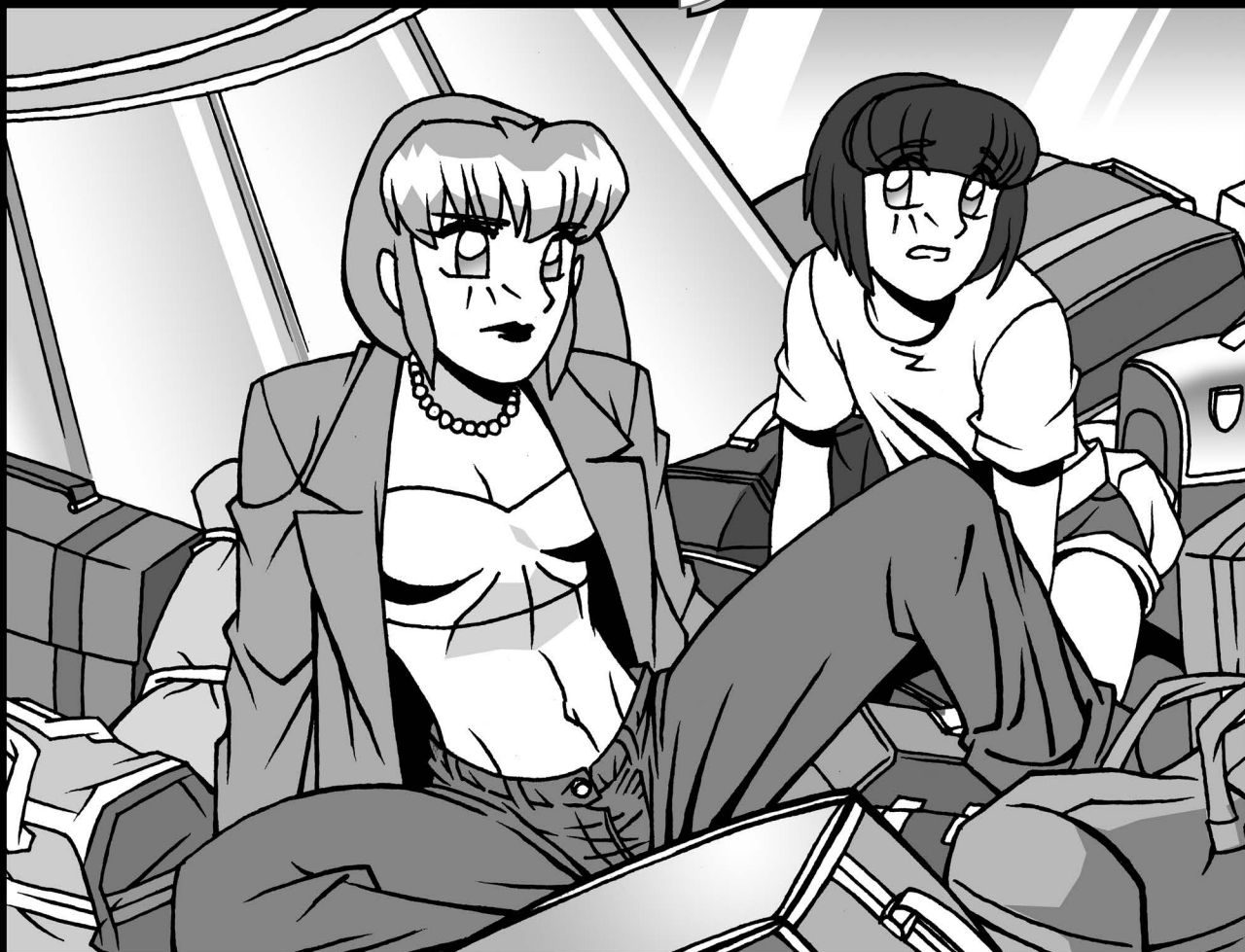




WHAT THE
HELL IS GOING
ON?!

WHY HASN'T
ANYONE
RADIOED IN?





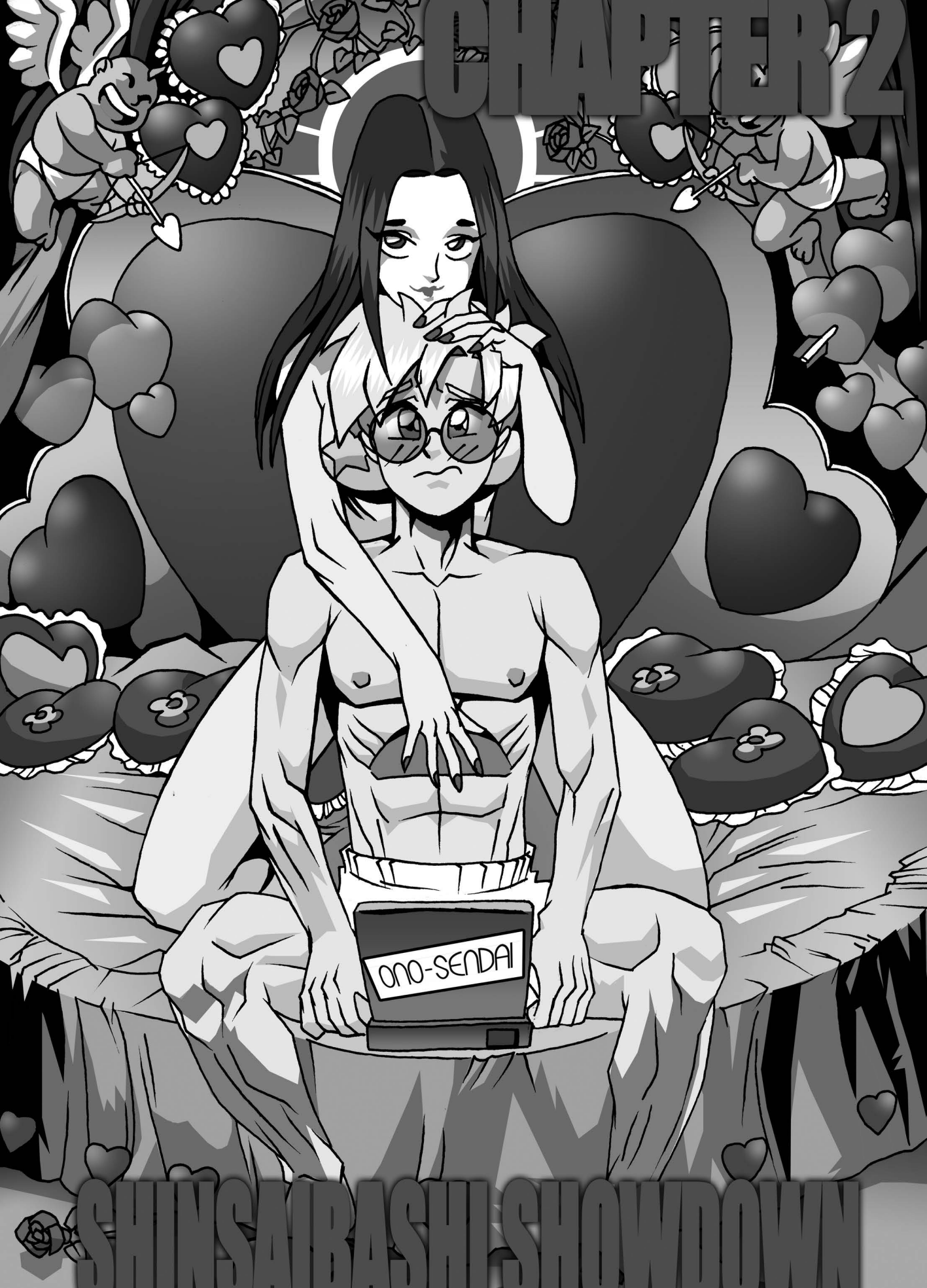


HELLO,
CALI?
IT'S ME...

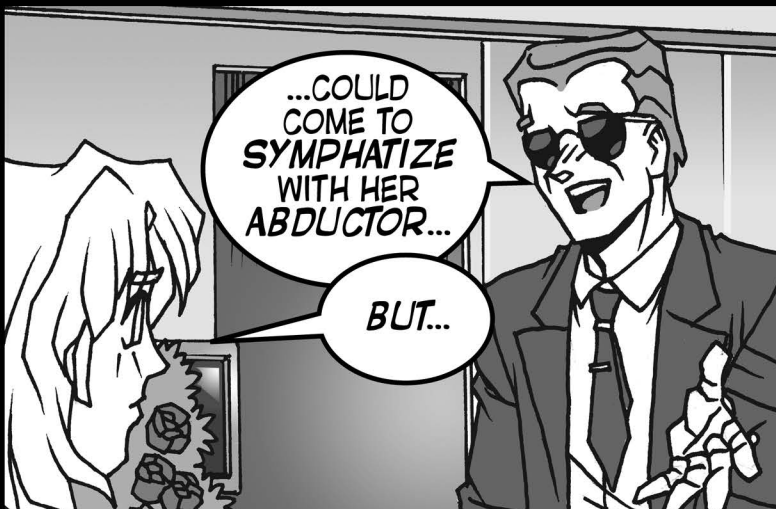
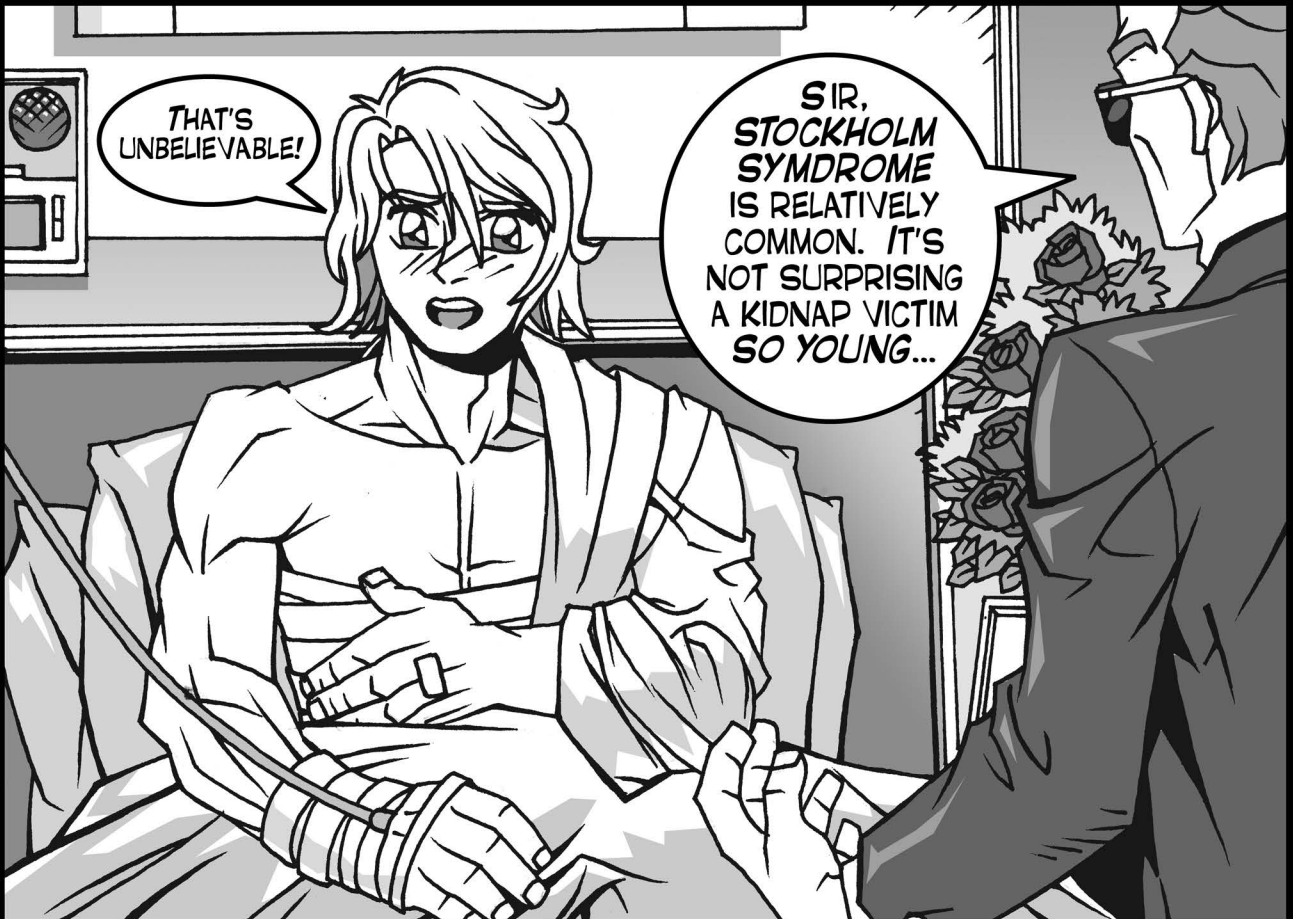
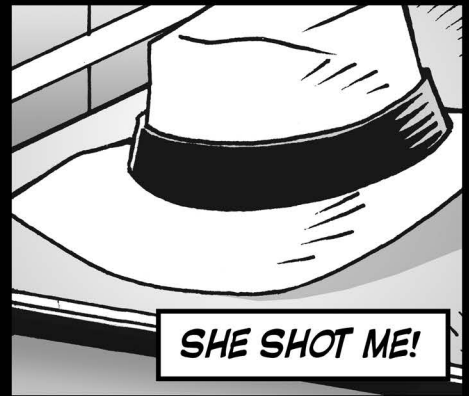
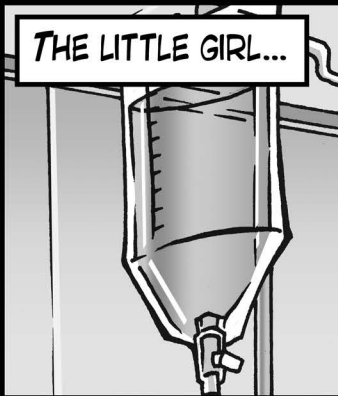


WE'RE IN
DEEP SHIT.

CHAPTER 2



SHINSAIBASHI SHOWDOWN



I WAS RESCUING A
KIDNAP VICTIM.

THAT MAKES ME THE
GOOD GUY, DOESN'T IT?

DOESN'T IT?!!

GOOD GUYS SHOULD
WIN IN THE END...

BLAM!

...SHOULDN'T
THEY?

SIR,
THE MEDIA'S
IN THE WAITING
ROOM. I'VE TOLD
THEM THAT
YOU'LL RELEASE
A PRESS
STATEMENT
IN-

SEND
THEM
IN.



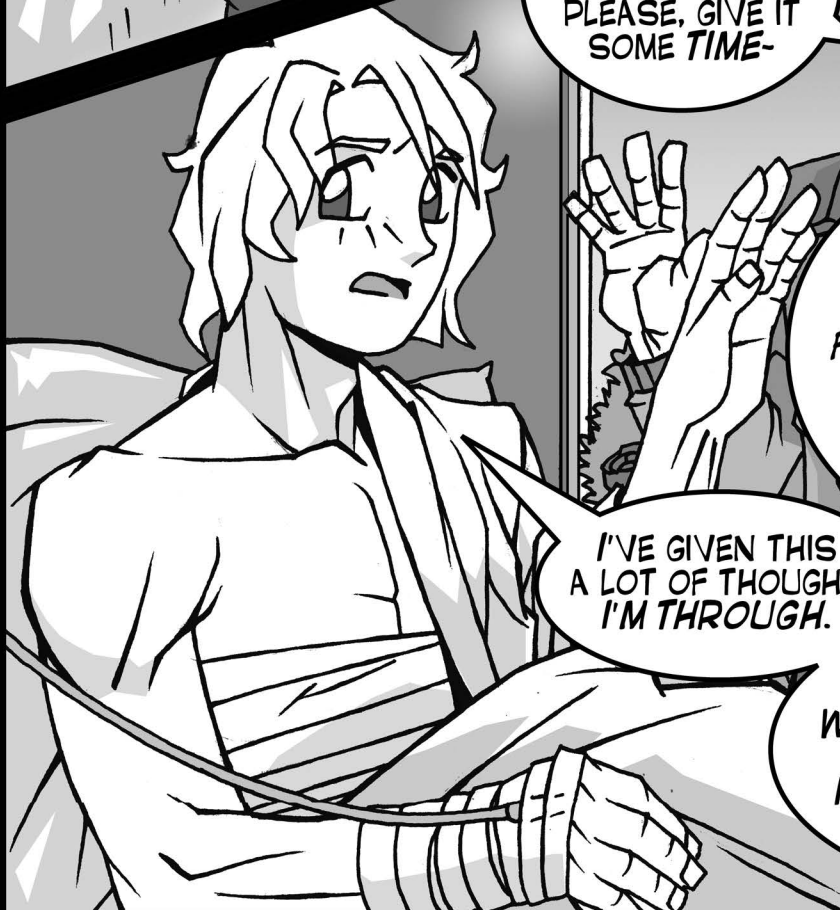
SIR?
SHALL I BRING
YOUR MAKE-UP
ARTISTS
FIRST?

DON'T
BOTHER.



JUST SEND
THEM IN.

I'M
ANNOUNCING
MY
RETIREMENT!



SIR! YOU'RE
NOT THINKING
RATIONALLY.
PLEASE, GIVE IT
SOME TIME-

I'VE GIVEN THIS
A LOT OF THOUGHT,
I'M THROUGH.



SIR?!
DON'T LET THIS
GET YOU DOWN,
IT'S JUST A
FREAK INCIDENT!
WE'VE CAUGHT
DOZENS OF
CRIMINALS IN
THE PAST-

THE TRUTH IS,
I'VE BECOME A MEDIA
WHORE. IT'S NO LONGER
ABOUT FIGHTING CRIME.
I'VE BEEN SEDUCED BY
FAME AND FORTUNE...

...AND I
GAVE IN.

I'VE ALWAYS
TALKED MY DADDY
ON TV, AND TO BE
HONEST, I DON'T
THINK DADDY
WOULD BE PROUD
OF WHO I AM
TODAY.

DADDY WAS A
LAWMAN WHO UPHELD
THE LAW **TO THE
LETTER**. HE WOULD
NEVER CONSIDER
ENTERING A HOUSE
WITHOUT A WARRANT,
OR ANY OF THE OTHER
UNETHICAL THINGS
I'VE DONE.

THIS
ORGANIZATION
OF OURS WAS
STARTED WITH
THE BEST OF
INTENTIONS.

BUT WE'VE
BECOME
CORRUPTED.

WELL, I'M
TURNING THAT
AROUND.

I'M GOING
TO **DISBAND**
THE **HUNTER
KNIGHTS...**

SIR...

AND I'M
RETURNING TO
THE **POLICE
FORCE**.

I KNOW YOU'RE
ALL GOOD PEOPLE
DEEP DOWN, AND
I HOPE YOU'LL
CONSIDER **JOINING**
WITH ME.

I...I'LL
BRING THE
REPORTERS
IN.

SNIFF



WHAT HAPPENED-

MR. HUNTER, HAVE YOU CONSIDERED-

HOW DO YOU REPORT TO THE ALLEGATIONS-

WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS-

MR. HUNTER, I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THREE THINGS-



THANK YOU FOR FIGHTING CRIME-



THANK YOU FOR STANDING UP FOR DECENCY-



AND THANK YOU FOR BEING A HERO TO ALL OF US.



AND NOW THAT THE CRIMINAL AND TERRORIST MARILITH MILLIONS HAS RESURFACED IN A BLOODY AIRPORT SHOOTOUT, HOW DO YOU PLAN TO RESPOND?

WELL, I'M HERE TO MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING THAT...



**THE
HUNTER
KNIGHTS
ARE
BACK IN
BUSINESS!**

**I'M CHECKING
OUT OF THIS
HOSPITAL
THIS
INSTANT...**

**...AND
I WILL NOT REST
UNTIL MARILITH IS
BROUGHT TO
JUSTICE!**

OSAKA, JAPAN.

HappyGo

PACHINKO

P.O.

ササキビル

ササキビル

AHH, HELLO! WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A GOOD TIME WITH ME?

AHH, NO THANKS. I'M, UH, NOT REALLY IN THE MARKET-

MINH, MINH, MINH... WHAT HAVE YOU GOT YOURSELF INTO?



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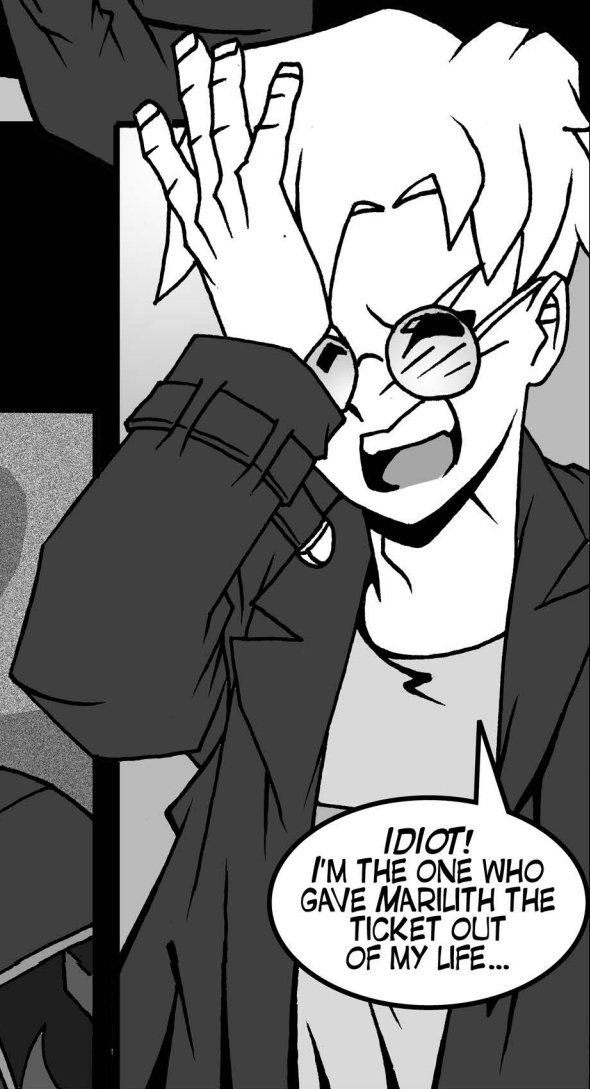
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SIGH
IT'D BE
EASIER TO GET
OVER MARILITH BY
DOING COMPUTER
CONSULTING
WORK IN
JAPAN...

IF I COULD ACTUALLY
FIND COMPUTER
CONSULTING WORK.



IDIOT!
I'M THE ONE WHO
GAVE MARILITH THE
TICKET OUT
OF MY LIFE...





PPONGI NEST

HOI!

I DON'T
THINK HE CAN
SWIM.

PPONGI NEST

GYAAAHH!

JEEZ, TOOK
YOU YAKS LONG
ENOUGH.

PLEASE ACCEPT
MY HUMBLEST
APOLOGIES FOR OUR
MISUNDERSTANDING.

YOU HAVE
OUR ETERNAL
GRATITUDE FOR
COMING TO THE
AID OF
MISS ROSE.







YOU'RE
MAKING ME
FEEL BAD,
MINH-SAN.

CAN'T YOU
RETURN SOME
AFFECTION?

WELL,
MAYBE I
COULD...



I'M SORRY,
MINH-SAN.

NO KISSING,
CLUB RULES.



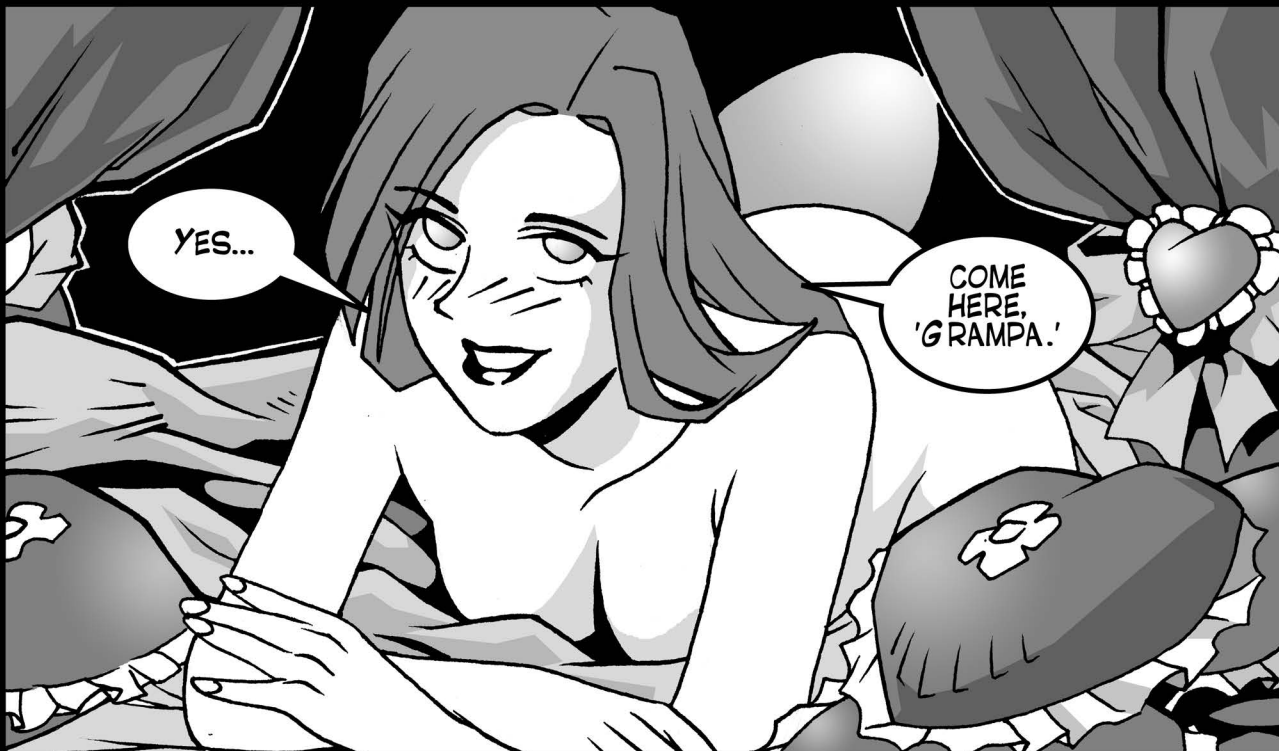
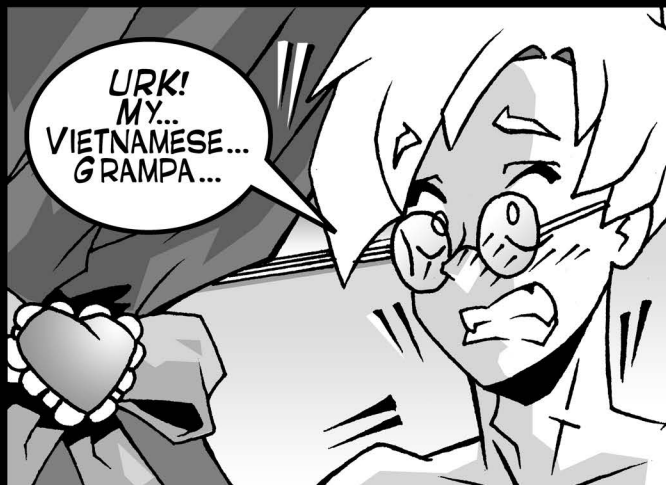
NO
KISSING,
EH?

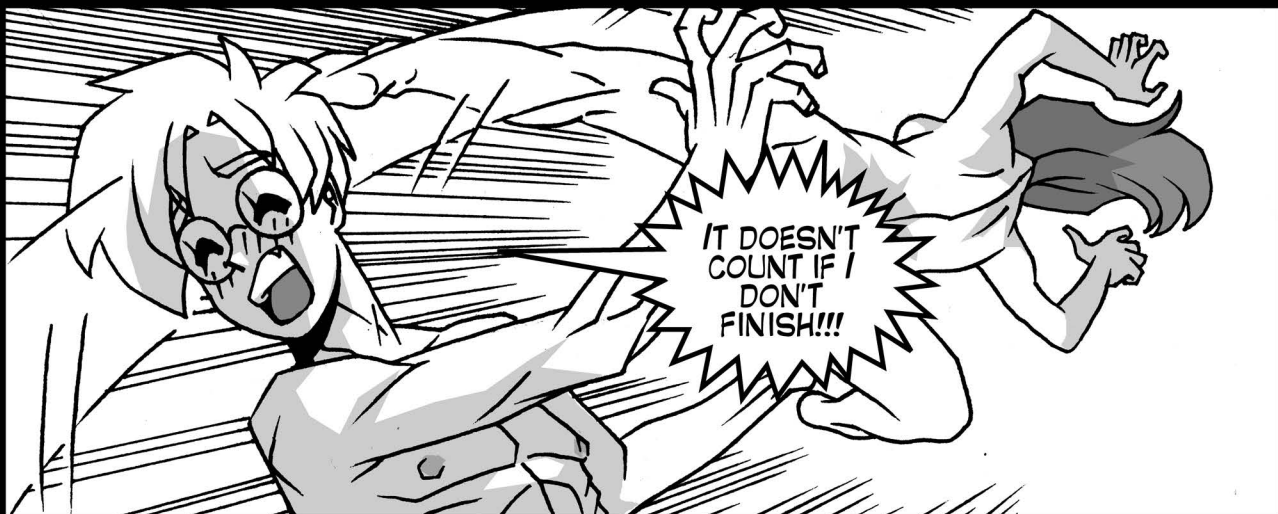
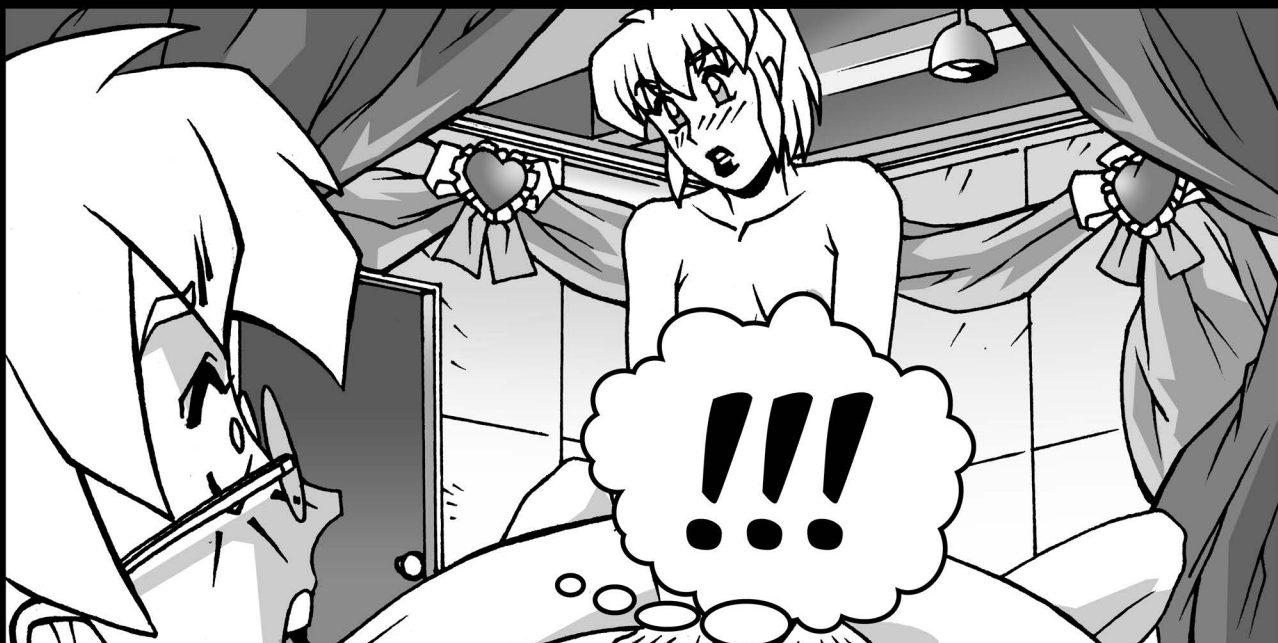
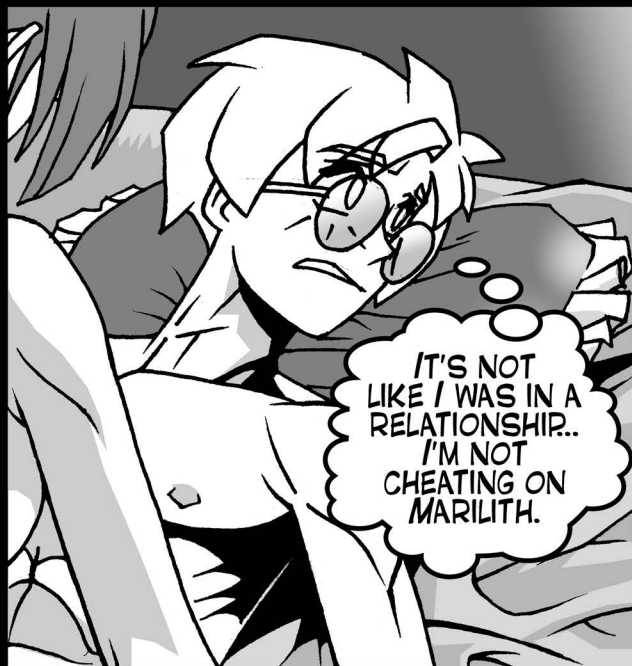


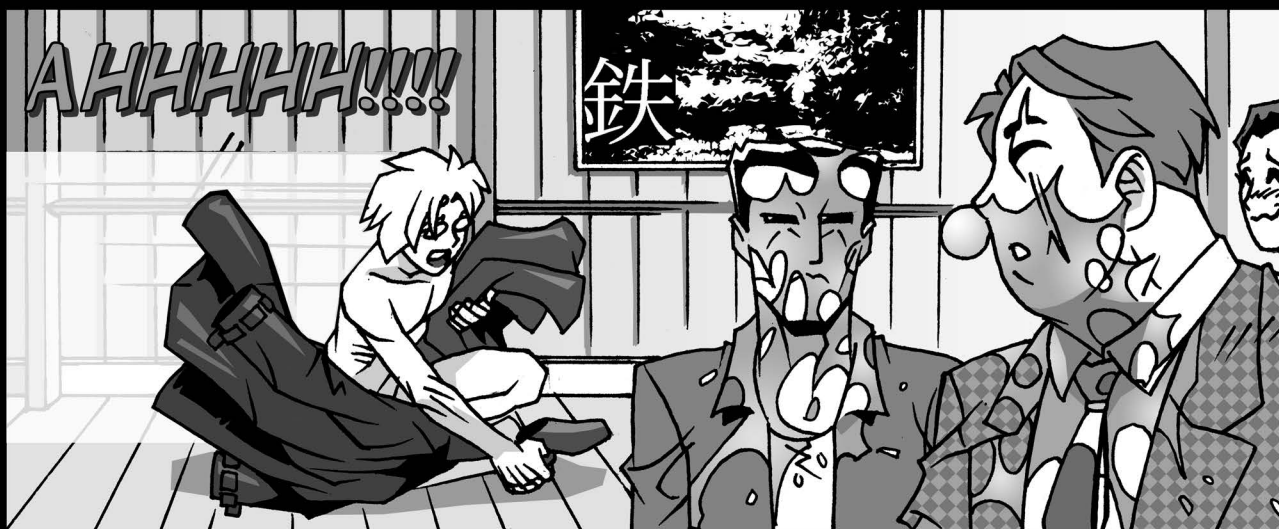
UWAAA!
SLUGE!!!

THIS MUST
BE THE PART
THAT CAME FROM
YOUR AMERICAN
FATHER!

FHHWWIPPP!











HEY,
IT'S NOT SO
BAD! YOU GOT
AWAY UNHURT.
RIGHT? THAT'S
WHAT MATTERS!
LOOK ON THE
BRIGHT SIDE OF
THINGS.



WE'RE
SCREWED.
THAT WAS OUR
TICKET OUT OF
HERE. I CAN'T
BELIEVE
VALENTINO
MANAGED TO
TRACK US
DOWN.



C'MON,
IT WAS A
FLUKE!
SHE
GOT LUCKY,
THAT'S
ALL.

NO...
SHE'S BETTER
THAN ME.
I'M SLIPPING



YOU MIGHT THINK
I'M STILL THE SAME
CHUMP THAT SOLD
YOU A STREET
SWEEPER OUT OF A
BEAT UP VAN
YEARS AGO.

BUT THINGS HAVE
CHANGED. THAT'S
NO ORDINARY
MANSION I LIVE IN,

IT'S A FORTRESS.

AND MY MAIDS?
THEY'RE PROS.

WINDOWS THAT WILL
STOP AN AK-47, BOMB
RESISTANT DOORS,
THE WORKS.


THEY'VE BEEN
TRAINED BY AN EX-
KGB GENERAL...

WHO'S NOW IN
CHARGE OF MY
SECURITY.

SHE ALSO MAKES ME
CUPCAKES.

BESIDES,
I'M CONNECTED
NOW. I JUST MAY
HAVE AN ALTERNATE
ROUTE OUT OF THE
COUNTRY FOR
YOU.

GO ON.



YOU KNOW
THOSE DRUG PLANES
THAT DROP OFF COKE IN THE
ARIZONA DESERT? THEY DON'T
LIKE LANDING STATESIDE, BUT
THEY ARE WILLING TO PICK UP
PASSENGERS FOR THE RETURN
TRIP FOR A REASONABLE
FEE.



AND
JUST HOW
REASONABLE
IS THAT
FEE?



IT'S NOT CHEAP.
LANDING IS A HUGE
RISK FOR THEM.



BUT
THEY'LL DO IT FOR
200 GRAND...

...EACH.



SHEET! THAT'S
MORE THAN AN
ENTIRE RETIREMENT
FUND.

WELL, YOU
COULD ALWAYS
WORK FOR ME-



I AM *NOT* WEARING A FRENCH MAID OUTFIT!



WE'LL WORK FOR IT.

THE WHOLE POINT OF FLEEING THE COUNTRY IS SO WE DON'T HAVE TO KILL ANYMORE.

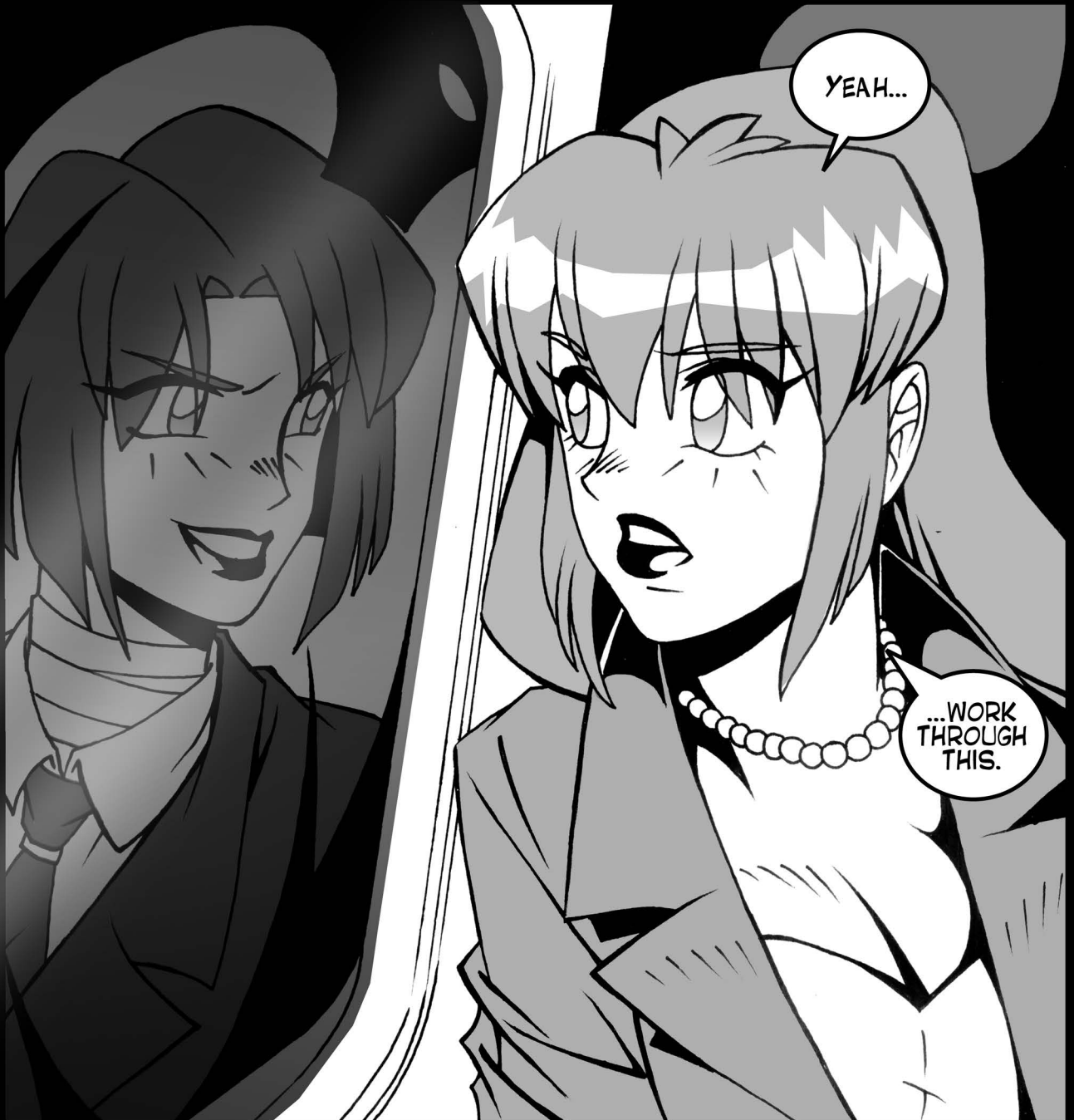


I KNOW THAT!

WE'LL JUST STICK TO JOBS WHERE THE TARGET ACTUALLY DESERVES IT!

DRUG DEALERS AND CHILD MOLESTERS AND THAT SORT OF THING-

WHOA, ASSASSINS WITH HONOR? WHY DOES THAT SOUND FAMILIAR-

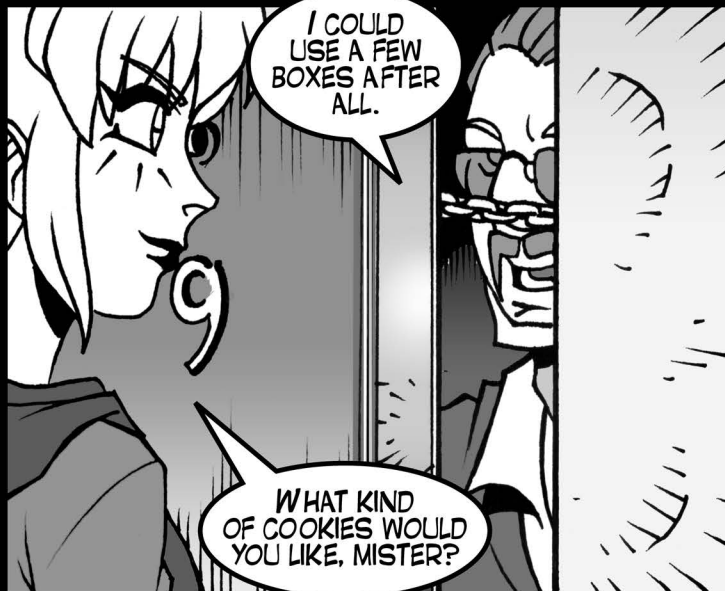


CHAPTER 3



GIRL GUIDE GUNNER







SURPRISE.

IN THIS SITUATION, THE .22 ACTUALLY DOES MORE DAMAGE THAN A .45.

SEE, IT'S NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO EXIT THE SKULL, SO IT BOUNCES AROUND LIKE A SUPERBALL...

...TURNING THE BRAIN INTO PLUM PUDDING.

THAT MOUSE FART SOUND IS PURE HOLLYWOOD...

...A SUPPRESSED .22 IS STILL PRETTY DAMN LOUD WHEN FIRED INDOORS, NEVER MIND A 9MM OR BIGGER.

PHOOOT!



IT WAS LOUDER THAN I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE.

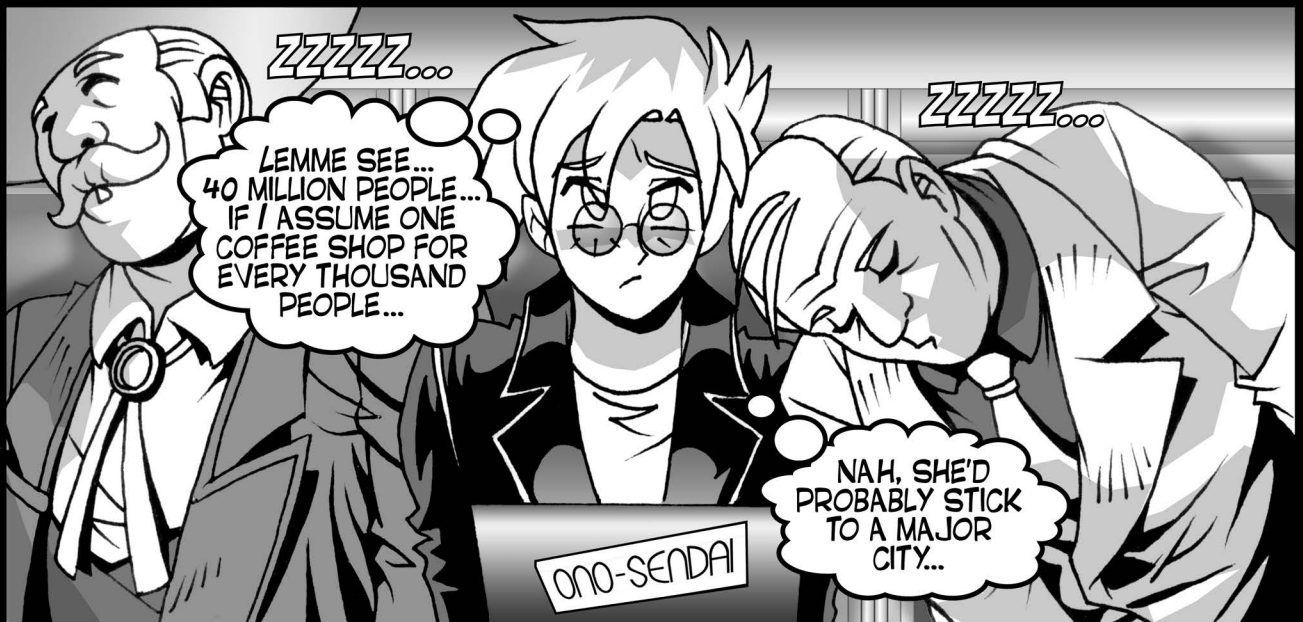
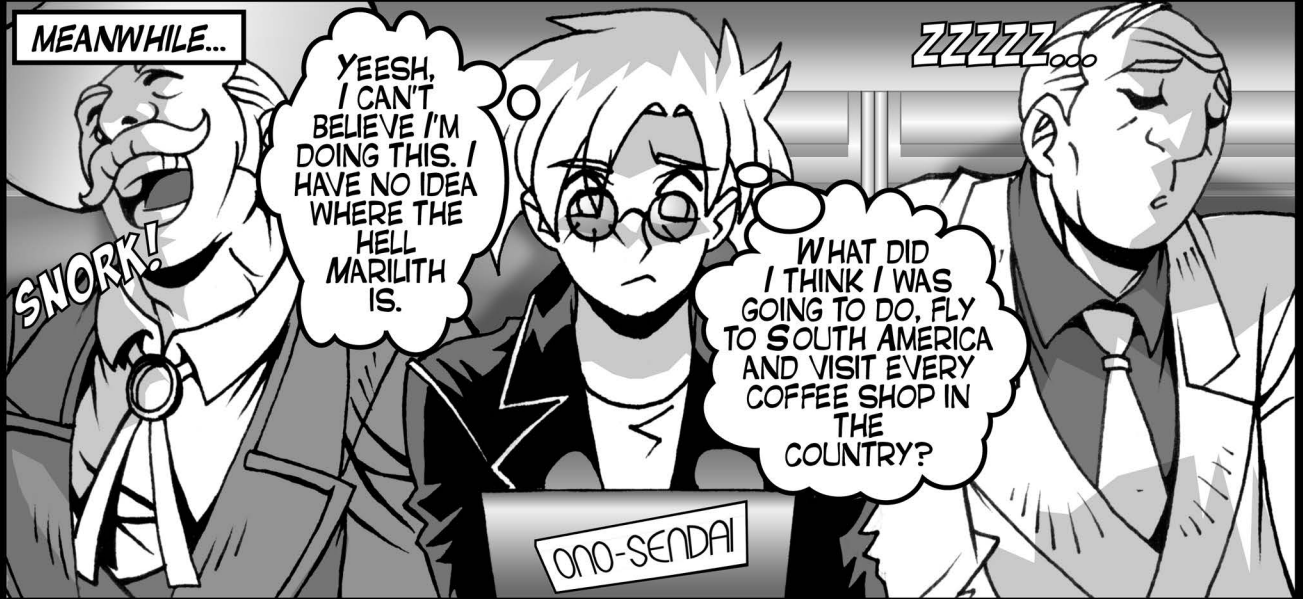


THIS
LESSON IS
FINISHED.

**FIRE
ALARM**

LET'S GO
GET SOME ICE
CREAM.

CLANGCLANGCLANGCLANGCLANG!!!



BANG! BANG! BANG!
BANG! BANG! BANG!

**BOJO'S
SHOOTING
ALLEY**

Guns don't kill people.
Idiots with guns kill people.



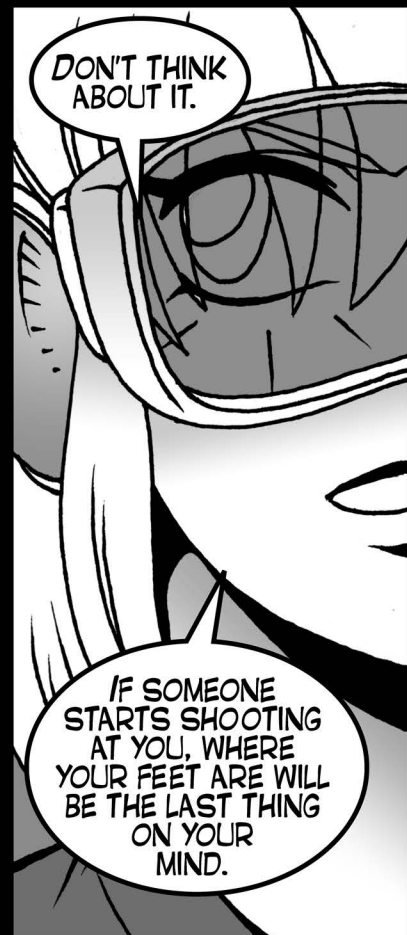


IT DOESN'T MATTER.

LET'S WORK ON YOUR TECHNIQUE.

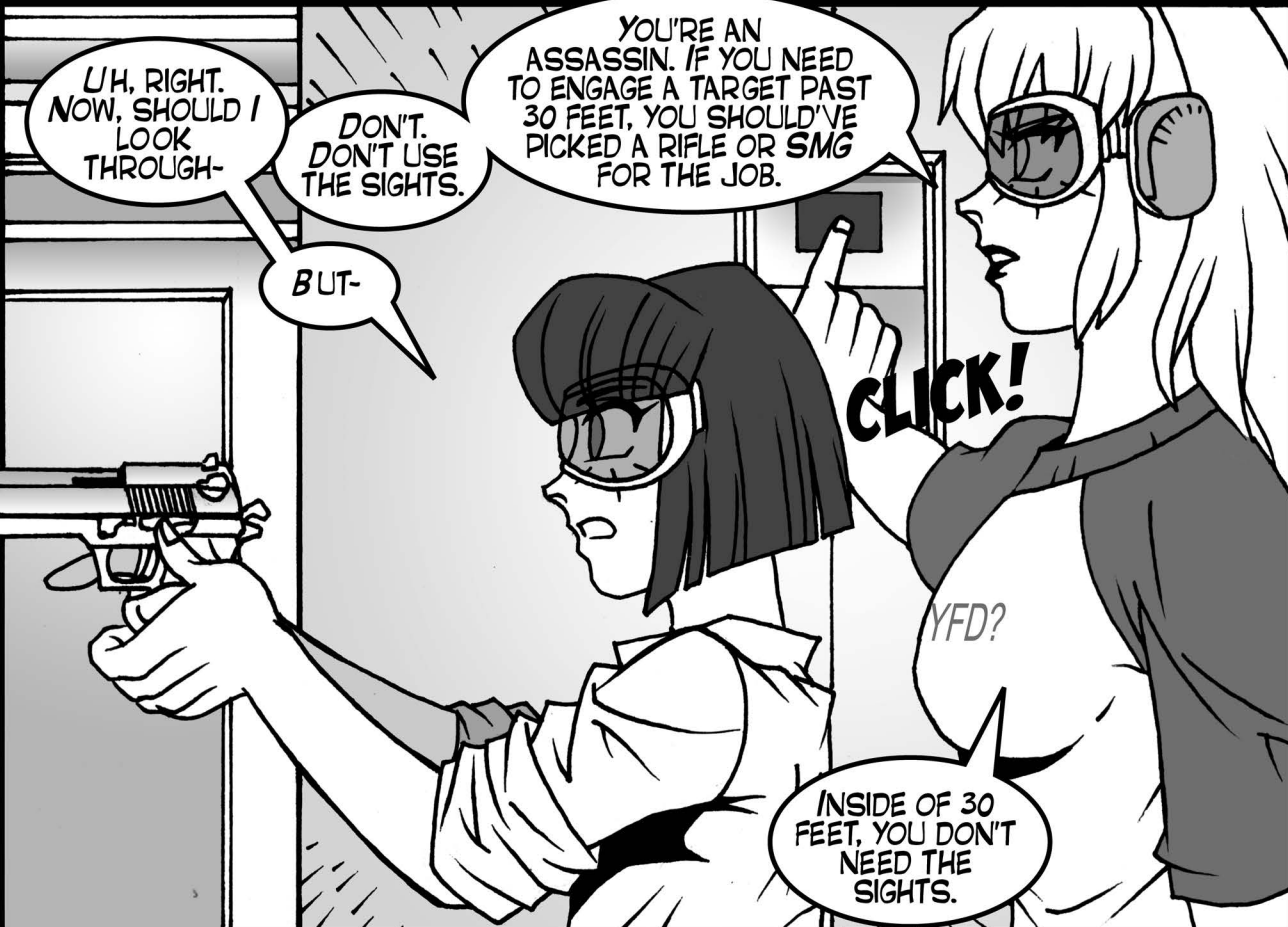


HOW SHOULD I PLACE MY FEET, LIKE THIS?



DON'T THINK ABOUT IT.

IF SOMEONE STARTS SHOOTING AT YOU, WHERE YOUR FEET ARE WILL BE THE LAST THING ON YOUR MIND.



UH, RIGHT. NOW, SHOULD I LOOK THROUGH-

DON'T. DON'T USE THE SIGHTS.

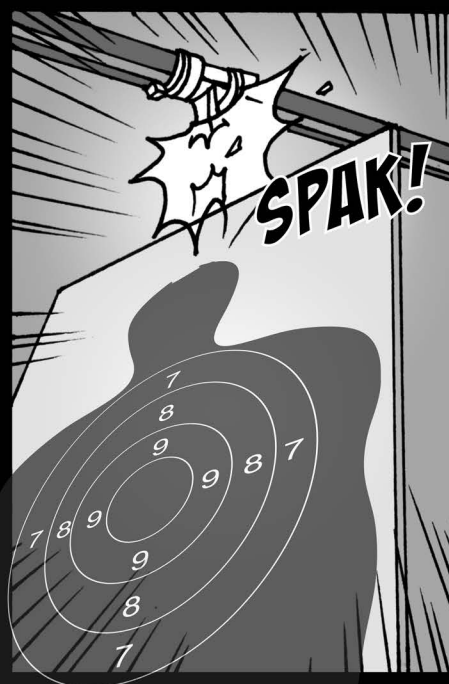
BUT-

YOU'RE AN ASSASSIN. IF YOU NEED TO ENGAGE A TARGET PAST 30 FEET, YOU SHOULD'VE PICKED A RIFLE OR SMG FOR THE JOB.

CLICK!

YFD?

INSIDE OF 30 FEET, YOU DON'T NEED THE SIGHTS.





TRY THAT AGAIN, WITH CONVICTION. HOLD IT FIRMLY, BUT DON'T SNAP AT THE TRIGGER, SQUEEZE IT.



SPAK!



I HIT IT! DID YOU SEE-



WWCYFD?
FIRE AGAIN! AND AGAIN! LATHER, RINSE, REPEAT!



BANG!

BANG!

BANG!

BULLETS ARE CHEAP, DOCTOR'S BILLS ARE EXPENSIVE. KEEP FIRING.



BANG!
BANG!

BANG!
BANG!

WWCYFD?

THAT'S BETTER. FOR ANY JOB, PLAN IN ADVANCE HOW MUCH AMMUNITION YOU'LL NEED. THEN DOUBLE IT.

NOW TRY FIRING IT WITH ONE HAND.



GODAMMIT!
WHAT DID I JUST SAY
ABOUT HOLDING IT
FIRMLY?

I DID!
THAT STUPID
GUN IS JUST
TOO BIG!



YOU'RE
RIGHT,
I'M SORRY.
THE BERETTA
DEFINITELY
IS A BIT OF
A PIG.



I HAVE
SOMETHING
BETTER I CAN
DIG UP



SUPERINTENDENT,
THIS IS COMPLETELY
OUTRAGEOUS! FIRST YOU
ASK US TO WORK WITH
THAT GODDAM COWBOY
OF A BOUNTY
HUNTER...

AND NOW YOU
TELL US THE CASE
IS *CLOSED*!?!

CHRISTI,
I UNDERSTAND
YOUR
FRUSTRATION-

WELL I DON'T
UNDERSTAND.



YOU'RE
TELLING ME
THAT THE
LITTLE GIRL'S DAD
SAYS THERE
NEVER WAS ANY
KIDNAPPING?!?
THAT'S
COMPLETE
BS!



CHRISTI,
OFFICIALLY, IT
NEVER WAS A
KIDNAPPING. WE
NEVER HAD A
COMPLAINT FROM
THE FATHER.

THE PRIVATE
SCHOOL NOW
SAYS IT WAS A MIS-
UNDERSTANDING.



MORE
GODDAMN
BULLSHIT!

THEY
SHOWED US
THE VIDEO OF
THEIR SCHOOL
BEING SHOT
UP..



AND NOW
THEY WANT TO COVER
IT UP? WHAT THE HELL
IS GOING ON HERE
JEFFERSON-

THAT'S
SUPERINTENDENT
JEFFERSON, DETECTIVE,
AND YOU WOULD SO WELL
TO REMEMBER THAT. NOW
SIT THE HELL DOWN.

I PARTNERED
YOU WITH WONG
BECAUSE HE WAS
THE LOOSE
CANNON,

YOU WERE
SUPPOSED TO
BE THE COOL
HEAD TO KEEP
HIM UNDER
CONTROL.

WHAT HAPPENED
TO YOU, CHRISTI? YOU
WERE SUPPOSED TO BE
THE GOOD COP.

I
THOUGHT
WE WERE
ALL GOOD
COPS,
MA'AM.



SUPERINTENDENT

SHUT UP
MARK.



AND NOW THAT
THE CRIMINAL AND TERRORIST
MARILITH MILLIONS HAS RESURFACED
IN A BLOODY AIRPORT SHOOTOUT,
HOW DO YOU PLAN
TO RESPOND?



WELL...
I'M HERE TO MAKE
AN ANNOUNCEMENT
REGARDING
THAT...

THE
HUNTER KNIGHTS
ARE BACK IN BUSINESS! I'M
CHECKING OUT OF THIS
HOSPITAL THIS INSTANT AND
I WILL NOT REST UNTIL
MARILITH IS BROUGHT
TO JUSTICE!

I CAN
BELIEVE
IT.

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
IT...

SUPERINTENDENT,
YOU CAN'T JUST LET
THAT MERCENARY RUN
AROUND ON HIS
OWN.

NO...
I CAN'T.

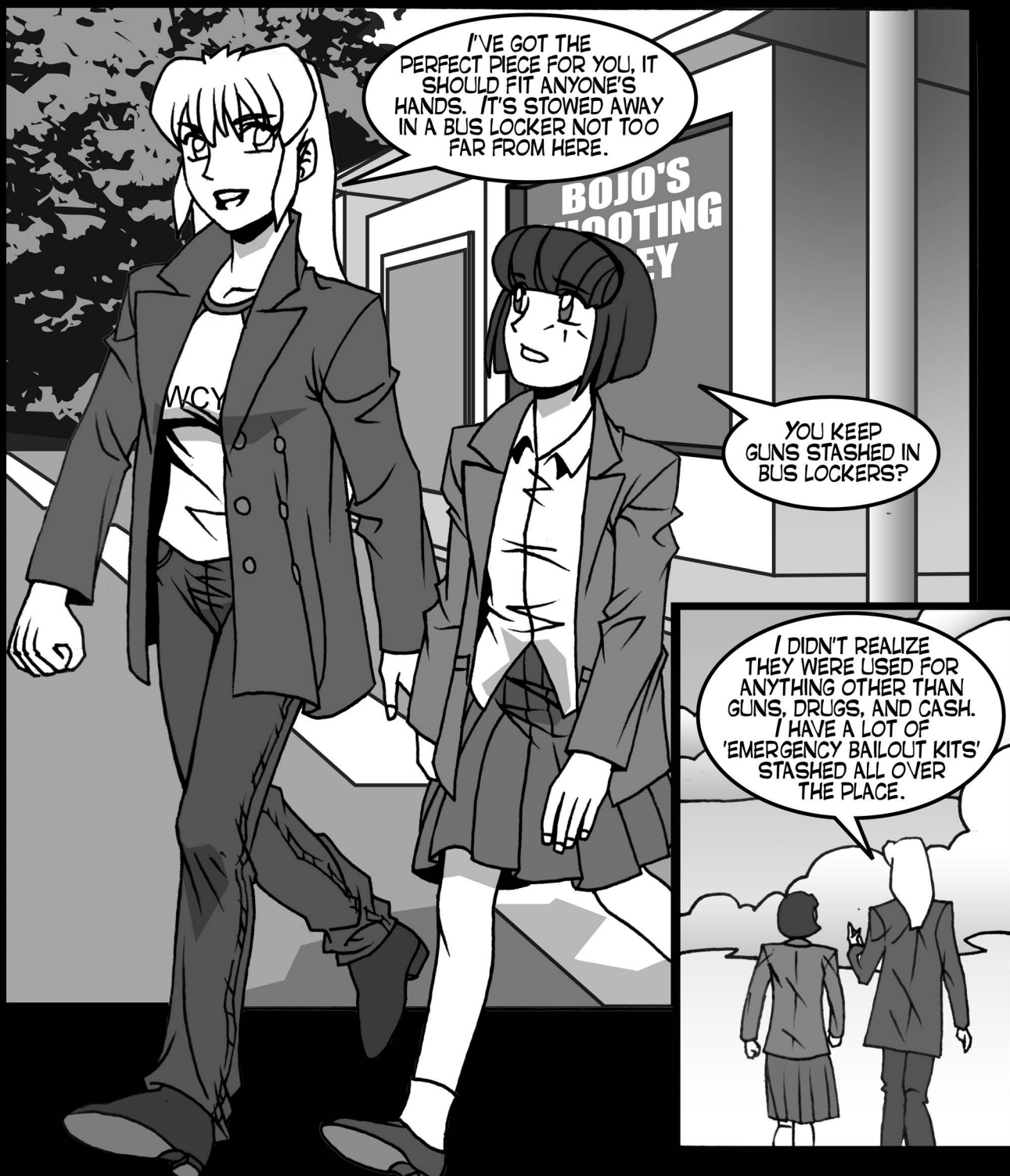
CHRISTI, WONG,
I WANT YOU TO WORK
WITH HUNTER AGAIN
IN TRACKING DOWN
THE WOMAN WHO
SHOT HIM.

AND MARK,
KEEP AN EYE
ON CHRISTI...

SHE'S
GETTING TO BE
A REAL LOOSE
CANNON.

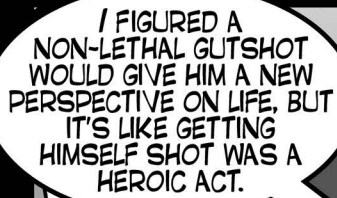
YES'M.



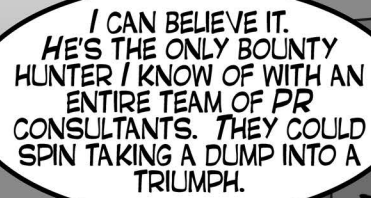




COULD YOU BELIEVE
THAT *SSHOLE HUNTER ON
TV?



I FIGURED A
NON-LETHAL GUTSHOT
WOULD GIVE HIM A NEW
PERSPECTIVE ON LIFE, BUT
IT'S LIKE GETTING
HIMSELF SHOT WAS A
HEROIC ACT.



I CAN BELIEVE IT.
HE'S THE ONLY BOUNTY
HUNTER I KNOW OF WITH AN
ENTIRE TEAM OF PR
CONSULTANTS. THEY COULD
SPIN TAKING A DUMP INTO A
TRIUMPH.



THIS WHOLE
SITUATION PISSES
ME OFF



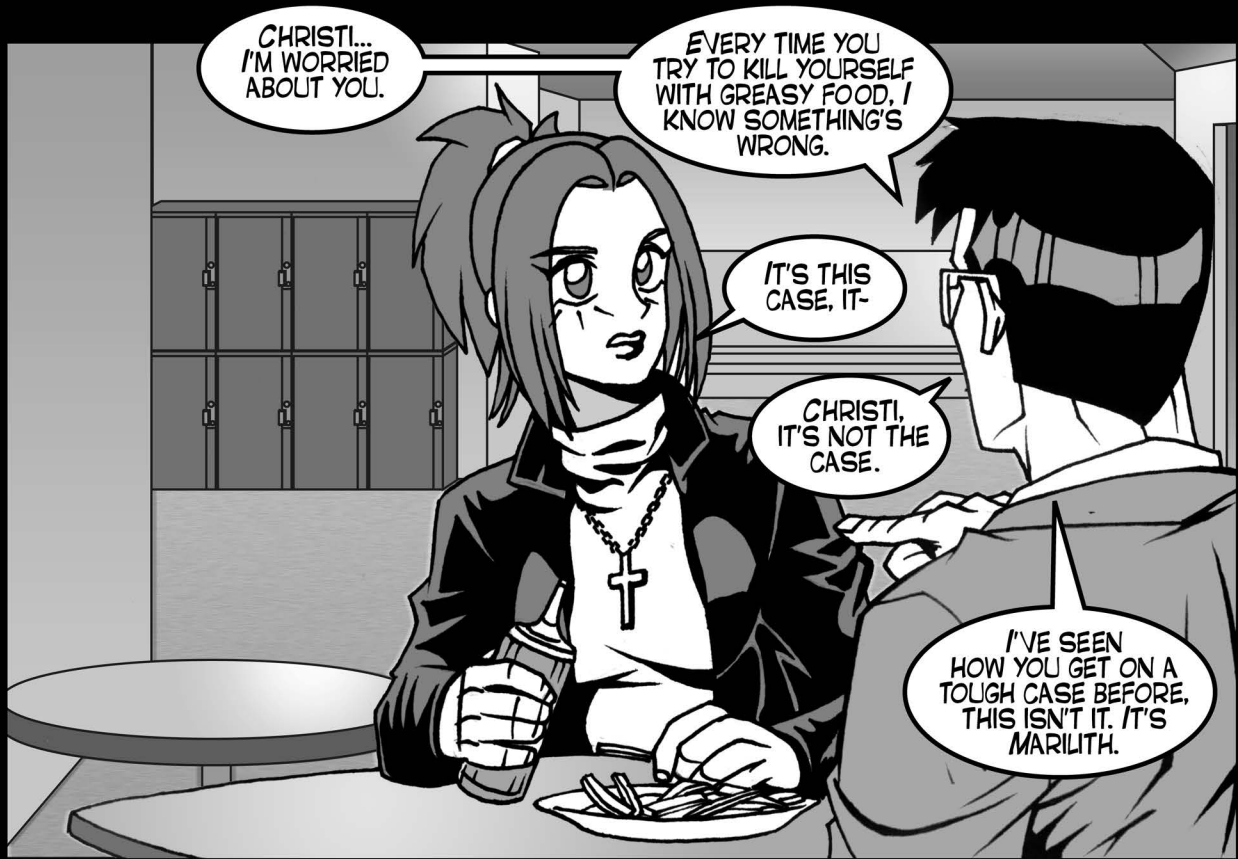
WE KNOW
THERE'S STILL A
KIDNAPPED LITTLE GIRL
OUT THERE...



BUT
EVERYONE-
HUNTER, THE
SUPERINTENDENT,
THE SCHOOL...



EVEN
HER OWN
GODDAMN FATHER
IS AN OBSTACLE
TO RESCUING
HER.

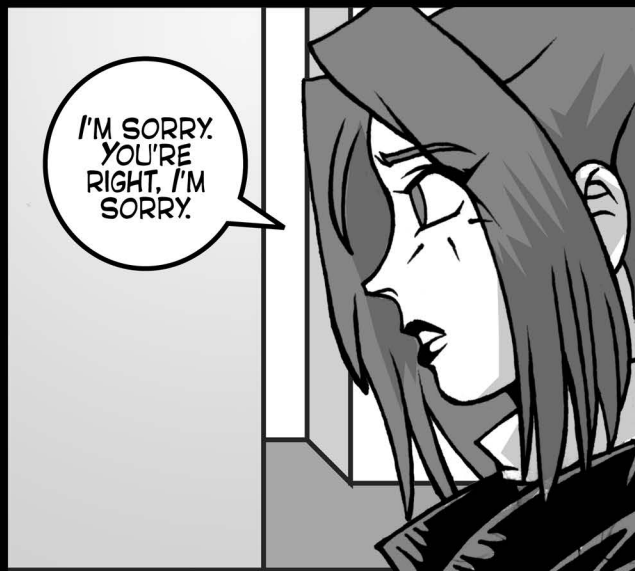






THREE
YEARS.
AND IN THAT
TIME I HAVE
NEVER-

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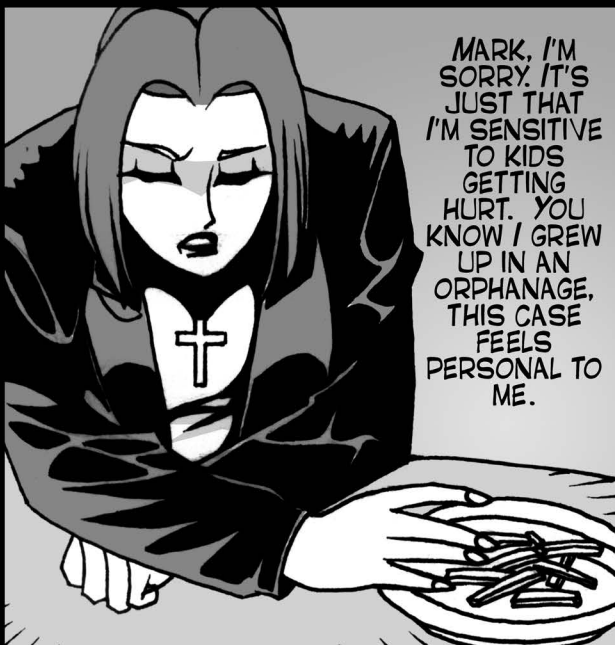
I'M SORRY.
YOU'RE
RIGHT, I'M
SORRY.



THAT'S
WHY I'M
WORRIED,
CHRISTI...



I NEED
YOU TO BE
THE COOL
HEAD OF
THIS
TEAM.

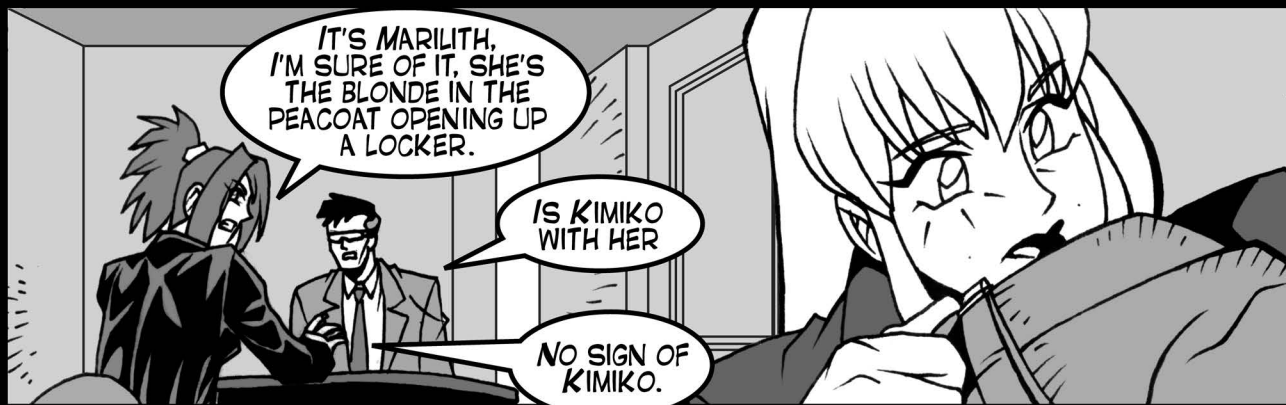
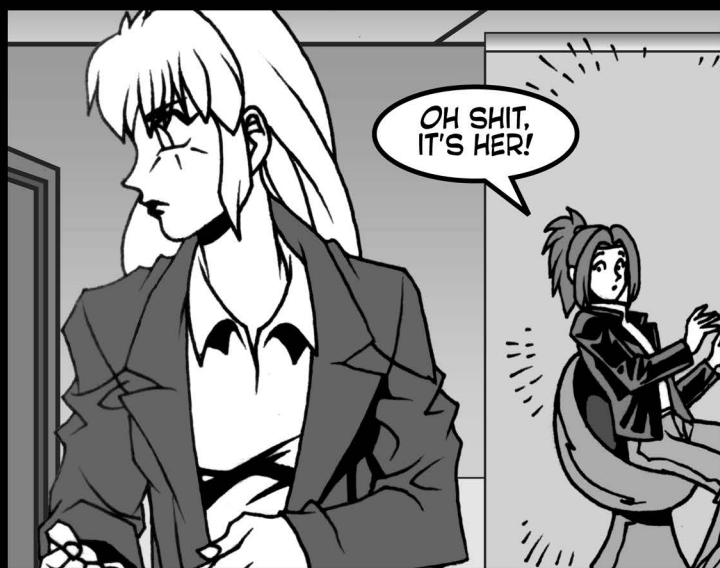


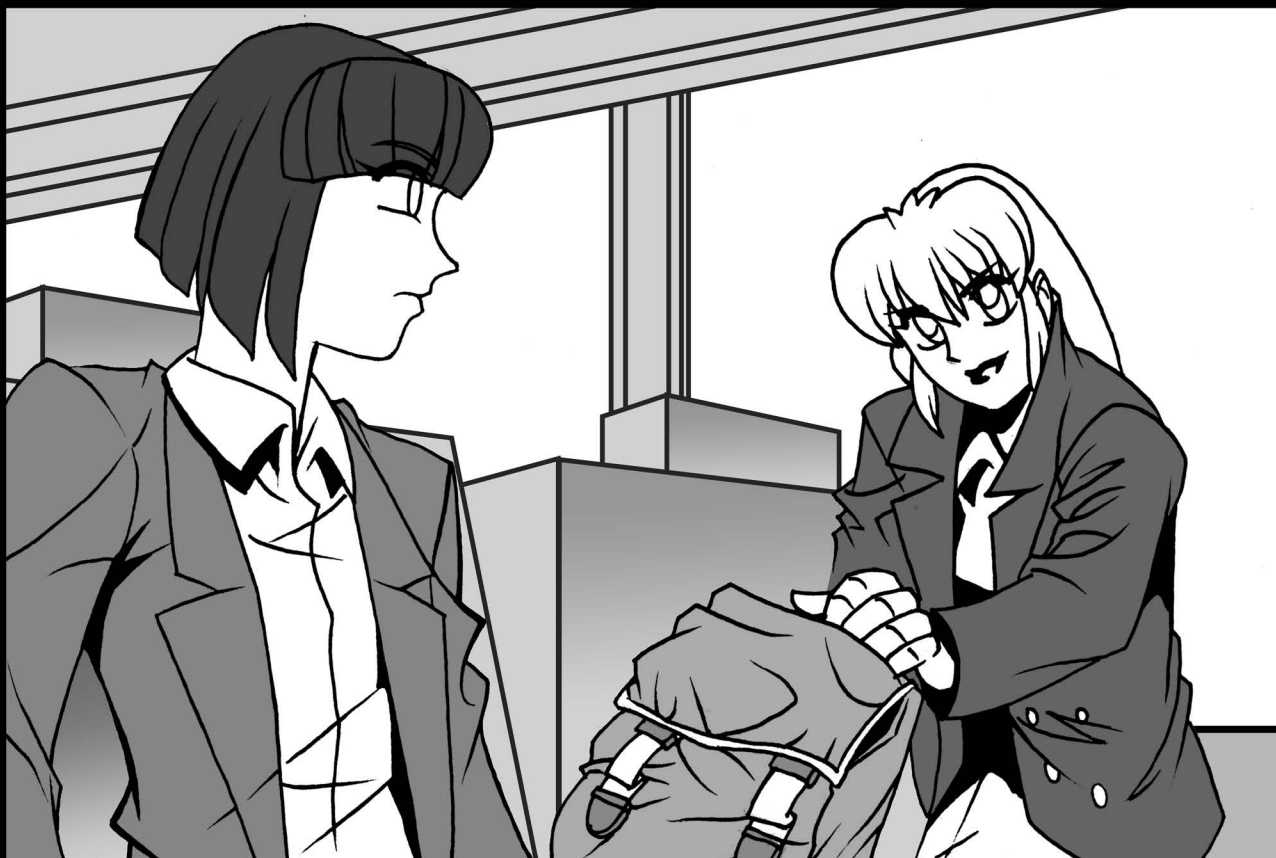
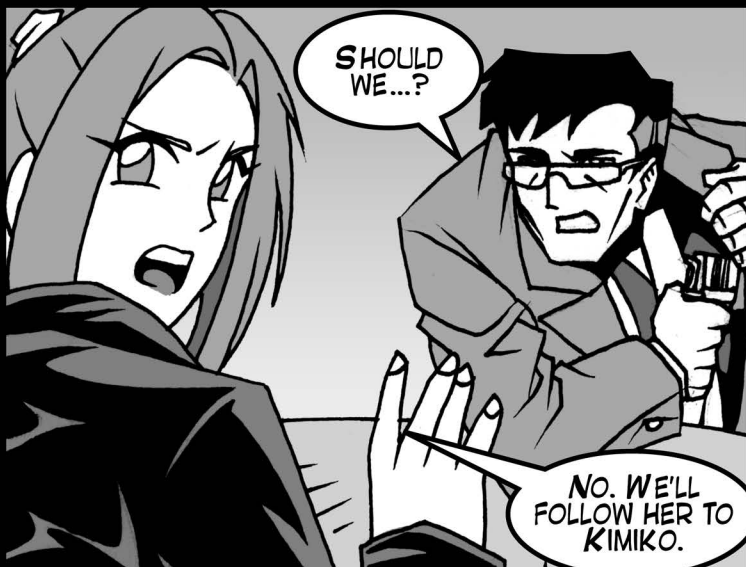
MARK, I'M
SORRY. IT'S
JUST THAT
I'M SENSITIVE
TO KIDS
GETTING
HURT. YOU
KNOW I GREW
UP IN AN
ORPHANAGE,
THIS CASE
FEELS
PERSONAL TO
ME.

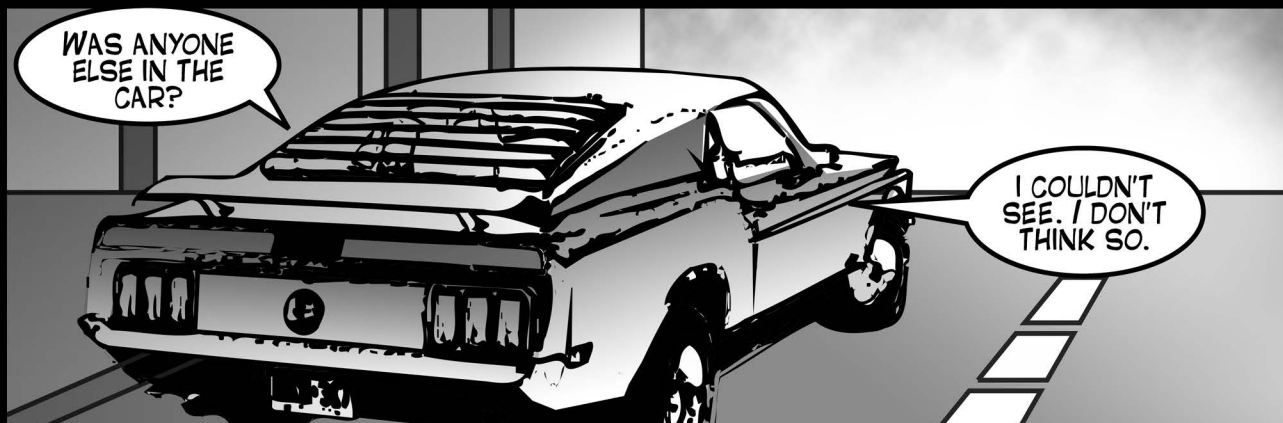
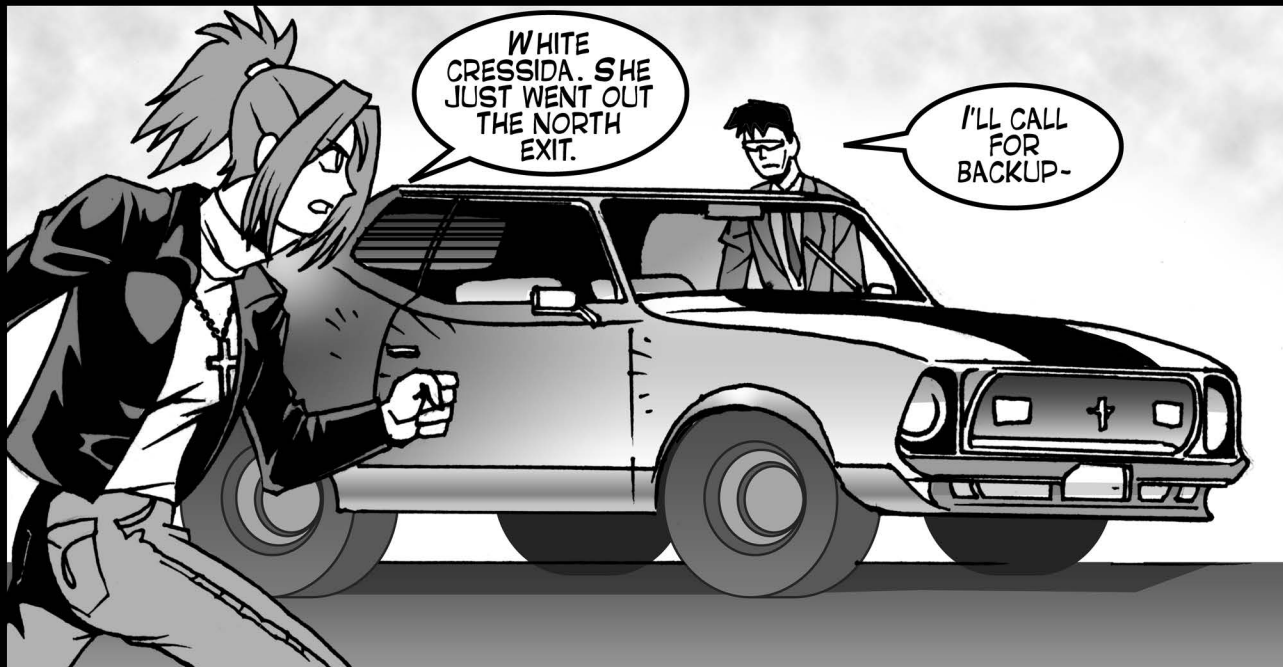


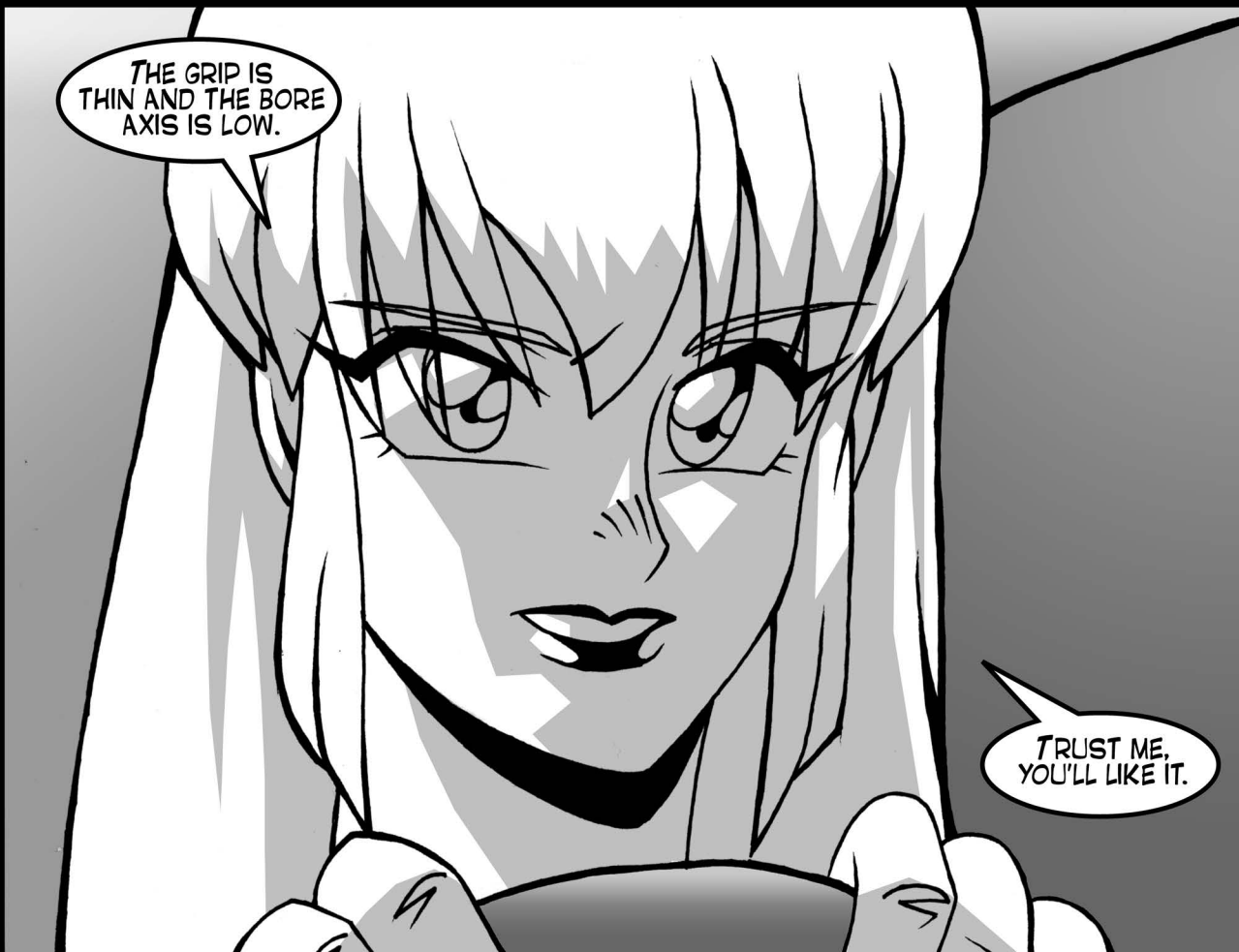
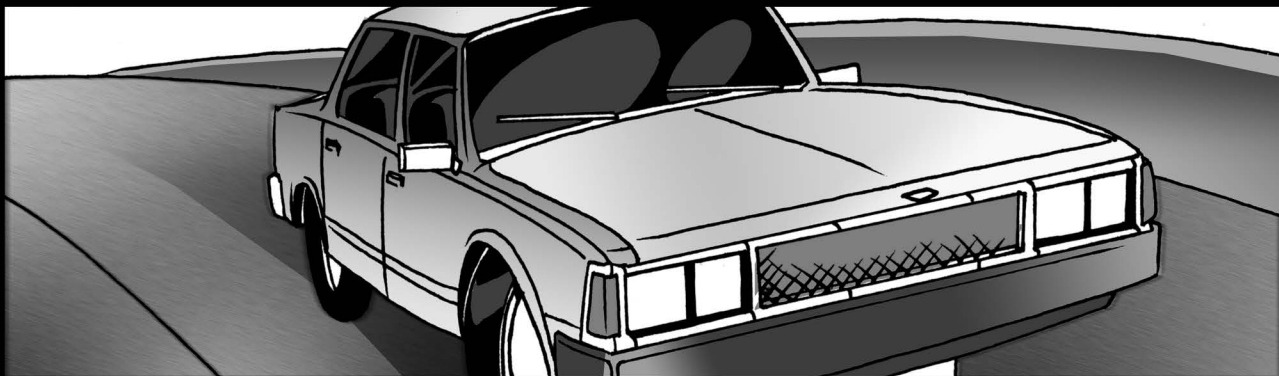
A LITTLE GIRL'S BEEN KIDNAPPED...

AND NO ONE SEEMS TO
CARE ABOUT HER.









A SIDE STORY

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I'M AN ASSASSIN. I KILL
PEOPLE FOR MONEY.

DO YOU
REALLY NEED
THAT MANY
GUMBALLS?

THEY'RE FOR
SOMEONE ELSE.

PLEASE,
MISS MILLIONS.
I DON'T KNOW WHERE ELSE TO
TURN... NO ONE BELIEVES ME
ABOUT THIS GUY. I IDOLIZED HIM
AS A COMIC ARTIST, BUT HE'S
SPREAD THESE RUMORS
THAT I...

I DON'T
CARE WHY
YOU WANT HIM
DEAD. I JUST
CARE ABOUT
THE MONEY.

ALTHOUGH SOMETIMES I CHARGE
ON A SLIDING SCALE...

THIS...
THIS IS ALL
I HAVE. I'M
SORRY.

FLICK

WELL,
I'M SORRY
TOO. GO TO A
PAWN SHOP OR
THE MONEY TREE
OR SOMETHING.
AND CALL ME
THEN.

SIGNING'S
ON THE SECOND
FLOOR SWEETIE.
MR. M WANTS ALL
FANBOYS CHECKED
BUT I'LL LET YOU
SLIDE...

SECURITY

HE'LL
CHECK ME
OUT HIMSELF.
HEH.

PLEASE. I'M
AFRAID HE'LL TRY TO
RAPE ME AGAIN!

WHAT DID
YOU SAY?

HE'S A
DATE RAPIST. HE
SLIPPED SOME DRUGS IN
MY COFFEE... I DON'T
KNOW WHAT ELSE I CAN
DO. HE'LL DO IT AGAIN.
TO ME. TO OTHER
WOMEN-

I CAN'T BELIEVE
CLEM MUNROE IS HERE!
I GOT ALL HIS BOOKS SINCE
EXTREME LEAGUE AND
NOW RADMAN! THIS IS
HEAVEN!

CLEM MUNROE
RADMAN ARTIST

RADMAN

RADMAN

THAT'S A
NICE CAP YOU
GOT THERE
LITTLE MAN.

P-PLEASE...

I'LL
CONSIDER
THIS A DOWN
PAYMENT.

THERE ARE PLENTY OF OTHER
WAYS TO MAKE A BUCK IN
THIS BUSINESS. ANYWAY.



HE HANGS OUT AT THE
COFFEE SHOP ON 17TH AVE.
THAT'S WHERE HE DRUGGED
MY COFFEE...

GOD,
I'M SUCH A
FOOL...

YOU
SAID HE
DRAWS
COMIC
BOOKS?

YES, THAT'S
HOW WE MET.

IS HE
RIGHT OR
LEFT
HANDED?



LEFT...
WHY?

THE RAILING LOOKS A LITTLE
RICKETY HERE...



OH, THIS
SCAR?

THAT CRAZY
BITCH JANE GOT SO
HOT AND BOTHERED
SHE SCRATCHED ME IN
BED. I'M GLAD I
DUMPTED THAT
SLUT!



I NEED A
GIRL WITH SOME
CLASS...

HELLO...

HELLO
THERE. WHAT'S
A GIRL GOT
TO DO TO GET
COFFEE IN THIS
PLACE?



NEVER MAKE A PROMISE
THAT YOU CAN'T KEEP



WHY
DON'T YOU SUP
RIGHT DOWN HERE,
AND I'LL BRING YOU
SOMETHING.
WHAT'LL YOU
HAVE?

WHATEVER
YOU'RE HAVING.
STUD.



ME? I'M
HAVING BLONDE
PUSSY. AND
THESE RUFFIES
ARE JUST
WHAT THE LOVE
DOCTOR
ORDERED.



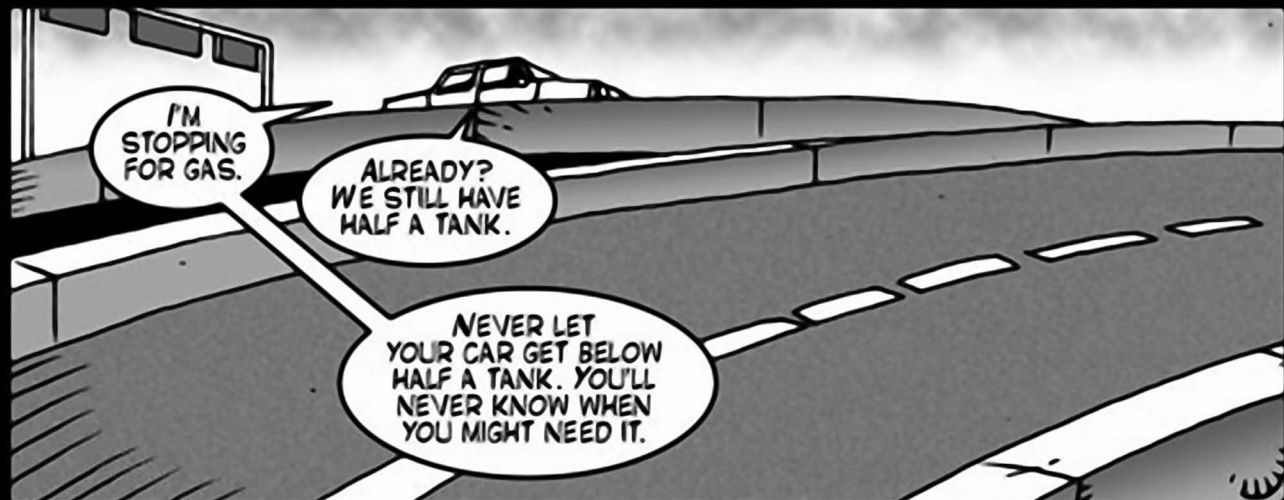
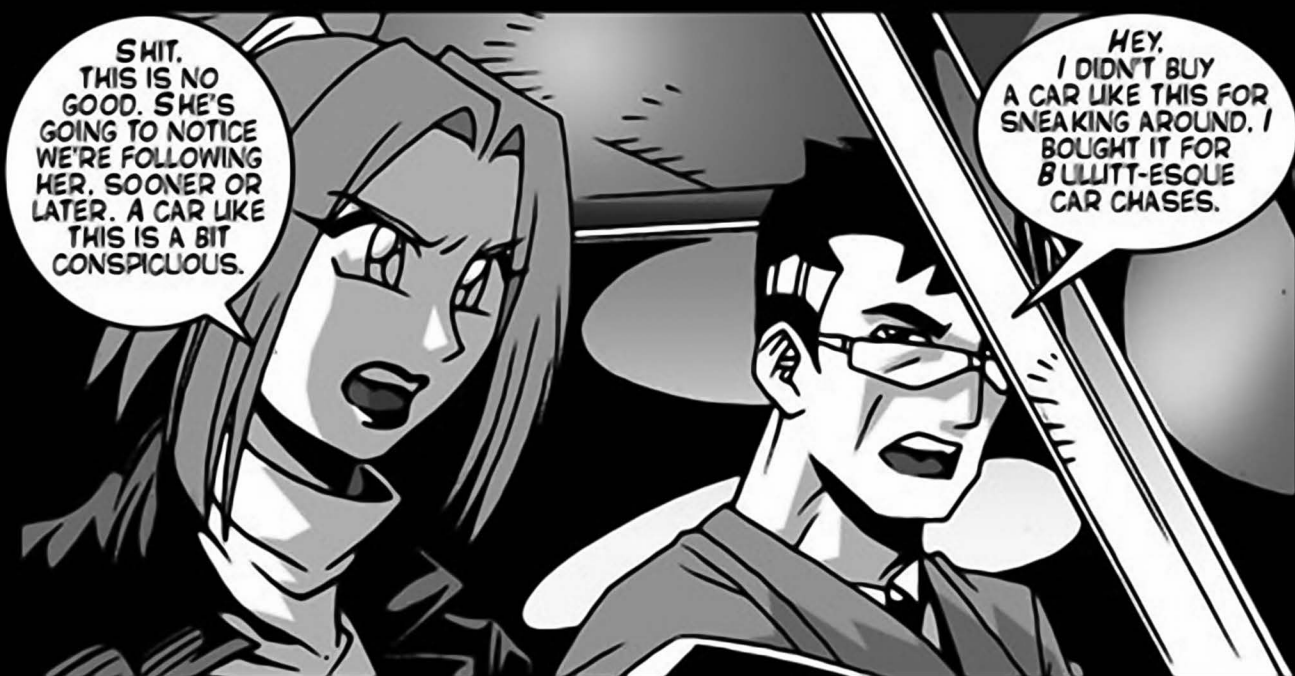




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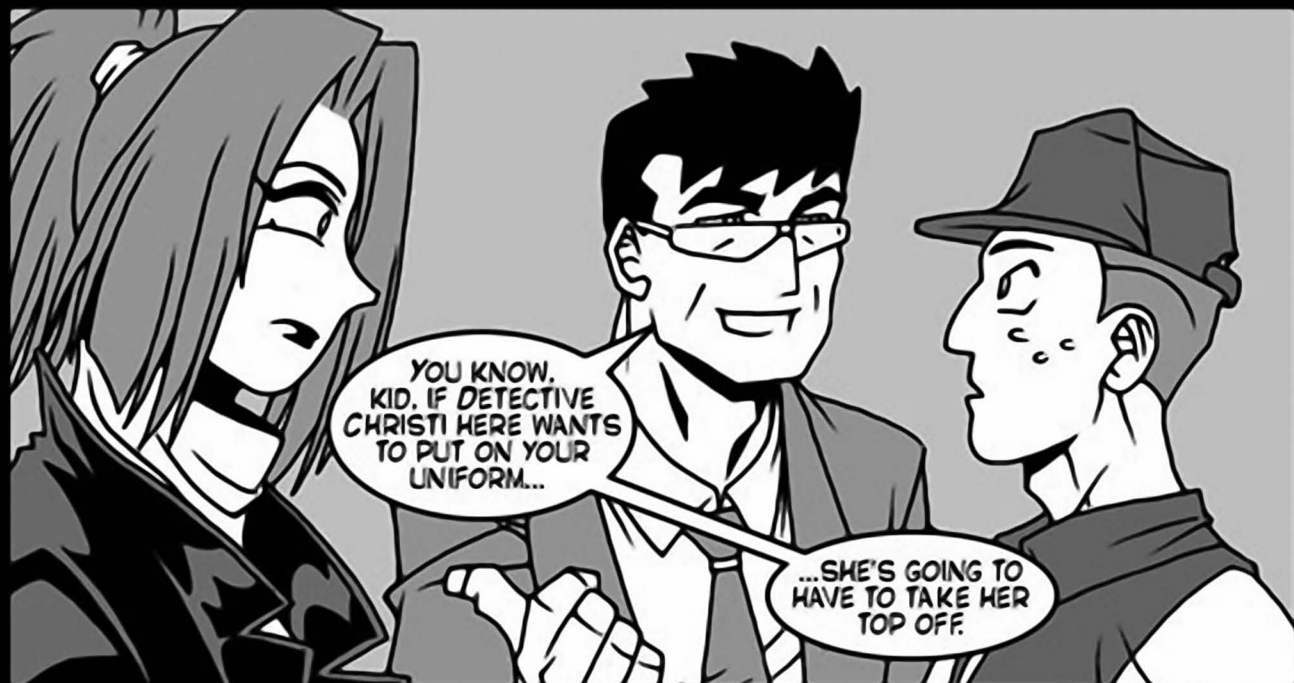


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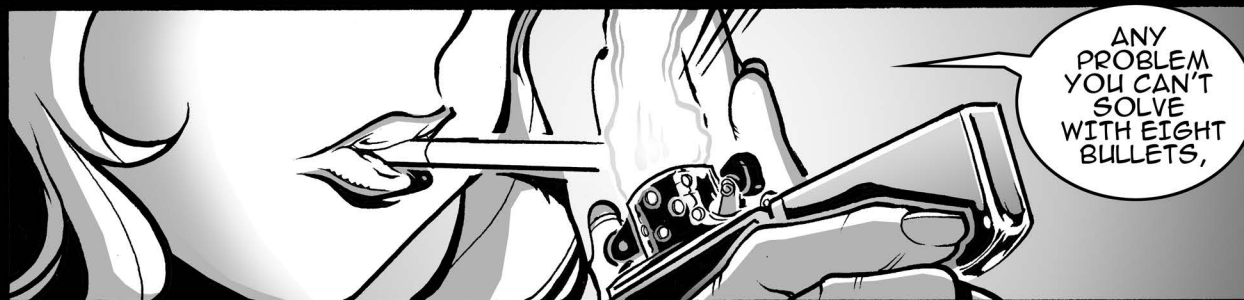


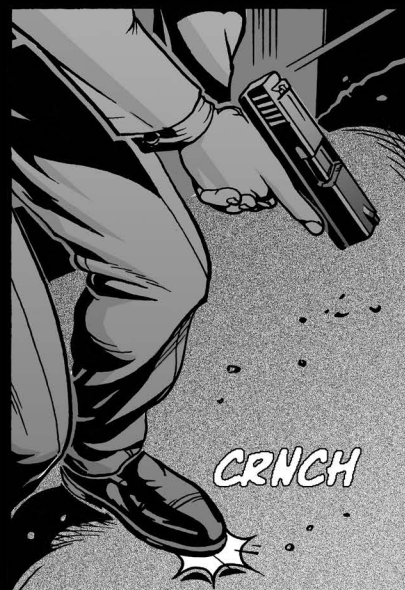


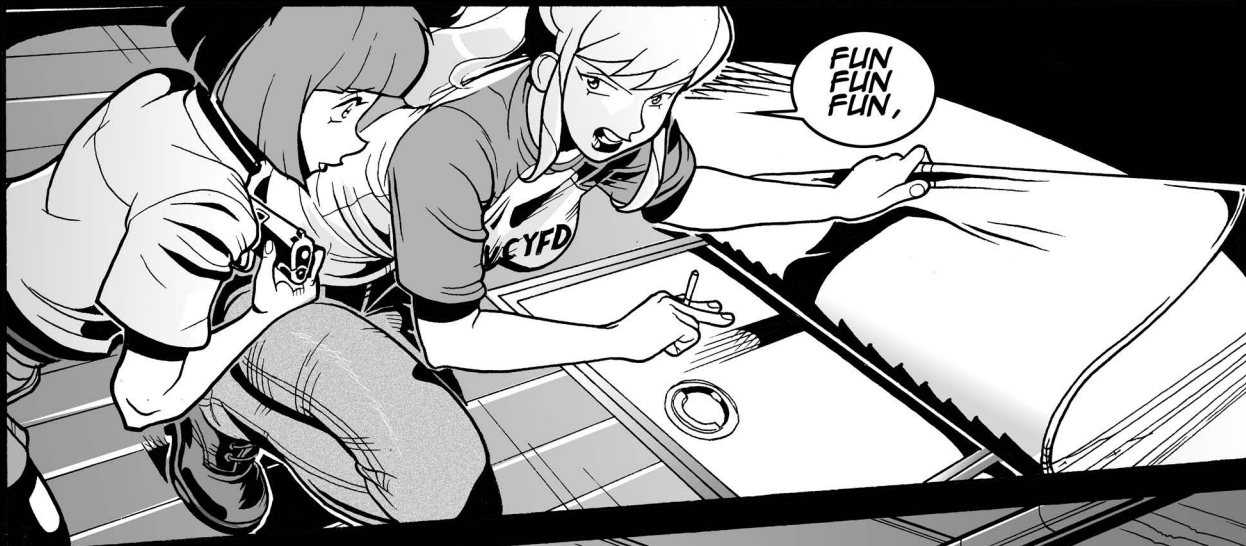






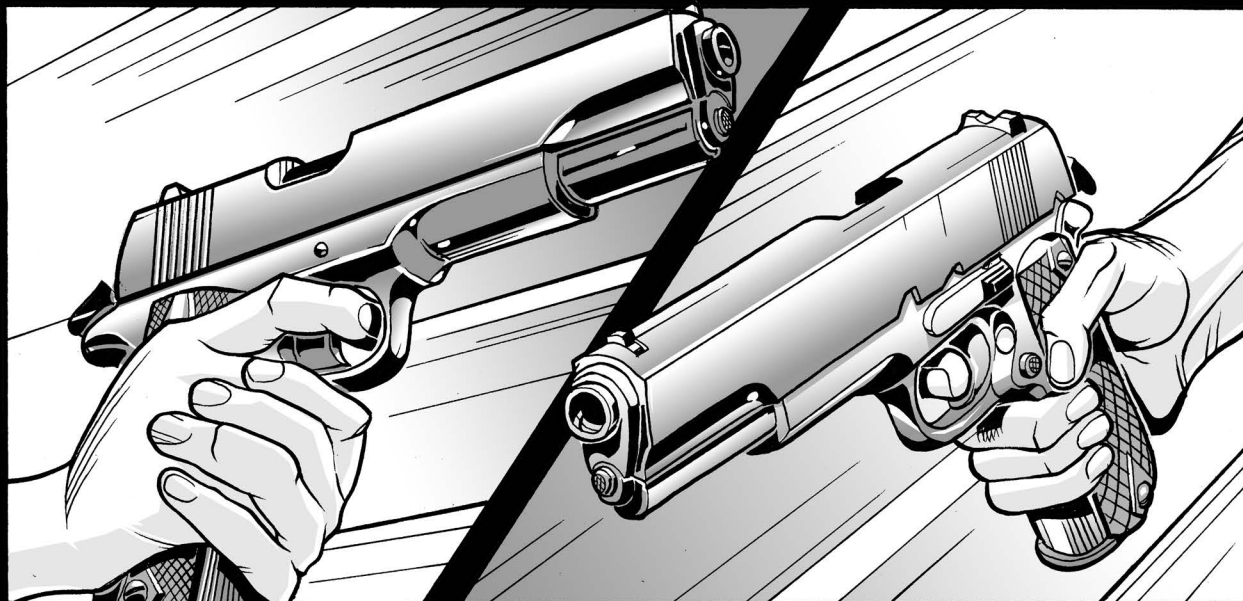


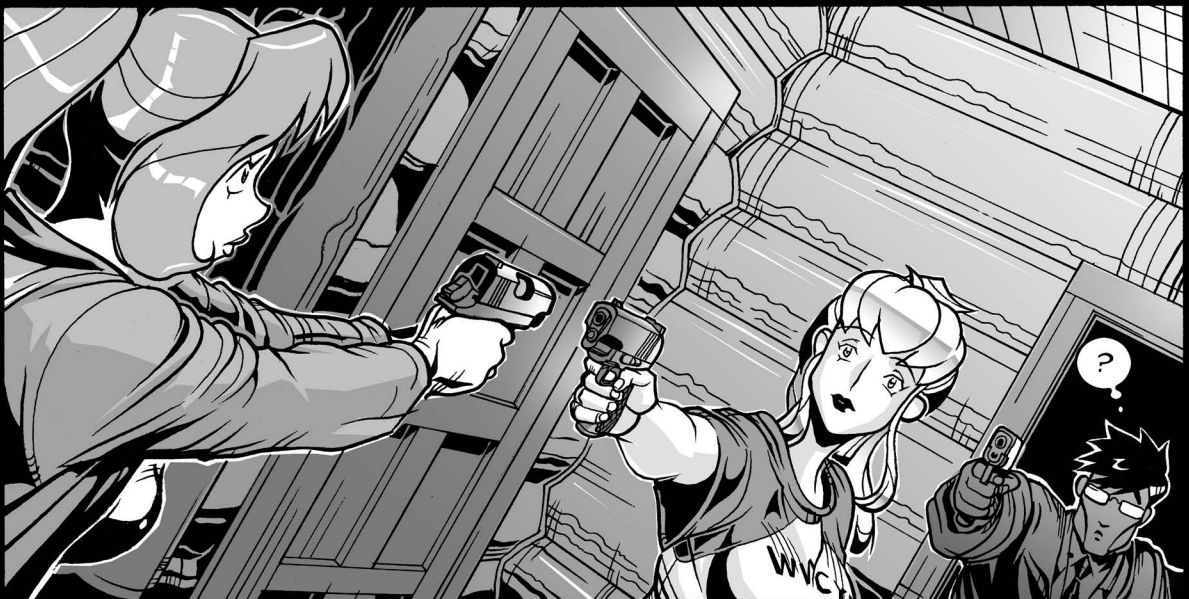














IT'S CUTE
THAT OUR GUNS
HAVE SERIAL
NUMBERS ONE
DIGIT APART.

BUT I'M
A BUSY GIRL
AND I HAVE
PLACES TO
GO.



WHERE
DID YOU GET
THAT GUN?

MINE WAS A
GIFT FROM MY
ORPHANAGE.

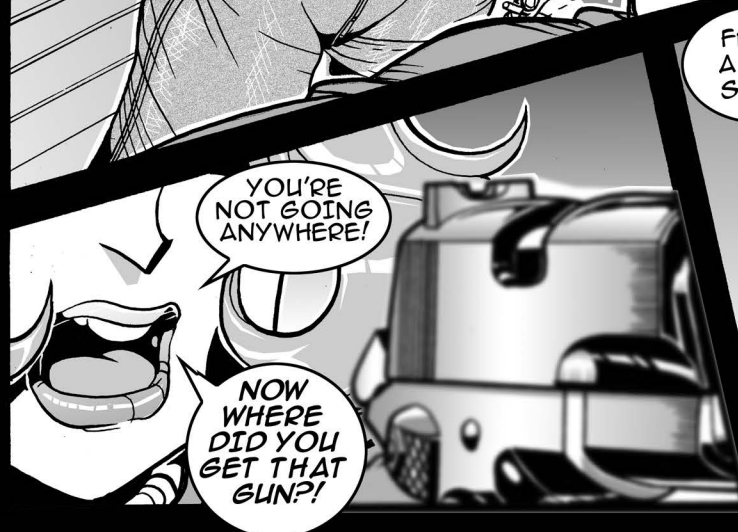


THIS IS
WHAT WE IN
THE BUSINESS
REFER TO AS A
"MEXICAN
ST ANDOFF".

THE ONLY
WAY A MEXICAN
ST ANDOFF ENDS
IS THAT WE EITHER
ALL AGREE TO
GO HOME,



OR
WE BLOW
EACHOTHER'S
BRAINS
OUT.



YOU'RE
NOT GOING
ANYWHERE!

NOW
WHERE
DID YOU
GET THAT
GUN?



FROM
A GUN
SHOW.

ANY OTHER
POINTLESS
QUESTIONS?



CHAPTER FIVE



INTERSTATE INTERCEPT

THREE YEARS AGO.

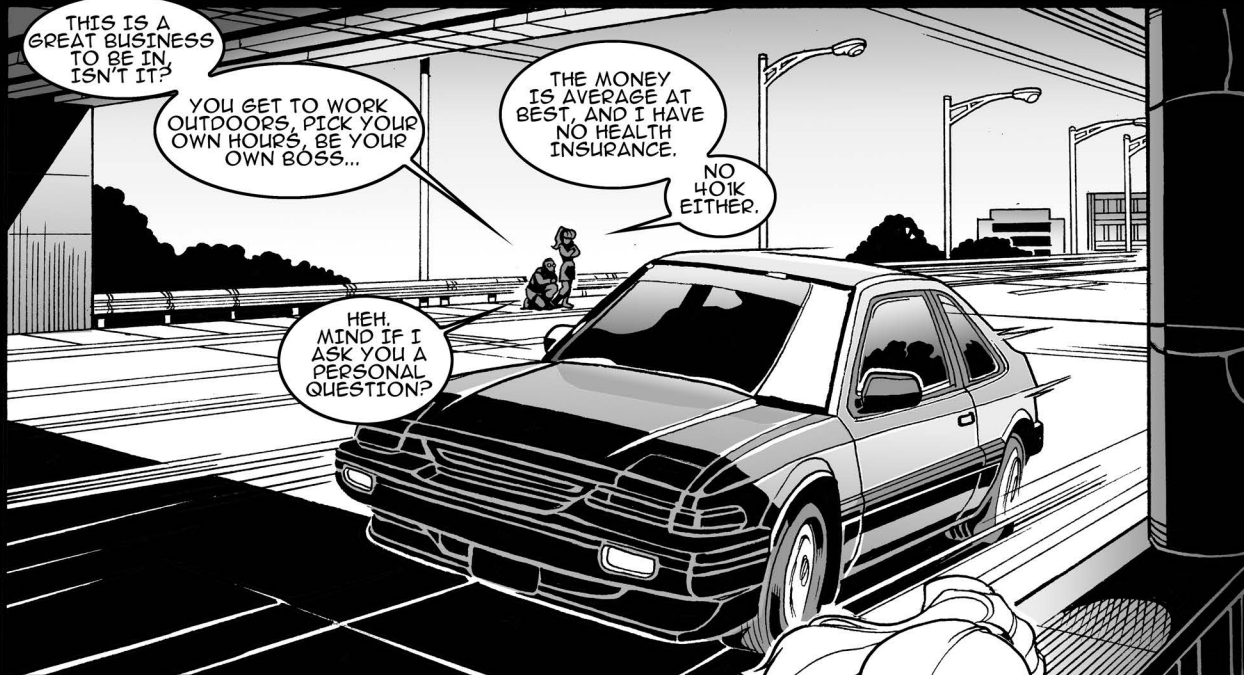
IT'S
FUCKING
COLD.

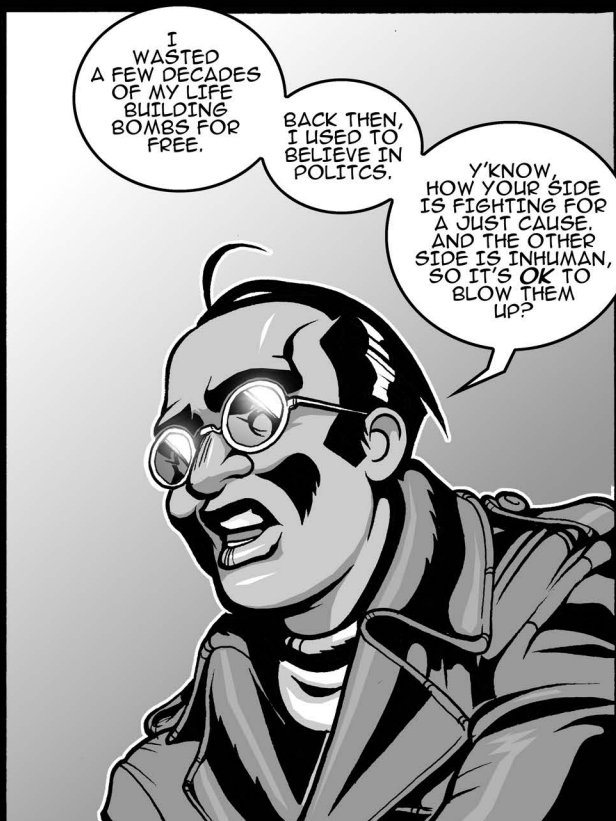
THEN
BUTTON
YOUR
FUCKING
COAT.

HE'LL
BE
HERE.

HE'S
RUNNING
LATE.









HAHA!
HELL
YEAH!

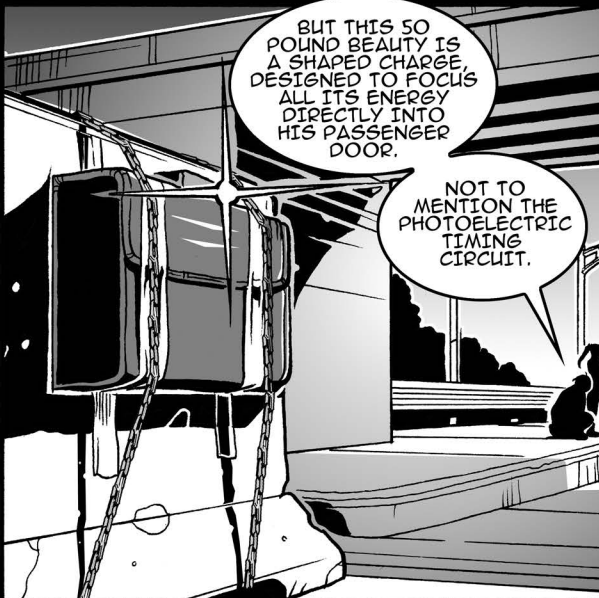
I'D BE
ALL LIKE,
'STAY IN
SCHOOL
KIDS-

-EVEN IF
YOU WANT TO
GROW UP TO BE AN
ASSHOLE TERRORIST
LIKE ME, YOU'LL
NEED MATH TO
BUILD BOMBS!"



I MEAN THAT,
IT TAKES SMARTS
TO BUILD A BOMB
LIKE THIS.

WHEN THE VICTIM
IS IN A 10,000 POUND
ARMORED BENZ, ONE OF
YOUR CHEAP SHIT **BLACK-
POWDER-AND-ROOFING-
NAILS** JOBS AIN'T
GONNA CUT IT.



BUT THIS 50
POUND BEAUTY IS
A SHAPED CHARGE
DESIGNED TO FOCUS
ALL ITS ENERGY
DIRECTLY INTO
HIS PASSENGER
DOOR.

NOT TO
MENTION THE
PHOTOELECTRIC
TIMING
CIRCUIT.



Y'KNOW,
SEEING AS HOW I
DID ALL THE WORK HERE,
BUILDING THE BOMB,
HOW COME I ONLY
GET HALF THE
MONEY?

THE
OTHER HALF IS
INSURANCE.



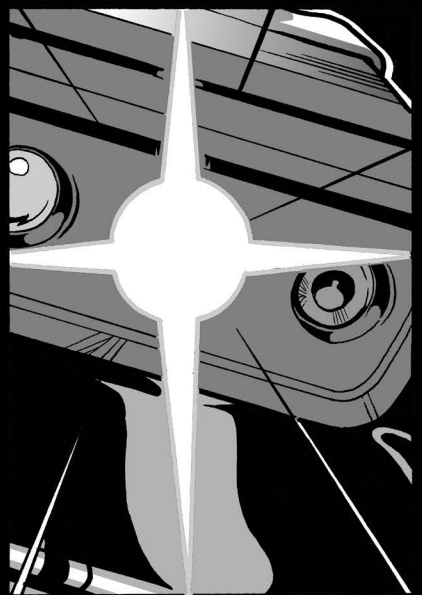
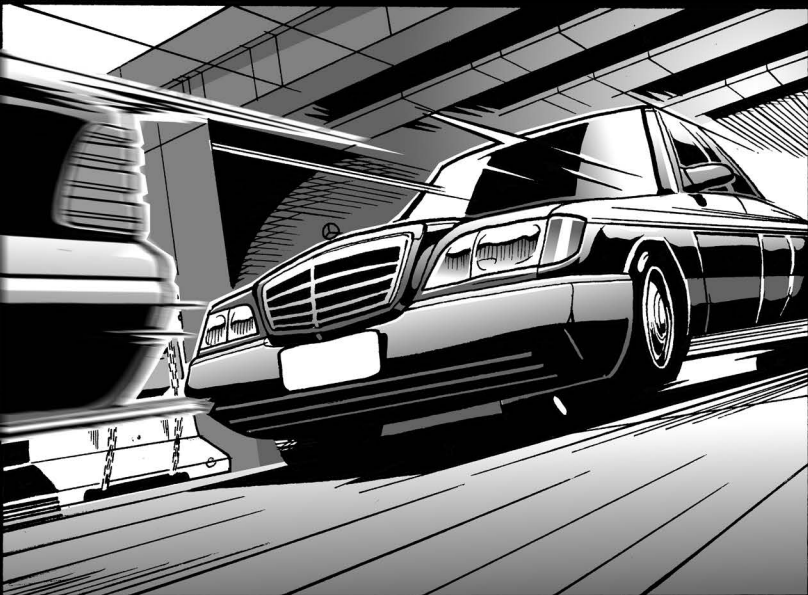
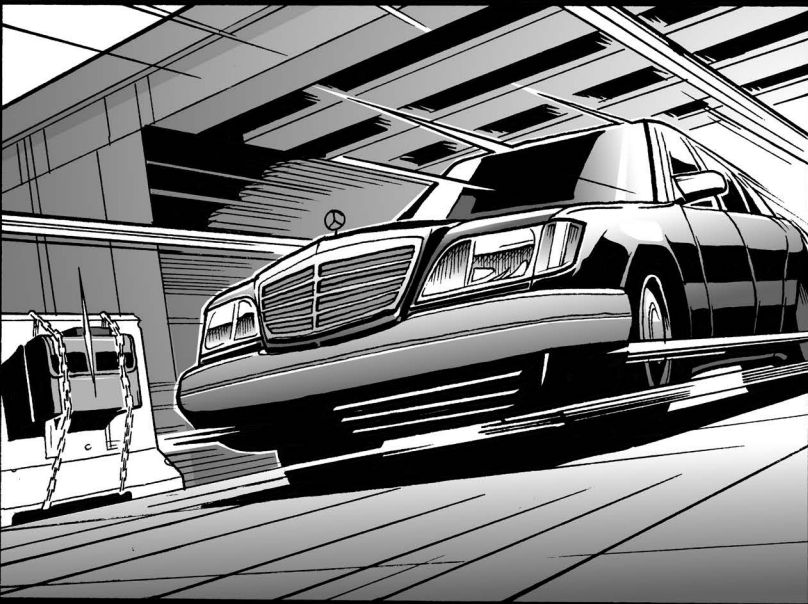
WHEN
THE PLAN
GOES TO
SHIT-

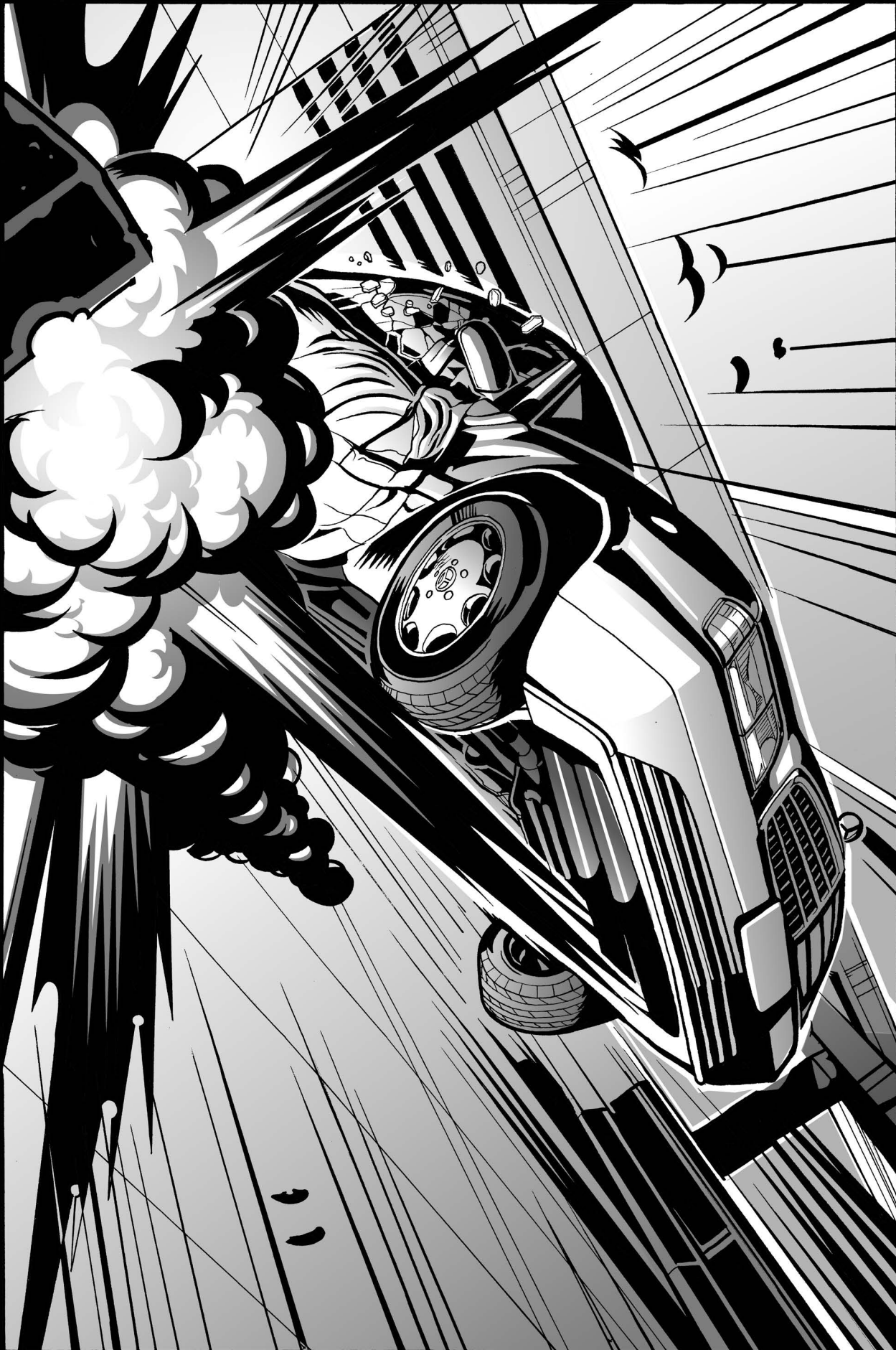
-I'M
HERE TO
FIX IT.



TOUGH
BROAD.







FUCK
YEAH!

HOLY
FUCKING
YEAH!!!

FUCKIN'
SHIT,
YEAH!!

MAN,
WHAT'D
I TELL
YAP?

INSURANCE,
PFFFT.



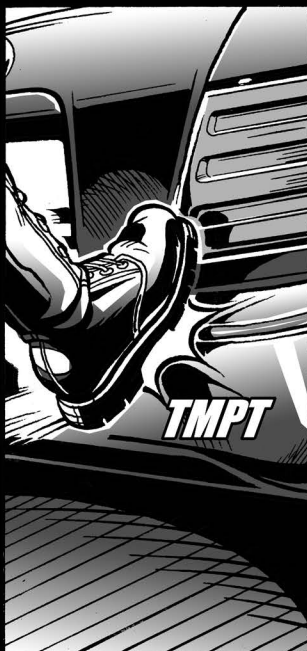
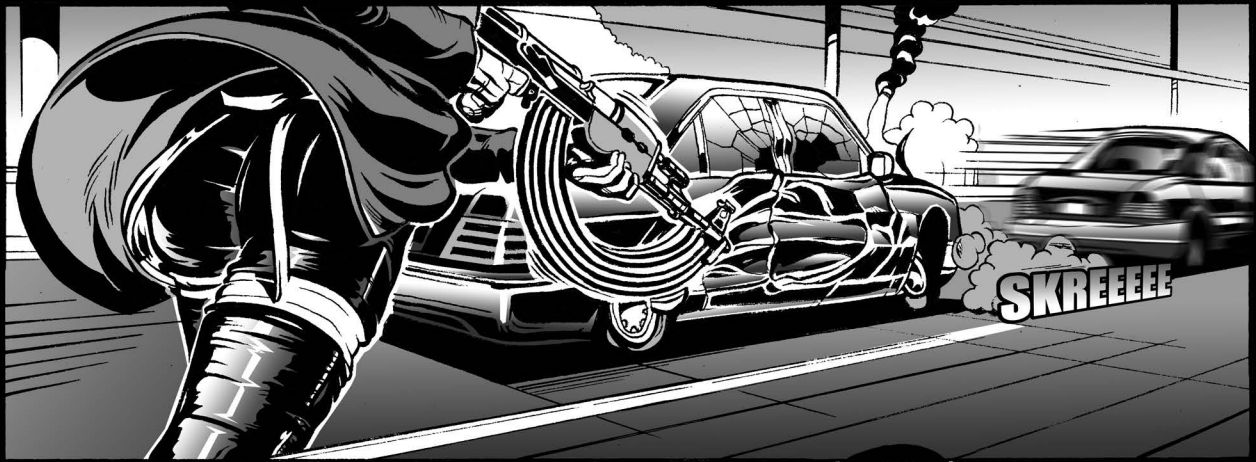
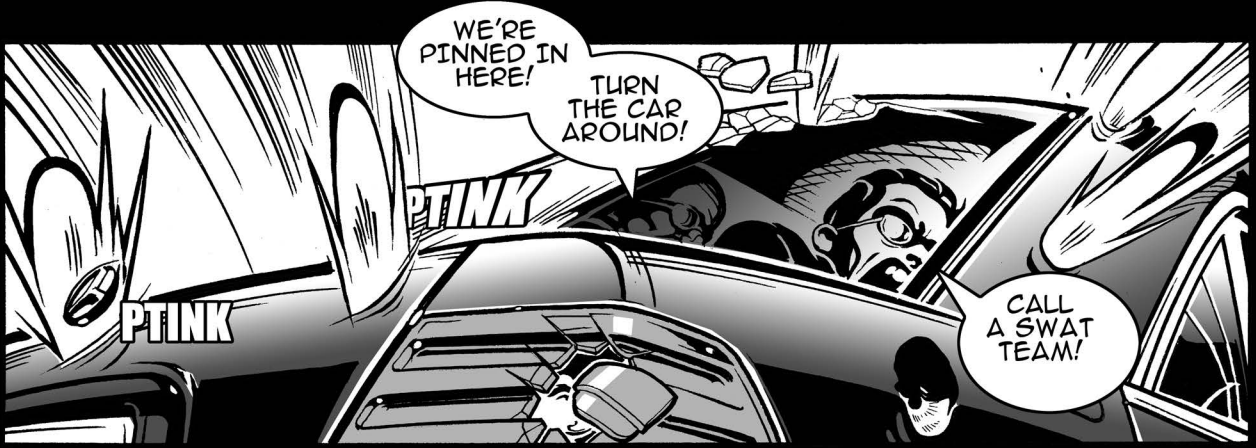


SHIT.
HE'S NOT
DEAD.

AND IF
HE'S NOT
DEAD...

I
DON'T GET
PAID!



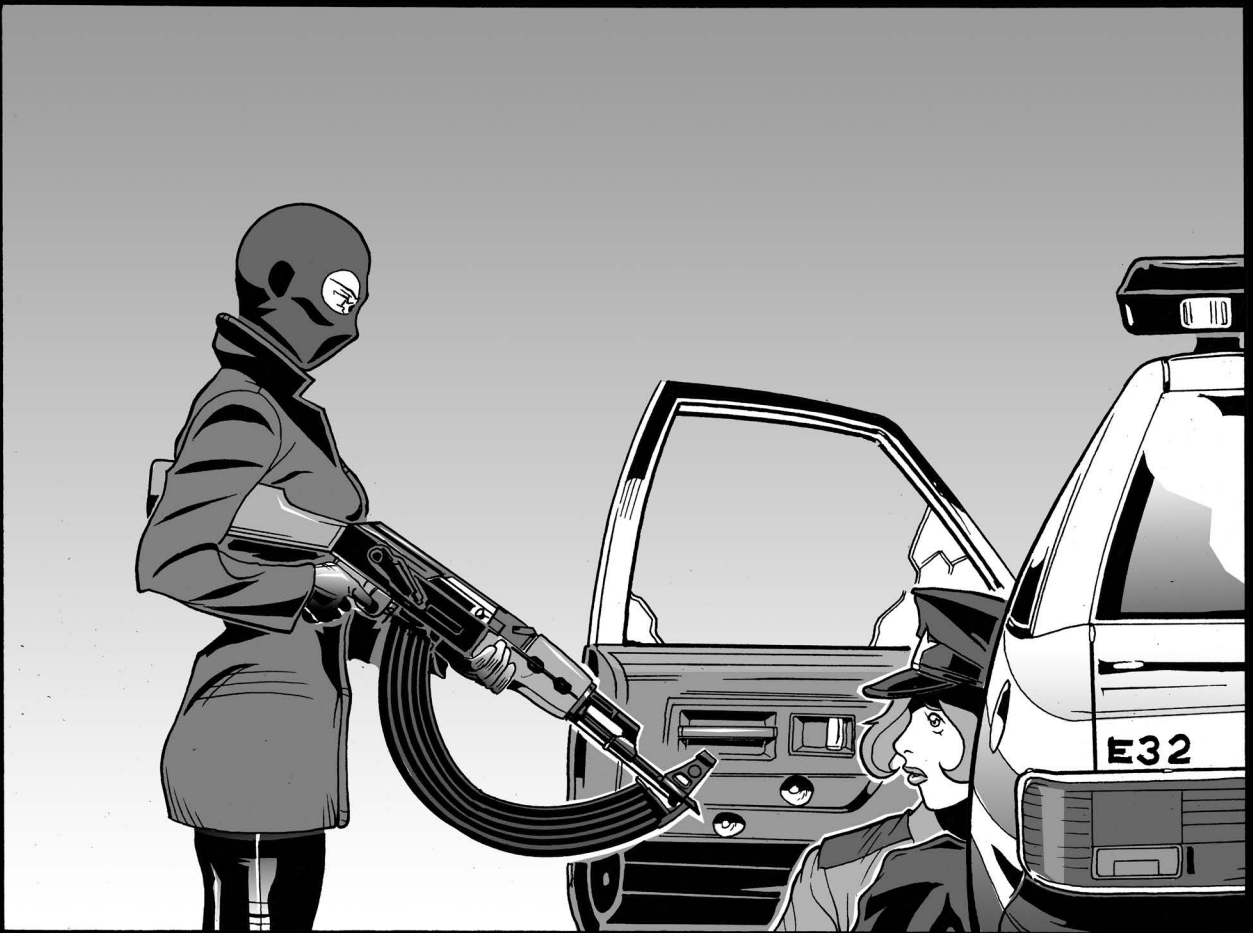












YOU WANT TO KNOW WHY I DIDN'T SHOOT?

IT WASN'T MERCY OR ANY BULLSHIT LIKE THAT.

I DON'T BELIEVE YOU.

I HAD MY GUN. I COULD HAVE SHOT YOU IN THE BACK.

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KILLING A COP IS LIKE SQUASHING A BEE.

IT JUST PISSES THEM OFF MORE AND GETS THE WHOLE HIVE AFTER YOU.

HEH, I SAW THAT LOOK IN YOUR EYES.

THE IDEA OF REACHING FOR YOUR GUN-LETTING YOUR PARTNER BLEED TO DEATH, AND SAVING YOURSELF-

-NEVER EVEN OCCURED TO YOU.

HOW IS YOUR PARTNER, BY THE WAY?

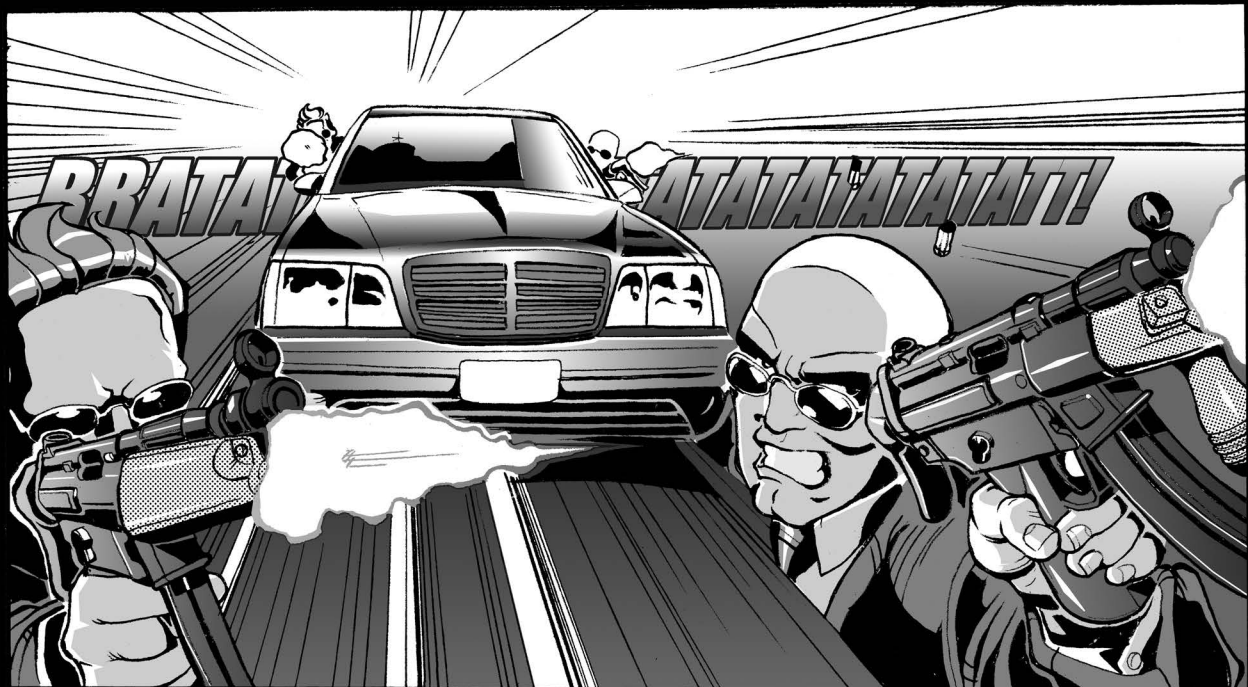
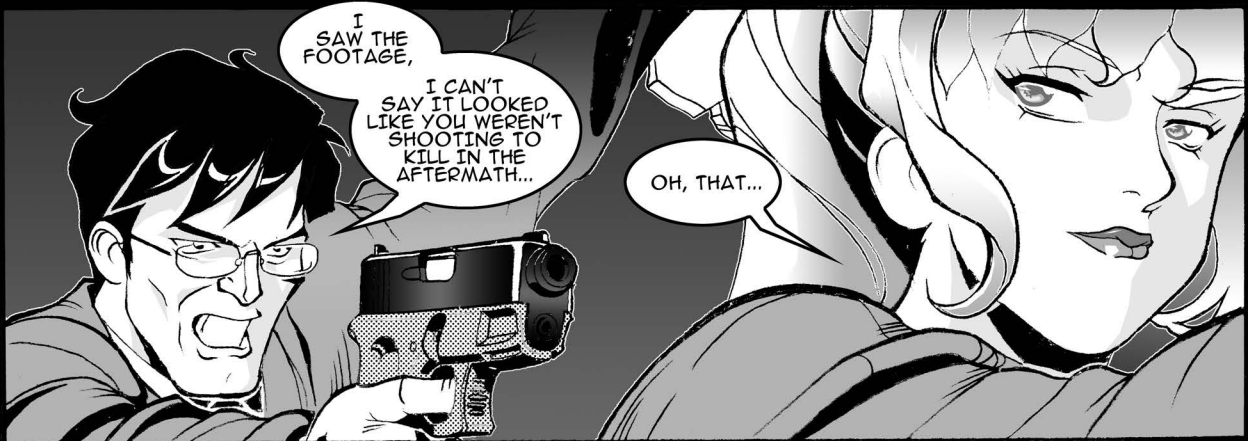
I DIDN'T SHOOT TO KILL, JUST TO STOP YOU FROM SHOOTING ME.

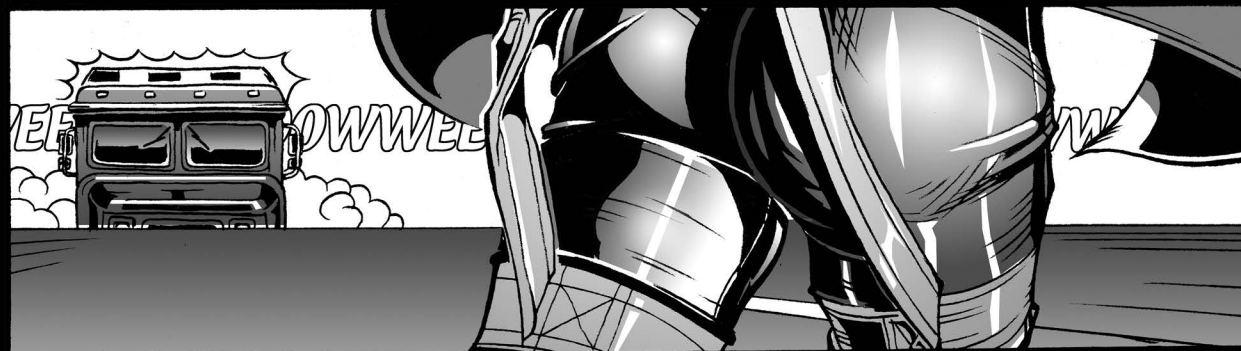
BUT IT'S YOUR FAULT HE DIED, ISN'T IT?

HE LIVED FOR FOUR MONTHS IN THE HOSPITAL, BEFORE DYING OF PNEUMONIA.

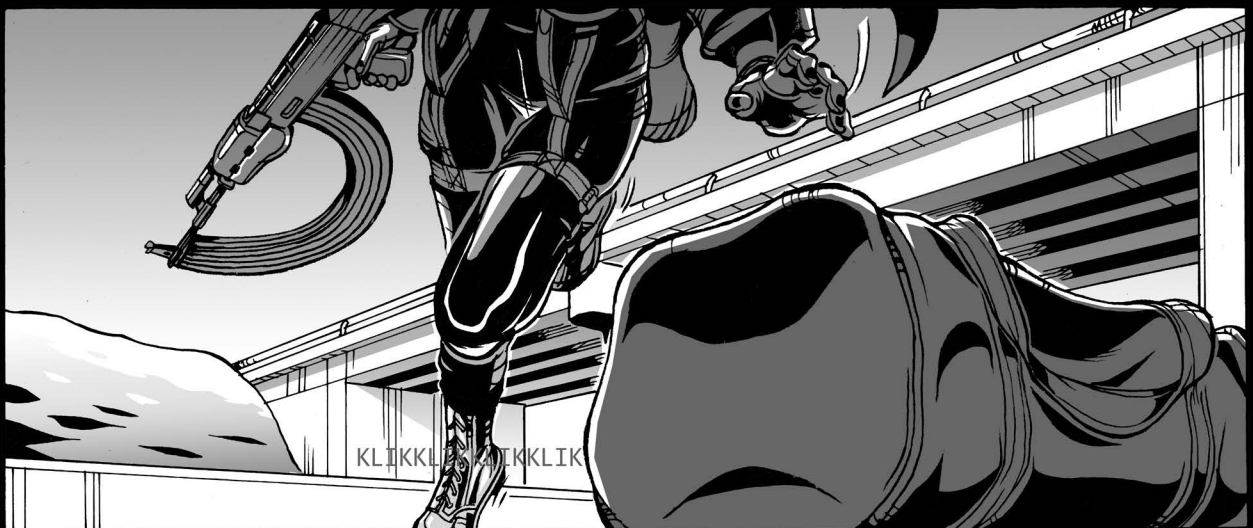
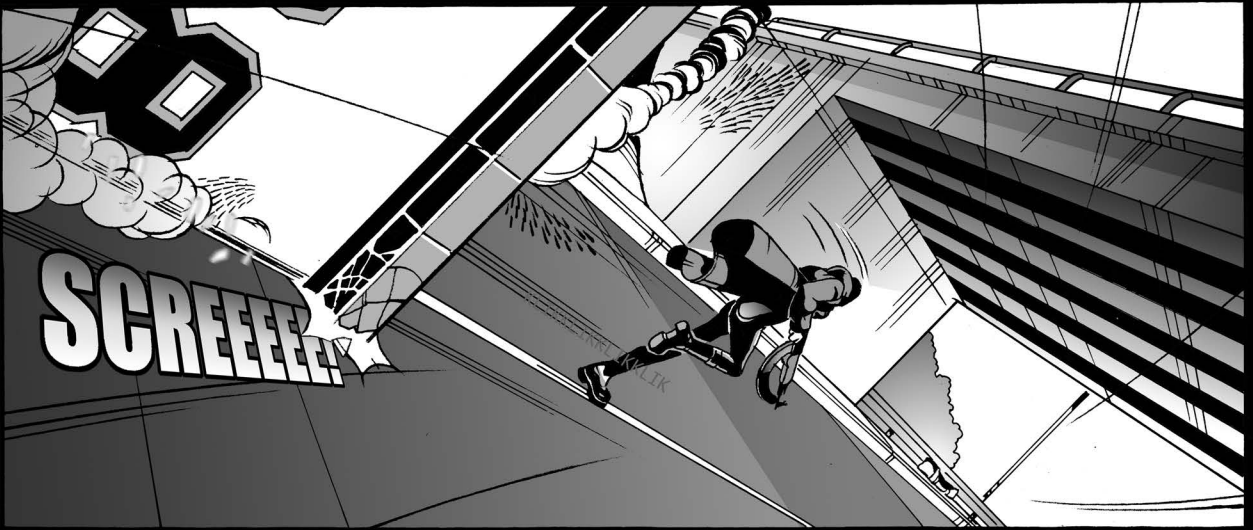
THEY SAID THAT WAS A COMPLICATION...

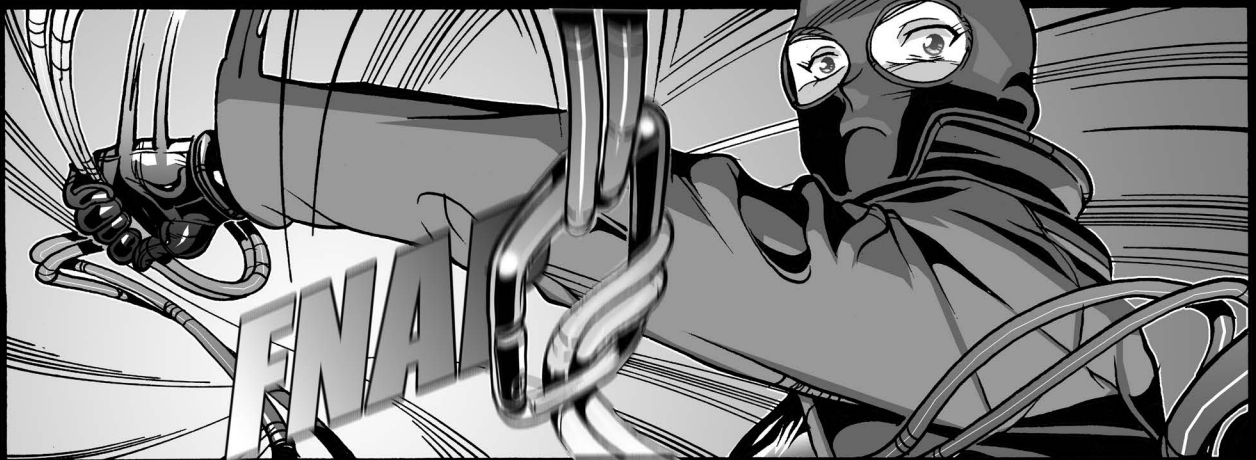
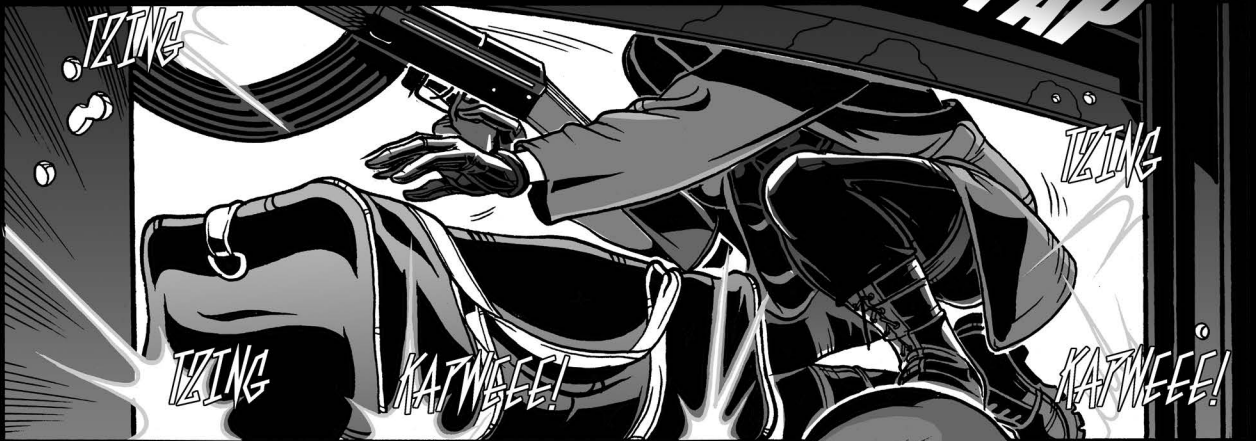
...SO YOU DIDN'T MURDER HIM.



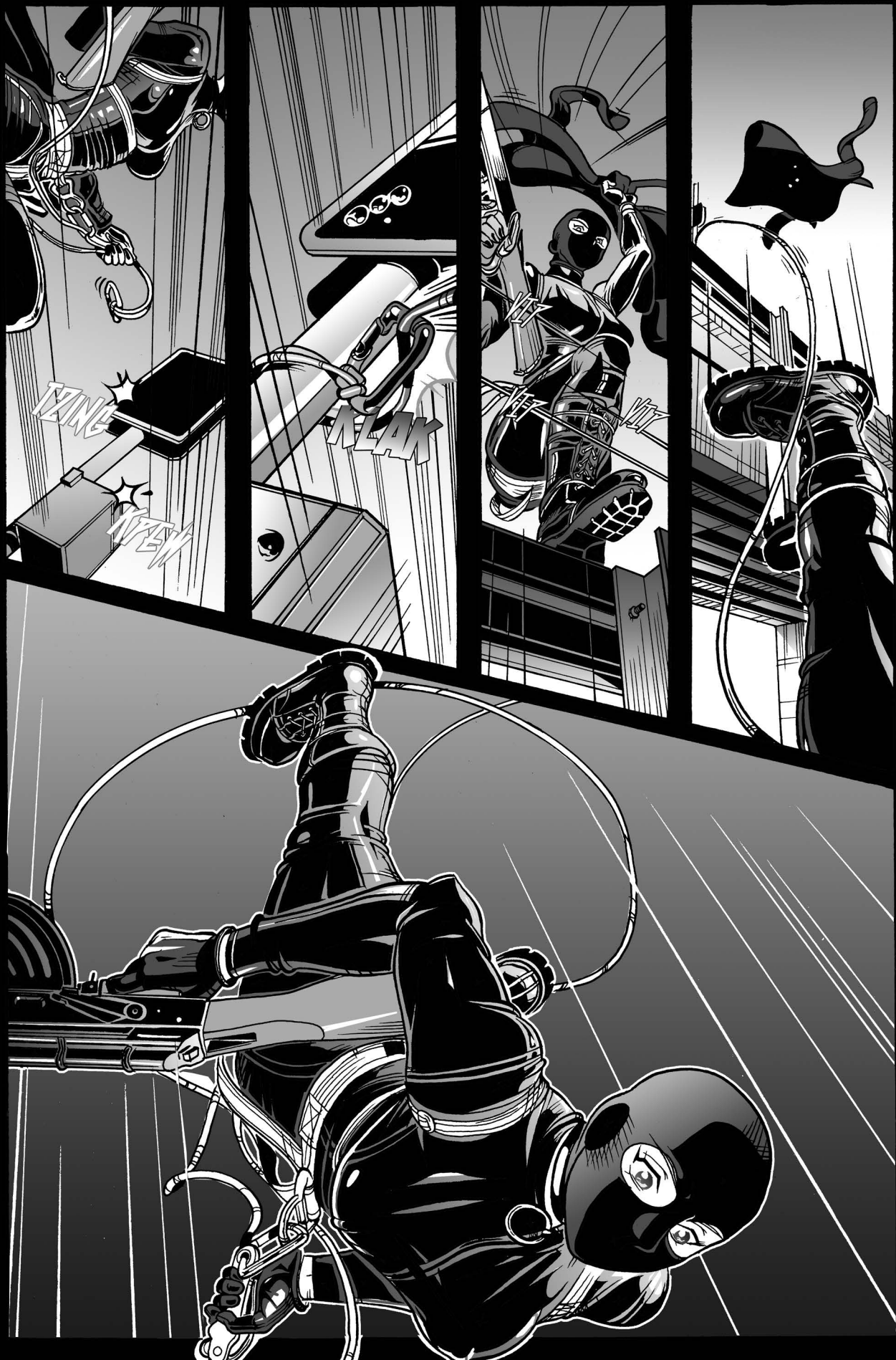


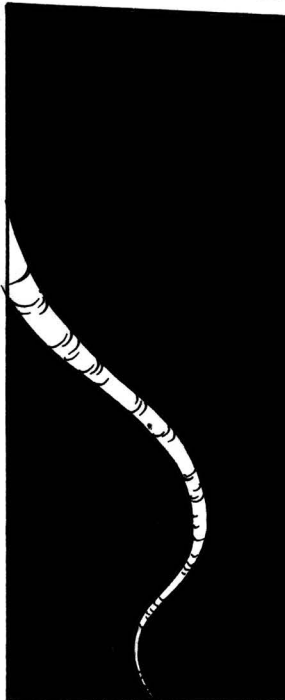
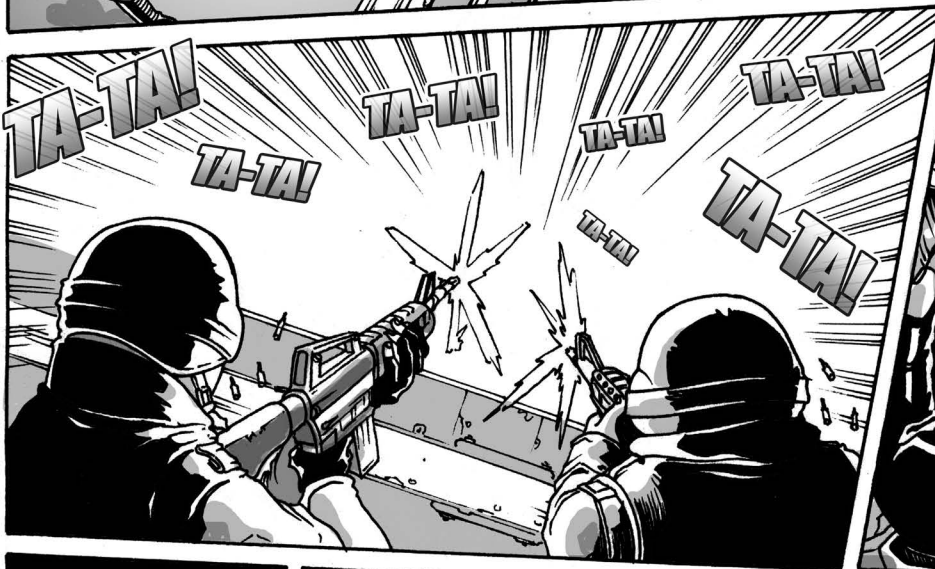
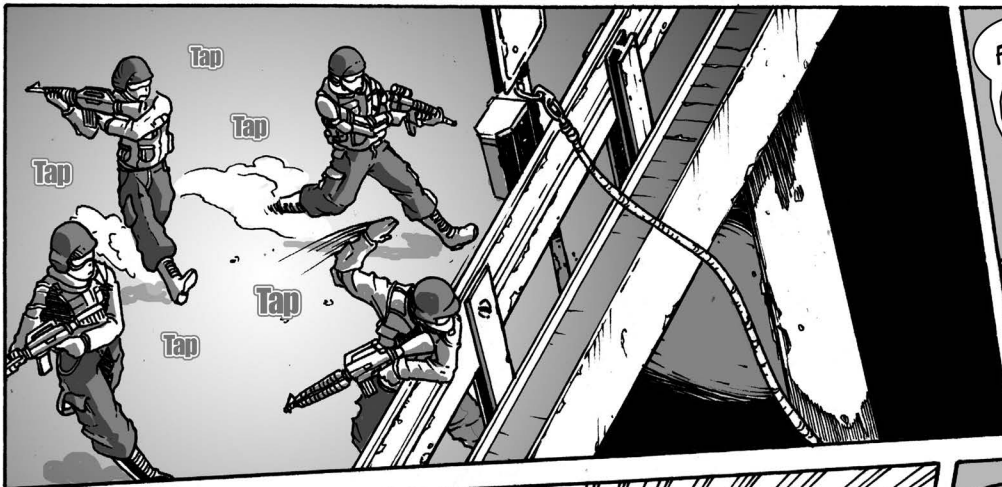


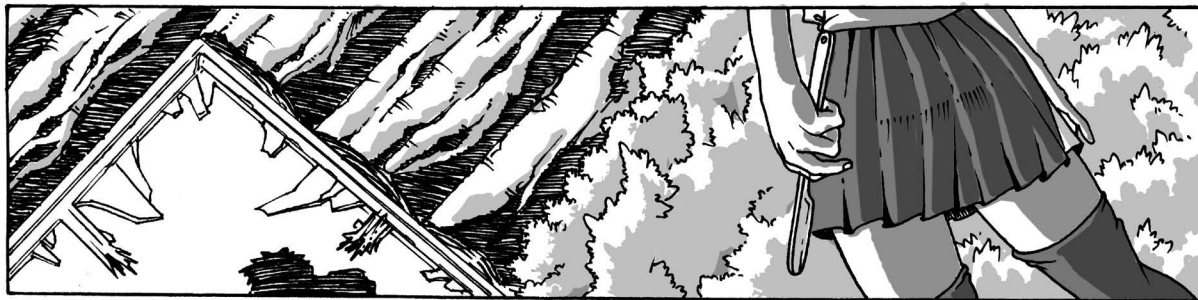
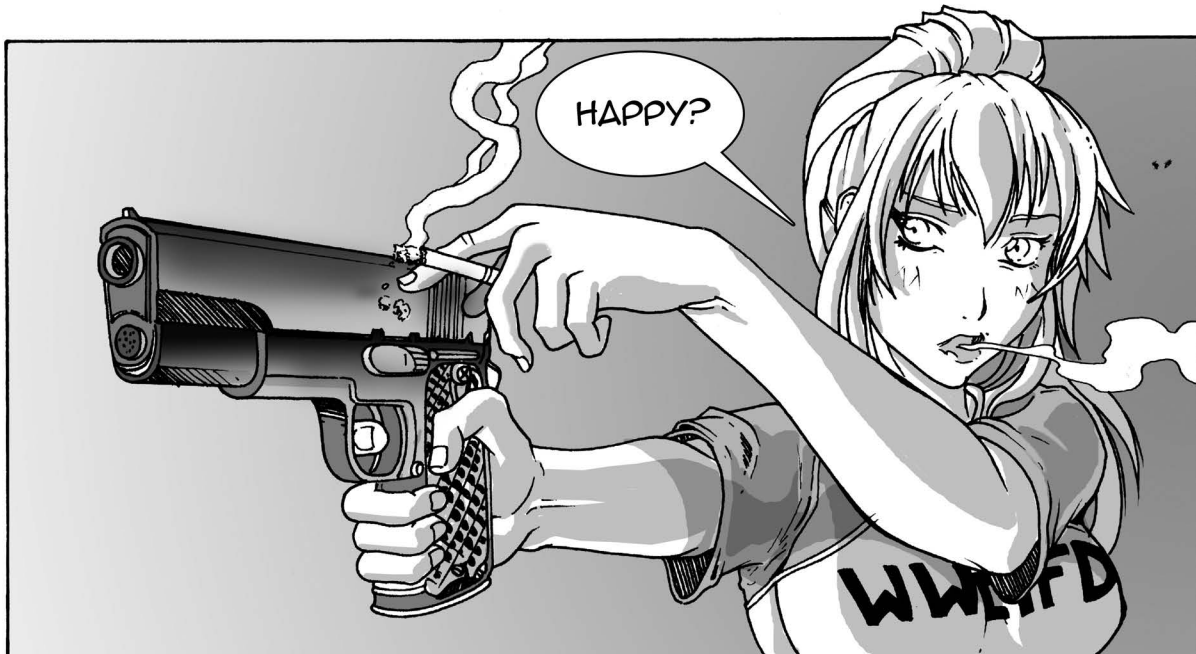


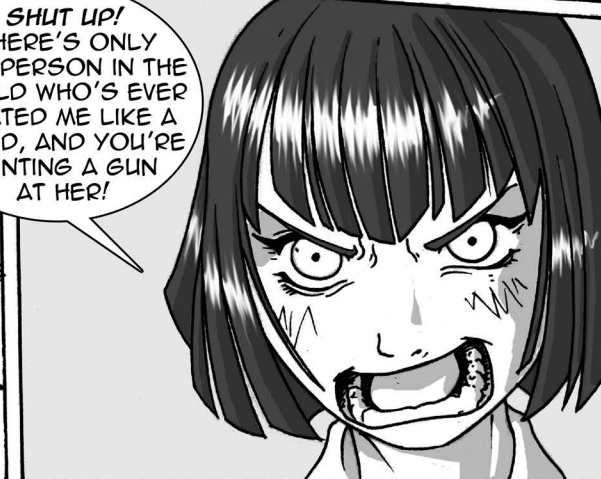
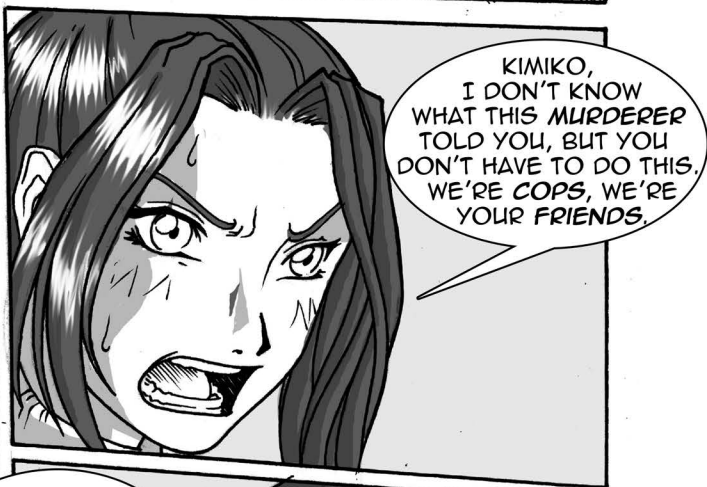


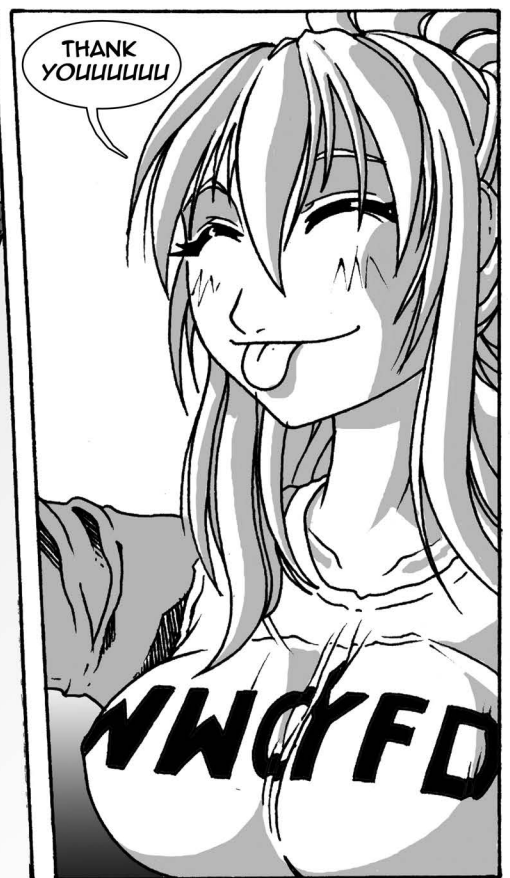
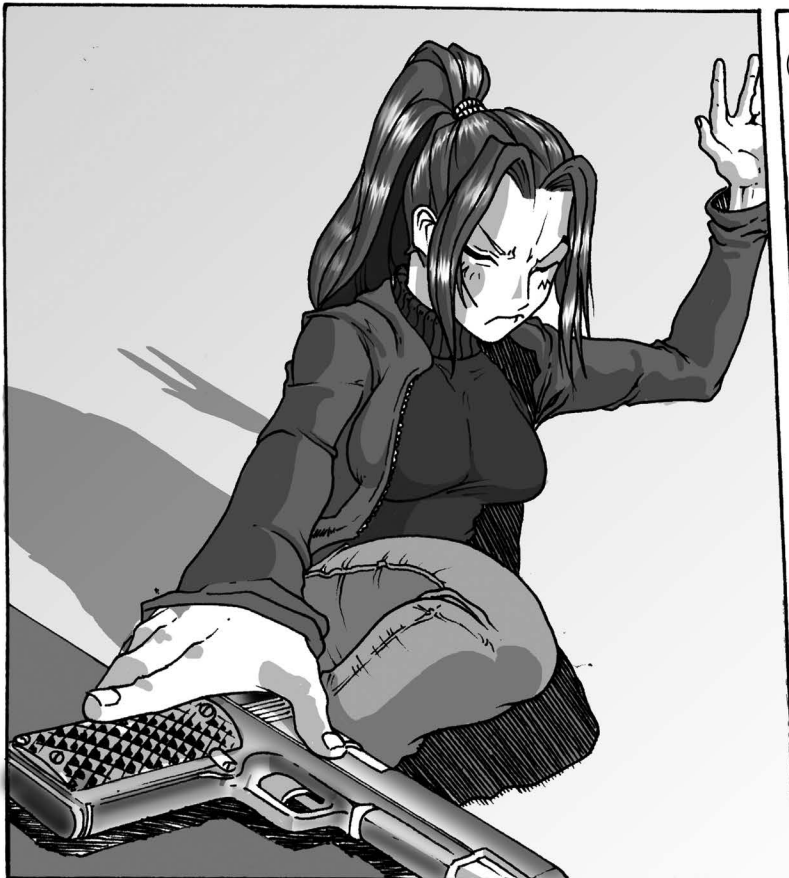
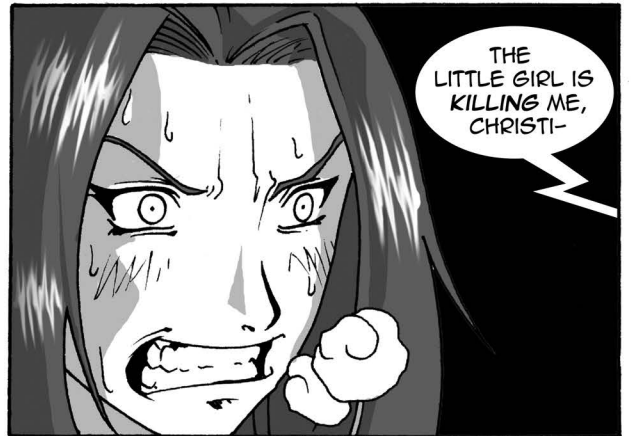
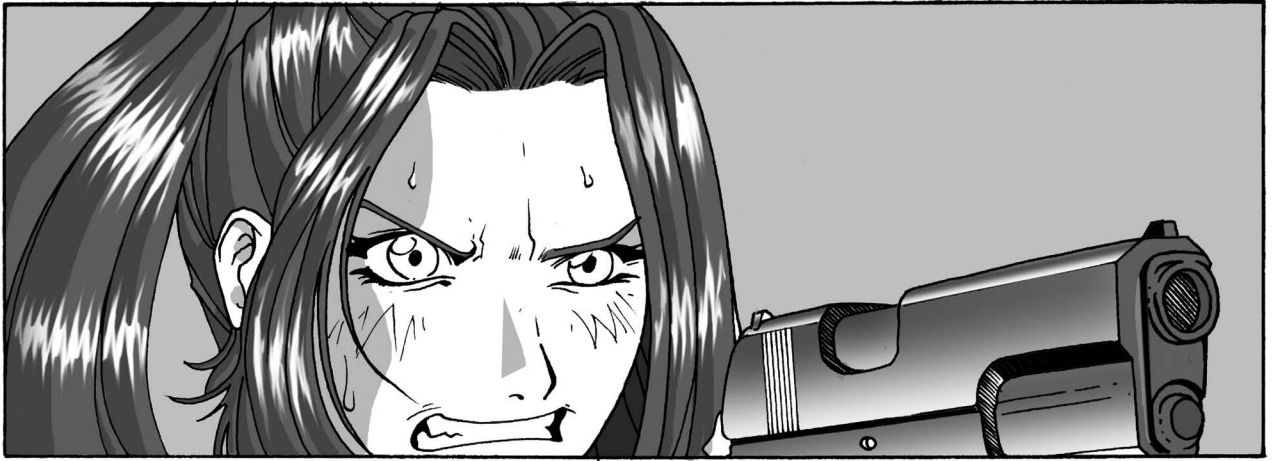


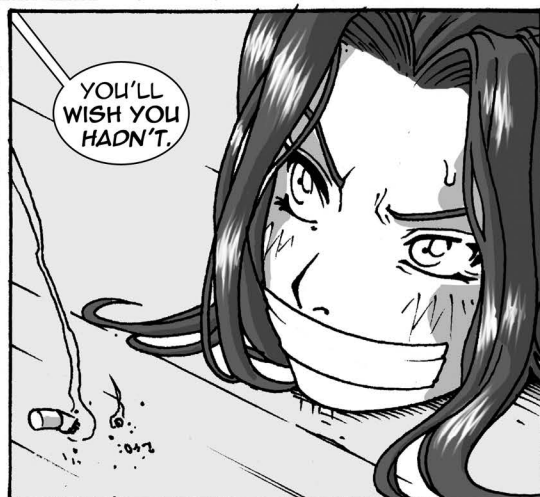
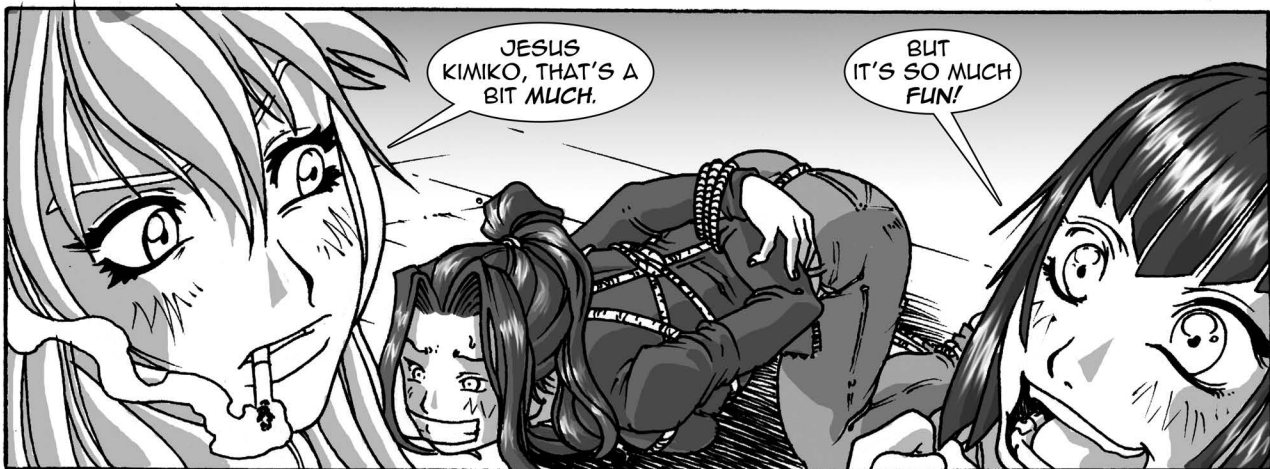
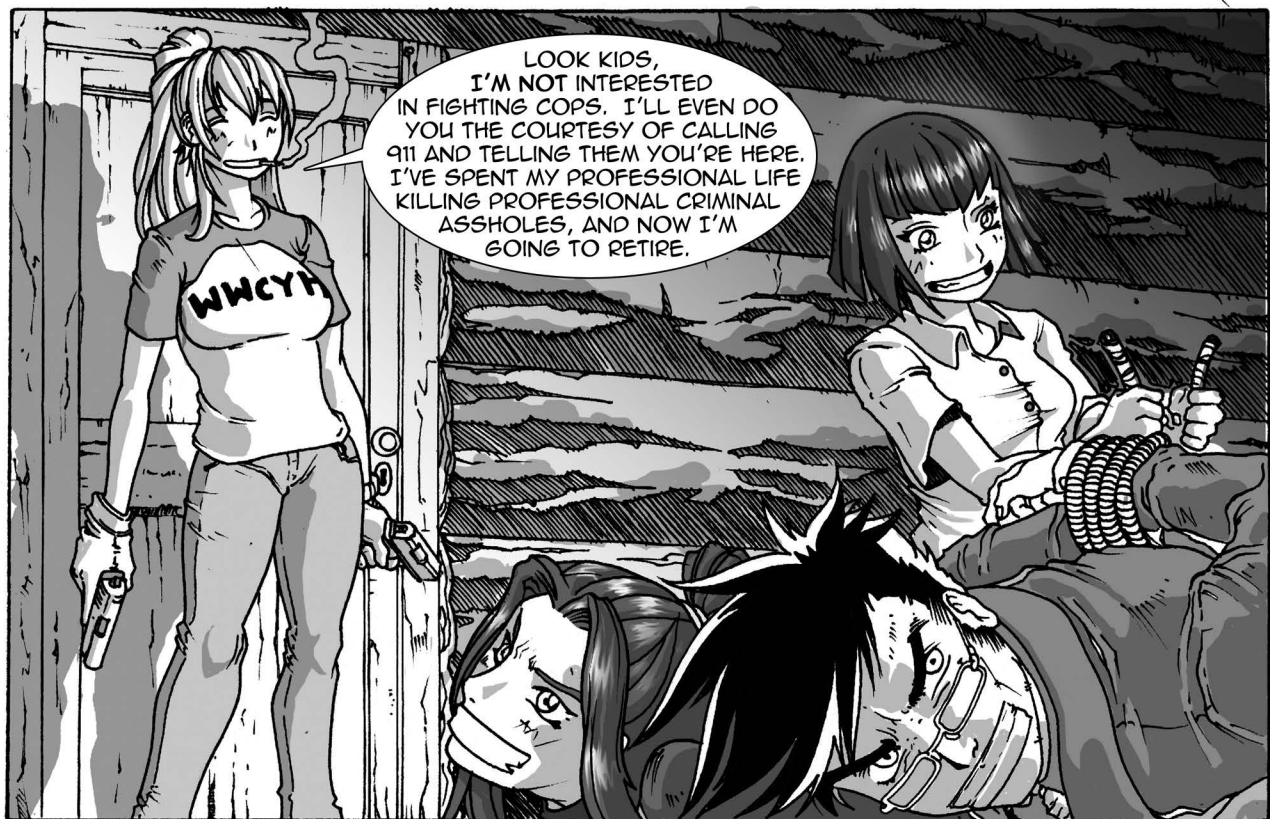


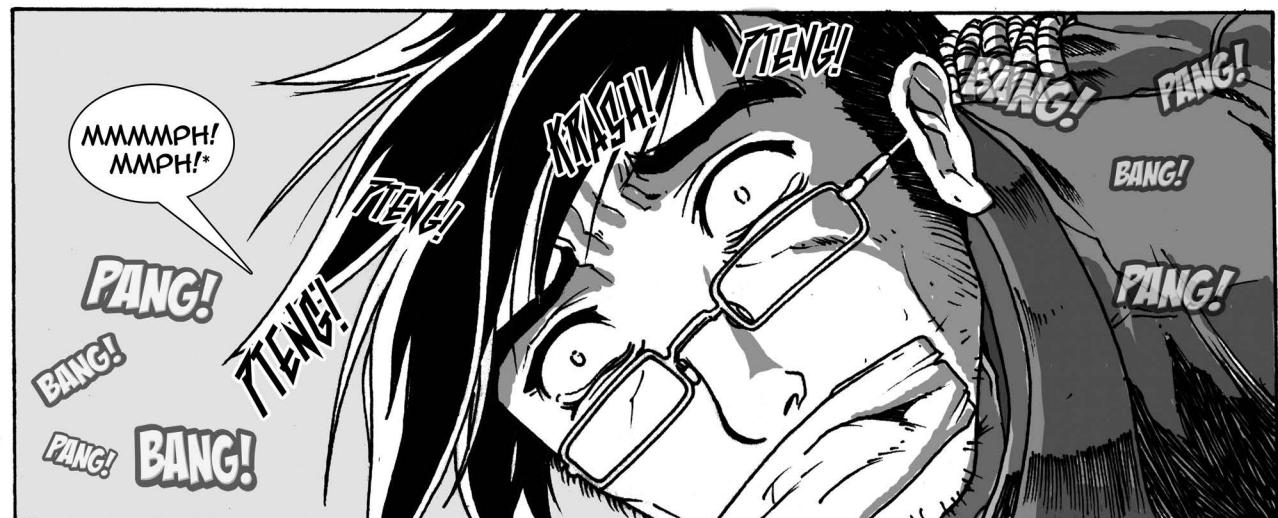
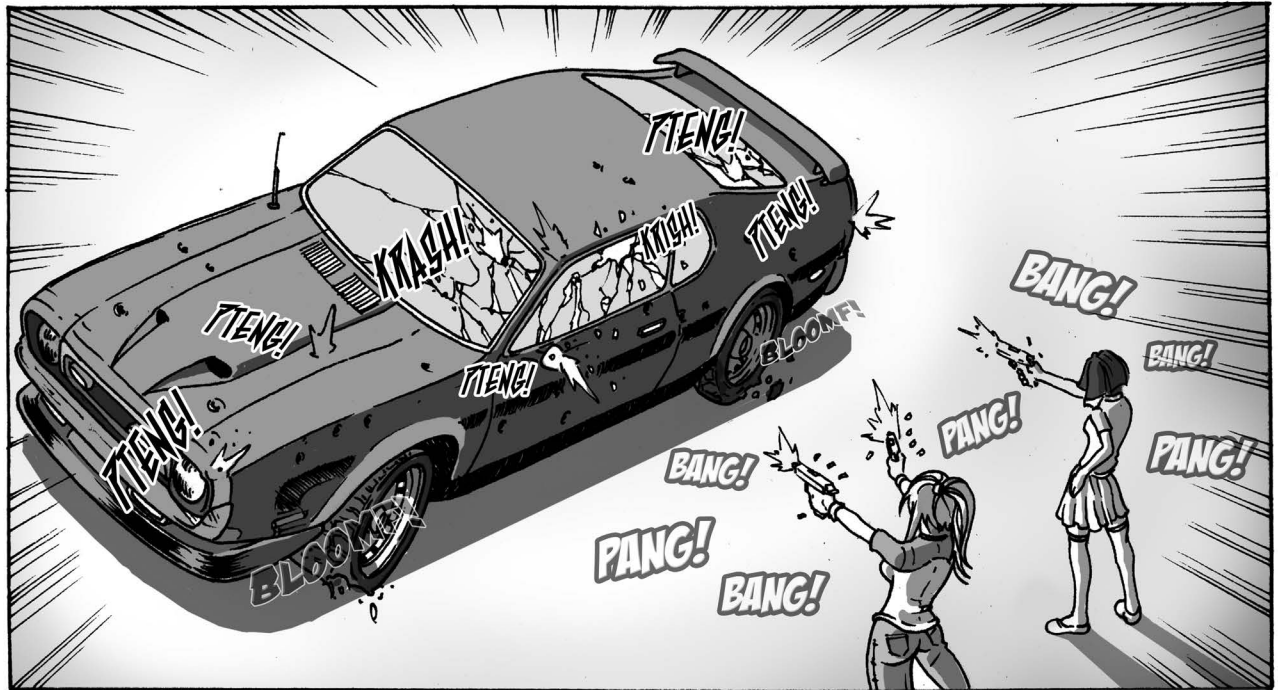
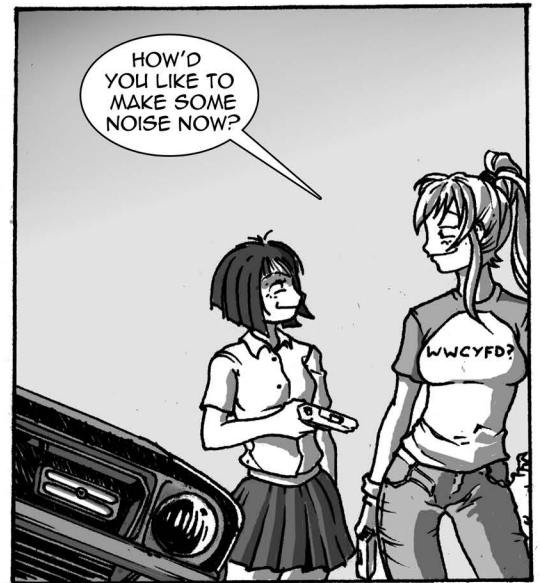












"*OHHH, MAN!"

MARILITH

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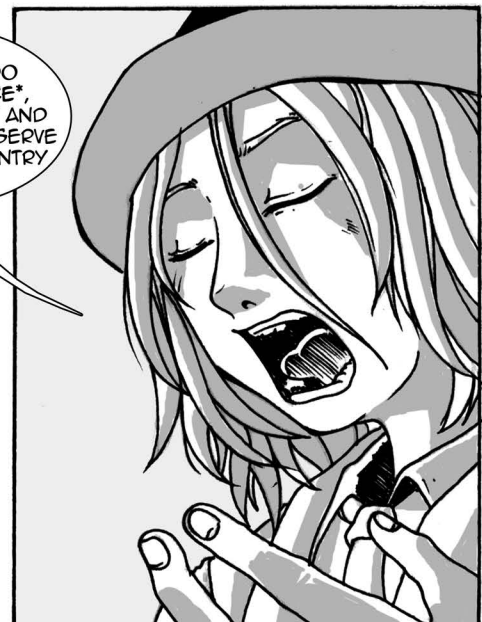
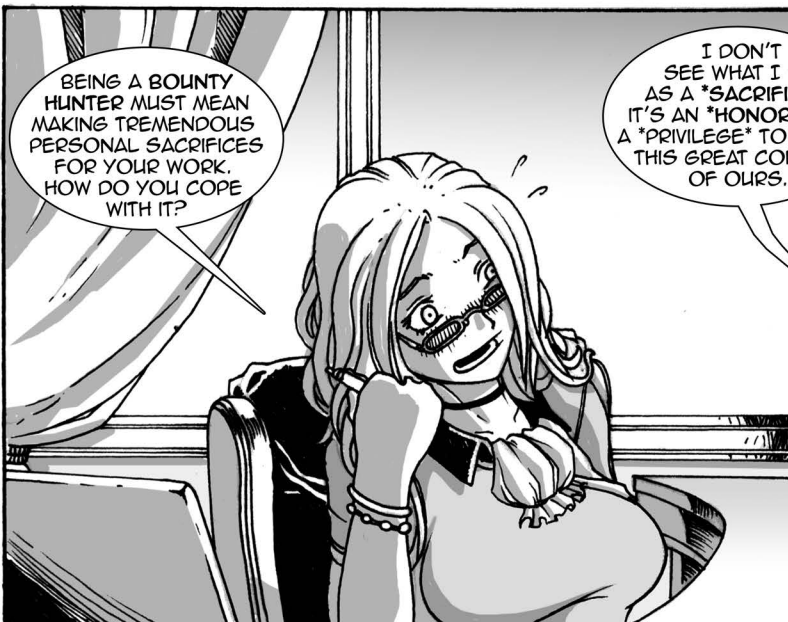
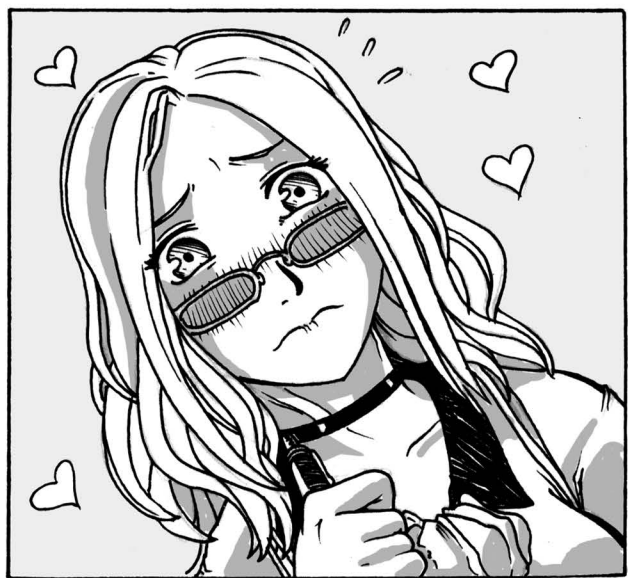
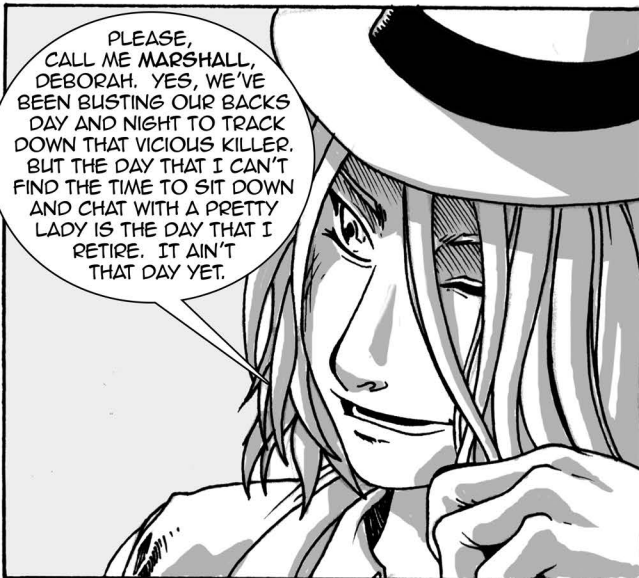
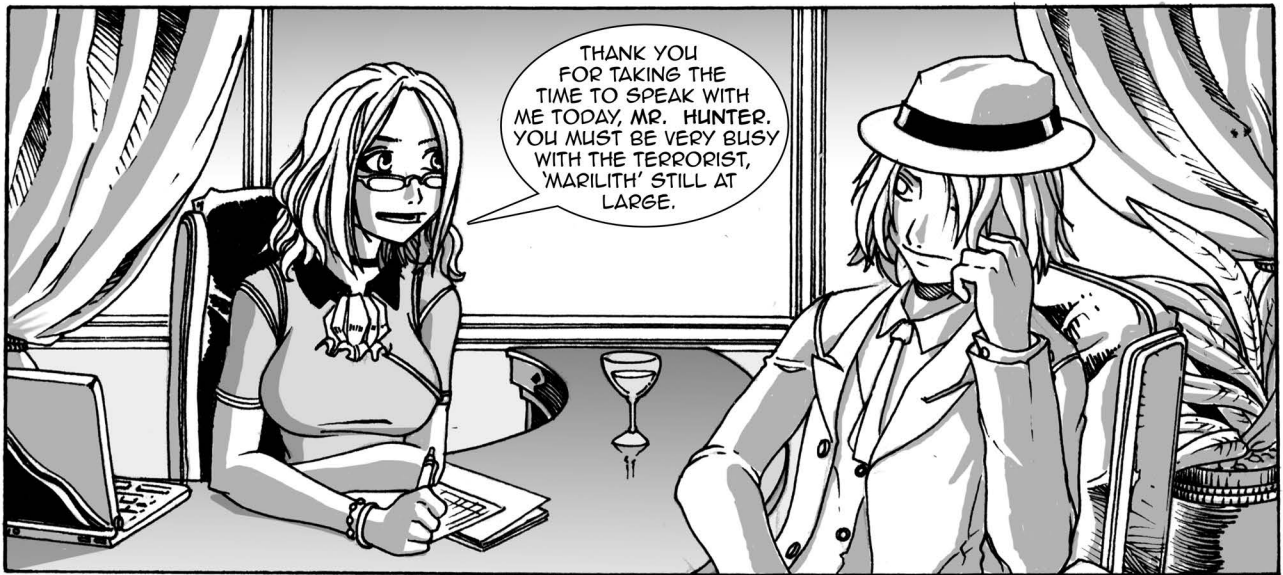


TIME



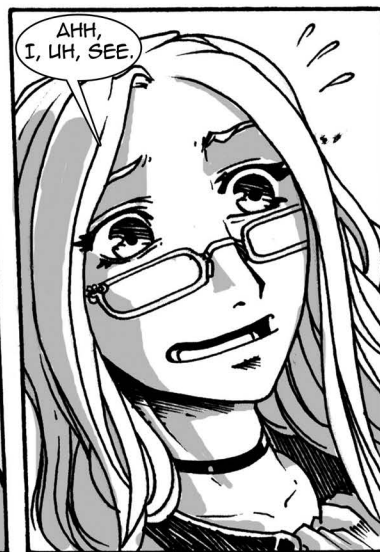
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Law Enforcement?



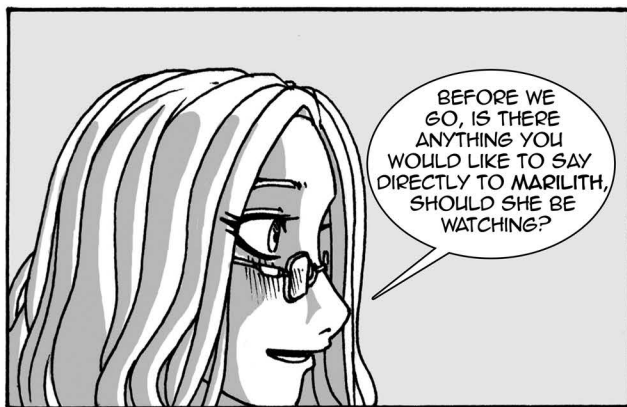




THAT'S
JUST THE WAY
I WAS RAISED,
I GUESS.



AHH,
I, UH, SEE.

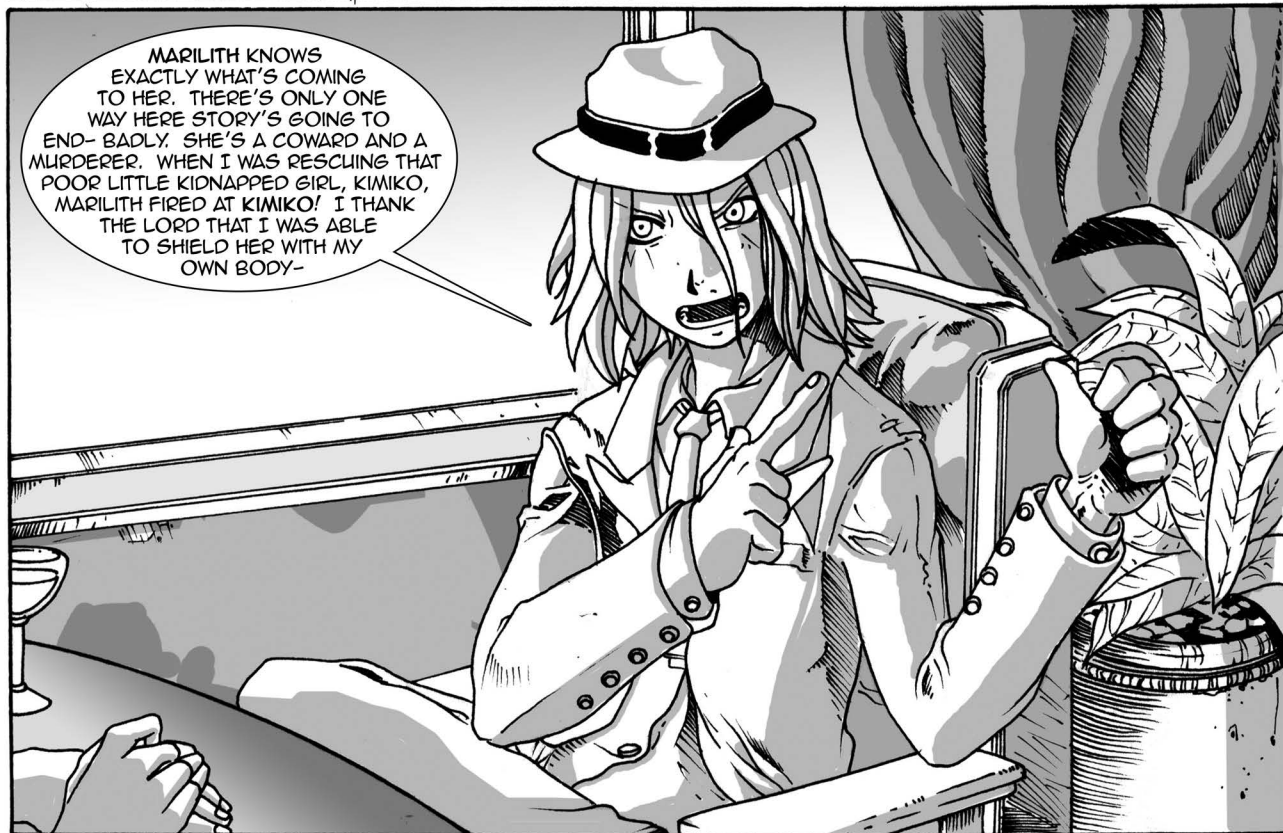


BEFORE WE
GO, IS THERE
ANYTHING YOU
WOULD LIKE TO SAY
DIRECTLY TO MARILITH,
SHOULD SHE BE
WATCHING?

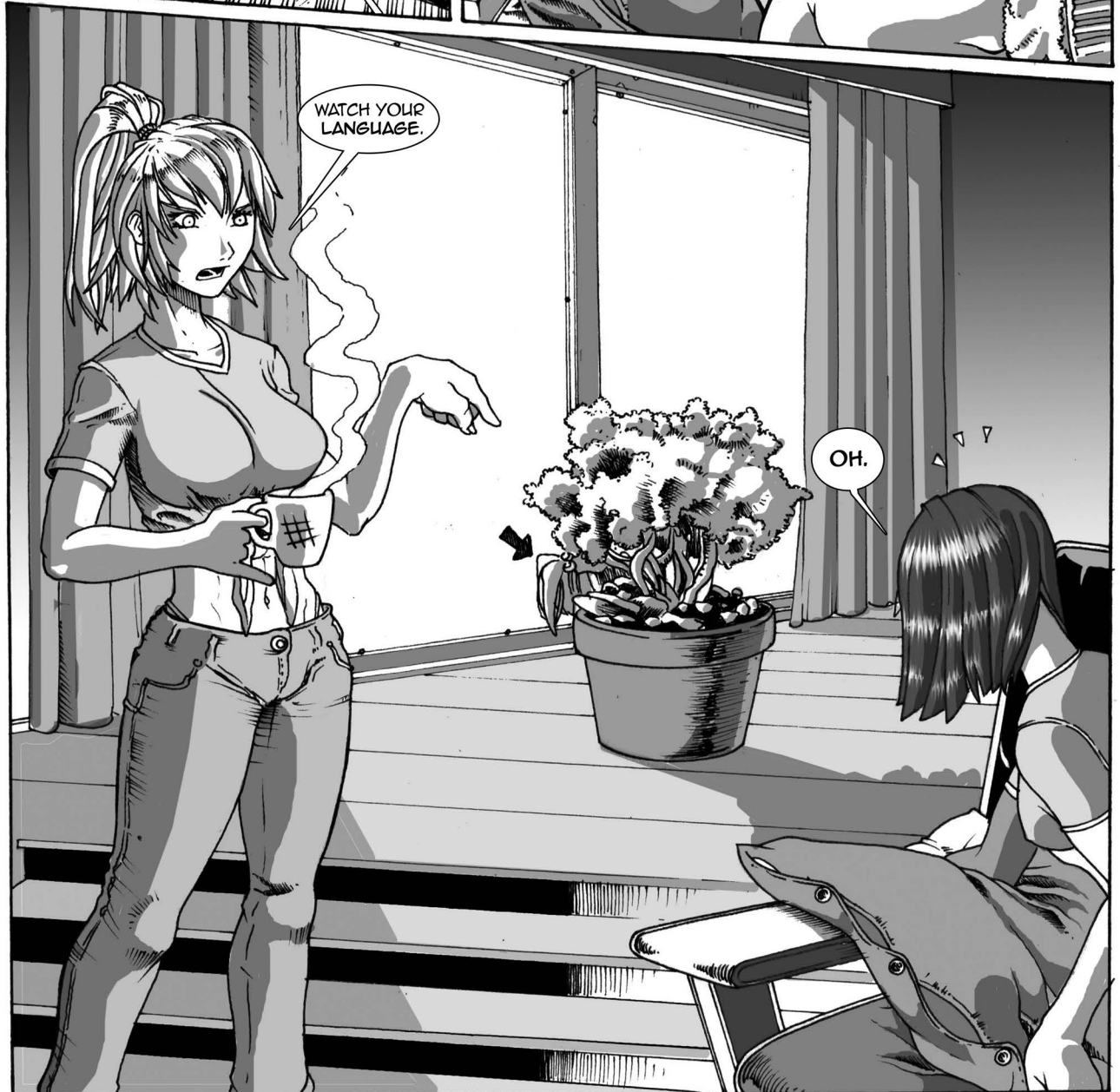
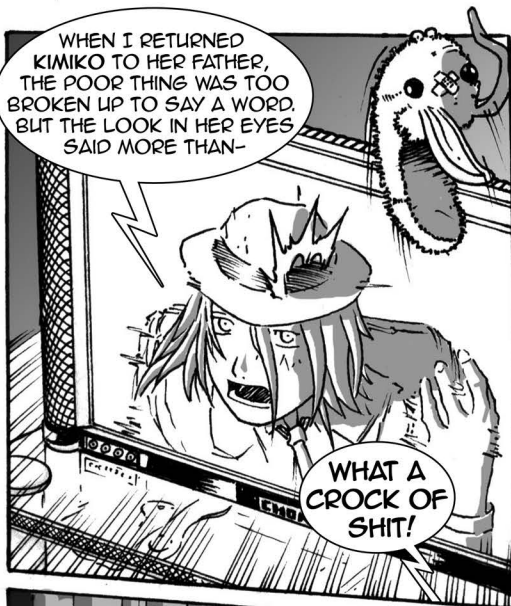


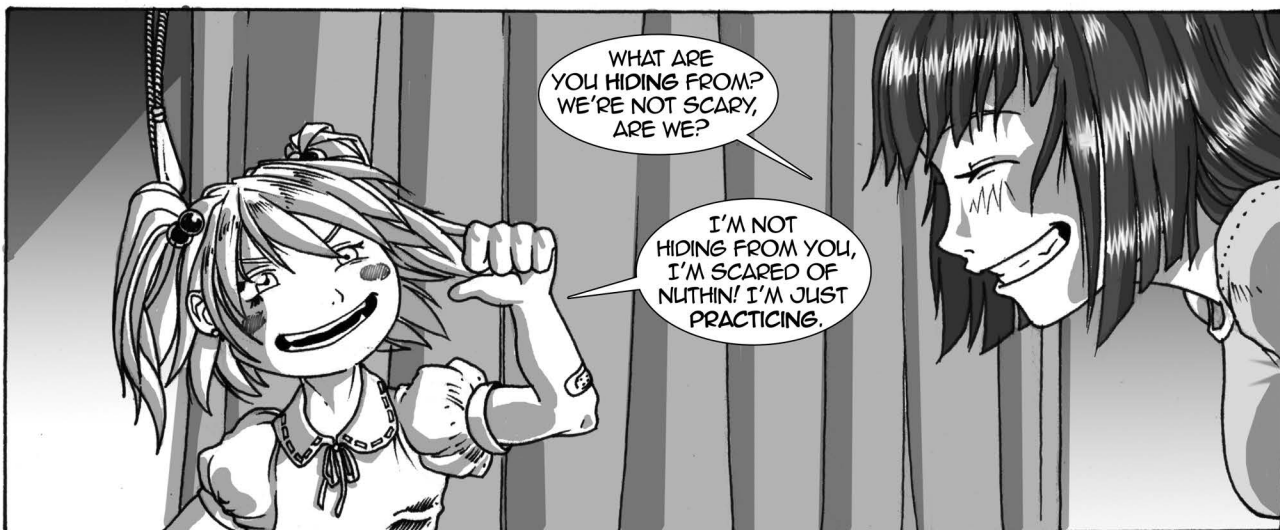
NO,
THERE ISN'T.

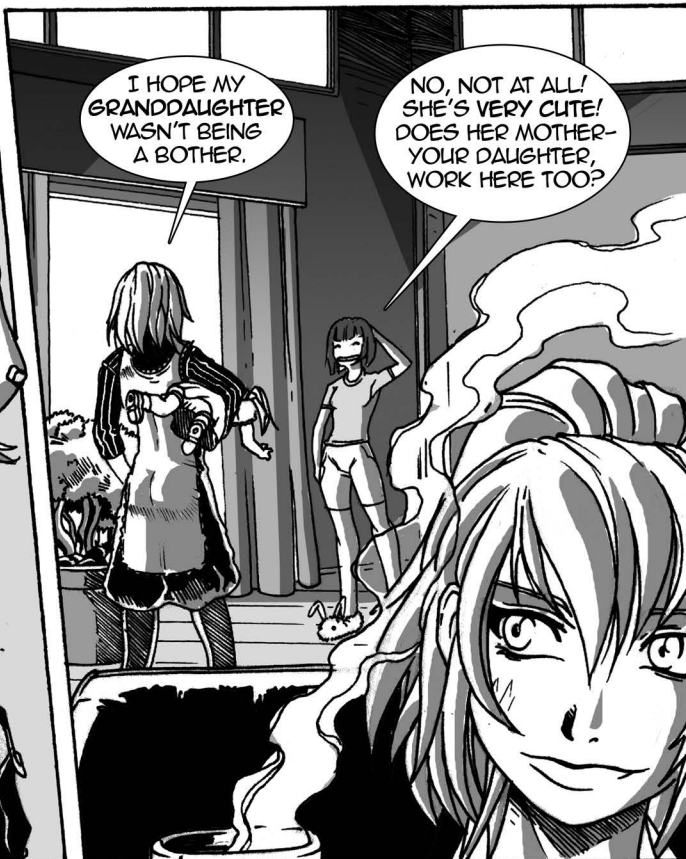
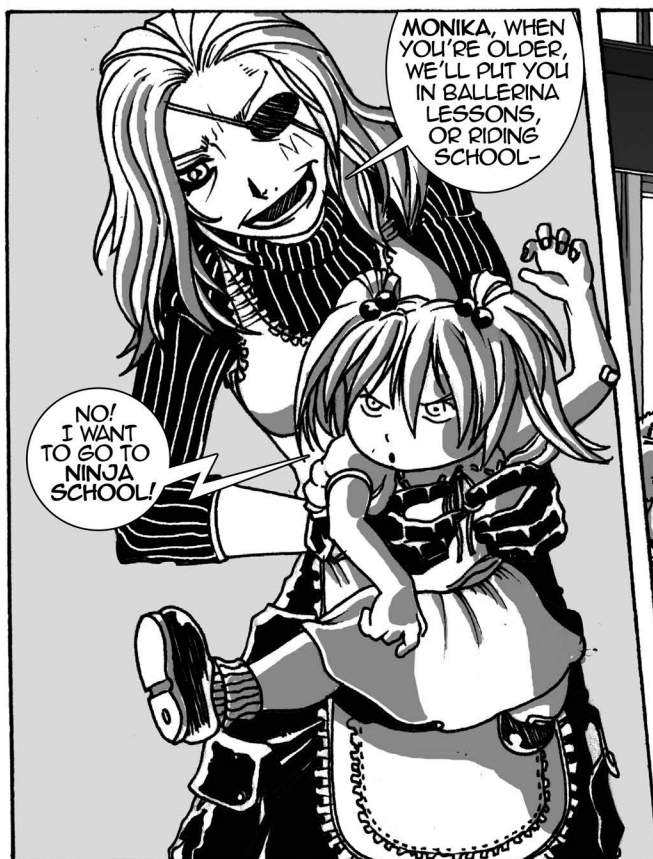
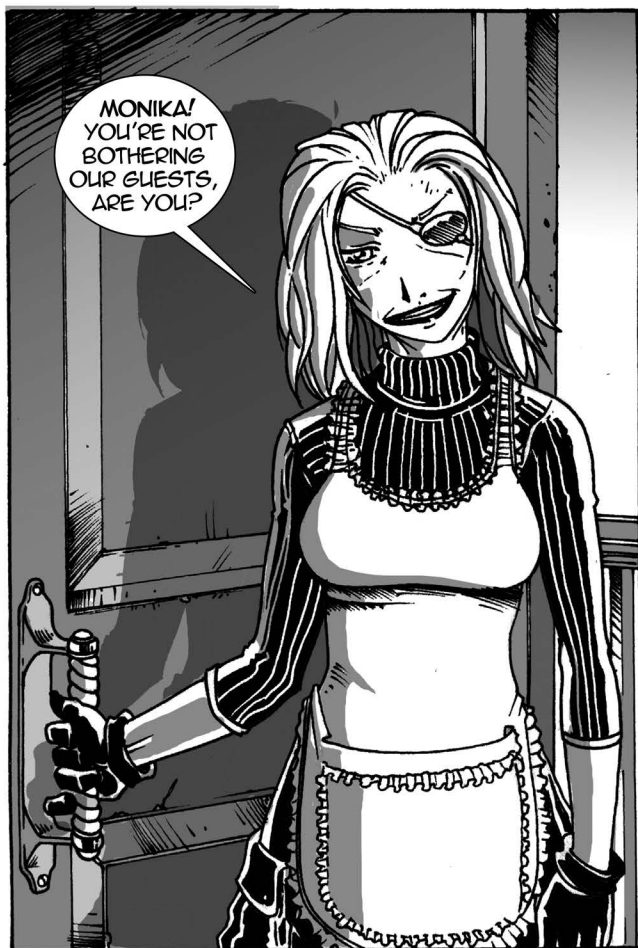
NO? BUT-

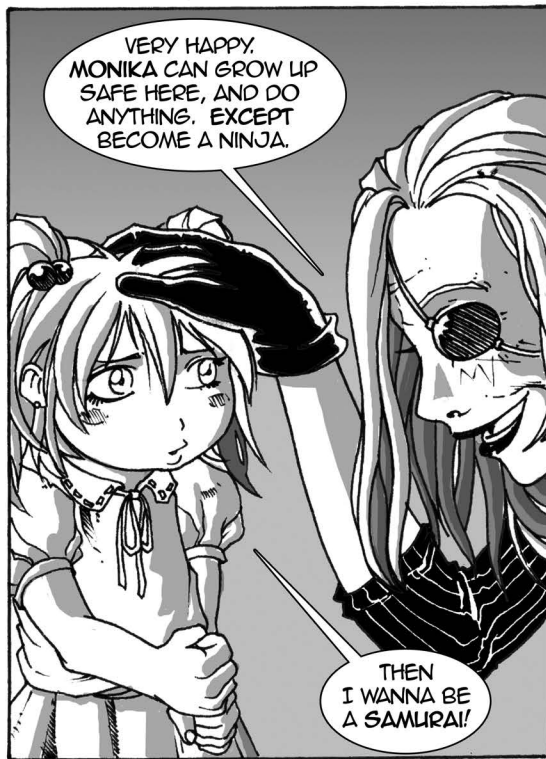
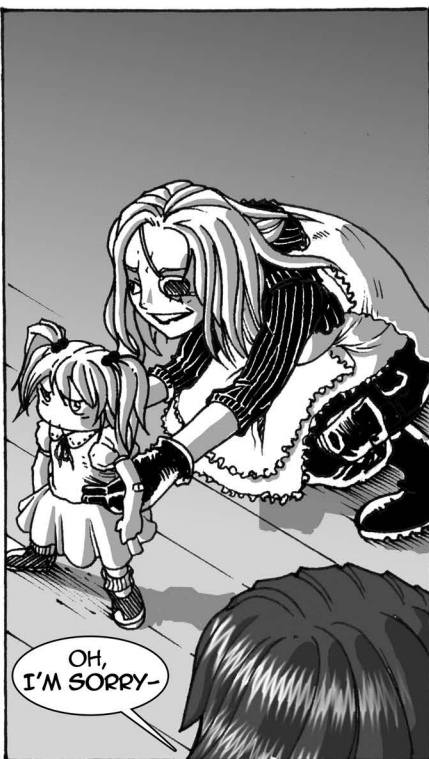
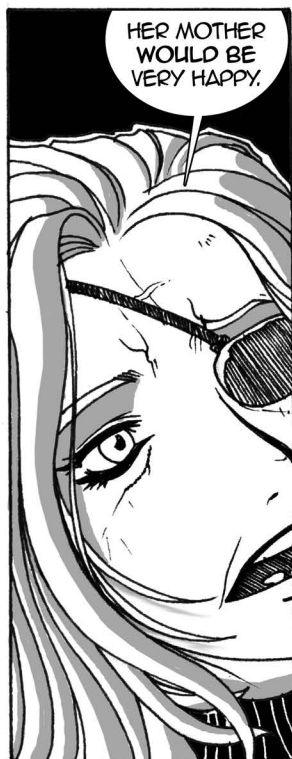


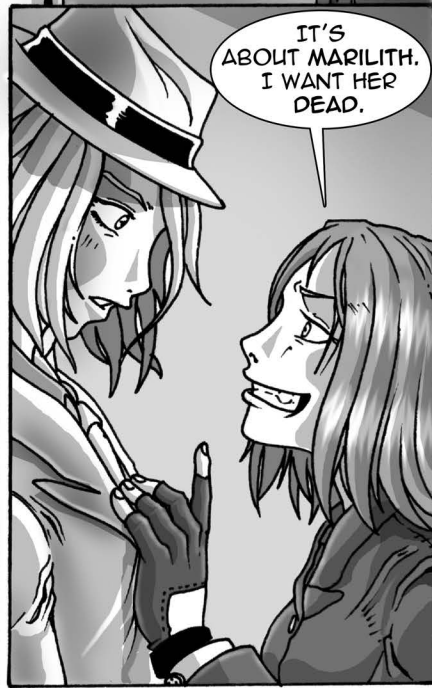
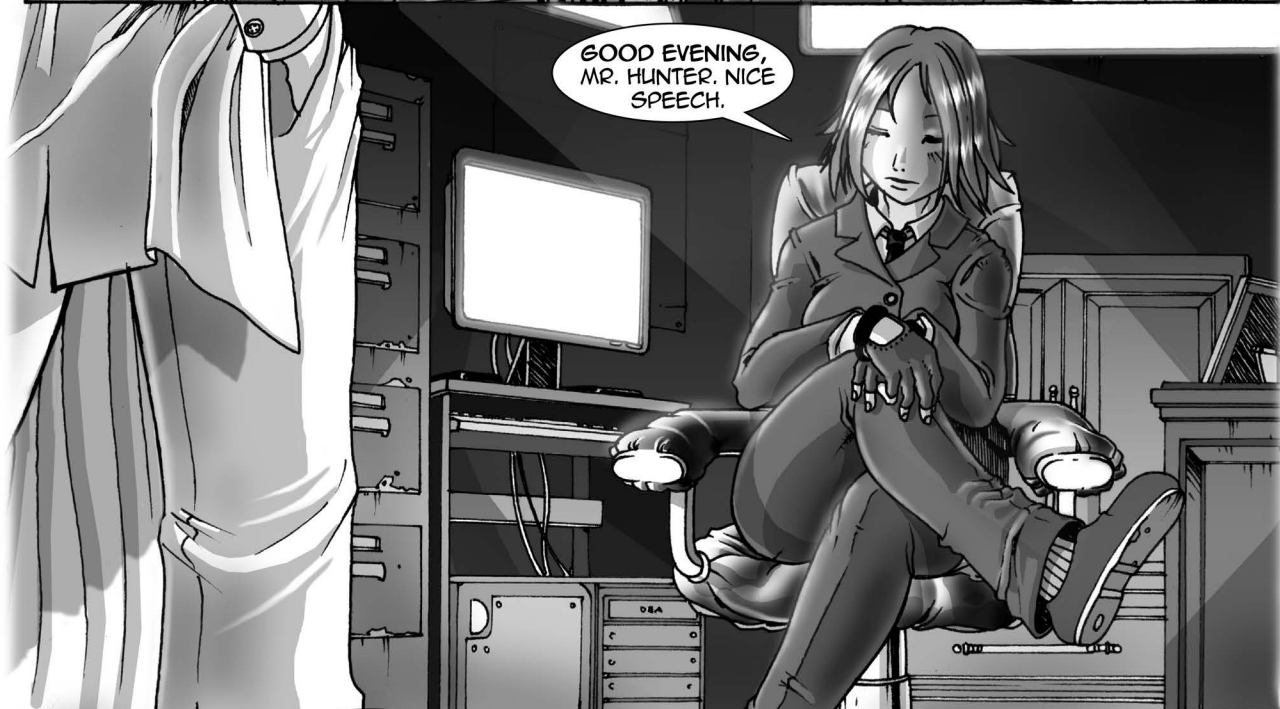
MARILITH KNOWS
EXACTLY WHAT'S COMING
TO HER. THERE'S ONLY ONE
WAY HERE STORY'S GOING TO
END- BADLY. SHE'S A COWARD AND A
MURDERER. WHEN I WAS RESCUING THAT
POOR LITTLE KIDNAPPED GIRL, KIMIKO,
MARILITH FIRED AT KIMIKO! I THANK
THE LORD THAT I WAS ABLE
TO SHIELD HER WITH MY
OWN BODY-



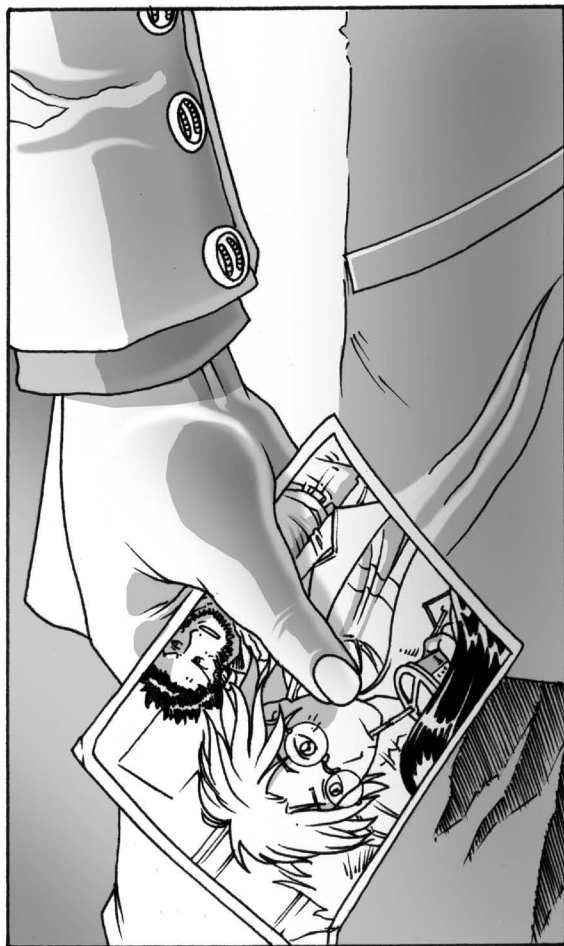
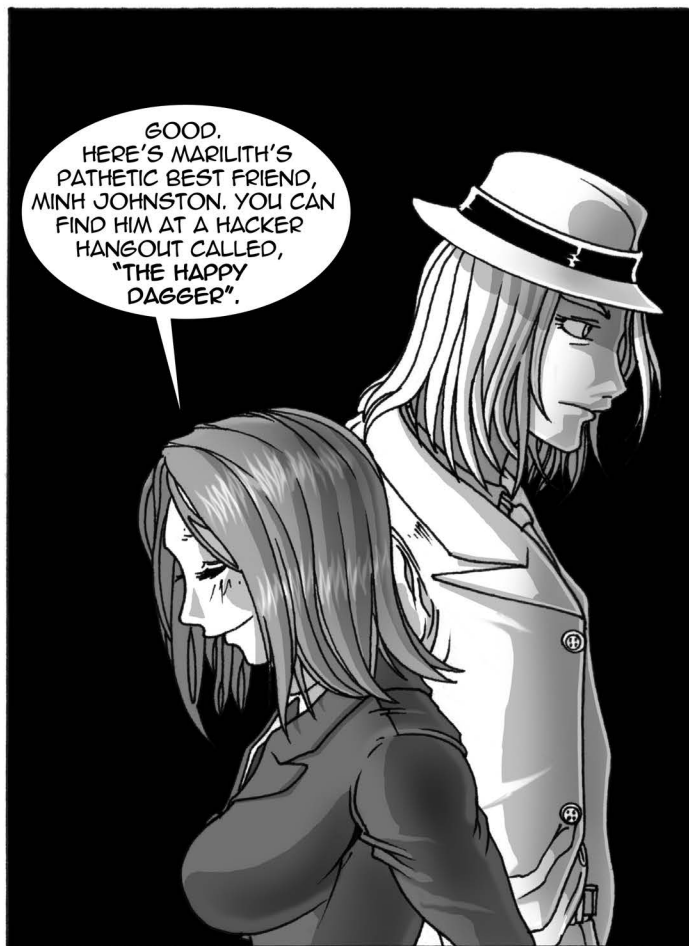




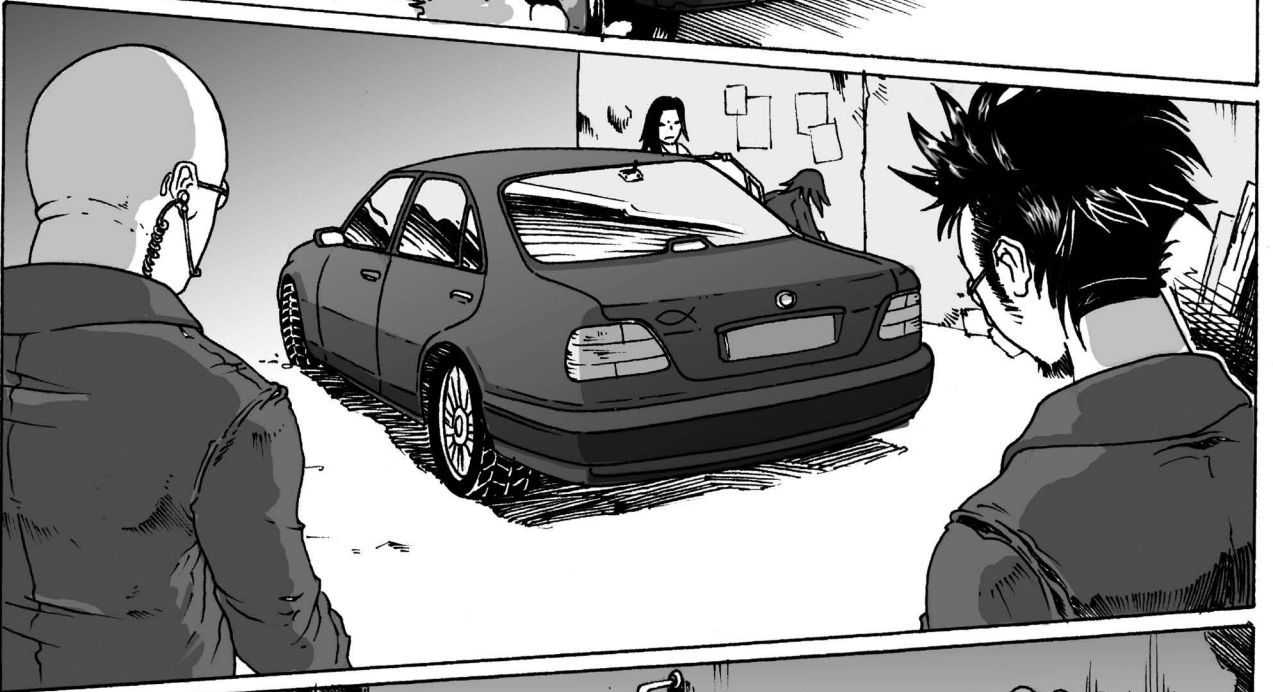
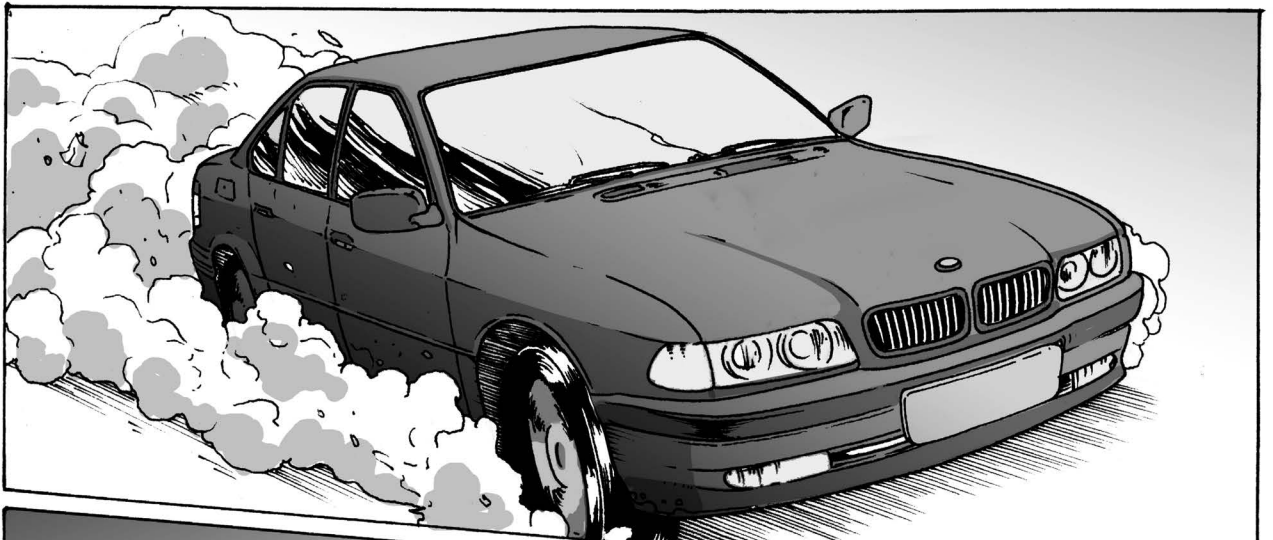


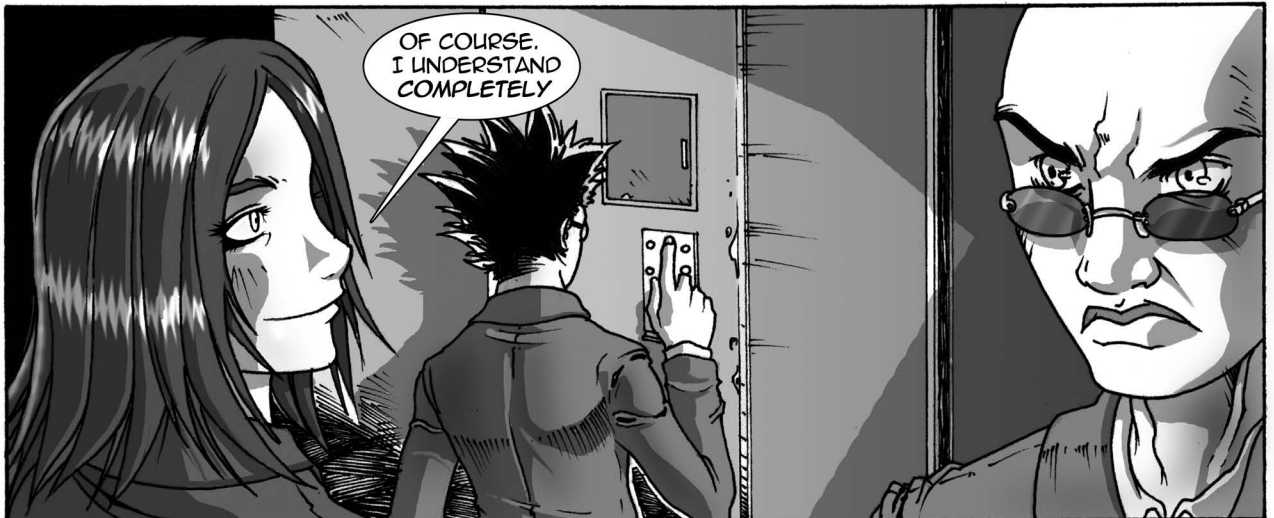
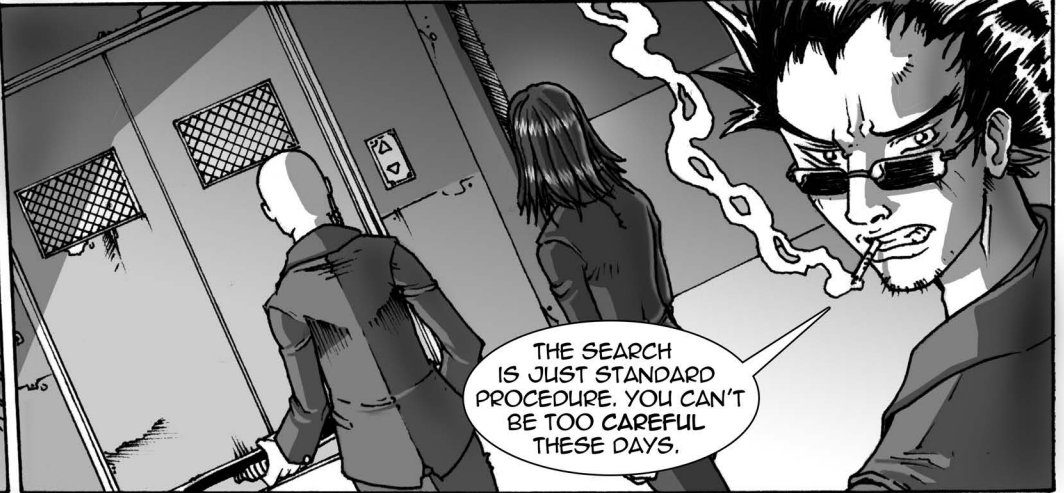
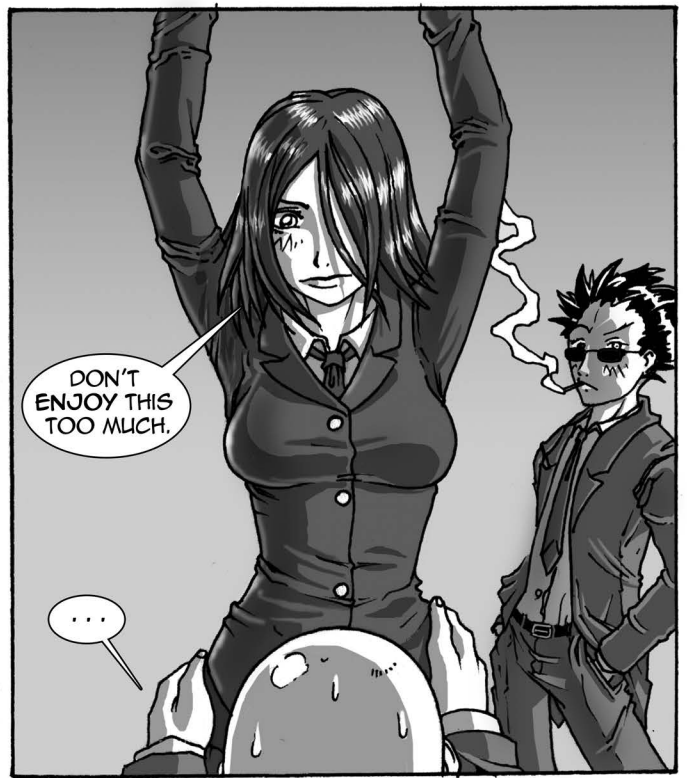


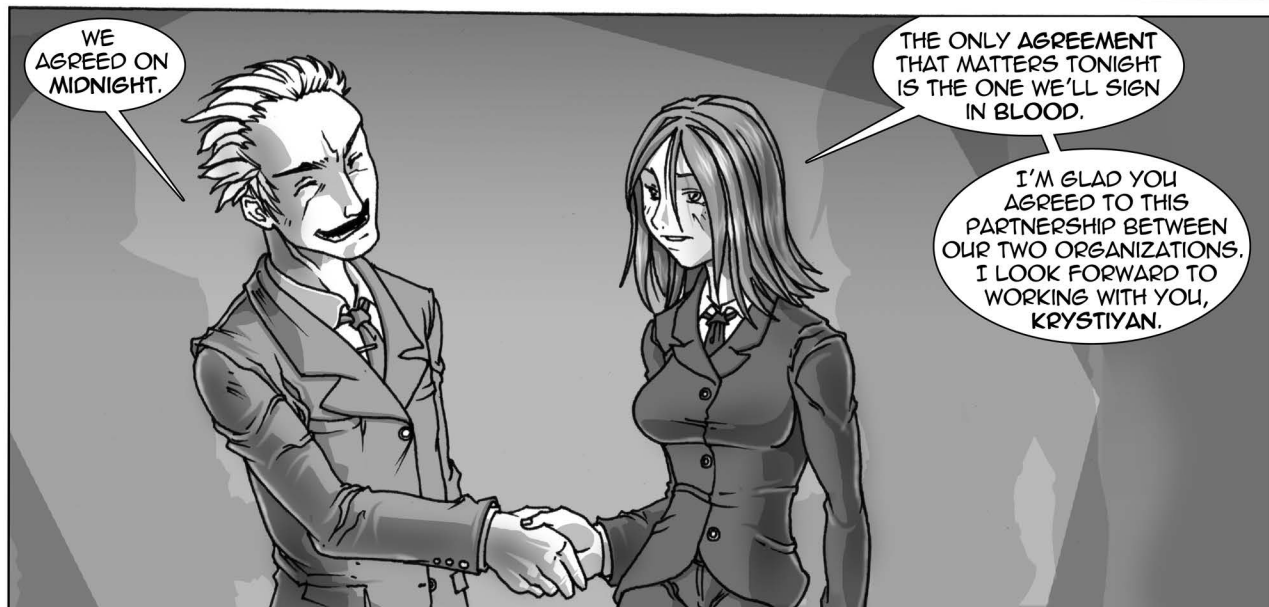
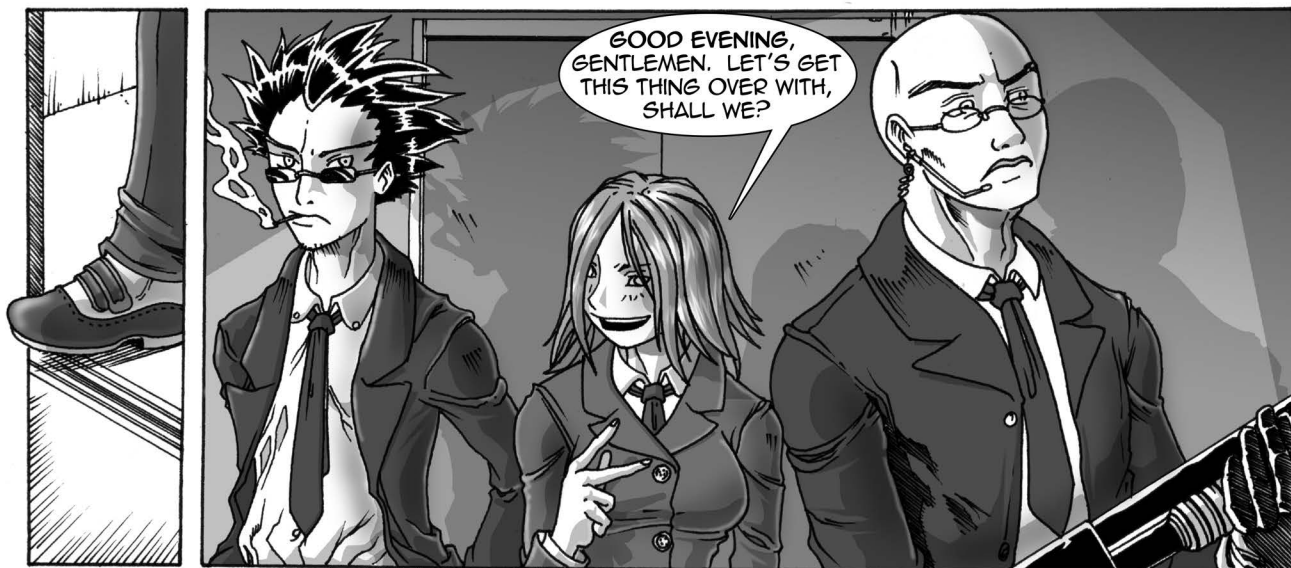


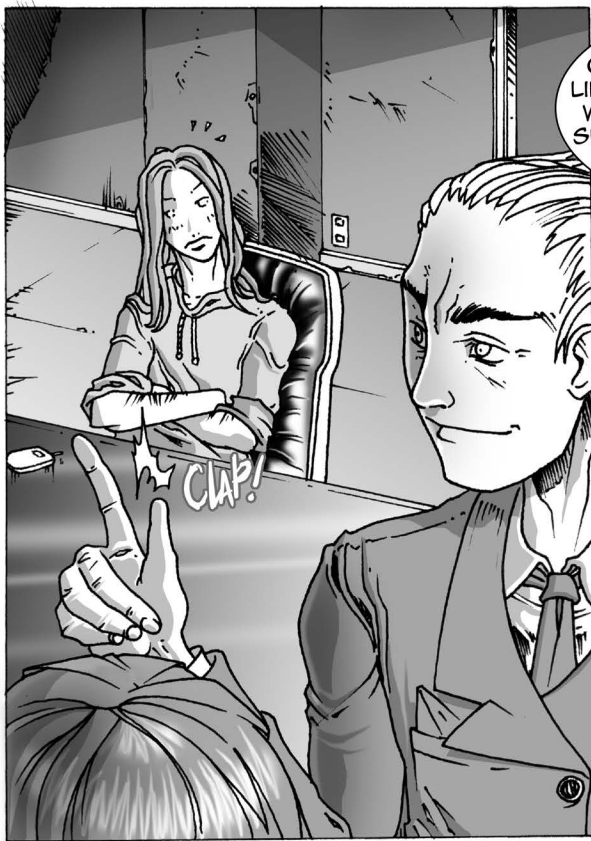




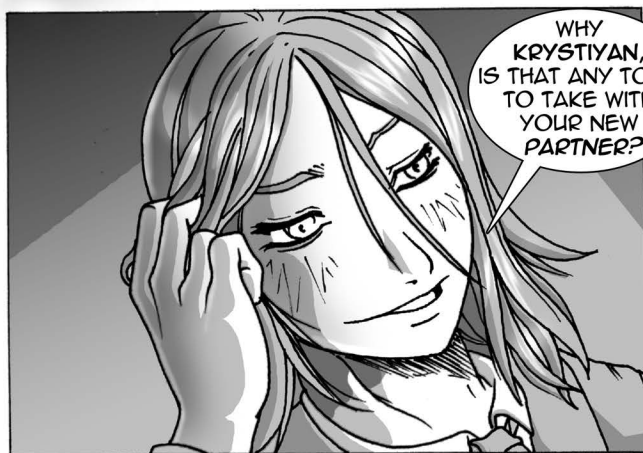




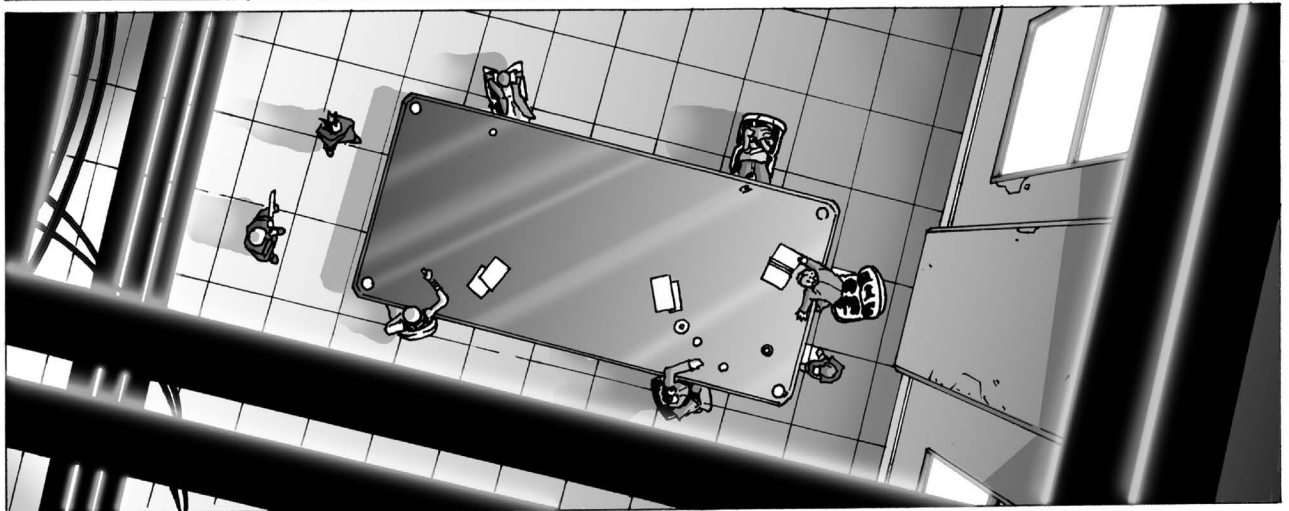


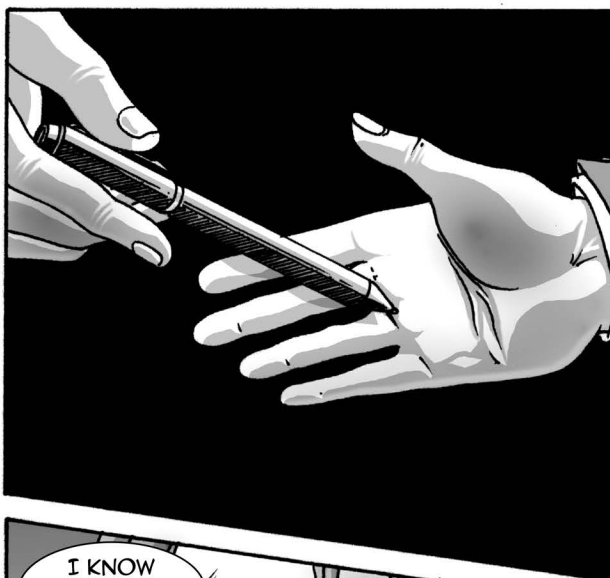


AGREE... YOUR
OFFER DIDN'T SOUND
LIKE MUCH OF A CHOICE.
WE'RE DOING THIS FOR
SURVIVAL, THAT DOESN'T
MEAN I HAVE TO
LIKE YOU.



WHY
KRYSTIYAN,
IS THAT ANY TONE
TO TAKE WITH
YOUR NEW
PARTNER?







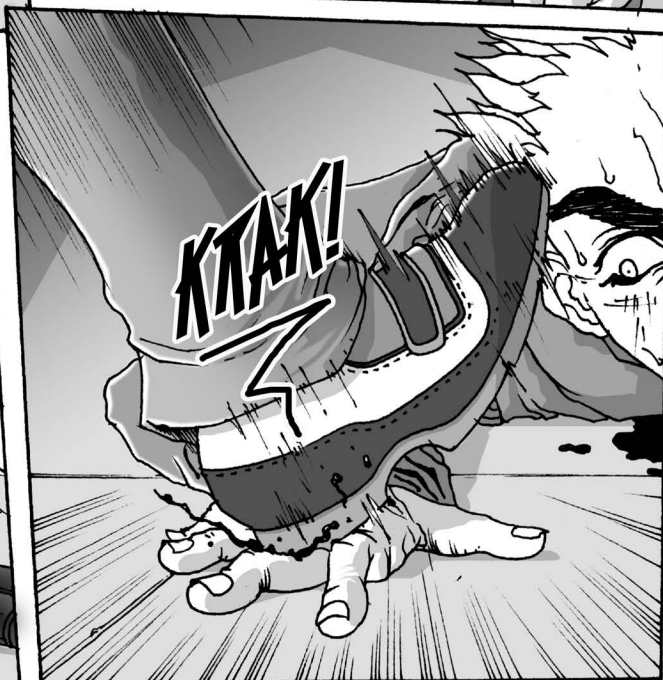
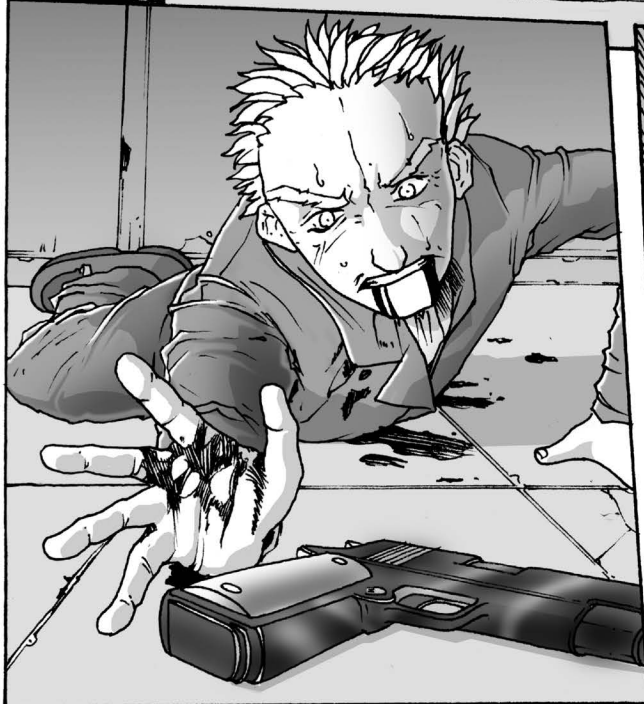




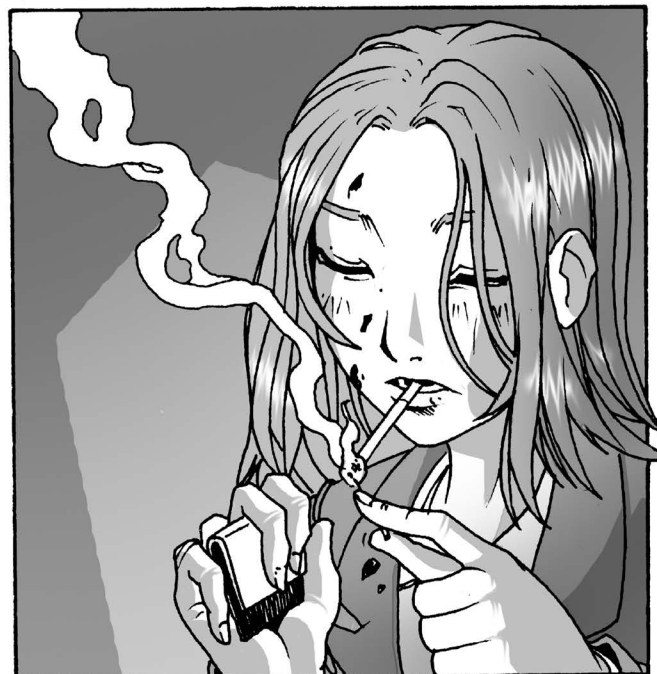
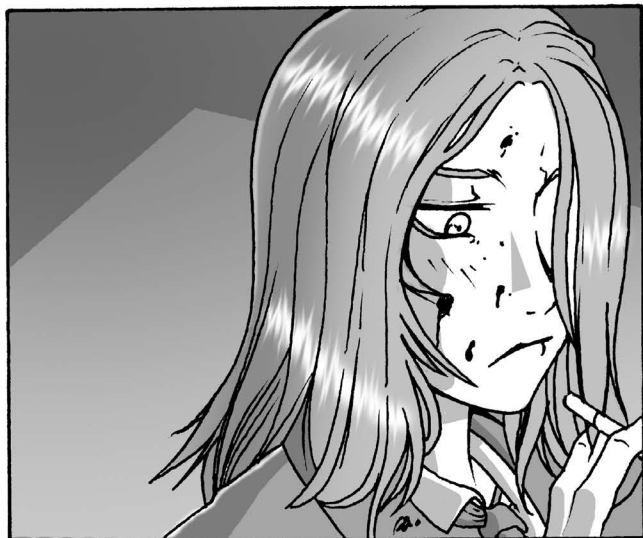
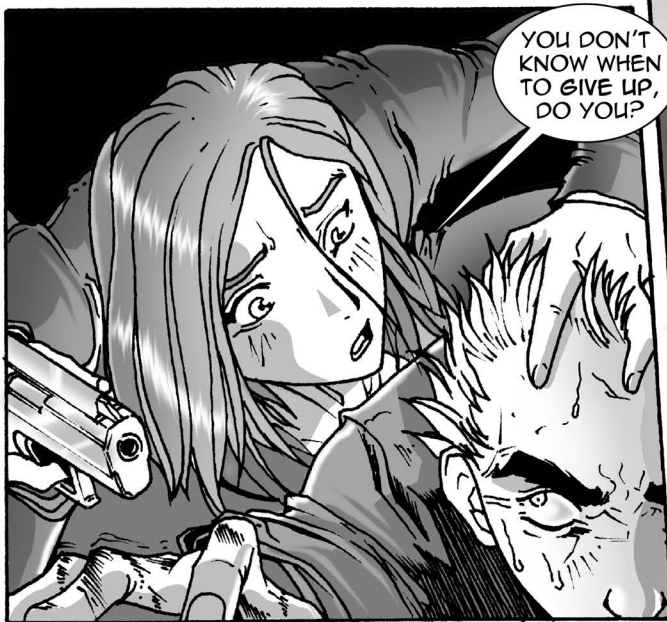
Y-YOU!
YOU TRAITOROUS
PIECE OF-



SHIT.
THIS WAS
A NEW
SUIT.



KTAH!





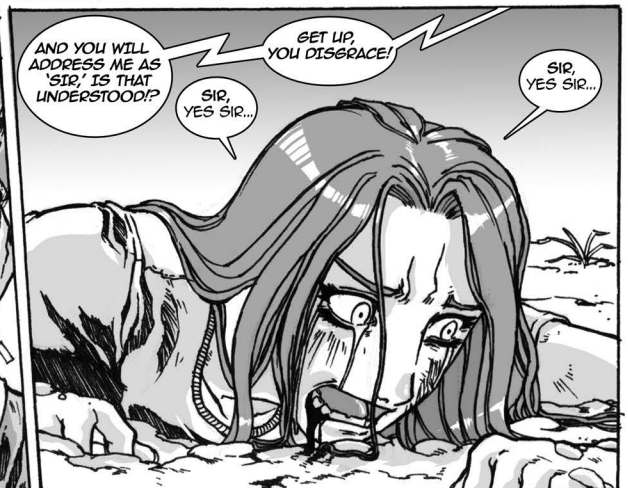
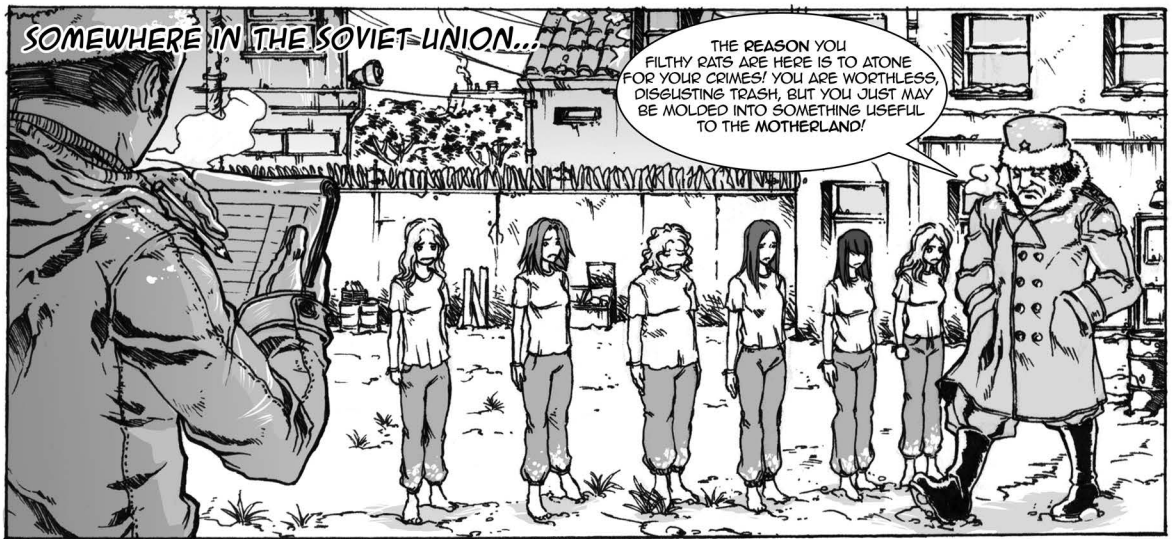
I HAVE
NOTHING PERSONAL
AGAINST HIM. IT WAS
JUST BUSINESS.

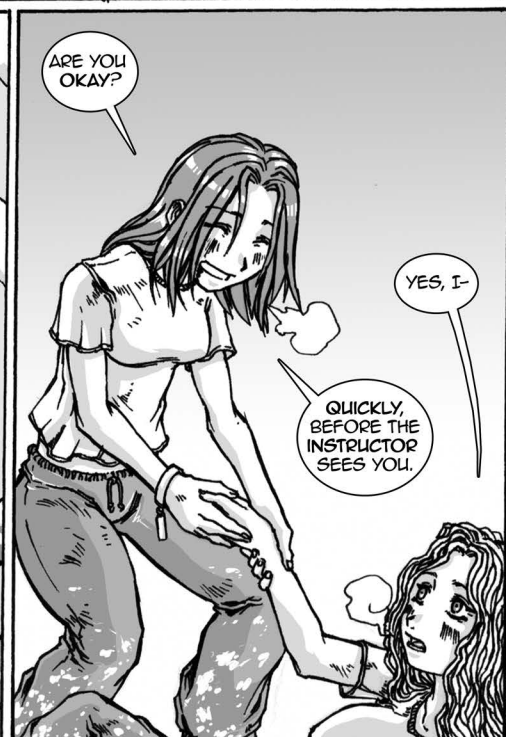
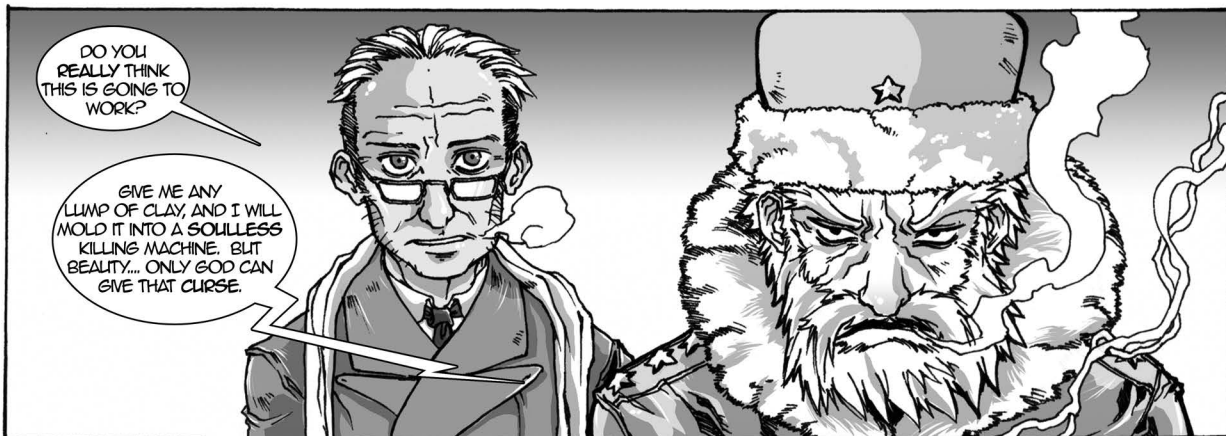
I LIKE
YOU STARK,
YOU'LL DO WELL
WITH ME. WELCOME
TO MY FAMILY.

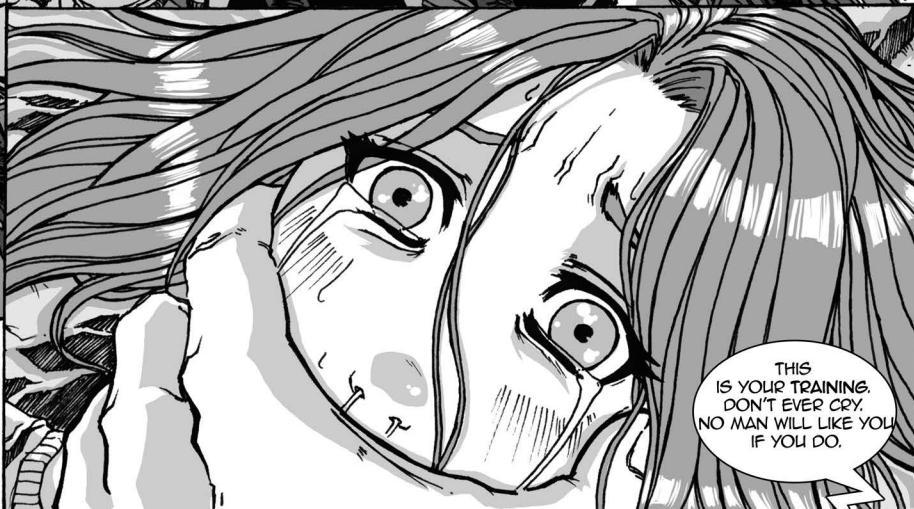
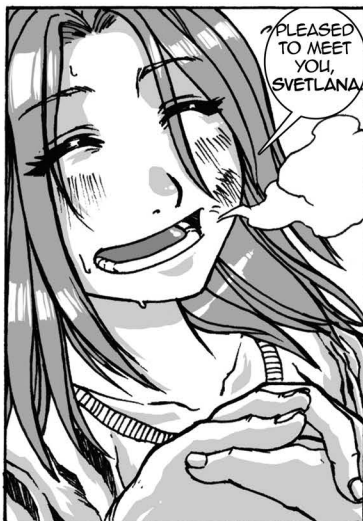
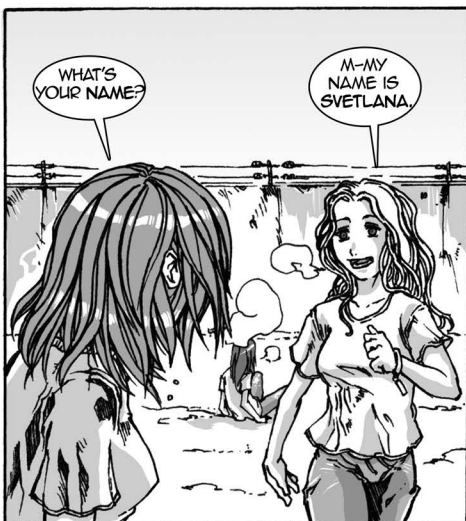
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ANGEL



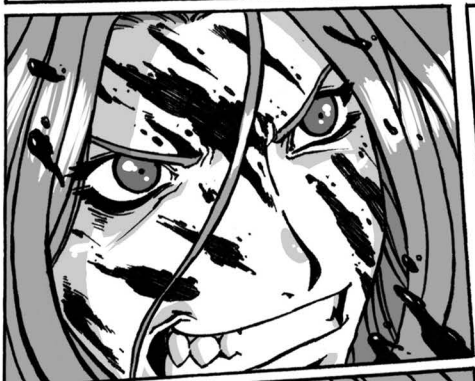
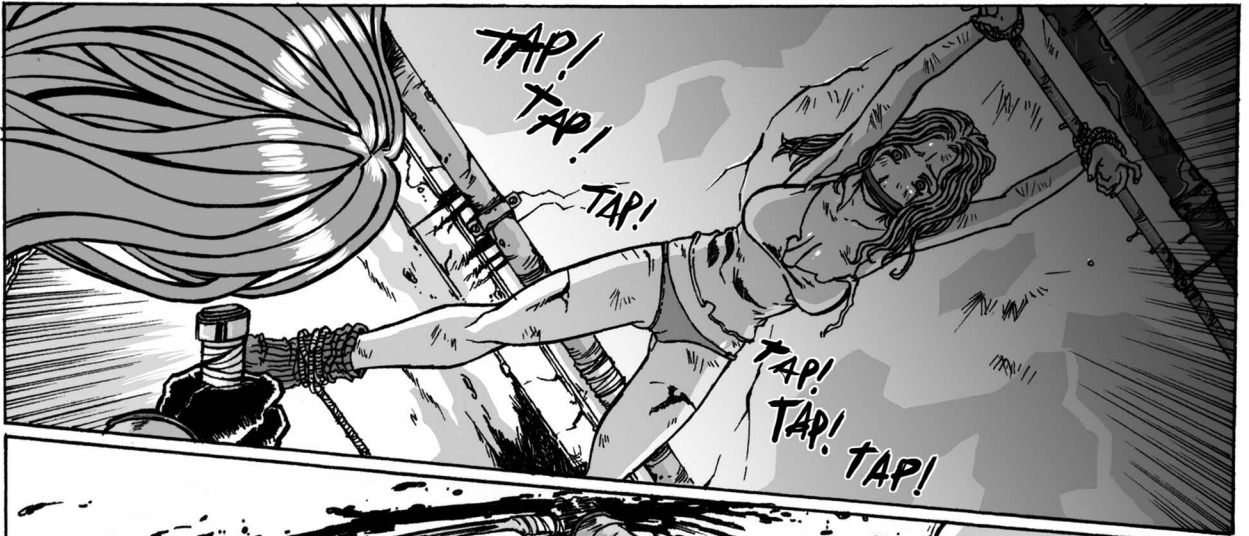




8 months later...







I HAD JOHN WORK
ON A QUICK 3-PAGER
BEFORE HE BECAME
THE OFFICIAL ARTIST
FOR MARILITH. HERE
IT IS...



I CAN GIVE YOU A BASIC LESSON, BUT I CAN'T TURN YOU INTO A GREAT SHOOTER OVERNIGHT.

YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PRACTICE ON YOUR OWN.

ARE YOU KIDDING? I'VE BEEN TRAINING FOR THIS EVER SINCE I FIRST PICKED UP DUCK HUNT AS A KID!

...RIGHT

I'LL LEND YOU MY GLOCK.

IT'S ONLY A 9MM. SO I'M SURE YOUR GIRLY HANDS CAN TAKE IT.

HEY!

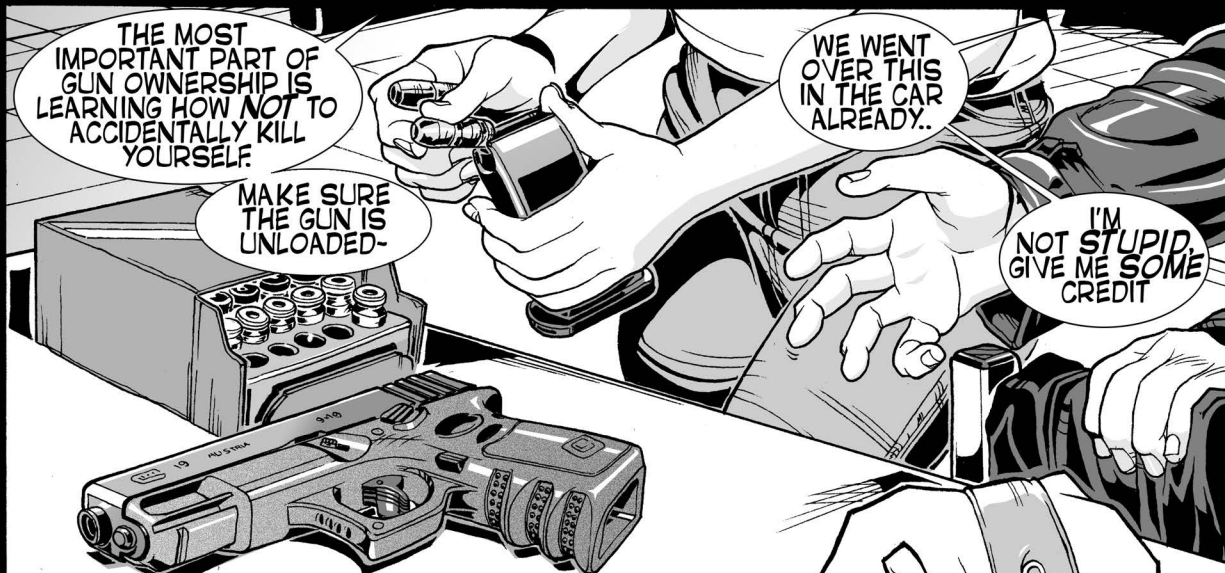
I'M IN SOME DEEP SHIT RIGHT NOW, MY BIGGEST FEAR IS THAT THEY'LL TRY TO GET TO ME THROUGH YOU.

IF YOU'RE EVER IN ANY KIND OF TROUBLE- RUN.

THE GUN IS AN ABSOLUTE LAST RESORT.

RELAX, NO ONE WILL FIND ME. I'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR YEARS.

I KNOW HOW TO STAY HIDDEN.



THE MOST
IMPORTANT PART OF
GUN OWNERSHIP IS
LEARNING HOW **NOT** TO
ACCIDENTALLY KILL
YOURSELF

MAKE SURE
THE GUN IS
UNLOADED-

WE WENT
OVER THIS
IN THE CAR
ALREADY..

I'M
NOT STUPID.
GIVE ME **SOME**
CREDIT



FINE.

GO AHEAD
AND TAKE A
SHOT.



AWRIGHT!
I FEEL LIKE A
STUPENDOUS
BADASS
ALREADY!

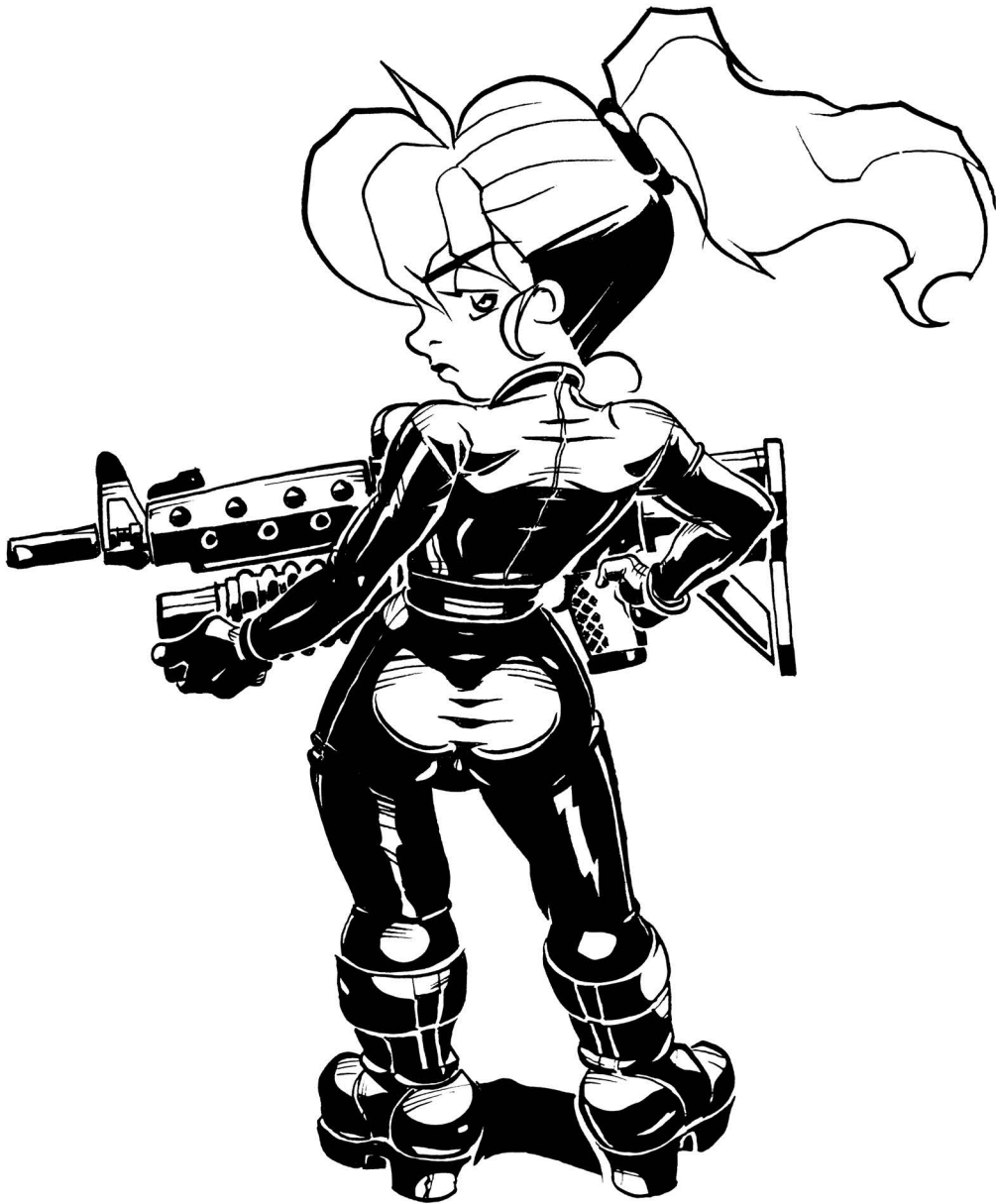
AWW **GEEZ**
DON'T HOLD IT
LIKE **THAT...**











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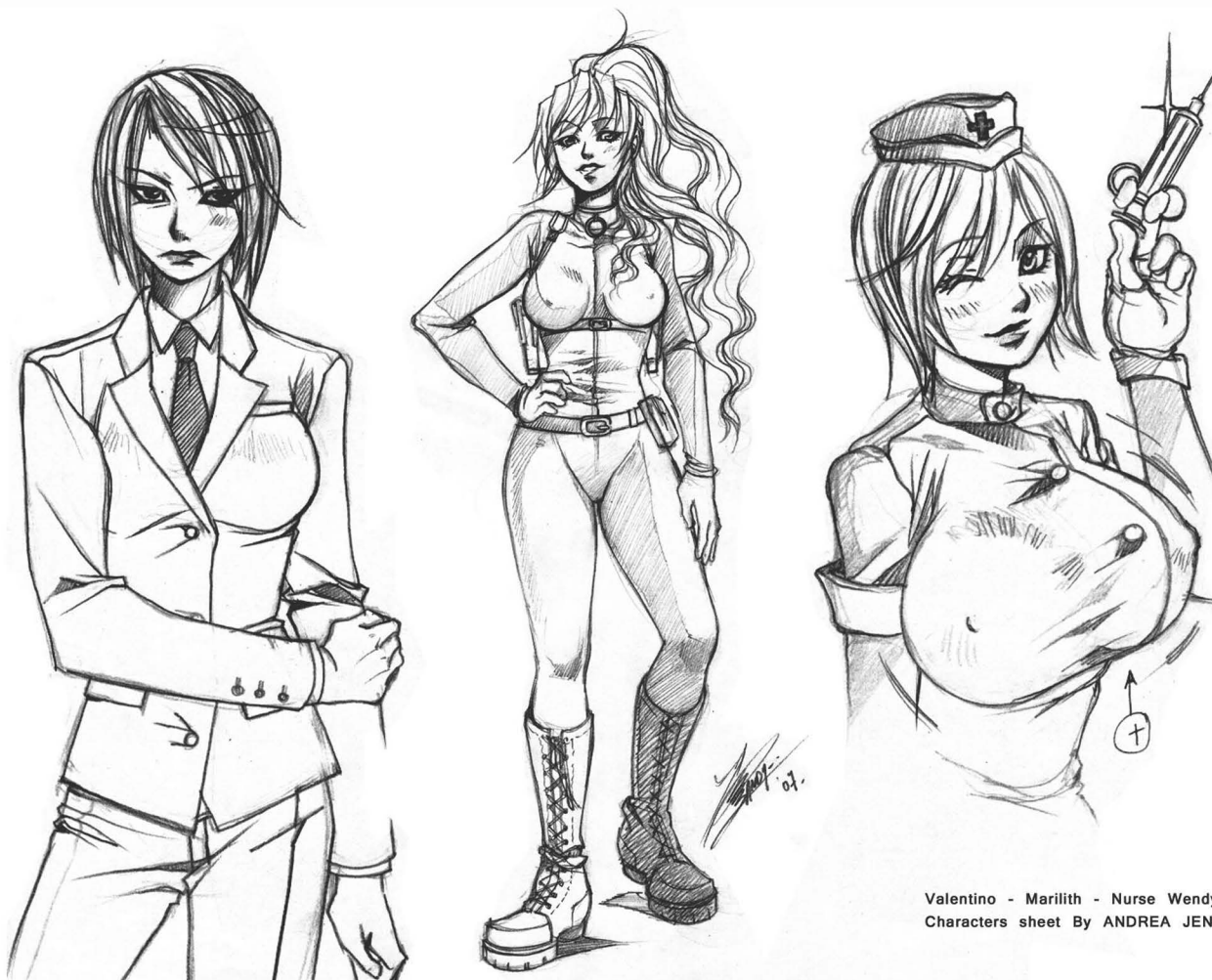


SHADOW HEARTS









Valentino - Marilith - Nurse Wendy
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