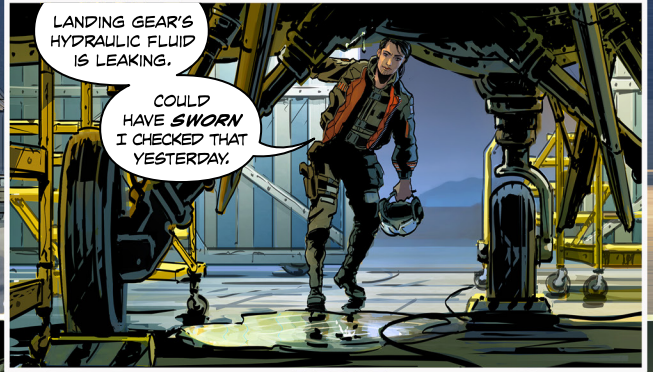




T. Bird, there seems to be an issue with the CC-295 in Hangar B. Your expertise is required. - Nomad



LANDING GEAR'S HYDRAULIC FLUID IS LEAKING.

COULD HAVE *SWORN* I CHECKED THAT YESTERDAY.



LINE'S BEEN CUT.

LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING'S JAMMED UP IN HERE.

WHAT THE...



I WAS LOOKING *EVERYWHERE* FOR THAT. WHAT'S IT DOING HE--

"SOMETHING'S NOT RIGHT."



WHIZZ!

I SPY...

WHIFFLISH!

... WITH MY LITTLE EYE...

PING!

WHIZZ!

... SOMETHING THAT IS...

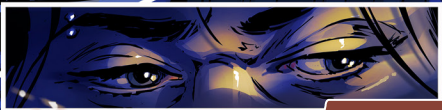
... TRAPPED.



"JUST A FLESH WOUND.
I WAS TOTALLY EXPOSED."

"SOMEONE'S EITHER GOT
REALLY BAD AIM..."

"...OR REALLY GOOD."



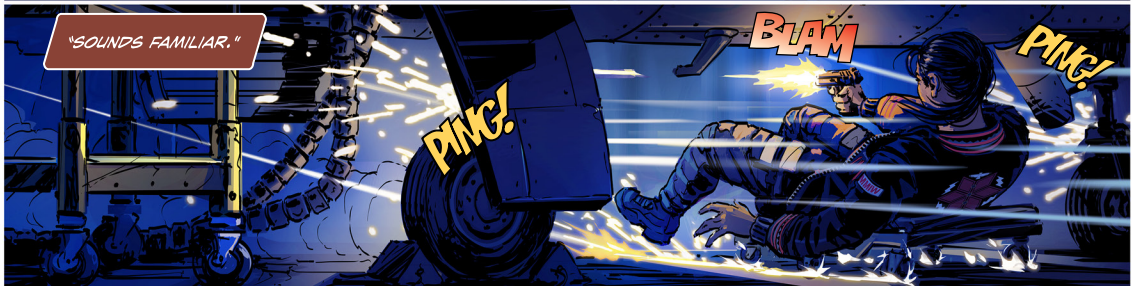
"THAT VOICE."

ONE BLIND
MOUSE...

P-SHING!

SEE HOW IT
RUNS...

PING!



"SOUNDS FAMILIAR."

BLAM

PING!

PING!



IT RAN AFTER THE
FARMER'S WIFE...

... WHO CUT OFF ITS TAIL
WITH A CARVING KNIFE...

"SEEMS TO BE COMING FROM EVERYWHERE.
BUT HER FOOTSTEPS ARE NOWHERE."

... ONE BLIND
MOUSE.



"THIS MOUSE ISN'T AS
BLIND AS YOU THINK."



"FIRST THING'S FIRST. HAVE TO STOP THE BLEEDING."

"FAST."

"BLOOD TRAIL WILL LEAD OUR TRIGGER-HAPPY FRIEND RIGHT TO ME. PRETTY SURE THAT WAS THE POINT. WILL HAVE TO CREATE A NEW TRAIL."



COME OUT, COME OUT, LITTLE MOUSE.



"I WAS TAUGHT MANY LESSONS ABOUT THE DEADLY GAMES ANIMALS PLAY."

CLIC!



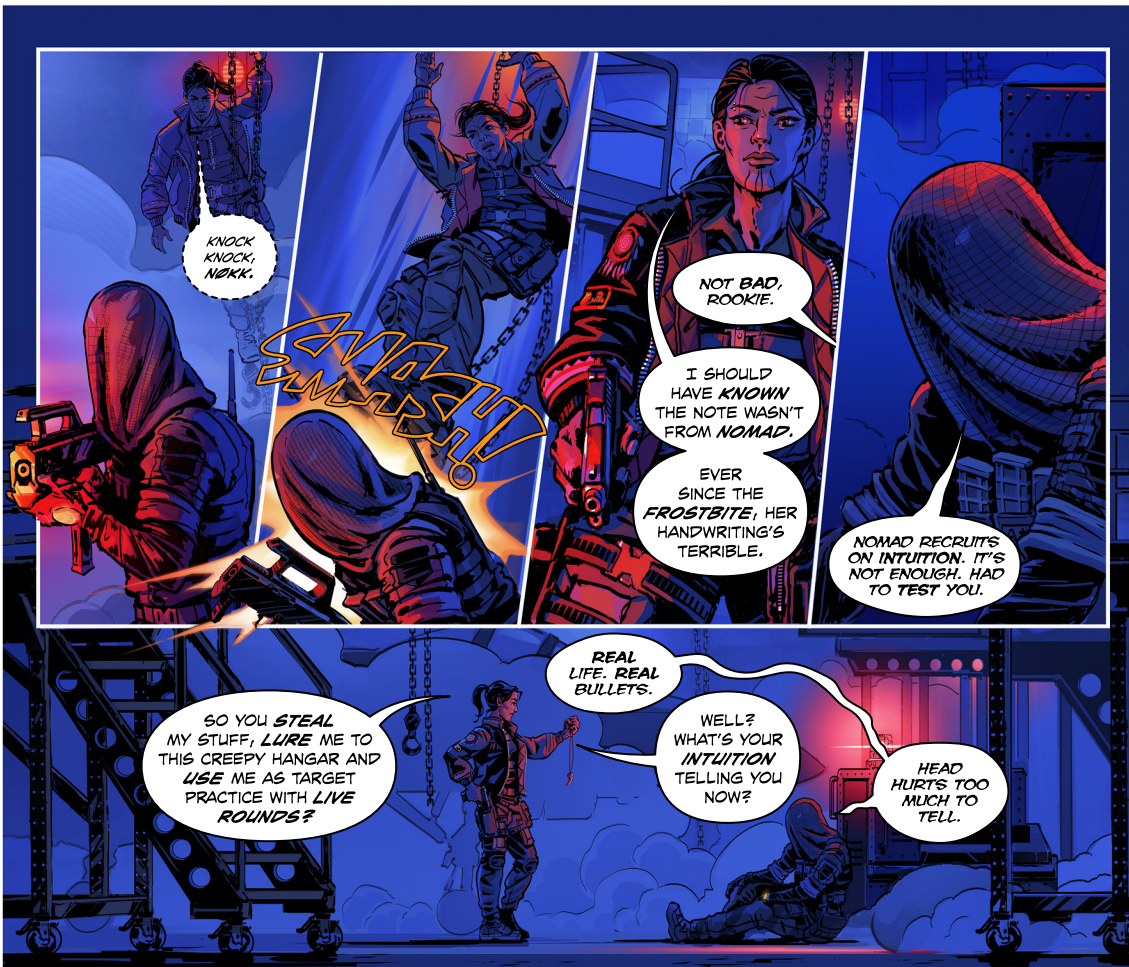
"BUT I'VE LEARNED FROM EXPERIENCE, THAT SOMETIMES THE BEST WAY TO THROW A PREDATOR OFF YOUR SCENT..."



SCHLING

CLING

"... IS TO BREAK ITS NOSE."



KNOCK
KNOCK,
NOKK.

SWOOSH!

NOT BAD,
ROOKIE.

I SHOULD
HAVE *KNOWN*
THE NOTE WASN'T
FROM *NOMAD*.

EVER
SINCE THE
FROSTBITE, HER
HANDWRITING'S
TERRIBLE.

NOMAD RECRUITS
ON INTUITION. IT'S
NOT ENOUGH. HAD
TO TEST YOU.

SO YOU *STEAL*
MY STUFF, *LURE* ME TO
THIS CREEPY HANGAR AND
USE ME AS TARGET
PRACTICE WITH *LIVE*
ROUNDS?

REAL
LIFE. REAL
BULLETS.

WELL?
WHAT'S YOUR
INTUITION
TELLING YOU
NOW?

HEAD
HURTS TOO
MUCH TO
TELL.



THERE.



YOU'LL
BE NURSERY
RHYMING AGAIN
IN NO TIME.

THOSE
THREE BLIND
MICE TERRIFIED
ME AS A KID.

ME
TOO.



LOOK, I LIKE
NOMAD. I TRUST HER.
BUT *RAINBOW* IS BIGGER
THAN WAR GAMES.

HAD TO
BE SURE
YOU'RE UP
FOR IT.

I GET IT.
JUST DO ME *FAVOR*?
NEXT TIME YOU DECIDE TO
TEST ME, LEAVE THE
PLANES ALONE.

F To be continued in game!