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BLOODSHOT



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Project: BLOODSHOT

ADVANCED NANITE CAPABILITY OVERVIEW

📍 Basic Information

- A nanite is a robot the size of a nanometer or smaller. A single human hair is 25,000 nanites wide.
- Bloodshot has billions of these microscopic machines coursing through his bloodstream. These nanites are programmed to assist Bloodshot with his various missions.
- Biomolecular nanotech motors enhance Bloodshot's strength, speed and reaction time beyond the limits of a normal human.
- Due to a nanite's ability to create, manipulate and destroy matter on a subatomic level, the true limits of Bloodshot's abilities are unknown.

⚕ Medical Applications

- Bloodshot's nanites possess the ability to reconnect torn skin, arteries, muscle tissue and nerve fibers; rebuild bone; and repair and reconstruct damaged organs to allow for rapid and complete recovery from extreme traumatic injury.
- Nano-manipulation of physiological responses allows Bloodshot to survive extended exposure to hostile and toxic environments, including extremes of heat and cold, high atmospheric pressure, low-oxygen environments and long-term lack of food and water.
- Sub-cellular repair capabilities restore and restart metabolic processes in terminally damaged tissue.



🛡 Military Applications

- Nanite implants expand the range of sensory function, extending hearing into the ultrasonic and sight into the infrared and ultraviolet ranges. Additionally, nanites can detect chemical weapons, explosives and radioactive emissions.
- The nanites' full control over cellular structures allows Bloodshot to shape-shift or "morph" for limited periods of time.
- Neuron-nanite quantum interface allows Bloodshot to receive, transmit, and manipulate electromagnetic wavelengths and frequencies and directly interface with and control electronic and computerized machinery.

☠ Possible Dangers

- Although it is highly unlikely, hostile forces with their own nanotechnology could theoretically hack and reprogram the nanites inside of Bloodshot should he ever be captured by the enemy.
- Some scientists fear that molecular self-assembly could allow nanites to replicate uncontrollably. The effect this would have on Bloodshot is unknown.
- The aforementioned potential for nanites to self-replicate is also the basis for the apocalyptic "Grey Goo" theory. This is the idea that self-replicating nanites mass producing uncontrollably could form an ever-growing wave of "Grey Goo" that would devour all matter on Earth.

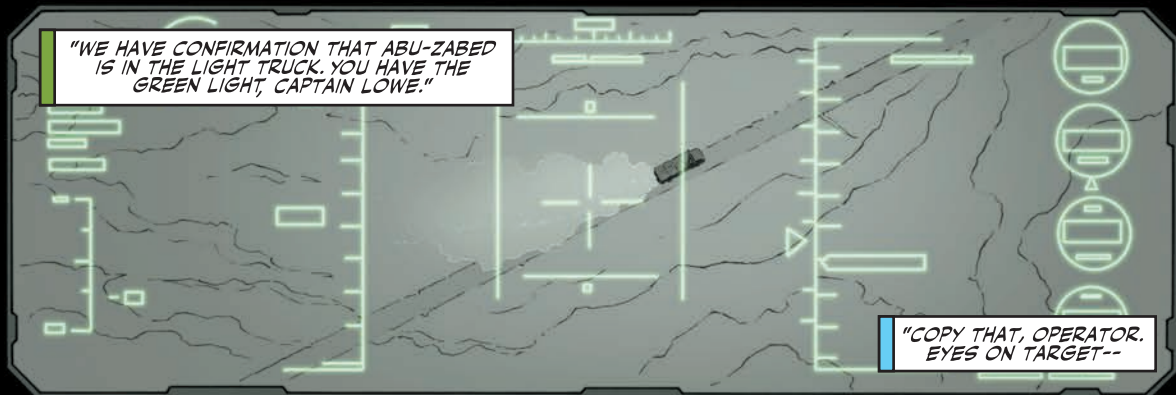
MQ-1C PREDATOR DRONE.

**THREE MILES ABOVE
SEA LEVEL.**

AFGHANISTAN.

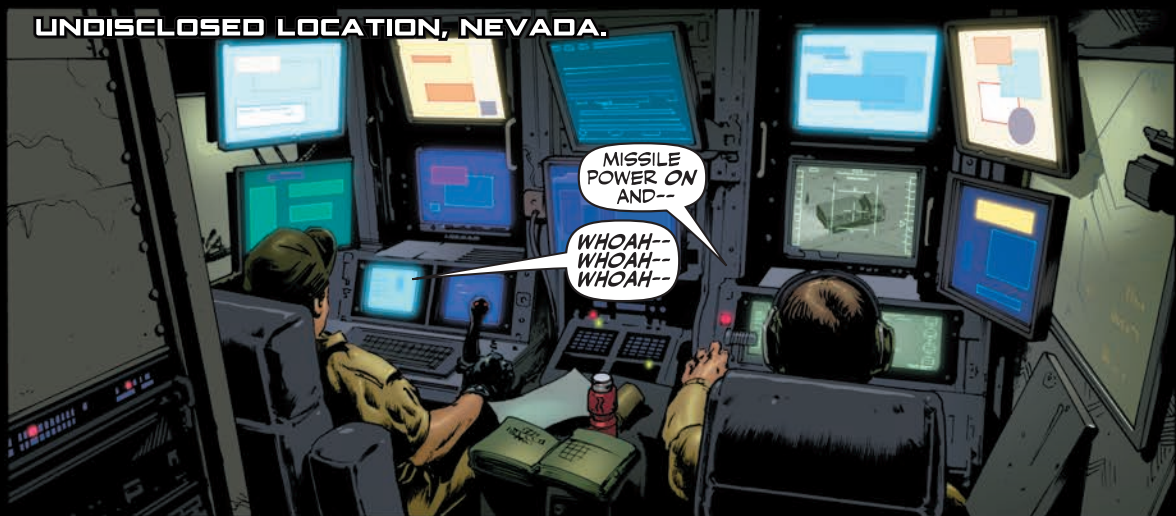


"WE HAVE CONFIRMATION THAT ABU-ZABED
IS IN THE LIGHT TRUCK. YOU HAVE THE
GREEN LIGHT, CAPTAIN LOWE."



"COPY THAT, OPERATOR.
EYES ON TARGET--"

UNDISCLOSED LOCATION, NEVADA.

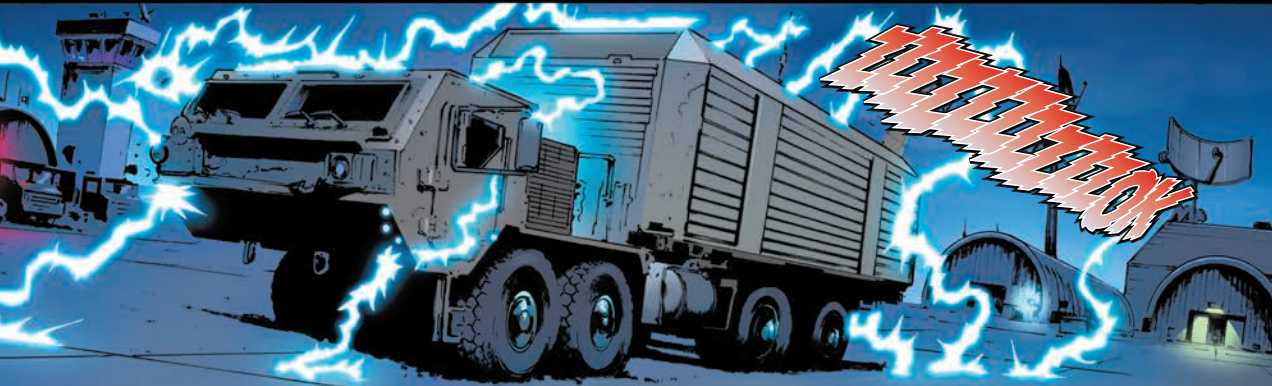


MISSILE
POWER ON
AND--

WHOAH--
WHOAH--
WHOAH--

"IS THAT A KID STANDING
IN THE ROAD?!"







AND YOU
KNOW EXACTLY
WHY.

NOW ARE WE
GONNA GO HAVE
THAT PORTERHOUSE
YOU PROMISED, OR DO
I HAVE TO BEAT YOU
TO DEATH WITH THE
STUMP OF YOUR
OWN ARM?



HOW ARE
ASHLEY AND
JOHN, ANYWAY?
WHAT'S JOHN IN?
THIRD...?



FOURTH GRADE.
SEE, THAT'S HOW
LONG YOU'VE OWED
ME THAT STEAK,
JACKASS.

RAY, I PROMISED MYSELF
I WOULDN'T PUT YOU IN
THIS POSITION...

BUT THERE WAS
A FREAK ACCIDENT JUST
AS WE WERE ABOUT TO
TAKE OUT THE NUMBER TWO
GUY ON THE PRESIDENT'S
"PLEASE KILL THESE
BASTARDS IMMEDIATELY"
LIST.

WE SENT
SOMEONE IN TO
CHECK IT OUT.



IT WAS
APANEWICZ,
RAY.

AND OUR EMBASSY
JUST GOT A MESSAGE.
THEY'RE THREATENING TO
CHOP OFF HIS HEAD,
LIVE ON THE GODDAMNED
INTERNET, IN 12
HOURS.



WE NEED
SOMEONE WITH
YOUR UNIQUE
ABILITIES,
RAY.

APANEWICZ
NEEDS YOU.

ONE HOUR LATER

IT'S APANEWICZ, ASHLEY. I'D STILL BE A P.O.W. IF IT WEREN'T FOR HIM.

BUT, RAY... YOU PROMISED.

AND I'M KEEPING THAT PROMISE TO YOU NOW. I WON'T BE ANYWHERE NEAR THE FIELD. IT'S JUST RECON WORK.

I CAN'T LET HIM DIE LIKE THAT.

DAD, YOU'LL BE BACK IN TIME FOR THE FALL FESTIVAL, RIGHT? YOU SAID YOU'D VOLUNTEER FOR THE DUNK TANK!

NOWHERE NEAR THE FIELD, RAY?

CROSS MY HEART.

AFGHANISTAN.



YOU STILL OWE
ME THAT *STEAK*,
HUTCH.



GET APANEWICZ
OUT ALIVE AND I'LL
THROW IN A SHRIMP
COCKTAIL.







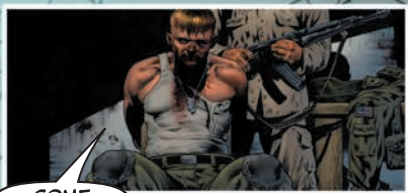
YOU
WERE BORN
FOR THIS.



WE'RE
ALL COUNTING
ON YOU.



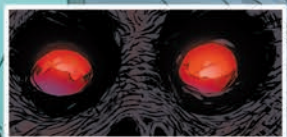
ARE
YOU COMING
HOME, DAD?



COME
AND GET ME,
BROTHER.



WE NEED
YOU TO OPEN
YOUR EYES
NOW, RAY.



CHK--
CHK--
CHK--



GASP

≡HUH≡

≡HUH≡

HUTCH--

I'M IN.

GREAT. YOU
NEED TO BREACH
THE COMMAND
CENTER AS QUICKLY
AS POSSIBLE.





WE THINK
THAT'S WHERE
THEY'RE KEEPING
APANEWICZ.



ĞULK!



LOCKED
IN ON HIM,
HUTCH?

JUST A
FEW MORE
SECONDS...

KRAK



⟨AHMED?⟩



⟨WHAT?⟩



⟨KEEP UP.⟩





REMEMBER,
BUDDY: YOU WERE
BORN FOR THIS.



THERE'S
NO ONE BETTER
THAN YOU.



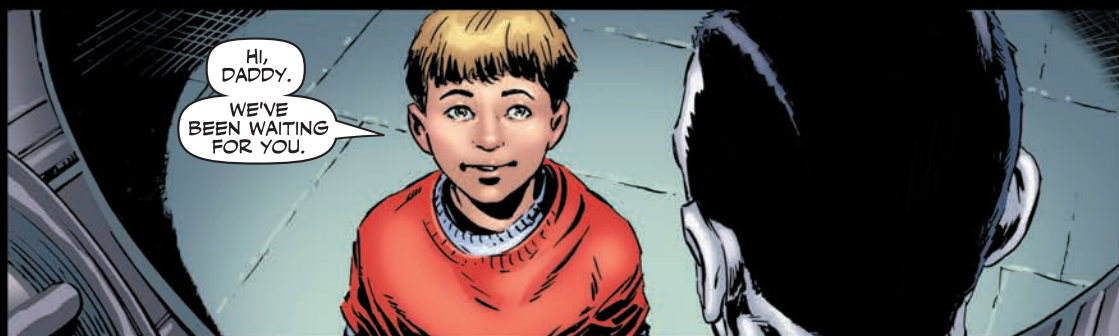
THOSE NANITES
MAKE YOU
UNSTOPPABLE.

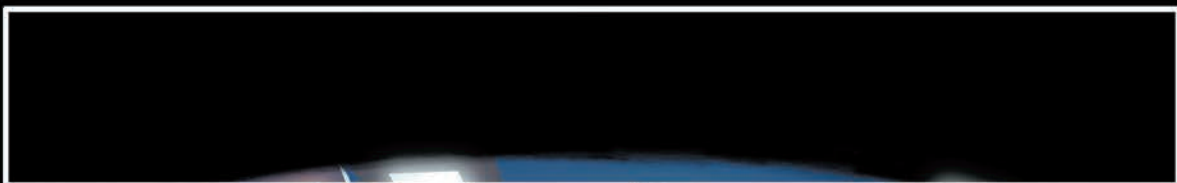


APANEWICZ IS
GOING TO BE SO
DAMN GLAD TO
SEE YOU.



COMING
FOR YA,
BROTHER...





HE'S
AWAKE.

AND
HEALING
MUCH FASTER
THESE
DAYS.
PROJECT RISING
SPIRIT HAS GIVEN
HIM SOME NEW
UPGRADES,
APPARENTLY.

COST
ME A LOT OF
GOOD MEN.

HOW ARE
WE ON THAT
DOWNLOAD?

WE'RE AT 85
PERCENT.



WHO
THE HELL ARE
YOU?

TAKE IT *EASY*,
MY OLD FRIEND.
EVERYTHING'S
GOING TO BE *OKAY*.
JUST LIKE
ALWAYS.



I'M MR. KURETICH. YOU PROBABLY
DON'T REMEMBER ME, BUT I CERTAINLY
CAN'T HOLD THAT AGAINST YOU.

HOW'S THE
FAMILY?



WHERE'S
MY SON?

YOU SO
MUCH AS TOUCH
MY FAMILY AND I
SWEAR I'LL TEAR
YOU APART.



NOW WHICH
FAMILY WOULD
THIS BE? *LISA*
AND *THE TWINS*? *ASHLEY*
AND *YOUNG JOHN*?
OR *ROSE* AND *THE*
TODDLER?

WERE YOU
RESCUING YOUR OLD
PAL *CALKINS* AGAIN?
OR WAS IT POOR OLD
APANIEWICZ THIS
TIME?



WHAT...?
WHO ARE
YOU?

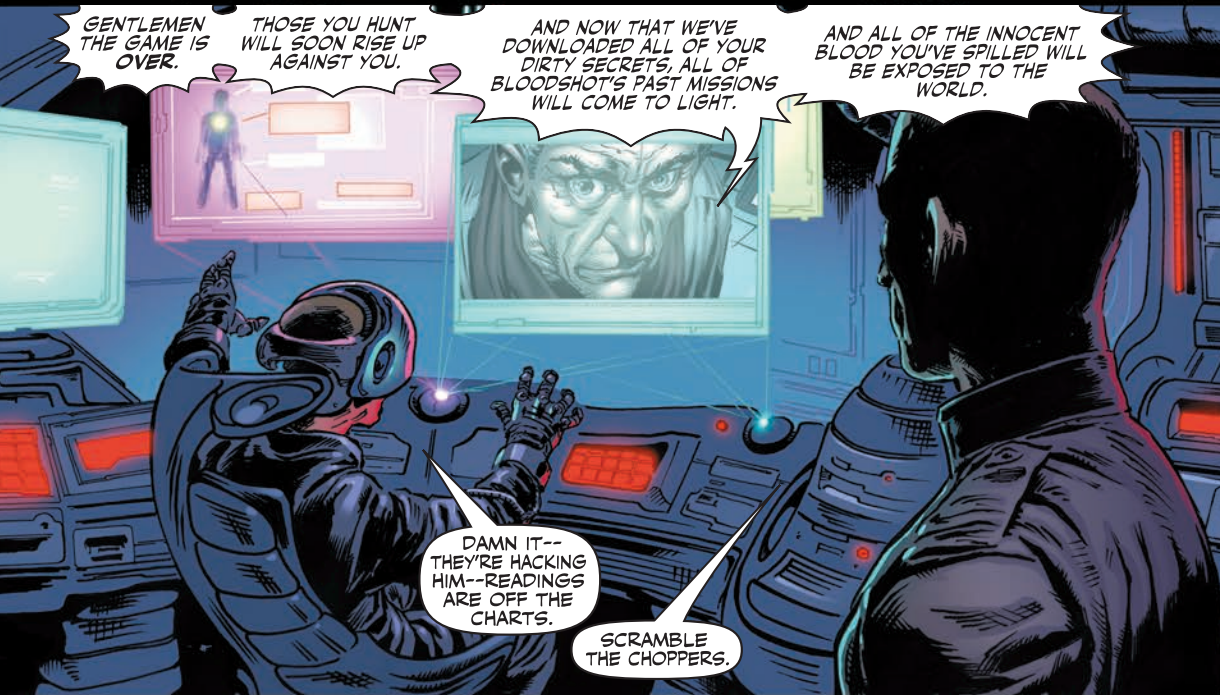


I'LL GET TO YOU IN
A MINUTE, BLOODSHOT.
JUST HANG IN THERE.
YOU'RE DOING FINE.

I'M SPEAKING TO
PROJECT BLOODSHOT'S
CURRENT MINDER. AND THE
STAFF OF PROJECT
RISING SPIRIT.

I'M SURE YOU'RE
THERE WATCHING,
SIMON ORECK.

LORD KNOWS
WE HANDLED ENOUGH
OF THESE MISSIONS
TOGETHER.



GENTLEMEN
THE GAME IS
OVER.

THOSE YOU HUNT
WILL SOON RISE UP
AGAINST YOU.

AND NOW THAT WE'VE
DOWNLOADED ALL OF YOUR
DIRTY SECRETS, ALL OF
BLOODSHOT'S PAST MISSIONS
WILL COME TO LIGHT.

AND ALL OF THE INNOCENT
BLOOD YOU'VE SPILLED WILL
BE EXPOSED TO THE
WORLD.

DAMN IT--
THEY'RE HACKING
HIM--READINGS
ARE OFF THE
CHARTS.

SCRAMBLE
THE CHOPPERS.



ALRIGHTY THEN.
SIMON ORECK IS
SOILING HIS
TROUSERS RIGHT
ABOUT NOW...

WE HAVE
EVERYTHING WE
NEED?

DOWNLOAD
COMPLETE.

GOODY.
LET'S SHOW THIS
MAN WHAT HIS
MASTERS DID TO HIM.

CHEER UP,
BLOODSHOT.

I'M ABOUT
TO SET YOU FREE
WITH THE PUSH OF A
BUTTON.

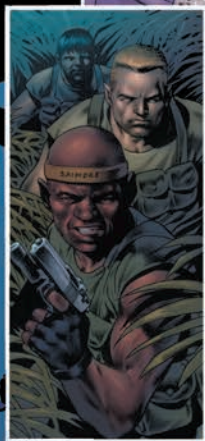
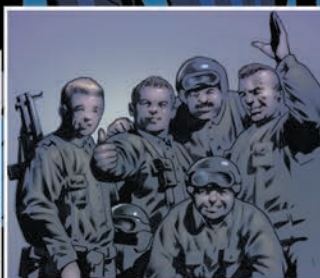
SEE, PROJECT
RISING SPIRIT FILLED
YOUR HEAD WITH DOZENS
OF FICTIONAL WIVES, CHILDREN
AND FRIENDS, TAILOR-MADE
FOR EVERY POSSIBLE
SCENARIO.

YOUR BRAIN
IS LIKE A TV. THEY
CHANGE THE CHANNEL,
YOU BECOME ABSORBED
IN A NEW SHOW. A SHOW
YOU THINK IS YOUR LIFE.
BUT IT IS NOT.

THEY DO THIS
TO MOTIVATE
YOU.

YOU'LL KILL
ANYONE THEY
POINT YOU AT IF IT
MEANS PROTECTING
THE ONES YOU
LOVE.

I SHOULD KNOW.
I CREATED HALF OF
THEM MYSELF.





NO.

THEY'RE
REAL, DAMN
YOU-- THEY'RE
REAL....!



WHAT DID YOU
DO TO MY HEAD...?
ASHLEY...JENNIFER...
LISA...OH GOD...



STOP
HIM!

NO!
LET HIM
GO.

WE HAVE
WHAT WE CAME
FOR.



...JOHNNY...

KRESSHHHH



HUTCH.

HUTCH.
DO YOU READ
ME.

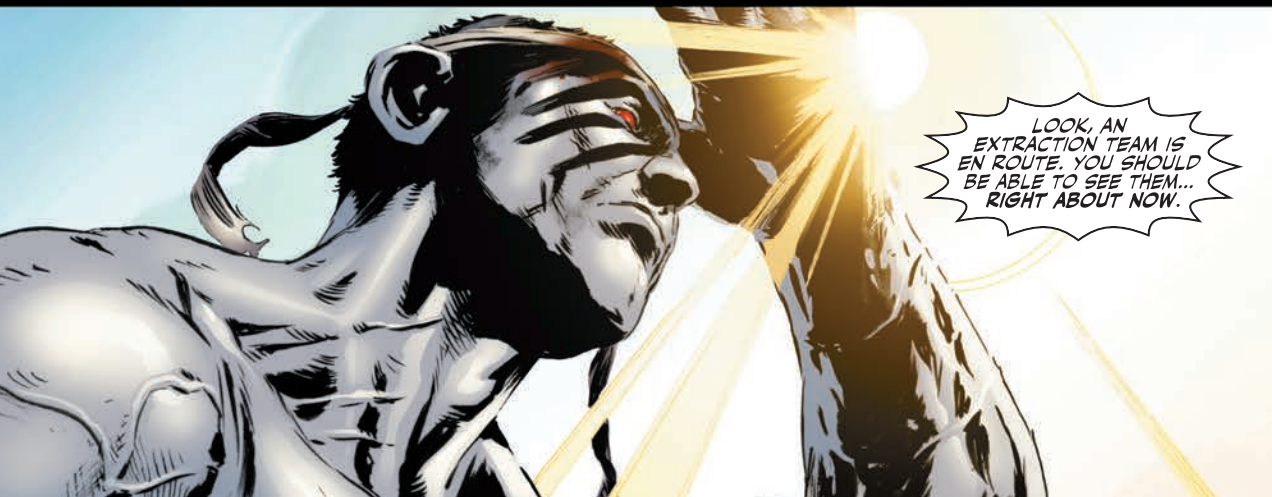
HUTCH,
DAMN IT, WHERE
THE HELL--?



I'VE GOT YOU.
YOU'RE FINE. IT WAS ALL
A *MIND-OP*, BUDDY. DON'T
LISTEN TO A WORD THAT IDIOT
SAID. WE'RE GOING TO EXACT
SOME PAYBACK ON THOSE
BASTARDS RIGHT NOW.

I FEEL LIKE
I'M LOSING MY
GODDAMNED MIND.
ALL OF THOSE FACES,
THEY ALL FEEL
SO REAL...

THEY DOSED
YOU WITH SOMETHING,
RAY. MESSING WITH
YOUR *GRAY MATTER*.
NOTHING MORE.



LOOK, AN
EXTRACTION TEAM IS
EN ROUTE. YOU SHOULD
BE ABLE TO SEE THEM...
RIGHT ABOUT NOW.







"I DON'T SEE WHY NOT."

"WE'VE DONE IT HUNDREDS OF TIMES BEFORE."



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■ BLOODSHOT RETURNS!!

Over the past few weeks, the Valiant offices have been abuzz about *Bloodshot* #1 and the return of one of the most popular characters in the history of the Valiant Universe.

Duane Swierczynski, Manuel Garcia, and Arturo Lozzi have put together an action-packed, gunfire-soaked first issue that is on sale at your local comic book shop now. Issue #1 takes us inside the mind of Bloodshot - a dangerous and enigmatic character whose actions will have profound repercussions on the larger tapestry of the Valiant Universe for years to come.



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ARCHER and ARMSTRONG #1

Come August, the Summer of Valiant continues as *Archer & Armstrong* #1 goes on sale. In issue #1, we meet the only two heroes in the entire genre with enough moxie to take on The 1%. *Archer & Armstrong* are two of my favorite characters, and Fred Van Lente and Clayton Henry have cooked up a fantastic first issue featuring a wide-eyed hero, an immortal, an apocalypse, and some currency speculators who believe that what's good for Wall Street ain't exactly good for Main Street.

And stay tuned for next month when we'll have more about *X-O Manowar*, *Harbinger*, and the return of a fan-favorite character named...

NINJAK!

The Summer of Valiant continues next month. Until then, keep the letters coming to letters@valiantentertainment.com, or by regular mail to:

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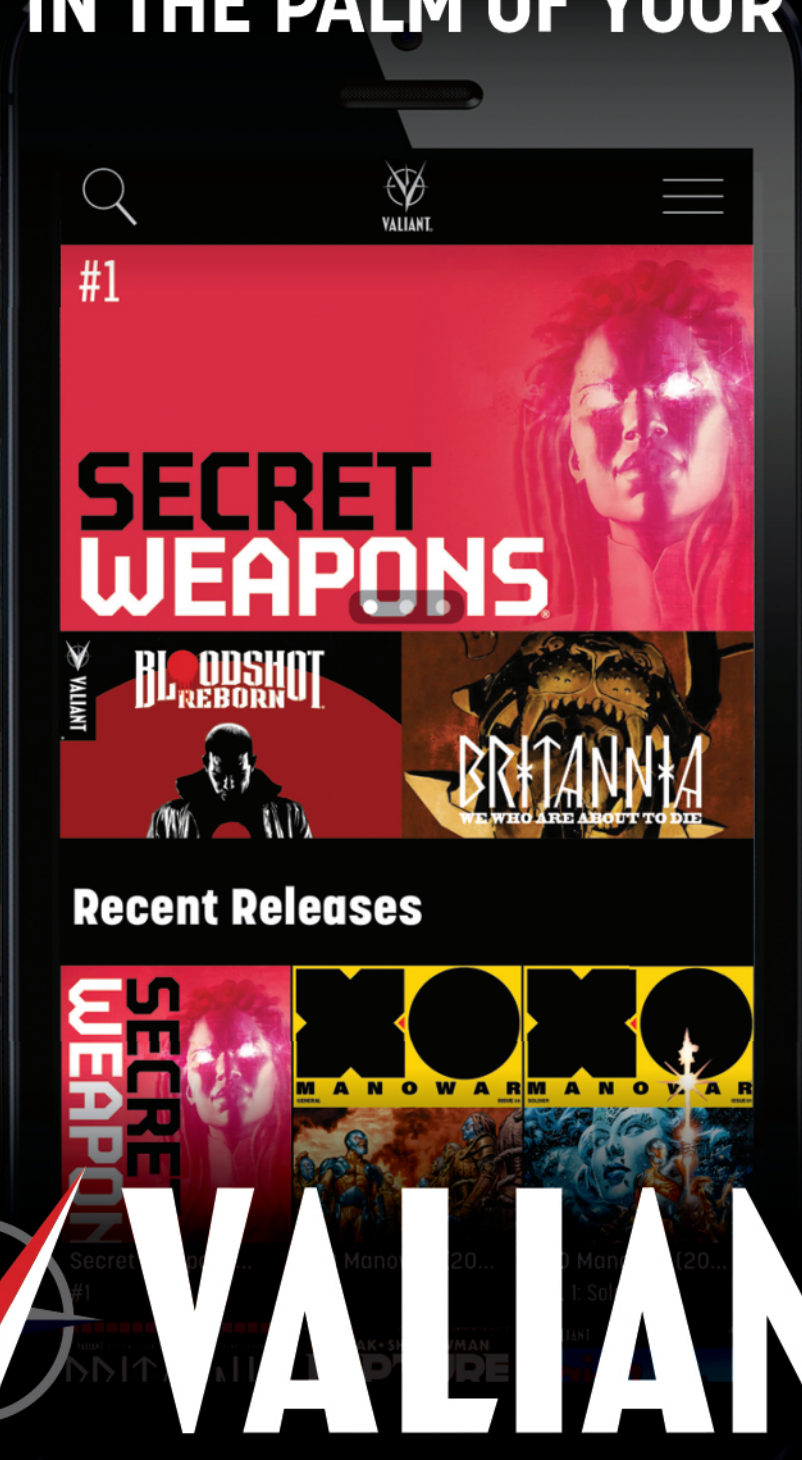
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