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PART 1: TERMS OF SERVICE



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FRESH BREEZE. CLEAN AIR.



ONLY SILENCE. NO BUZZING
TRAFFIC. NO KNOTTED MEGWAYS.



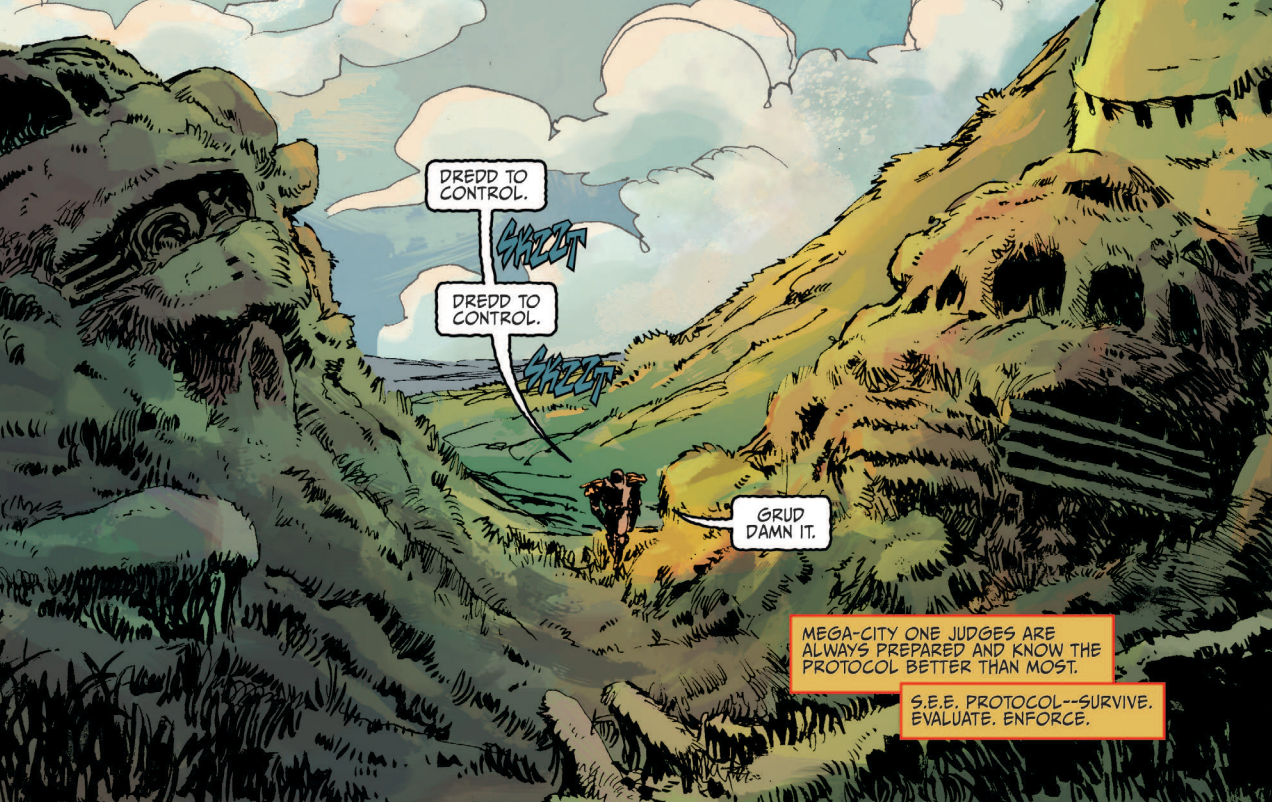
WHAT HAPPENED?



EVERYTHING WAS GONE,
EVERYONE WAS GONE.
EVERYONE EXCEPT--



-- JUDGE DREDD®



DREDD TO CONTROL.

SHZZT

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SHZZT

GRUD
DAMN IT.

MEGA-CITY ONE JUDGES ARE ALWAYS PREPARED AND KNOW THE PROTOCOL BETTER THAN MOST.

S.E.E. PROTOCOL--SURVIVE.
EVALUATE. ENFORCE.

SURVIVE.



FORTY-FIVE ROUNDS LEFT.
TWENTY-FIVE STANDARD
EXECUTION. FOUR HI-EX.
FIVE ARMOR-PIERCING.
SEVEN RICOCHET. FOUR
INCENDIARY. ZERO
HEAT-SEEKER.

EVALUATE.



NOT DRUGGED.
THAT MEANS
WHAT I'M
SEEING IS REAL.

ENFORCE.



MAC* PORTABLE SEEMS
TO BE IN WORKING ORDER.
SIGNAL ONLY PICKING UP
STATIC. THIS CAN'T BE A
HOLO-SIM-AIR DOESN'T
TASTE RECIRCULATED.
BUT THE CURSED EARTH
CAN'T GROW THIS MUCH
VEGETATION EITHER.

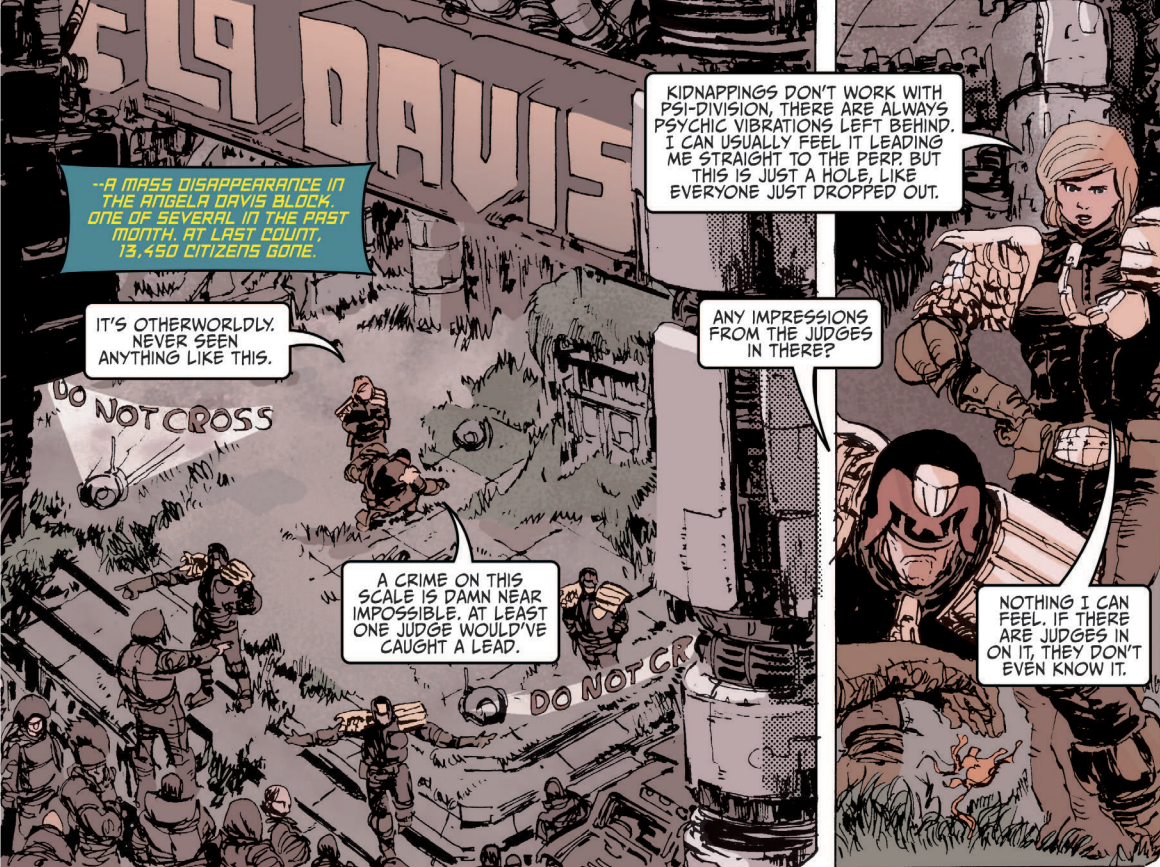
*MACRO ANALYSIS
COMPUTER
--EDITOR DROID



LEFT FOR DEAD? NO. PERPS
WOULD HAVE FINISHED ME OFF.
SOMETHING WENT WRONG.
SOMETHING MUST BE SCREWING
WITH THE SIGNAL--COORDINATES
SAY I'M IN SECTOR 289,
MEGA-CITY ONE... BUT THAT
CAN'T BE RIGHT.

MAC, READ OUT
THE LAST
ENTRY MADE IN
MY CASE LOG.

CASE 01-12-2324. 3:45
A.M.--RECEIVED A CALL
FROM CONTROL TO
INVESTIGATE--



--A MASS DISAPPEARANCE IN THE ANGELA DAVIS BLOCK, ONE OF SEVERAL IN THE PAST MONTH. AT LAST COUNT, 13,450 CITIZENS GONE.

IT'S OTHERWORLDLY. NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS.

KIDNAPPINGS DON'T WORK WITH PSI-DIVISION, THERE ARE ALWAYS PSYCHIC VIBRATIONS LEFT BEHIND. I CAN USUALLY FEEL IT LEADING ME STRAIGHT TO THE PERP BUT THIS IS JUST A HOLE, LIKE EVERYONE JUST DROPPED OUT.

ANY IMPRESSIONS FROM THE JUDGES IN THERE?

A CRIME ON THIS SCALE IS DAMN NEAR IMPOSSIBLE. AT LEAST ONE JUDGE WOULD'VE CAUGHT A LEAD.

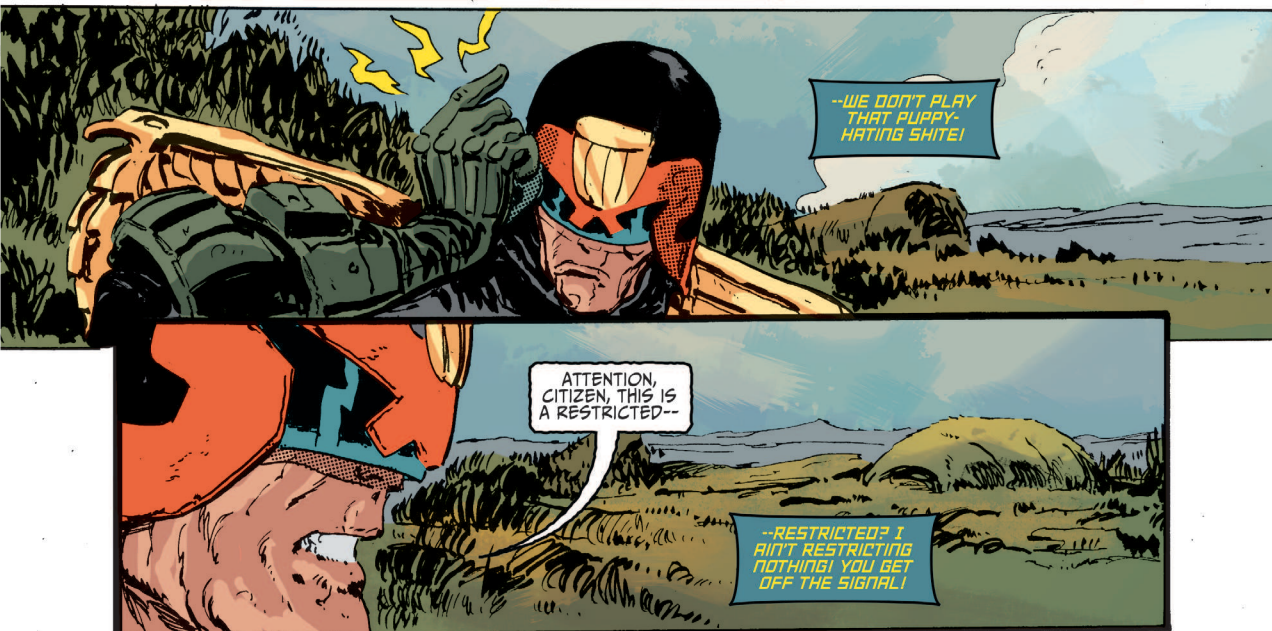
NOTHING I CAN FEEL. IF THERE ARE JUDGES IN ON IT, THEY DON'T EVEN KNOW IT.



ALL RIGHT, CALL IT IN TO CONTROL. WE'RE WASTING OUR TIME HERE. I'M BEGINNING TO THINK THIS ISN'T A KIDNAPPING, BUT SOME KIND OF BIOLOGICAL ATTACK.

DREDD... CONTROL'S GONE SILENT.

--PUPPY-HATING MOTHER DROKKER!



--WE DON'T PLAY THAT PUPPY-HATING SHITE!

ATTENTION, CITIZEN, THIS IS A RESTRICTED--

--RESTRICTED? I AIN'T RESTRICTING NOTHING! YOU GET OFF THE SIGNAL!



YOU ARE GETTING
BLUED TODAY,
PUG-WAD!

I'M KICKING PUPPIES
EVERY DAY! NO MATTER
WHAT YOU KIDS SAY!

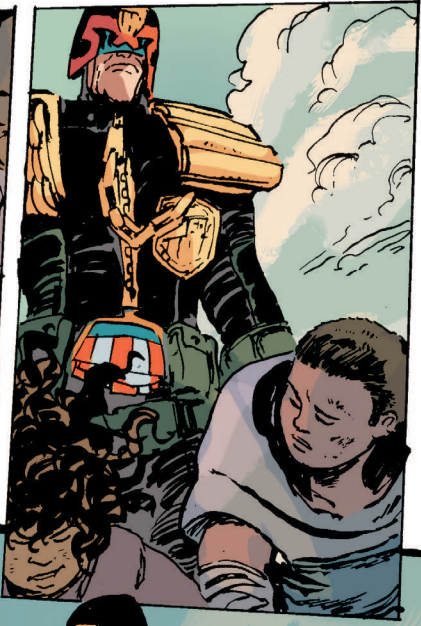


I LOVE THE WAY
EYEBALLS FEEL
ON MY FINGERS.



PULL OUT
HIS EYES!

FREEZE,
SCUMBAGS!





YOU ARE ALL UNDER ARREST FOR ASSAULTING AN INNOCENT--

HE'S NOT INNOCENT! WE CAUGHT HIM KICKING PUPPIES!



EVERYONE BE QUIET BEFORE I HAUL YOU ALL IN FOR--

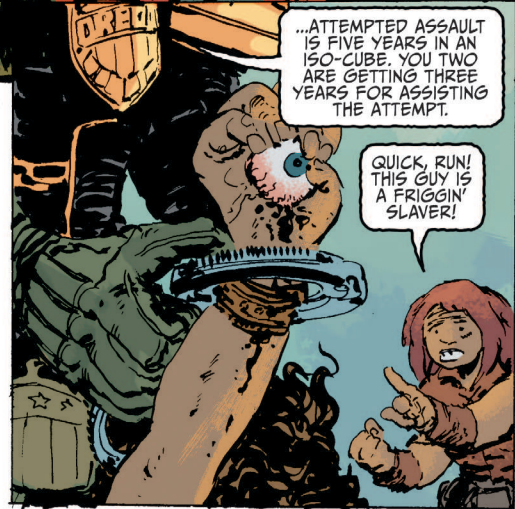
GIVE ME THAT GUN! I'LL SHOOT 'EM MYSELF!



YEAH! YOU SHOWED THAT CREEPO!

UPLOAD DAT TO THE ANG AVI STATS!

UPLOAD THIS...



...ATTEMPTED ASSAULT IS FIVE YEARS IN AN ISO-CUBE. YOU TWO ARE GETTING THREE YEARS FOR ASSISTING THE ATTEMPT.

QUICK, RUN! THIS GUY IS A FRIGGIN' SLAVER!



UNLESS YOU WANT ANOTHER FIVE YEARS FOR RESISTING ARREST, YOU'RE COMING WITH ME TO THE NEAREST MEGA-BLOCK.



NOW WHAT ARE YOUR NAMES? HOW FAR ARE WE FROM MEGA-CITY ONE?

I'M LOLO, QUILL IS THE ONE THAT LIKES THE EYEBALLS, AND THAT'S IGGY. SHE IS REALLY NICE.

BUH, WHAT IS A MEH-GAH-SEE-TEE?

WE ARE FROM THE GRASS.



WHAT ABOUT YOUR PARENTS?

NO ONE FROM THE GRASS HAS PARENTS.

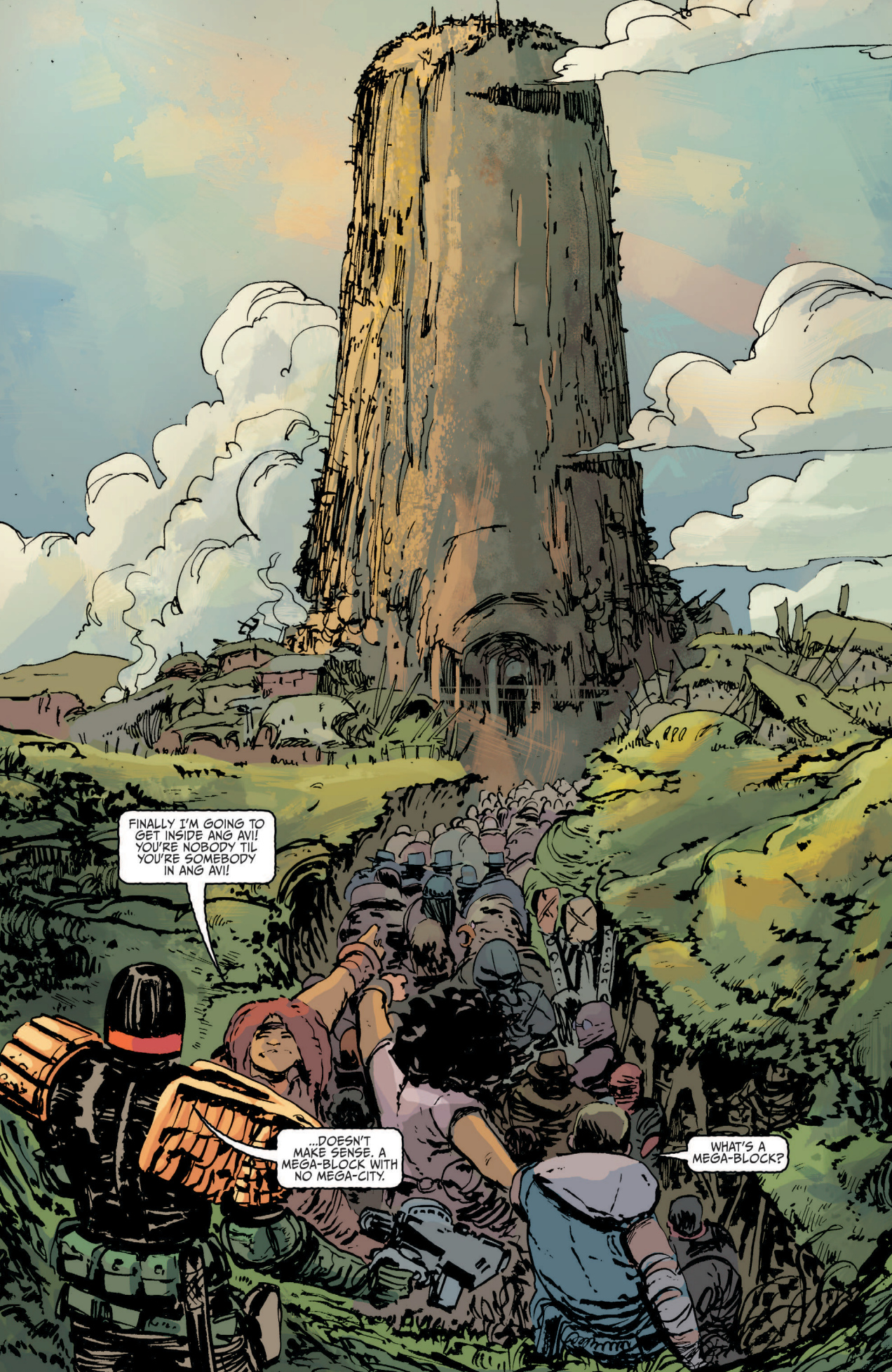


YOU'RE NOT FROM AROUND HERE, ARE YOU?



...WHAT THE DROKK?





FINALLY I'M GOING TO
GET INSIDE ANG AVI!
YOU'RE NOBODY TIL
YOU'RE SOMEBODY
IN ANG AVI!

...DOESN'T
MAKE SENSE. A
MEGA-BLOCK WITH
NO MEGA-CITY.

WHAT'S A
MEGA-BLOCK?

WE DESERVE OVE! FEMALES DESERVE HATE! PLEASE DON'T REJECT US! WE ARE ACTUALLY NICE GUYS!

EAT YOUR CHILDREN, IT'LL REDUCE THEIR CARBON FOOTPRINT, AND YOU'LL FEEL BETTER FOR IT!

I DECLARE IF YOUR WORLDVIEW PRECLUDES THE EXISTENCE OF PARTICULAR WAYS OF BEING, THEN THE WORLDVIEW NEEDS REFORMING!

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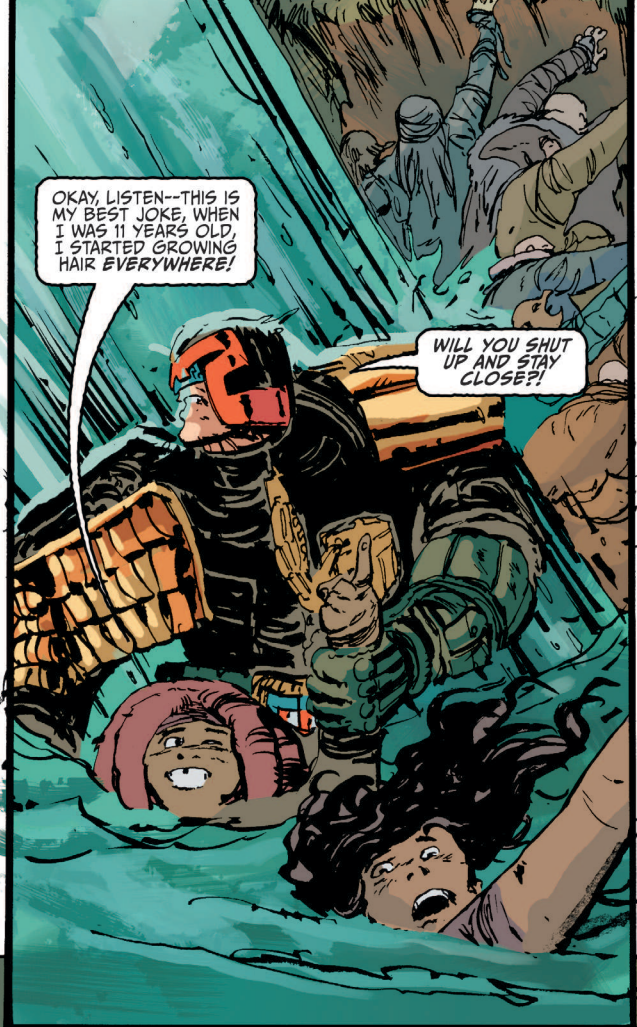
BRAAOMMMM!

NNOOOOOOOOO!
THE GATE IS
CLOSING!

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THAT'S NOT
EVEN A LITTLE
FAIR! I WAS
SO READY!

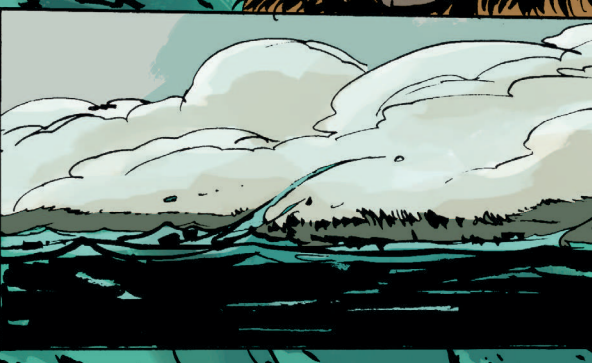


OKAY, LISTEN--THIS IS
MY BEST JOKE, WHEN
I WAS 11 YEARS OLD,
I STARTED GROWING
HAIR EVERYWHERE!

WILL YOU SHUT
UP AND STAY
CLOSE?!

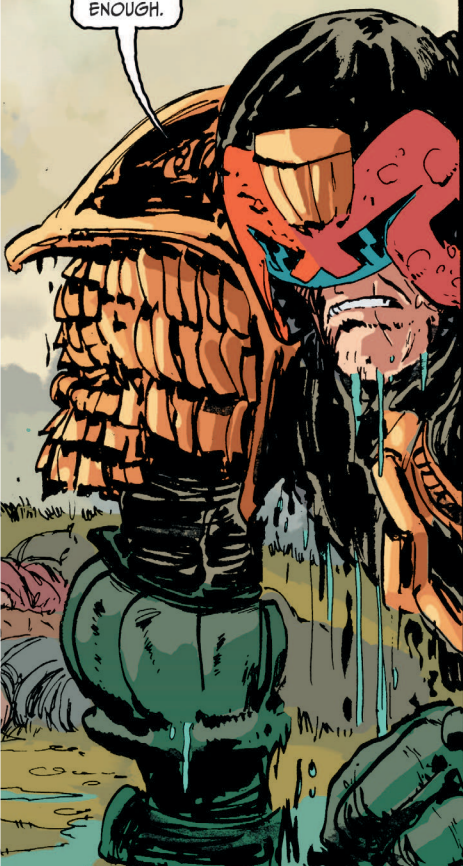


IT WAS
THE PITS!





COUGH
THAT'S
ENOUGH.



WHAT'S YOUR
MALFUNCTION?!

IF THERE'S A
MEGA-BLOCK HERE,
THERE HAS TO BE A
HOLDING CELL. I'M
PUTTING YOU GUYS IN
IT AND LEAVING YOU
THERE, WHEREVER
THE DROCK IT IS.



I'M GOING TO DEAL
WITH THESE TWO RUST
BUCKETS AND FIND
SOMEBODY SMARTER
THAN YOU KRUDS.

ROBOT! STEP ASIDE,
YOU'RE IN SEVERE
DISREPAIR. ANY ACTION
TAKEN WILL BE
CONSIDERED CAUSE
FOR DESTRUCTION.

I HAVE THREE
JUVENILES. I NEED
TO GET INSIDE
FOR PROCESSING.

DID YOU HEAR
THAT, GUYS?
HE'S GONNA
GET US INTO
ANG AVI!

OPERATOR FOUND:
GATEKEEPER. SYS
MUST ACCEPT TERMS
OF SERVICE.

OKAY, USERNAME:
JUDGE DREDD.
ACCESS CODE:
HI-EX!

ATTEMPTED
TROJAN INFILTRATION
ATTACK IN PROGRESS.
ELIMINATE. ELIMINATE.

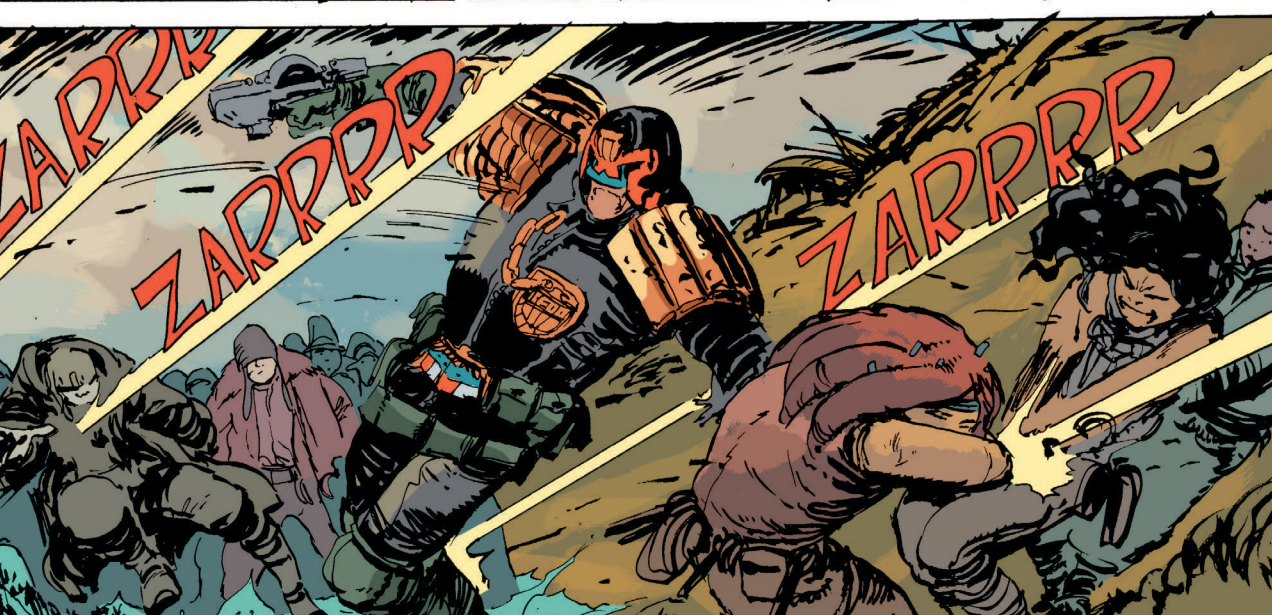
WHAT IS YOUR
USER NAME AND
ACCESS CODE?!

ELIMINATE.
ELIMINATE.
ATTEMPTED
SYSOP HACK.
ELIMINATE.

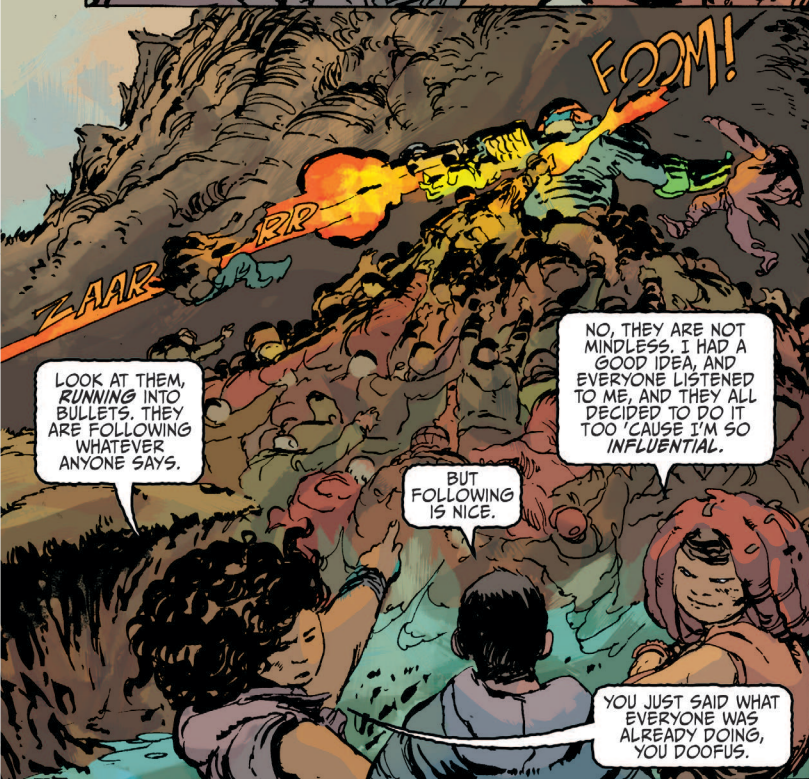
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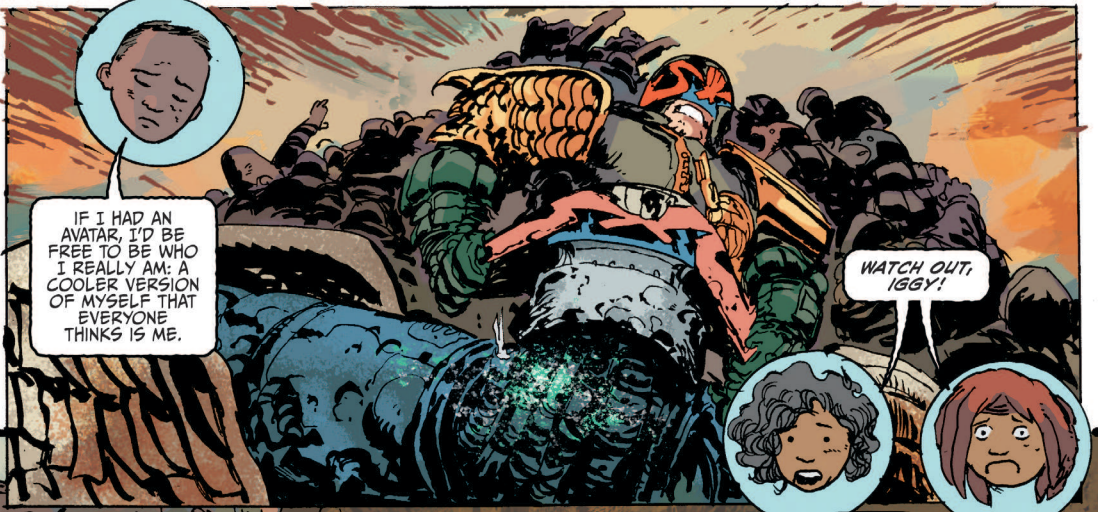
HE JUST
HEADSHOT THAT
GATEKEEPER!

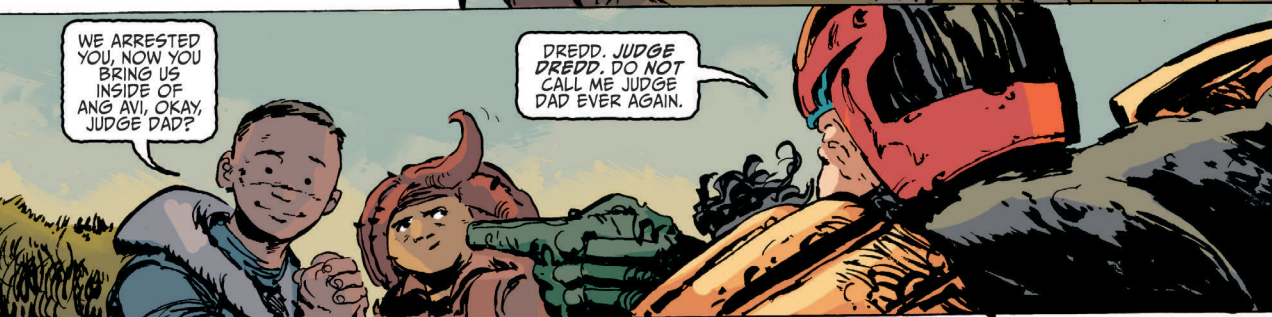
I DIDN'T
KNOW WE
COULD DO
THAT!











WE ARRESTED YOU, NOW YOU BRING US INSIDE OF ANG AVI, OKAY, JUDGE DAD?

DREDD. JUDGE DREDD. DO NOT CALL ME JUDGE DAD EVER AGAIN.



YOU'RE SO WONDERFUL, IT'S LIKE YOU REALLY CARE ABOUT US MORE THAN SOCAP.

WHATEVER, MAN! GET US THE DROKK INSIDE ALREADY!

I GOT AN EYEBALL.



WHAT? I LOVE EYES.



THE ANG AVI BLOCKERS COME OUT OF THESE AT NIGHT. THEY DON'T SEE ME, BUT I SEE THEM, WITH MY EYES.

YES! I LOVE CRAWLING! I USED TO CRAWL ALL THE TIME AS A BABY. LONGER THAN MOST BABIES, ACTUALLY!

COLD, DIRTY. DREDD
COULD SMELL IT,
FEEL IT ON HIS SKIN.

I AM NOT
DRESSED TO
BE FUNNY.

SOMETHING OLD,
SOMETHING FAMILIAR.

DOES EVERYONE WEAR
THOSE FUNNY SHOULDER PADS
IN MEH-GA-SEE-TEE-WON?

I SAW THOSE FUNNY
SHOULDER PADS
BEFORE. THEY USED
TO DRESS LIKE THAT
BEFORE THE YEARS
RAN OUT.

BEFORE
THE YEARS
RAN OUT?

WHAT YEAR
DO YOU
THINK IT IS?

I DON'T KNOW,
IT'S YEAR ZERO
EVERY YEAR--

--DUCK!





COLD, DIRTY. DREDD COULD SMELL IT, FEEL IT ON HIS SKIN. THIS FEELS LIKE--



ANG AVI. ANGELA. DAVIS. BLOCK. THIS IS MEGA-CITY ONE.

IT'S ALL... GONE.

HEY, CHEER UP, JUDGE DAD. WELCOME TO OUR NEW HOME.

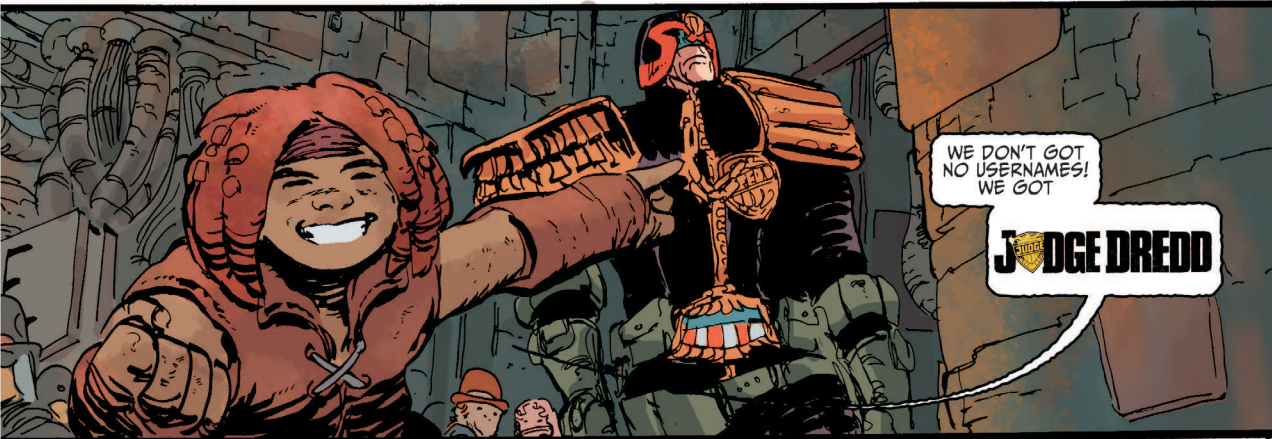




PART 2: FLAME WARS



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YOU MEAN A SYS-OP?

TimtheSog: where are the sys-ops??



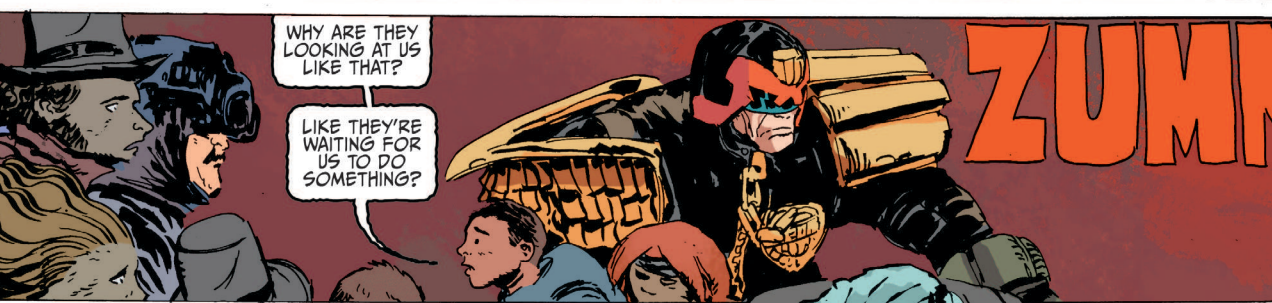
ANGRY TOSHOES: We are looking into it. Please enjoy your vouches neatly.

I'M ALWAYS FALLING FOR THESE TROGS, YO.

ALWAYS LOOKING TO RILE THEMSELVES UP.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION.

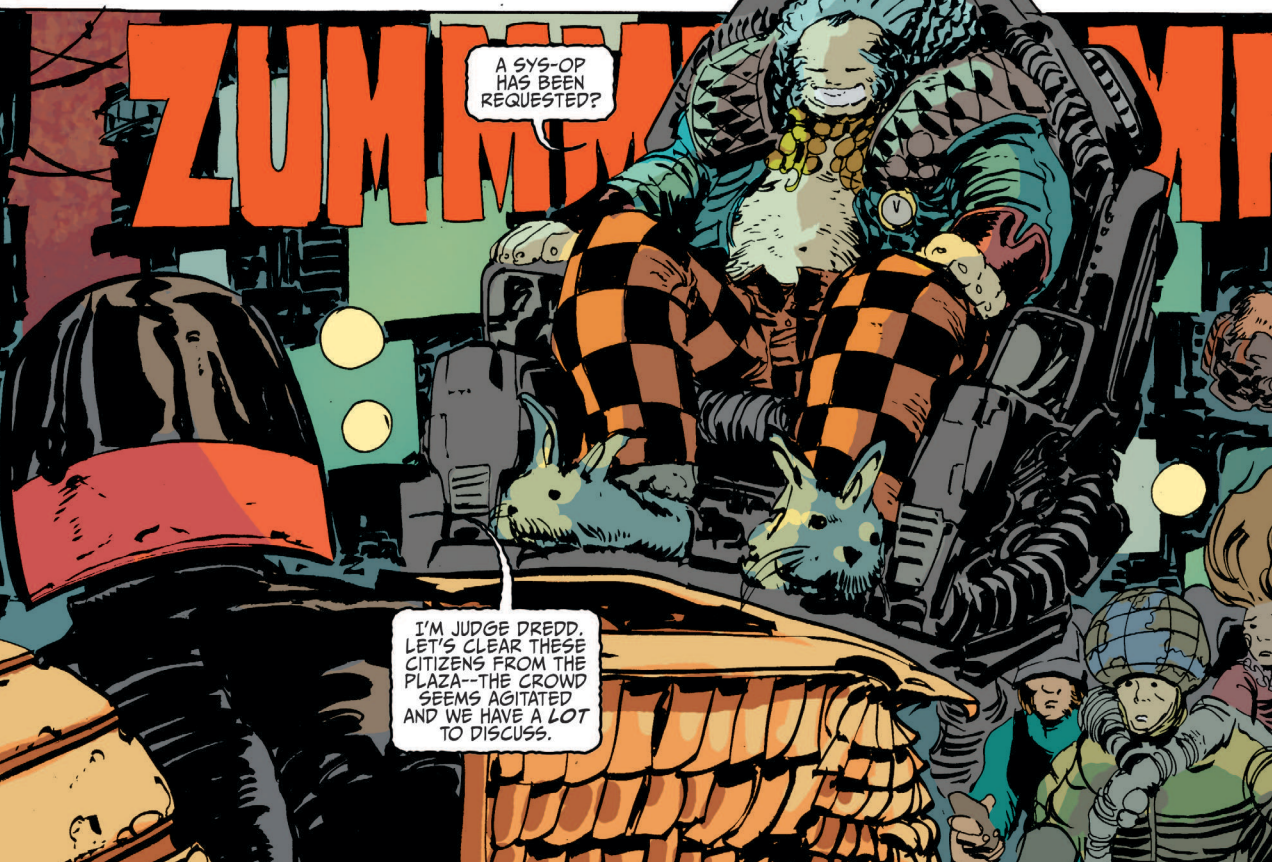
NO MORE TROGS



WHY ARE THEY LOOKING AT US LIKE THAT?

LIKE THEY'RE WAITING FOR US TO DO SOMETHING?

ZUMM



A SYS-OP HAS BEEN REQUESTED?

I'M JUDGE DREDD. LET'S CLEAR THESE CITIZENS FROM THE PLAZA--THE CROWD SEEMS AGITATED AND WE HAVE A LOT TO DISCUSS.

ZUMM



SO HOW EXACTLY CAN I HELP YOU?



HELP ME? THIS MEGA-BLOCK ISN'T MAKING AN EFFORT TO CURB UNLAWFUL BEHAVIOR-- I'VE SEEN 55 CRIMES COMMITTED SINCE I GOT HERE--BUT FIRST OFF...

...WHAT THE DRÖKK HAPPENED TO MEGA-CITY ONE?!



SIR, THIS TROG ATTEMPT IS OBVIOUS AND RUDE.

WE HAVE BEEN TROG-FREE FOR 25 DAYS, AND THIS IS TOO SOON FOR ANOTHER OUTBREAK.



QING

MHM. YES. OF COURSE.



STOP! WHERE ARE YOU GOING?!

I AM A JUDGE OF MEGA-CITY ONE, AND AS LONG AS ONE MEGA-BLOCK STANDS, THE LAW STANDS. YOU AND THIS MEGA-BLOCK ARE IN VIOLATION OF--

--OF
EVERYTHING.

SORRY, WE HAVE A STRICT RULE TO NOT ENGAGE WITH YOUR TYPES. IT'LL ONLY MAKE YOU STRONGER AND DUMBER.

I HAVE HAD ENOUGH. THIS BLOCK IS NOW UNDER JUDGE CONTROL UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE FOR GENERAL DISORDER.

YOU'RE OUT OF ORDER!

PFFT, SUCH A PATHETIC THROWBACK.

YOU'RE UNDER ARREST FOR--

NO! NO! I THINK YOU'RE UNDER ARREST, BUDDY!

UGH! NOT AGAIN! DO NOT ENGAGE WITH HIM! HE IS A TROG!

WE ARE ALL UNDER ARREST!

I DON'T THINK I LIKE IT HERE ANYMORE.

WE GOT THIS. WE GOT THIS LIKE WE BASHED THAT GATEKEEPER!

GET BEHIND ME.



NOT NEW TREND: OVER 1000 AUTHORITY FIGURE UNIFORMS HAVE BEEN ORDERED AND SHIPPED. DRONE-DELIVERY IN 20.3 SECONDS

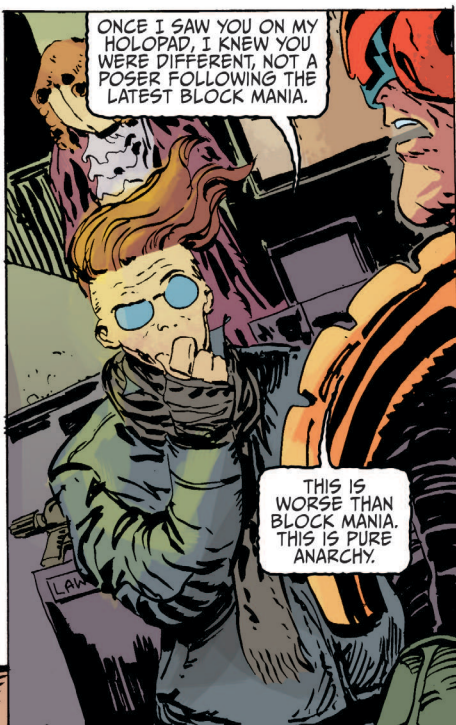






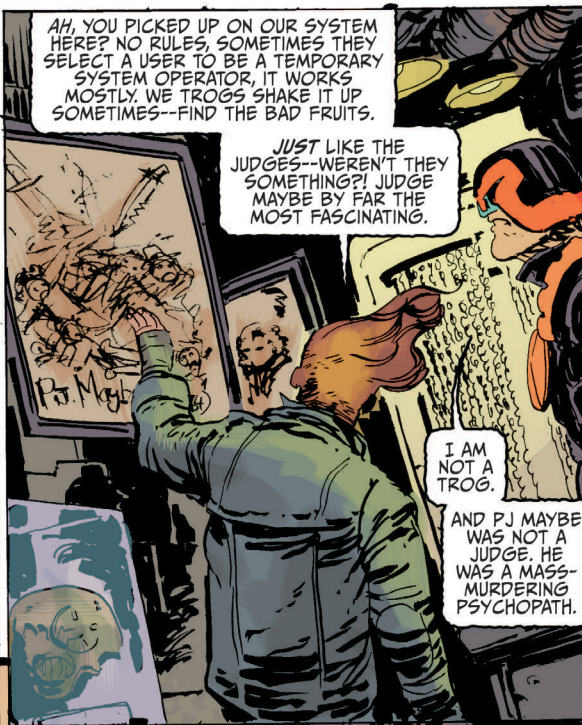
HELLO, MY USERNAME IS TROG LODY. GOOD WORK OUT THERE GETTING THOSE BUFFOONS ALL WORKED UP.

THE OLD-SCHOOL JUDGE COSTUME WAS A NICE TOUCH, TOO.



ONCE I SAW YOU ON MY HOLOPAD, I KNEW YOU WERE DIFFERENT, NOT A POSER FOLLOWING THE LATEST BLOCK MANIA.

THIS IS WORSE THAN BLOCK MANIA. THIS IS PURE ANARCHY.

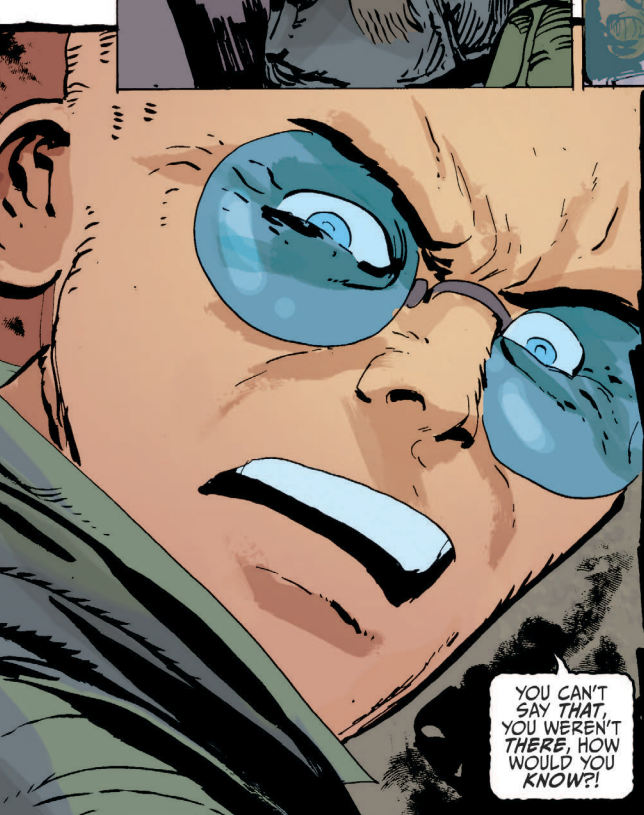


AH, YOU PICKED UP ON OUR SYSTEM HERE? NO RULES, SOMETIMES THEY SELECT A USER TO BE A TEMPORARY SYSTEM OPERATOR, IT WORKS MOSTLY. WE TROGS SHAKE IT UP SOMETIMES--FIND THE BAD FRUITS.

JUST LIKE THE JUDGES--WEREN'T THEY SOMETHING? JUDGE MAYBE BY FAR THE MOST FASCINATING.

I AM NOT A TROG.

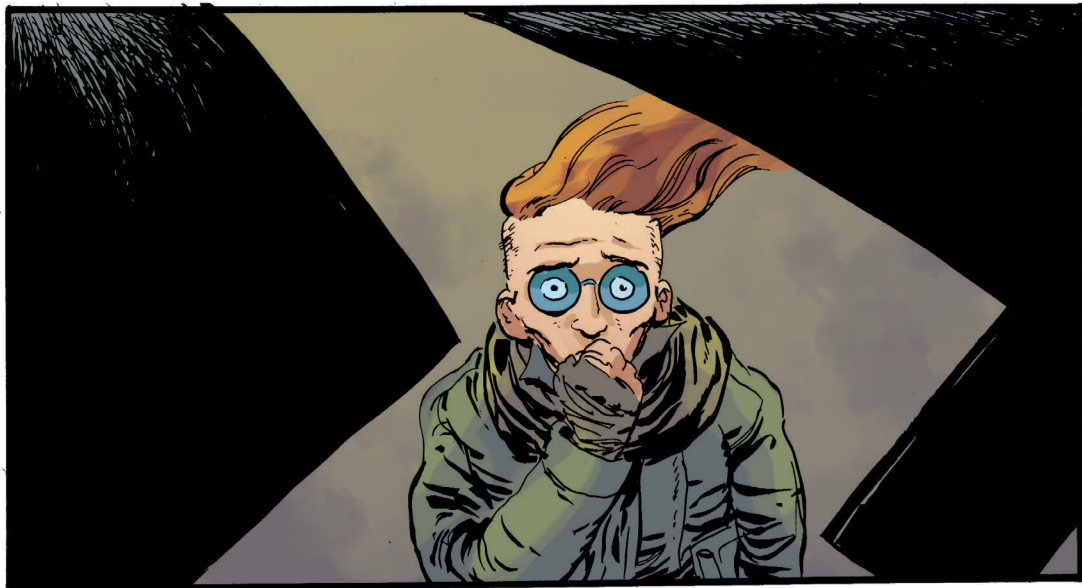
AND PJ MAYBE WAS NOT A JUDGE. HE WAS A MASS-MURDERING PSYCHOPATH.



YOU CAN'T SAY THAT, YOU WEREN'T THERE, HOW WOULD YOU KNOW?!



I WAS THERE. I AM JUDGE JOSEPH DREDD.

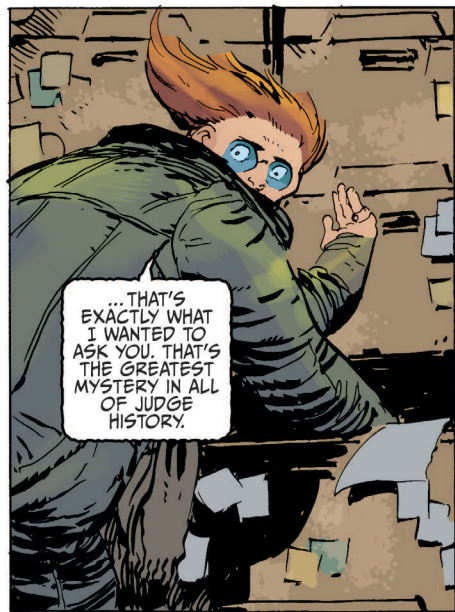


NO WAY...
WHOA. MIND TRIPPY.
THINGS'VE BEEN
GETTING WEIRD
AROUND HERE, AND
NOW YOU!

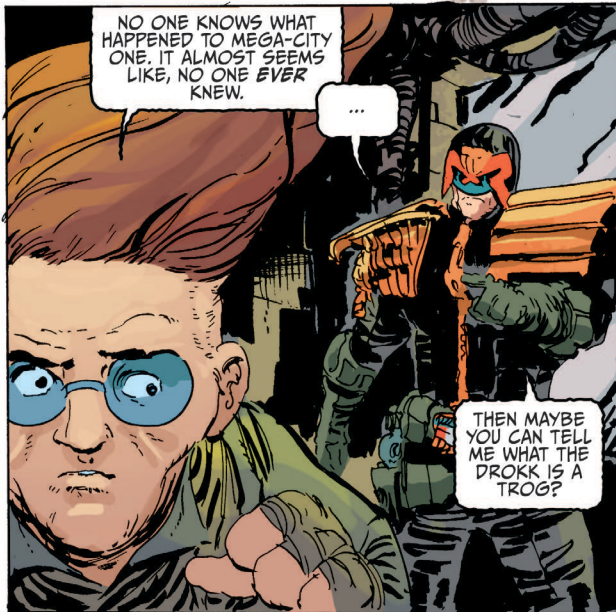
I HAVE SO MANY
QUESTIONS I
WANT TO ASK
YOU, I DON'T
KNOW WHERE
TO BEGIN--



YOU CAN START
BY TELLING ME
WHAT HAPPENED
TO MEGA-CITY
ONE.



... THAT'S
EXACTLY WHAT
I WANTED TO
ASK YOU. THAT'S
THE GREATEST
MYSTERY IN ALL
OF JUDGE
HISTORY.



NO ONE KNOWS WHAT
HAPPENED TO MEGA-CITY
ONE. IT ALMOST SEEMS
LIKE, NO ONE EVER
KNEW.

...

THEN MAYBE
YOU CAN TELL
ME WHAT THE
DROKK IS A
TROG?

IN A TOTALLY FREE SOCIETY, THERE'S ALWAYS PEOPLE WHO JUST WANNA START SOMETHING, SO THE TROGS GO OUT AND GET THEM TO START SOMETHING! THEN WE GOT A REASON TO THROW THEM OUT! OUT TO THE GRASS!

YOU KNOW HOW IT IS--JUDGES, POLICE FORCES, ALWAYS JUST LOOKING FOR THEM AGITATORS!

MAYBE THE JUDGES WENT TOO FAR, BUT US TROGS JUST USED OUR WORDS! I DON'T GET HOW IT WENT WRONG...

...AFTER A WHILE EVERYONE SAID WE WERE JUST RILING PEOPLE UP FOR FUN. SYS-OPS RULED THAT TROGGING WASN'T ACCEPTED IN THE TERMS OF SERVICE. THEY DIDN'T REALIZE THAT TROGS WERE TRYING TO MAKE THEM EVEN FREER! 'CAUSE THE TRUTH IS, ALL YOU NEED IS **ONE BAD APPLE** TO RUIN PURE FREEDOM.

ONE UNCHALLENGED BAD IDEA. THAT'S ALL IT TAKES TO DESTROY A PERFECT WORLD! TROGS JUST PROVOKED PEOPLE INTO GIVING THEMSELVES AWAY, BUT THEN THEY'D ATTACK US!

VIOLENCE IS THE WORST IDEA! YOU HIT A TROG, AND YOU ARE JUST GOING TO MAKE THEM STRONGER! WHY CAN'T PEOPLE JUST TALK THINGS OUT?

DEMOCRACY REJECTED!!

JUSTICE FOR ALL

COURT IS ADJOURN

THE JUDGES ARE COMING

DROKING BRATS.

YES, BRATS, THAT'S ONE WAY OF PUTTING IT!

NO, THREE GIRLS IN A WORLD WITH NO RULES, THEY'RE PROBABLY WORSE OFF IN THIS DROKING BLOCK THAN THE GRASS. WE NEED TO FIND THOSE GIRLS.

OH, YEAH, YEAH, OF COURSE. THE GIRLS.

MAYBE IF WE ACCESS THE CENTRAL NODE, WE CAN TRACK ANY TOS VIOLATIONS WITH POPULATION MOVEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE BLOCK.

GIVE ME ONE SECOND--LET ME GET READY.

I HAVE TO SAY, I NEVER THOUGHT I'D GET TO EXPERIENCE SOME LAW! NOW I'M GONNA GO OUT AND DO **CLASSIC-STYLE LAW!** I'M ALREADY FEELING A SURGE OF UNDENIABLE POWER! NO WONDER YOU GUYS COULDN'T STOP!

WHATTYA THINK? ALL IT NEEDS IS THE FINAL TOUCH!

LAW

MY NAME IS JUDGE TROG!



OKAY, SEZ
HERE THAT IN
ANCIENT AMERICA,
ONLY NINE OF US
CAN BE A JUDGE--

BUT
WOULDN'T WE
HAVE TO FIND A
CRIME TO JUDGE
THEM FOR?

I GUESS
YOU'RE RIGHT.
HOW DOES ONE
DECIDE WHAT A
CRIME IS?

I THINK YOU TAKE
AWAY ALL THE RIGHT
CHOICES, SO THEY
ONLY CHOOSE THE
WRONG ONE, THEN
WE PUNISH THEM FOR
THAT. THAT'S A CRIME.

NOOOOO,
CRIMES ARE WHEN
ONE PERSON WANTS
TO BE A BAD GUY,
SO WE MAKE
BIGGER BAD GUYS
TO CATCH THEM!



YOU GUYS ARE
MAKING ME SAD
RIGHT NOW. THAT
MAKES YOU ALL
CRIMINALS.

I GUESS BY THOSE
ANTIGUATED
STANDARDS, WE ALL
ARE CRIMINALS!

I HEREBY
DECLARE THIS
INAUGURAL
COURT HEARING
TO BE A CRIME.
ARREST US.



WAIT! THEY SAID IF YOU
DON'T HAVE ANY AUTHORITY
COSTUMES ON, YOU CAN'T
TALK ABOUT LAW!

THOSE
NO-COSTUME-
HAVING KIDS WERE
ALWAYS THE
CRIMINALS!



YOU HAVE
BEEN
JUDGED!

DEATH
BY PUPPY-
KICK!





SO, WHEN WE FIND THE CHILDREN, WHAT WOULD A JUDGE LIKE YOURSELF DO WITH THEIR CAPTORS?

THEY WILL PROBABLY BE SENTENCED FOR KIDNAPPING.



SURELY, YOU DON'T MEAN CAPTIVITY. THAT IS QUITE CRUEL. A NICE UNFILTERED ARGUMENT SHOULD DO. THEY EITHER ACCEPT THEY SHOULD REMOVE THEMSELVES OR YOU CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION!

YOU ARE WRONG, DEAD WRONG--I AM THE ONLY AUTHORITY.



...I AM NOT WRONG, PLEASE STOP SAYING THAT.



I DID NOT ASK FOR A PHILOSOPHICAL DISCUSSION. YOU ARE ASSISTING ME IN FINDING THE CHILDREN I ARRIVED WITH.

OF COURSE. THE CHILDREN.



YOU'RE GONNA WANNA BE CAREFUL WITH THAT THING IN HERE. THE COOLANT TANKS ARE HIGHLY FLAMMABLE.



LOOKS LIKE ALL THE BLOCK RESIDENTS ARE CONVERGING ON THE GARDEN LEVELS. THOSE ARE THE UPPER LEVELS--GREAT VIEWS, GREAT FOOD, GREAT SPOT TO KICK PUPPIES FROM.

UNPLUG, LET'S MOVE.

ARE YOU GOING
TO EXECUTE
ANYONE WHEN WE
GET THERE?

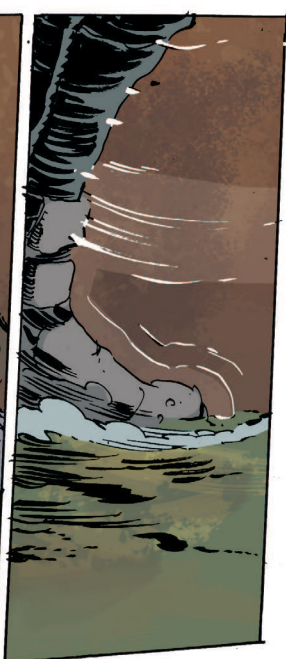
PERPS RESIST ARREST,
MAKE THE MISTAKE OF
ATTACKING A JUDGE--A
LETHAL RESPONSE IS
NECESSARY.

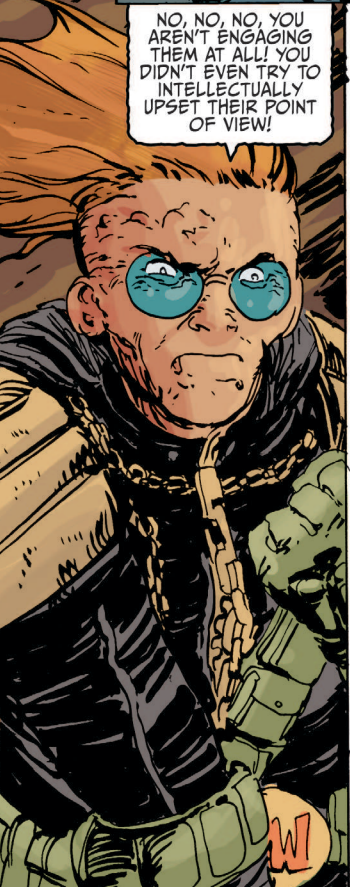
BUT SURELY, YOU WILL TRY AND
AGITATE THEM FIRST WITH SOME
GOOD BANTER! TO PLAY DEVIL'S
ADVOCATE WITH THE JUDGE
DREDD, I AM SO HONORED!

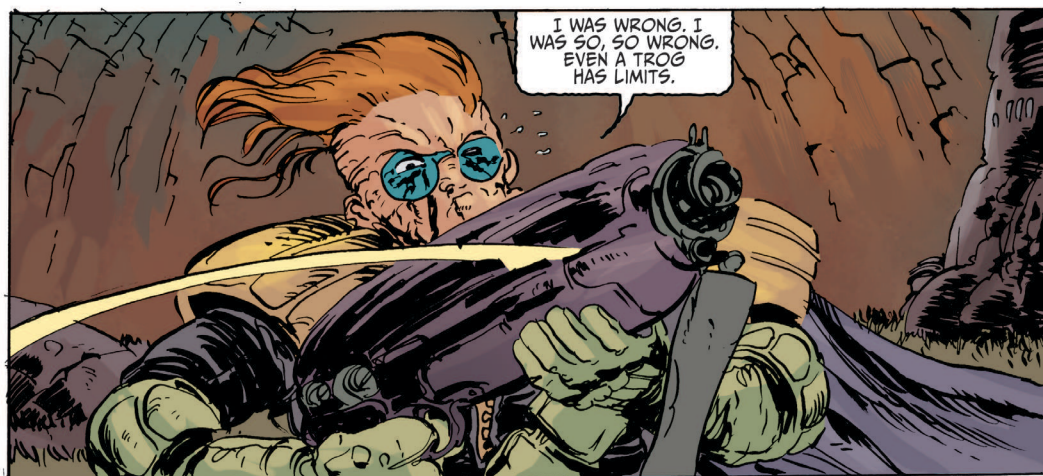
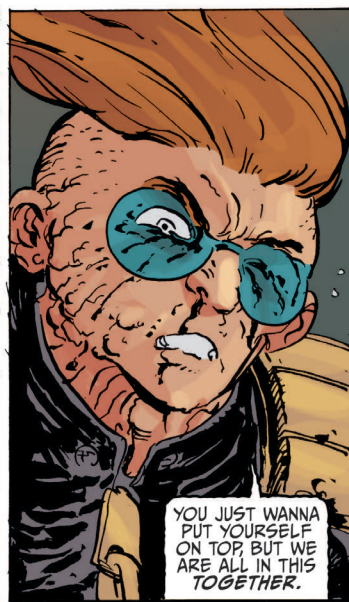
THIS ISN'T
DROKKING
BANTER. RESIST
ARREST. LETHAL
RESPONSE.

WHO
MADE YOU
KING?











ARE YOU
OKAY--?

A TROG
DOESN'T STOP
PEOPLE FROM
WHAT THEY
WANNA DO.

WE FIND THE ONE
PERSON WHO
WANTS TO STOP
EVERYONE ELSE
FROM WHAT THEY
WANNA DO.



WE REMOVE
THEM. REMOVE
THEM AND THEIR
BAD IDEAS.



BAD IDEA:
YOU ARE
THE LAW!

BAD IDEA:
THIS IS THE
BEST FOR
EVERYONE!

BAD IDEAS
MUST BE
REMOVED!



GIRLS,
FIND
COVER.

BUT
YOU'RE
HURT.

IGGY, COME
ON, WE CAN
HELP HIM IF
WE GET OUT
OF THE WAY.

I BET YOU BLEW
IT UP! I BET THE
JUDGES BLEW UP
THE WHOLE DAMN
MEGA-CITY!

SENTENCED
US ALL TO
DIE!



BUT THE
WORLD LIVES
ON WITHOUT
JUDGES!



CAN
YOU LIVE
WITHOUT
THE LAW?!



DON'T YOU
SEE HOW I
CHALLENGE YOU
INTELLECTUALLY?!
THIS IS BANTER!
THIS IS HOW
WE RESOLVE
DISPUTES!

CROWD-
SOURCED
DEMOCRACY,
PARTICIPATORY
CULTURE,
INFORMED
ANARCHY! THE
BEST IDEAS
THRIVE!



WHAT THE
HELL IS THAT
THING?

THAT'S A
TROG. TROGS
ARE REAL
BAD GUYS.

THEY ALWAYS
ACT LIKE THEY'RE
YOUR FRIEND AT
FIRST, BUT THEY
REALLY JUST
WANNA CONVINCE
YOU HOW RIGHT
THEY ARE.

THEY'RE SO
JUDGMENTAL.



JUDGMENTAL? DOES THAT
MEAN BEING JUDGMENTAL
MAKES YOU A BAD GUY?

YES, SO? HE
HAS THE RIGHT
TO BE A BAD GUY
IF HE WANTS.

BUT AREN'T YOU
S'POSED TO BE THE
LAW? DON'T YOU
HAVE TO JUDGE THE
BAD GUYS?

OMG.
YOU'RE SO
RIGHT!



JUDGES, WE
WERE RIGHT,
BUT NOW WE
ARE WRONG!

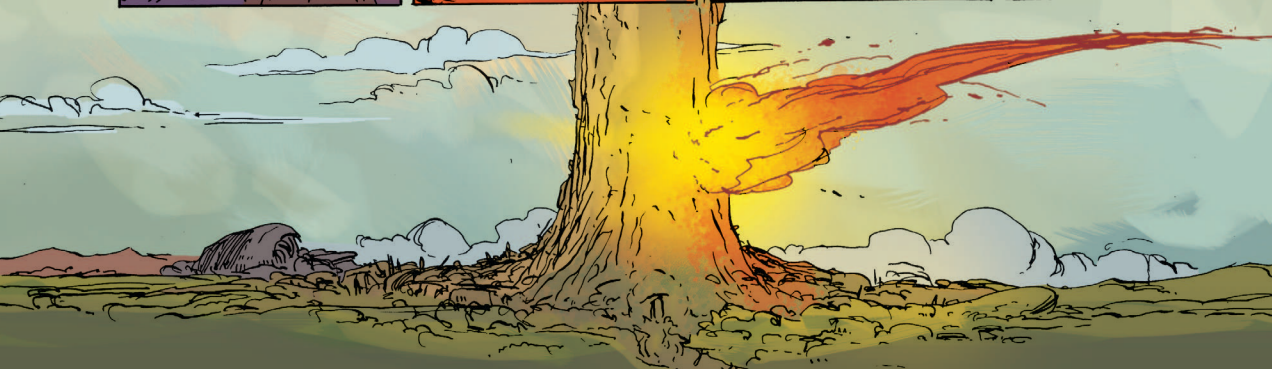
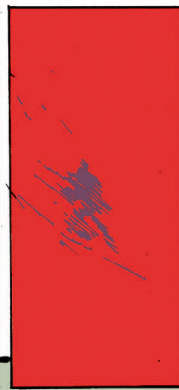
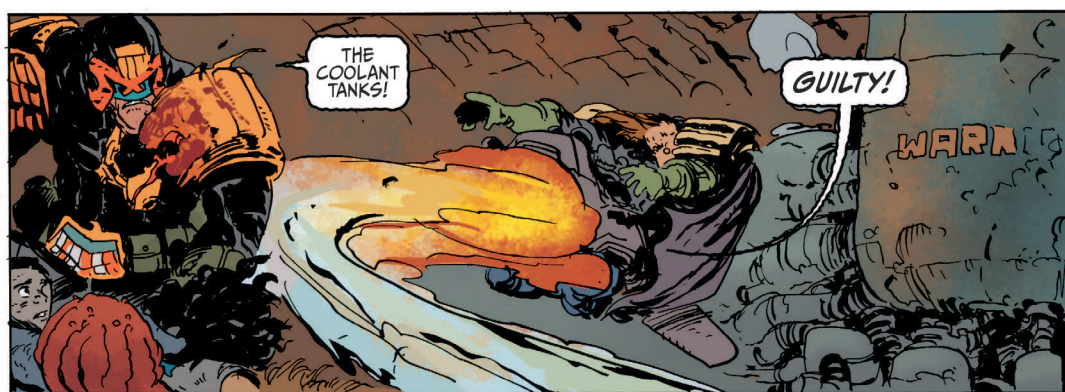
WE ARE ALL
BAD GUYS! WE
MUST ALL BE
JUDGED.



THIS MEGA-BLOCK
IS IN DISORDER. WE
ARE THE LAW.

WHAT?!

THIS
DOESN'T
SEEM
GOOD...

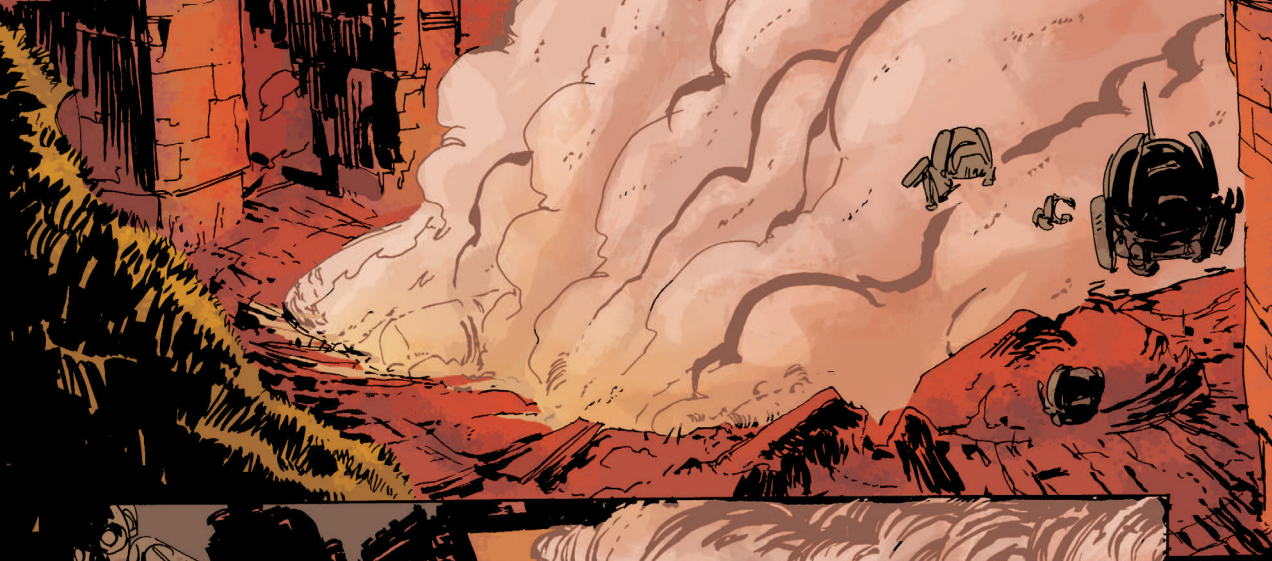


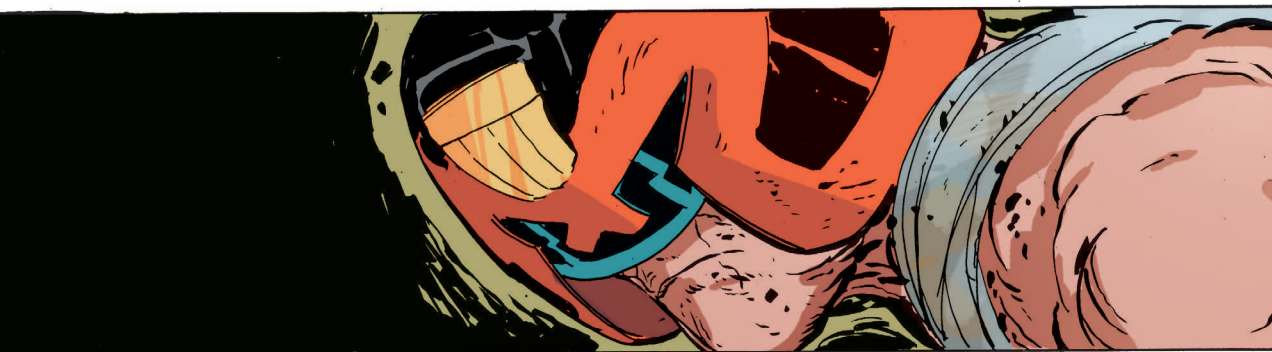


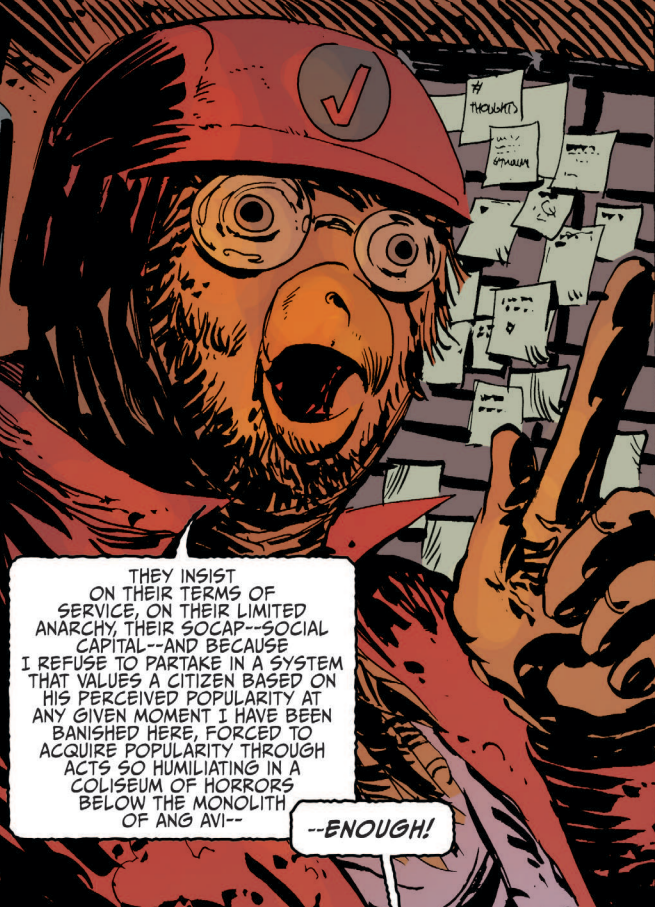
PART 3:
THE FEEDING
OF THE TROGS



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NO. NO. NO. YOU. DON'T. GET. IT.



AND MELT YOU WILL! YOU WILL ALL MELT WITHOUT THE RIGOROUS DISCUSSION OF IDEALS!

THE CHARACTER OF THIS BLOCK WILL DETERIORATE WITHOUT MY WISE COUNCIL! YOU IMPRISONED ME BECAUSE I SEEK TO ELEVATE THE DISCOURSE!

YOU LOOK LIKE A MELTED FUSION REACTOR TOOK A DUMP ON A SKELETON!

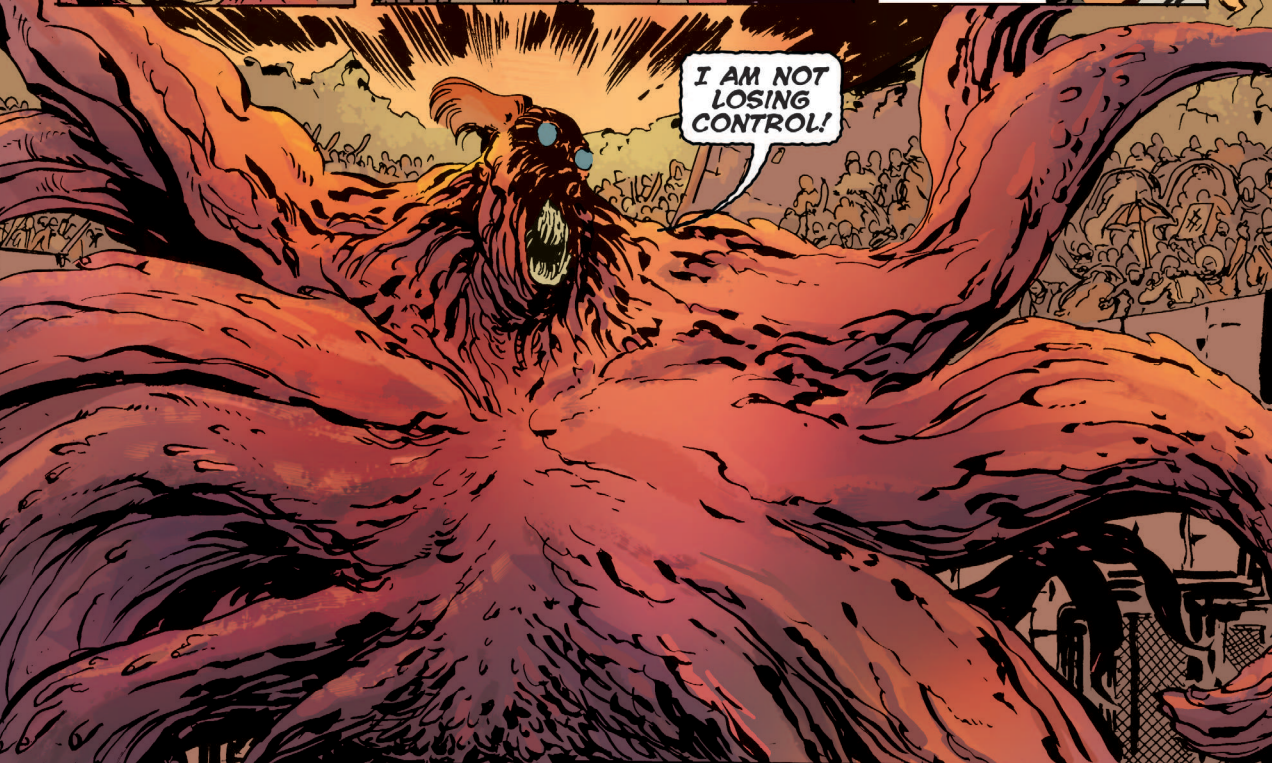


DREDD DOESN'T GET IT. CHICKEN-HEAD DOESN'T GET IT. THAT'S WHY YOU'RE DOWN HERE. I FIND THOSE WHO DON'T GET IT.

YOU PEOPLE WANNA TELL PEOPLE WHAT TO DO, HOW TO LIVE.

I THINK BUTT-FACE IS GETTING MAD.

LET US DISCUSS THIS CONCEPT BEFORE YOU LOSE CONTROL.

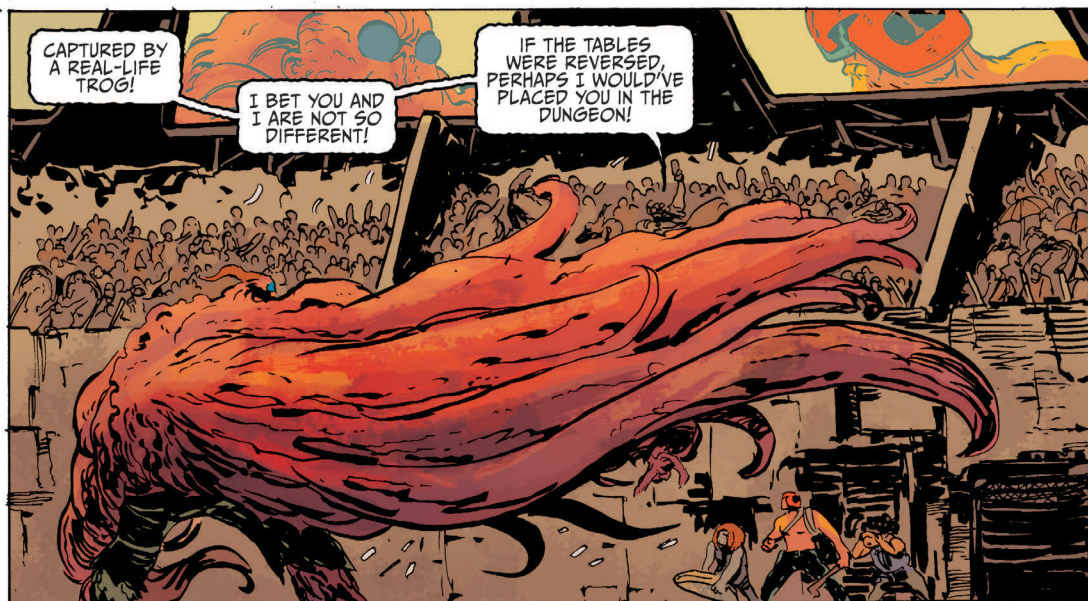


I AM NOT LOSING CONTROL!



IGGY!

I AM CONTROL!



CAPTURED BY
A REAL-LIFE
TROG!

I BET YOU AND
I ARE NOT SO
DIFFERENT!

IF THE TABLES
WERE REVERSED,
PERHAPS I WOULD'VE
PLACED YOU IN THE
DUNGEON!



WHO'S IN THIS
PICTURE?

FUDGE
HEAD!
HELP!

HOLD STILL,
SIR, PLEASE TRY
TO SMILE. I'M NOT
DOING THIS FOR MY
HEALTH, EVEN THOUGH
THE SOCAP WILL BE
QUITE HEALTHY FOR
ME, THOUGH.



THAT
CHICKEN'S
SQUAWKS ARE
JUST MAKING
THAT CREEP
GROW.

LOLO, THE
SHIELD.
GIVE IT
TO ME.

BUT THAT
FREAK WILL
GRAB US LIKE
THEY GOT
IGGY!

LOLO,
NOW!



YOU'VE
MADE ME
OUT TO BE
THE VIOLENT
ONE!

BUT YOU,
YOU'RE THE
ONE WHO
RULES WITH
A BLOODY
FIST!

WHO TEARS
SOCIETY
APART WITH
YOUR FALSE
LAWS!

YES,
I DO.



GIVE
BACK IGGY,
YOU SNOT
OCTOPUS!



LOLO!
BE QUIET.

NO! YOU
SHUT UP!
YOU'RE LETTING
IGGY DIE!



LOLO, BE
QUIET! HE'S
THE ONLY ONE
WHO WOULD
SAVE HER.

NOW YOU HAVE NO DEFENSE?
NO BIG GUNS, HUH?! IGNORE
ME 'CAUSE YOU CAN'T STOP
ME?!



PLEASE, I DON'T WANT TO
BE ANOTHER TROG WHO'S
IGNORED AND PUSHED
OUT.



I DON'T WANT
TO BE THE LAST
ONE. I DON'T
WANT TO BE...

...AGREED
WITH.

Boooooo!

IT'S OKAY, MR.
BUTT UGLY, I WON'T
IGNORE YOU. I CAN
LOVE YOU, TOO...

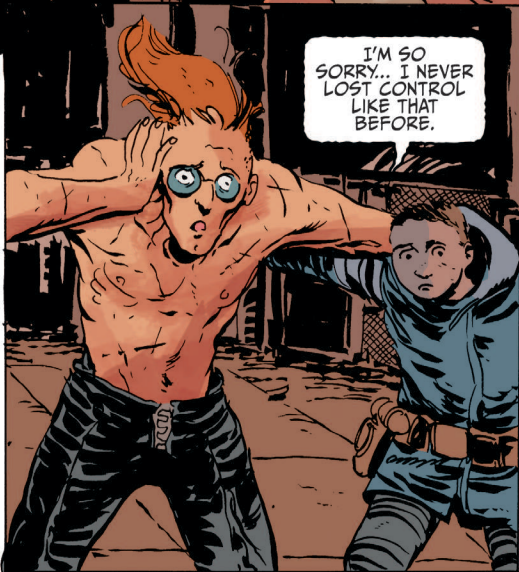


YOU WERE
ALWAYS RIGHT,
TROG. THE WORLD
CRAVES FREEDOM,
BUT WHEN IT GETS IT,
YOU KNOW WHAT
HAPPENS. YOU KNOW
THE TRUTH--

--THE TRUTH
IS--THE WORLD
NEEDS LAW.



I'M SO
SORRY... I NEVER
LOST CONTROL
LIKE THAT
BEFORE.



HEY,
EVERYONE!
LET'S THROW
BRICKS!



IF YOU'RE NOT GOING TO MAKE EACH OTHER BLEED, WE WILL!

GGY! GET AWAY!

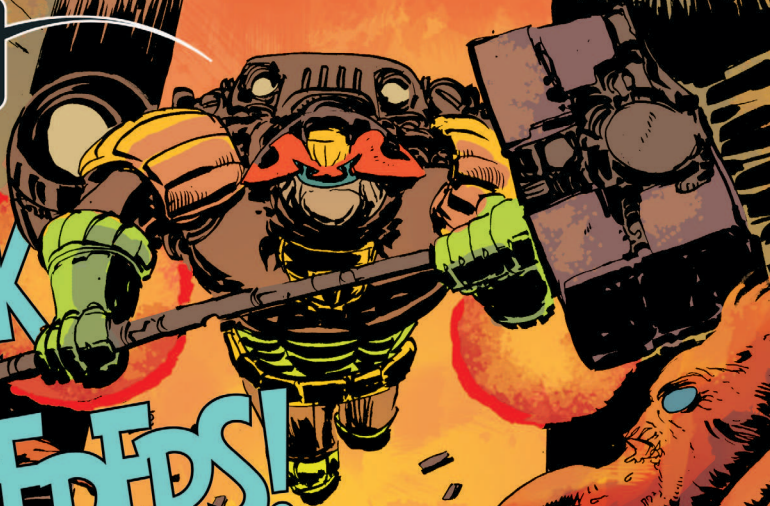
I STILL LOVE YOU, BUBBLE-BUTT!



THERE'S
BEEN A CHANGE
TO THE TERMS
OF SERVICE!

ALL USERS
MUST REFRAIN
FROM FURTHER
INTERFERENCE OF
THIS EVENT, OR BE
BANNED!

BooBoo!
LET'S! BRICK
GATE! KEEPERS!



BooBoo!
LET'S! BRICK!
GATE! KEEPERS!



BOOOOO!
LET'S! BRICK!
GATE--
UGHHHHHH!



THIS EVENT-IS NOW OVER!



JUDGE DREDD
BARELY GOT
THROUGH TWO OF
THESE GUYS, AND
THERE ARE LIKE ONE
HUNDRED NOW...

DON'T
WORRY, I'LL
SAVE US!

UGH. NO, YOU
WON'T, LOLO.
YOU'LL JUST SAY
YOU CAN OVER AND
OVER AGAIN.

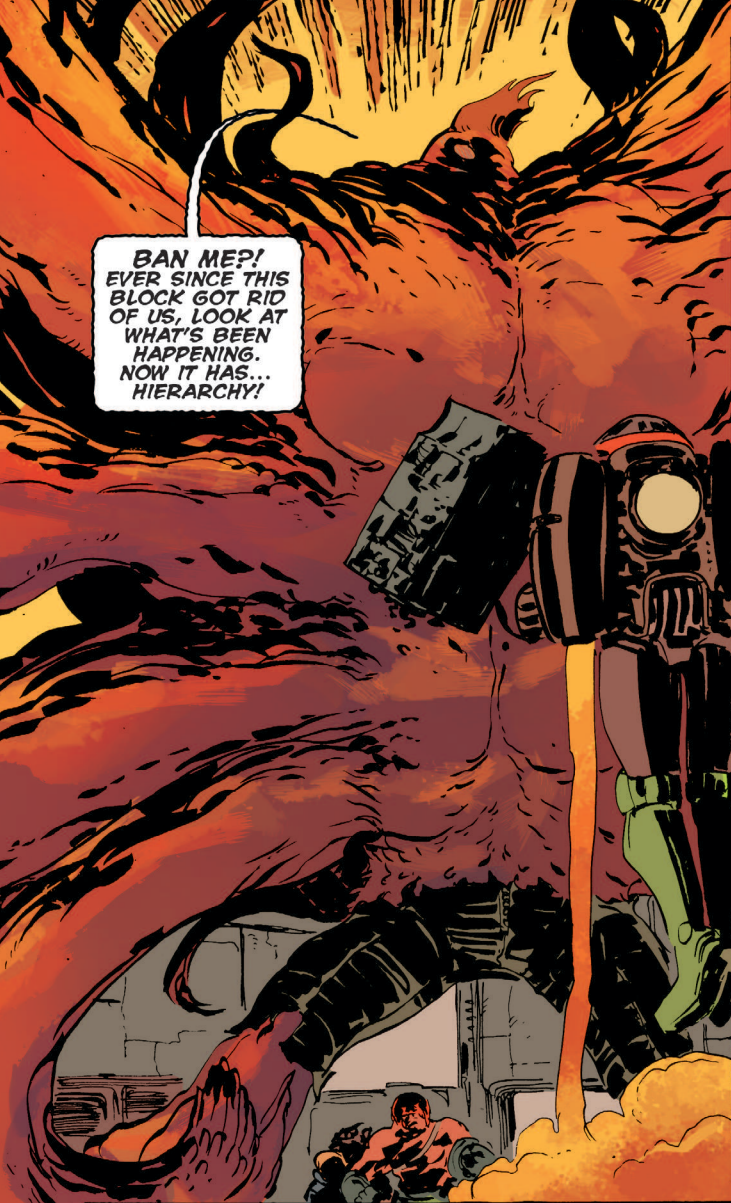
WE ARE IN CONTROL NOW!



THIS ISN'T FAIR!
THE MEGA-BLOCK HAS
NEVER HAD TO FOLLOW
ANY RULER! ESPECIALLY
NOT ROBOTS!

IF YOU DO
NOT COMPLY,
USERNAME:
TROGLODY, YOU
WILL BE BANNED
AS WELL.







THE WORLD
DOESN'T
NEED LAWS!

THE WORLD
DOESN'T NEED
THESE DAMN
TERMS OF
SERVICE!



USERNAME:
TROGLODY HAS
BEEN BANNED!

EVERYONE
MUST LEAVE THE
PREMISES OR BE
BAN-HAMMERED!



SYSTEM
OVERRIDE
COMMAND ORDER:
YOU HAVE RECEIVED
AN INFINITE SOCAP
RATING, ACCESS TO
ANG AVI IS GRANTED
INDEFINITELY.

PLEASE SIGN
THE TERMS OF
SERVICE, AND
WELCOME TO
ANG AVI.



OR YOU MAY
ALSO ACCEPT THE
OPTION OF BEING
BAN-HAMMERED.



*USERNAME:
JUGGEDREDD
HAS BEEN TAKEN.*



*USERNAME:
JUDGEJOSEPHDREDD
HAS BEEN TAKEN.*



*USERNAME
ACCEPTED:
JOEDREDD*

SO WE HAVE
BEEN SAYING YOUR
NAME WRONG! IT'S
JOE DREDD! NOT
JUDGE DAD!





JOEDREDD,
YOUR TERMS OF
SERVICE HAVE
BEEN ACCEPTED.

WOO! BABY!
NOW, WE CAN DO
WHATEVER WE
WANT! I'M GONNA
GO RIDE THE
BANISTERS!

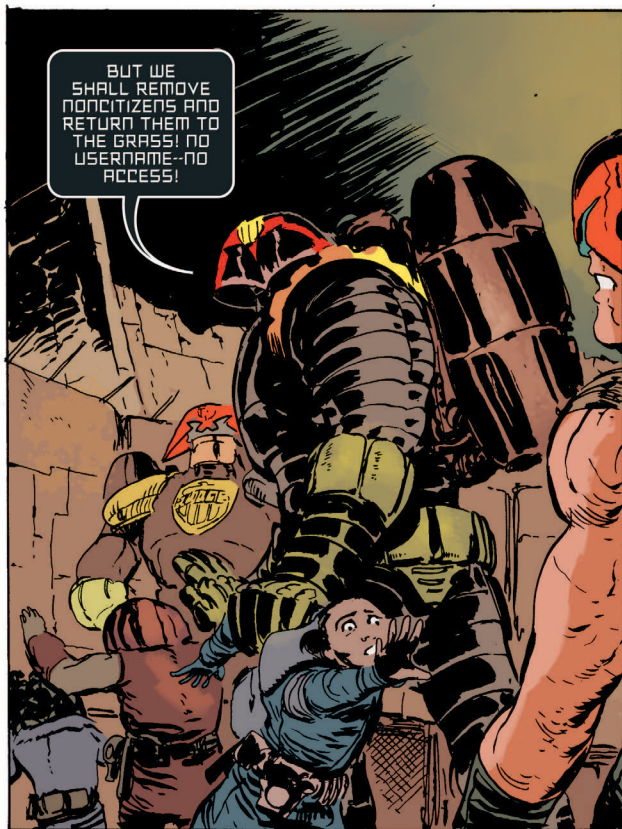
...SLOWLY.

WE CANNOT BAN-HAMMER
THOSE WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS.
THAT IS A PRIVILEGE FOR ACTUAL
CITIZENS OF ANG AVI.

LOLO, THEY
DIDN'T OFFER
US TO SIGN
ANYTHING.

BUT, I
THOUGHT WE
GO WHERE JOE
DREDD GOES...

OH GOD. I
THINK WE ARE
GOING TO GET
HAMMERED.



BUT WE
SHALL REMOVE
NONCITIZENS AND
RETURN THEM TO
THE GRASS! NO
USERNAME--NO
ACCESS!



JUDGE
DAAAADDDDD!



WELCOME TO
ANG AVI, WHERE
YOU ARE FREE TO
DO AS YOU PLEASE,
SO LONG AS YOU
ARE PLEASED WITH
DOING AS YOU
WILL.

IF YOU HAVE
ANY REQUESTS,
PLEASE FULFILL
THEM AT YOUR OWN
LEISURE. WE WILL NO
LONGER BOTHER
YOU, OR HAVE ANY
AUTHORITY OVER
YOU.



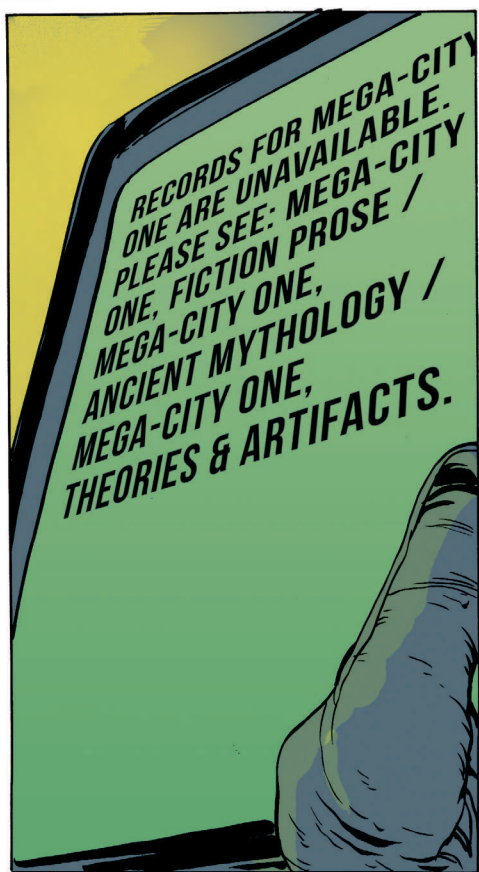
"UNLESS YOU
START TO TELL
OTHERS WHAT TO DO,
THEN YOU WILL BE
BAN-HAMMERED."



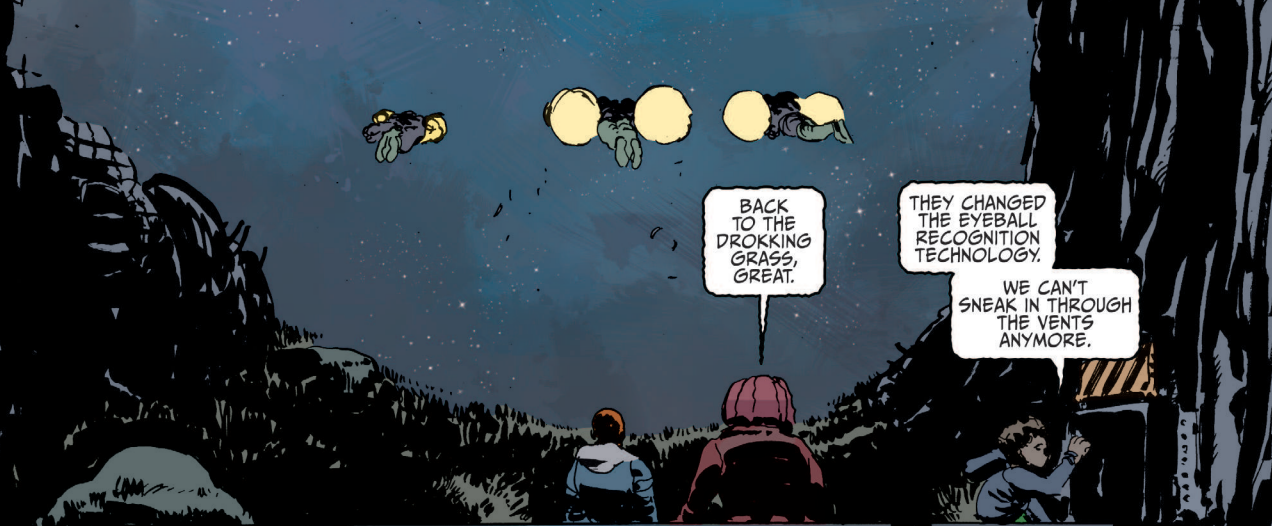
QUERY: MEGA-CITY ONE

QUERY: HALL OF JUSTICE RECORDS: MEGA-CITY ONE

QUERY: HISTORICAL RECORDS: MEGA-CITY ONE



RECORDS FOR MEGA-CITY
ONE ARE UNAVAILABLE.
PLEASE SEE: MEGA-CITY
ONE, FICTION PROSE /
MEGA-CITY ONE,
ANCIENT MYTHOLOGY /
MEGA-CITY ONE,
THEORIES & ARTIFACTS.



BACK
TO THE
DROKING
GRASS,
GREAT.

THEY CHANGED
THE EYEBALL
RECOGNITION
TECHNOLOGY.

WE CAN'T
SNEAK IN THROUGH
THE VENTS
ANYMORE.



WE DIDN'T
EVEN GET
TO EAT.



JOE DREDD
IS GOING TO
COME SAVE
US--I KNOW
HE IS!

I KNOW
HE ISN'T.

YEAH,
BECAUSE I'M
GOING TO SAVE
US! YOU FINALLY
SEE IT MY WAY,
QUILL!



NO, LOLO, NO
ONE EVER SEES
IT YOUR WAY,
ESPECIALLY ME.

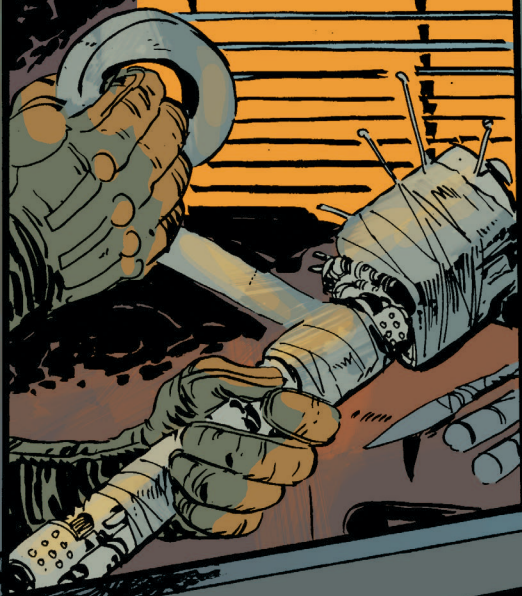
IT'S NOT
BECAUSE DREDD
DOESN'T CARE, BUT
BECAUSE WHATEVER
HE'S LOOKING FOR
IS MUCH MORE
IMPORTANT TO
HIM THAN US.



WHAT? HOW
CAN THAT BE?
HE ALWAYS MADE
SURE WE KEPT
CLOSE TO HIM!

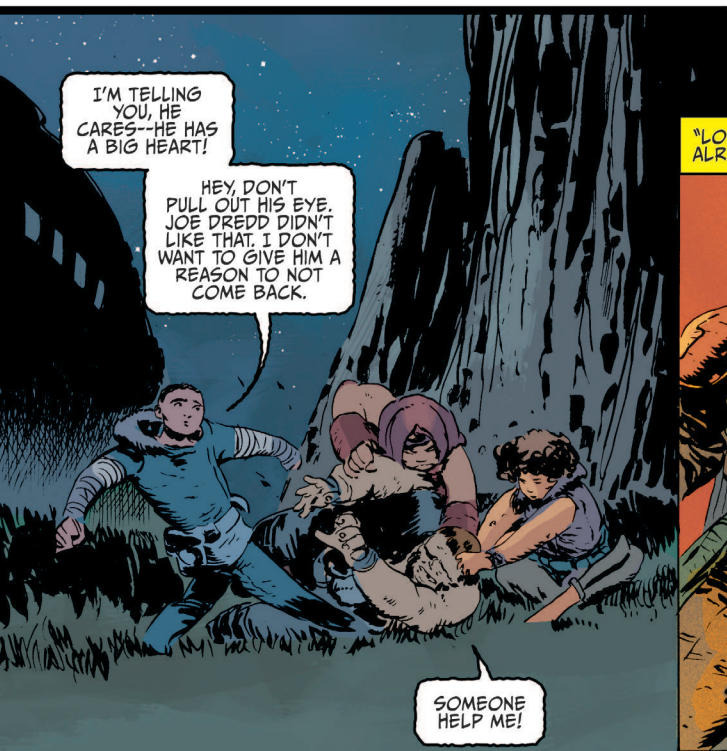
HE WOULD
ALWAYS BE LIKE
"HEY, STAY HERE!
HEY, COME HERE!
HEY, YOU'RE UNDER
ARREST!"

"THAT'S NOT SOMETHING
YOU SAY IF YOU DON'T
LOVE SOMEONE."



MEGA-CITY ONE SUBTERRA
UNCHARTED TERRITORIES
ARE STRONGLY CAUTIONED
INTO RUINS. ACCESS PO
MINING PORT 234.2, 6





I'M TELLING YOU, HE CARES--HE HAS A BIG HEART!

HEY, DON'T PULL OUT HIS EYE. JOE DREDD DIDN'T LIKE THAT. I DON'T WANT TO GIVE HIM A REASON TO NOT COME BACK.

SOMEONE HELP ME!

"LOLO TOLD YOU ALREADY, IGGY..."

"OH GRUD! I CAN'T FEEL MY LEGS!"



"...HE ALREADY HAS HIS REASONS FOR NOT COMING BACK."

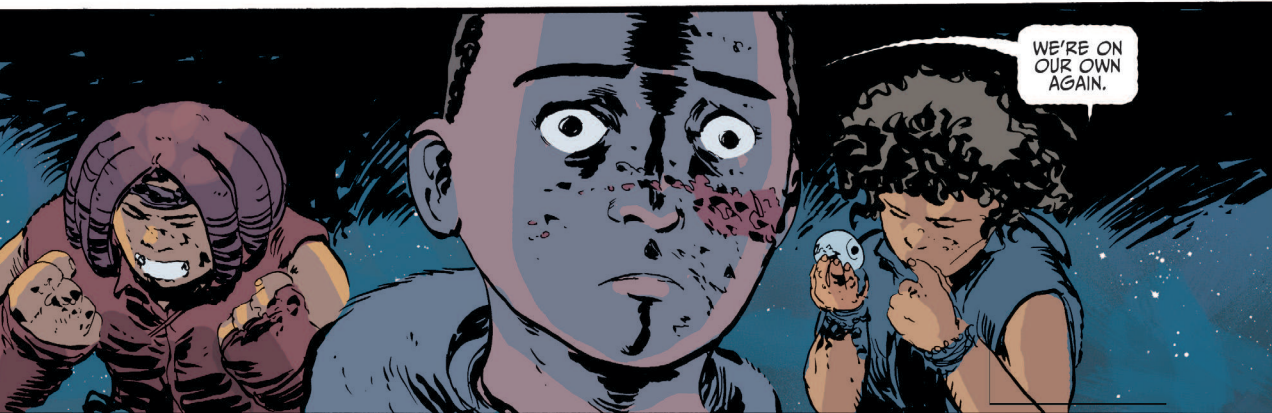
"FOR THE LOVE OF GRUD! I CAN'T SEE!"



"HE JUST LIKE EVERYONE ELSE IN ANG AVI--A ONE-TRACK MIND!"



"I CAN'T BREATHE... I CAN'T--"



WE'RE ON OUR OWN AGAIN.



PART 4: THE FORUM



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HE ISN'T LETTING
HIMSELF THINK
ABOUT IT.



THE ONE QUESTION
HE DOESN'T WANT
TO START ASKING.



WHAT GOOD
WOULD SOLVING
THE MYSTERY OF
MEGA-CITY ONE
DO, IF HE CAN'T
CHANGE ANYTHING
BACK?

BUT HE WON'T
EVER ASK
HIMSELF THAT
QUESTION. HE
WON'T EVEN
DARE THINK IT.

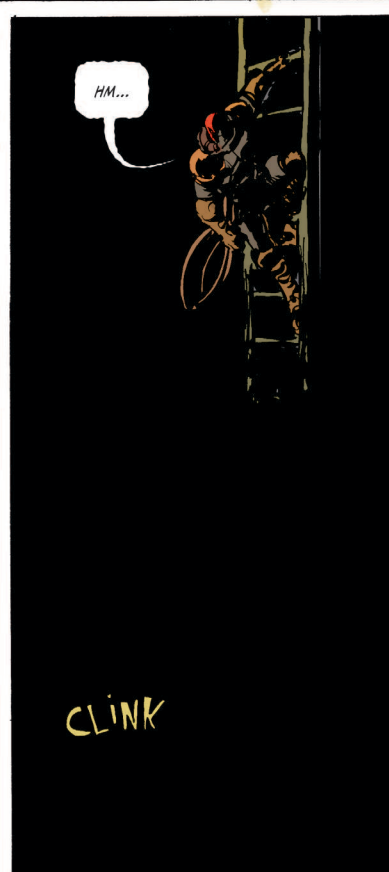
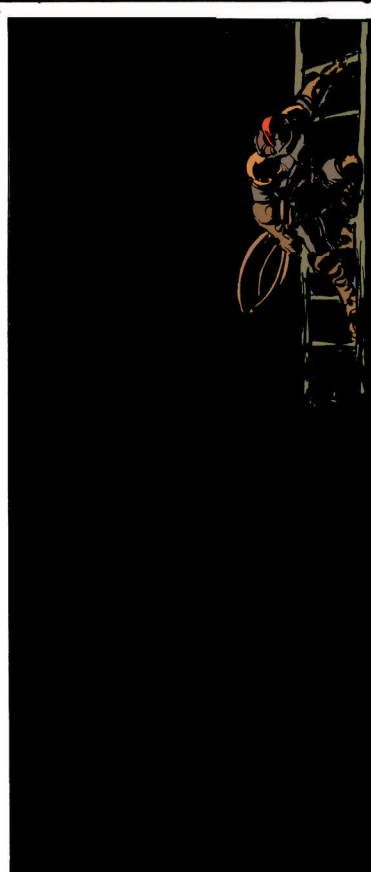
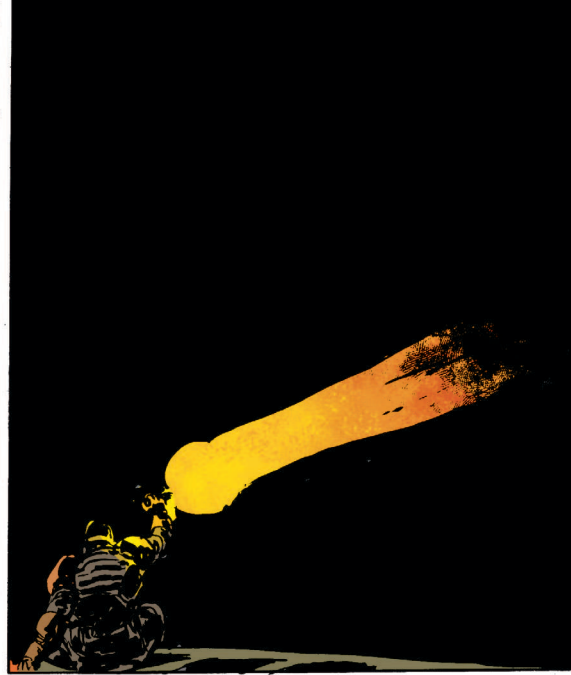


BECAUSE HE
KNOWS ONCE HE
STARTS UNRAVELING
THOSE THOUGHTS,
THE NEXT LOGICAL
QUESTION IS...



...WHAT WAS THE WHOLE
POINT OF BEING A JUDGE
IN THE FIRST PLACE?







LITTLE GIRLS
SHOULDN'T
MUTILATE PEOPLE
AND PLAY WITH
THEIR EYEBALLS.



WHAT DO YOU
KNOW ABOUT
EYEBALLS?

WHY, I KNOW A GUY
WHO WOULD PAY A
GOOD AMOUNT OF
SOCAP FOR SOME
EYEBALLS.

PROBABLY
ENOUGH SOCAP
TO GET YOU INSIDE
OF ANG AVI.



A FEW EYEBALLS GET US
BACK INTO ANG AVI? THAT'LL
SHOW THEM THAT WE DON'T
NEED JUDGE DREDD. GULL
AND LOLO WILL FINALLY
JUST RELY ON ME!



HEY! GUYS!
GUYS! I'VE
FOUND A WAY
TO GET US
BACK INTO
ANG AVI!

-SIGH-
WHAT DID
YOU DO?

THERE IS AN OLD
MAN WHO WOULD
GIVE US SOCAP
FOR EYEBALLS, BUT
HE IS BY HIMSELF
AND WE CAN JUST
BEAT HIM UP AND
TAKE HIS SOCAP!



JUST ONE
LONELY, OLD
MAN?

YEAH. REAL
DUMB FACE, TOO.
SHOULDA SEEN
HOW DUMB HIS
FACE LOOKED.



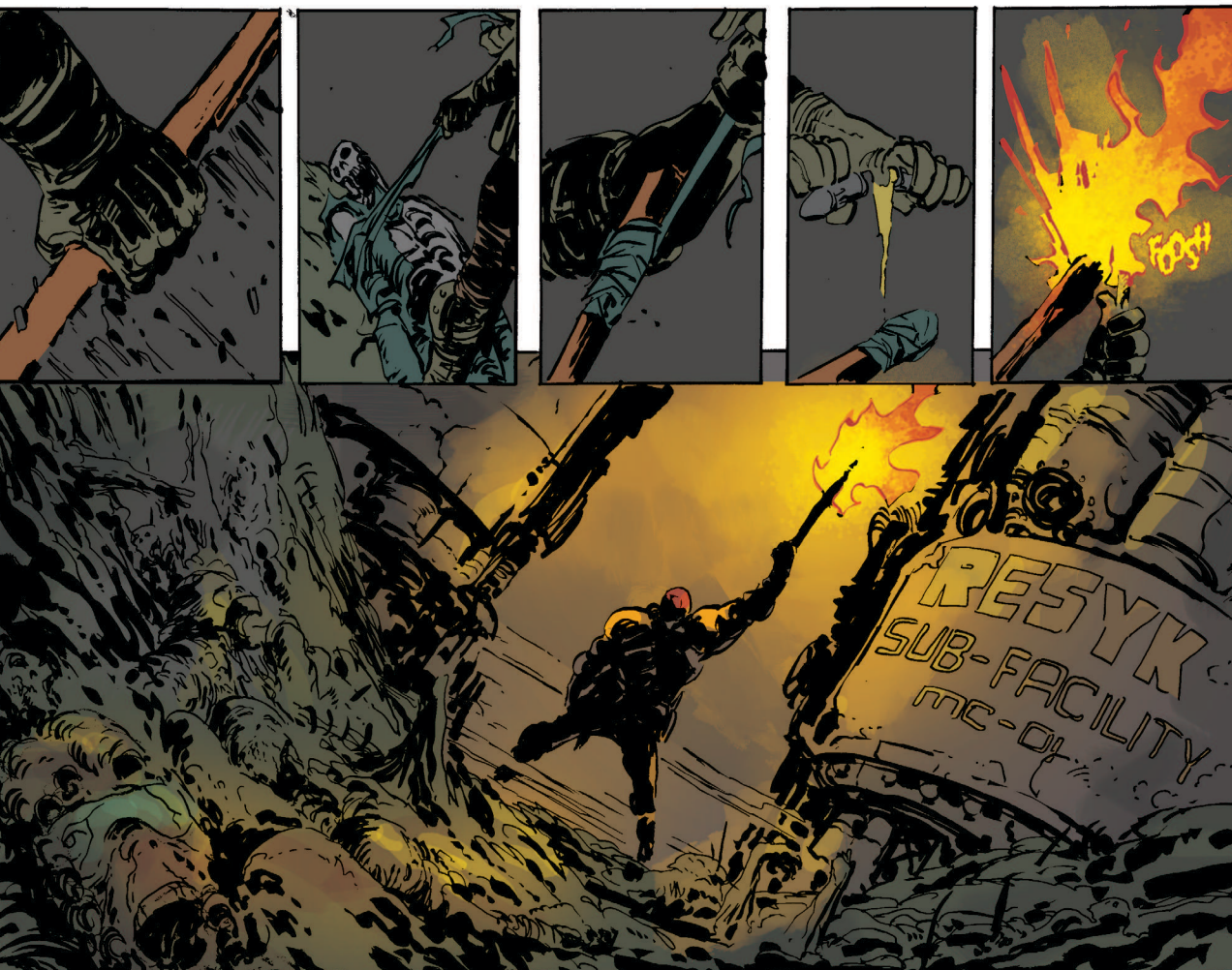
YA'LL GIRLS
SHOULDN'T BE
TAKING A MAN'S
EYEBALLS LIKE
THAT. CAN MAKE
THE QUALITY OF
LIFE POOR.

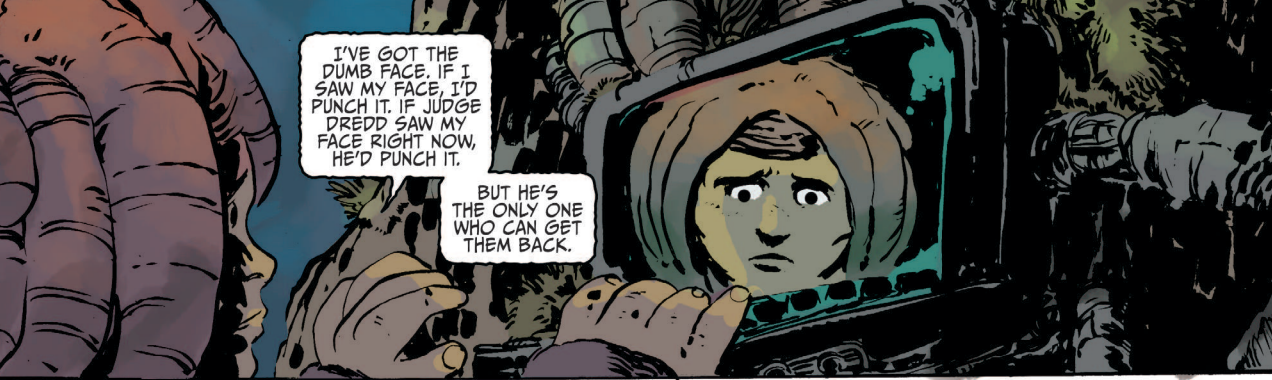






LAWGIVER,
EJECT LAST
INCENDIARY
SHELL.





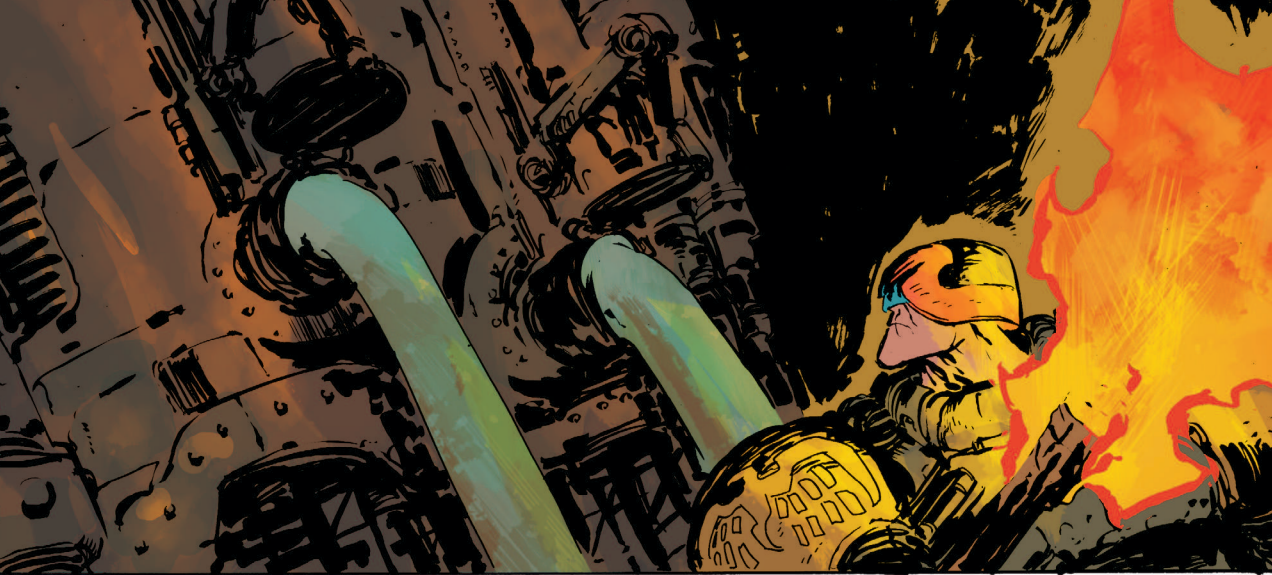
I'VE GOT THE DUMB FACE. IF I SAW MY FACE, I'D PUNCH IT. IF JUDGE DREDD SAW MY FACE RIGHT NOW, HE'D PUNCH IT.

BUT HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN GET THEM BACK.



ACCESS DENIED!





FOOOOODDDDDSSSS
HHHHHEERRREEEEE...

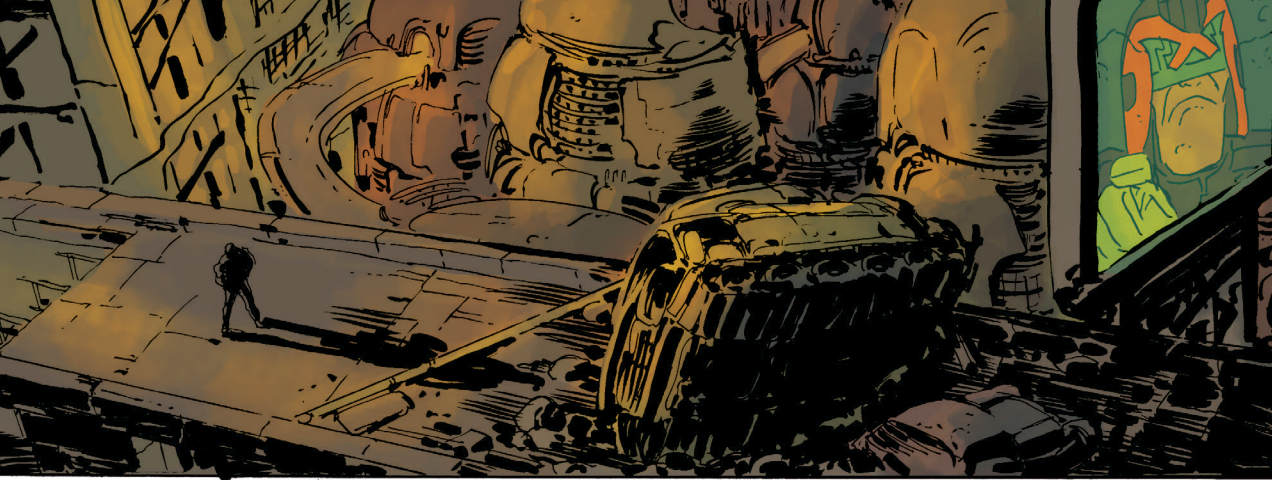


NOOOTSSS ALL
OFFF THHESSSSSEEEE
BOOODDIIIEEESSSS
AREEEE DEEEEAADDD...



DELICIOUSSSSS
LLIIIEEEEEEE...







WHOOOAA!

AAANOTHER
SMMALLLL
LIVVEEE
OONNEE...



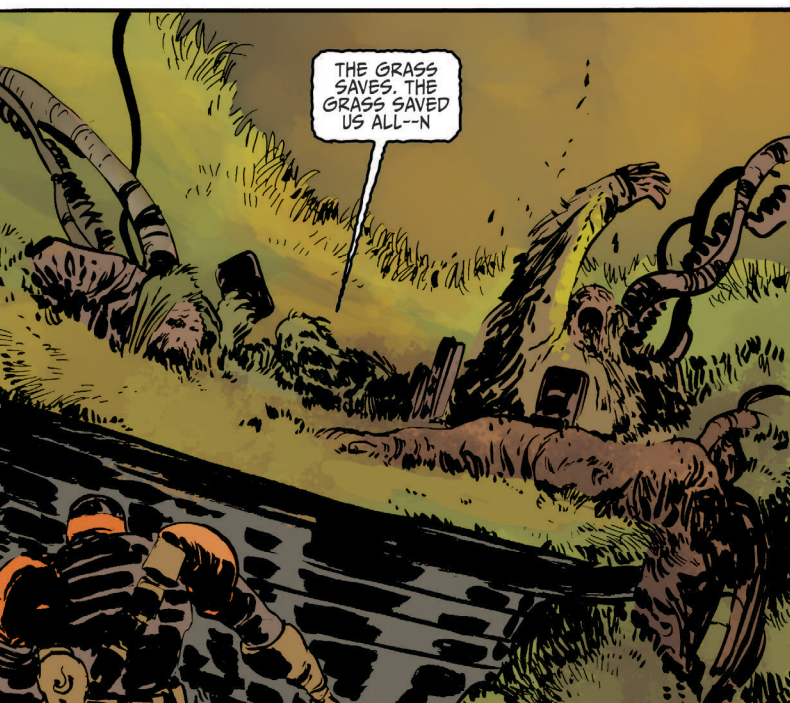
YOU'RE
NOT THE
ONLY
JUDGE.

WHERE?
WHERE ARE
THEY?

THERE IS
ANOTHER,
AND SHE STILL
LIVES--

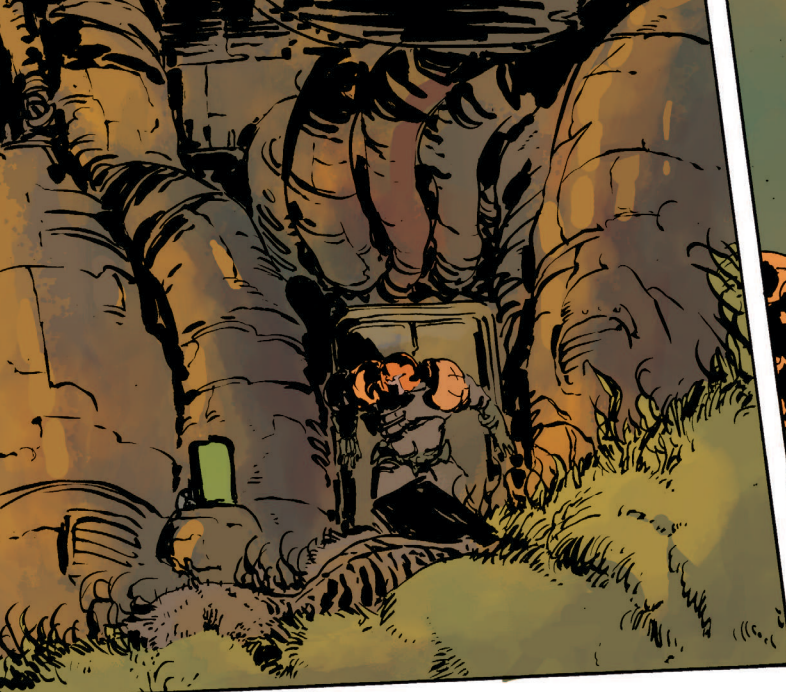


--N...
NOOO! WE
SHOULDN'T HAVE
INTERFERED
WITH THE
PROGRAM!



THE GRASS
SAVES. THE
GRASS SAVED
US ALL--N





THESE ARE
COORDINATES...

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GET AWAY
FROM
MEEEEEEE!

LOLO?!



LOLO! HOW
THE DROKK
DID YOU GET
DOWN HERE?!



LOLO!
LISTEN TO
ME! GET INTO
THE LIGHT!

DREDD
THAT'S WHAT
I'M TRYING
TO DO!

PPPRECCCCCIIIOUSSSSS
LLLIIFEEEEEE...

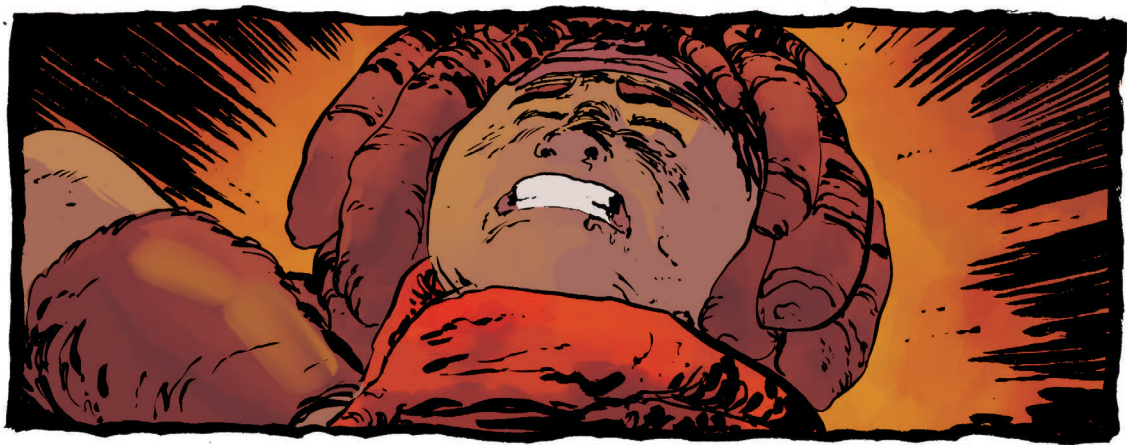


JOE! YOU
HAVE TO
HELP ME!

PPPRECCCCCIIIOUSSSSS
LLLIIFEEEEEE...

I CAN'T
BREATHE—









I
SHOULDN'T
HAVE LEFT
YOU ALONE.

IT'S OKAY. I
WANNA LEAVE ME
ALONE TOO
SOMETIMES--

HEY! IT'S A
PUPPY! AND
IT'S ACTUALLY
ALIVE!



BY THE
WAY, HOW DID
YOU OPEN THE
DOOR?

I
DIDN'T...

WELL, JUST SO
YOU KNOW, YOU
AREN'T THE ONLY
JUDGE NOW.

HUH?
HOW DID
YOU--?!



WE WILL
CALL YOU
PUG
DREDD.

OH. C'MON.
SO WHERE
ARE IGGY AND
QUILL?



THE
YES-MEN
CAME. THEY
TOOK THEM.

YES-MEN?

"THEY DON'T LISTEN
WHEN YOU SAY NO."





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JUDGE DREDD

The cover art features Judge Dredd in his iconic black and orange uniform, holding a large, futuristic weapon. He is looking down at a man in a yellow helmet who is screaming in pain. In the bottom left corner, there is a small inset showing a close-up of a man's face with a wide, toothy grin. The background is a dark, industrial setting with various mechanical parts and structures.

USHERING IN A BRAVE NEW ERA, JUDGE DREDD AWAKENS TO FIND THAT MEGA-CITY ONE HAS BEEN SENT BACK TO THE STONE AGE, WITH CITY BLOCKS OVERGROWN AND NARY A CITIZEN TO BE FOUND. WITNESS AS DREDD STRUGGLES TO UNRAVEL THE MYSTERY AS HE COPES WITH BEING JUST AN ORDINARY JOE.

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