



I, A MERE SCIENTIST
ON A SCOUTING PARTY,
WOULD HAVE BEEN **MORE
THAN ENOUGH** TO BREAK AND
COW OUR ANCESTRAL HOME!




NO, THERE IS
NOTHING YOU COULD
HAVE COME UP WITH
THAT COULD HAVE...



BUT THERE'S SOMETHING
YOU CAME UP WITH.




WHAT ARE YOU
TALKING ABOUT?



I SAW A FLASH
IN YOUR MIND...
YOU KNOW SOMETHING.
SOMETHING THE CODEX
WOULDN'T HAVE TOLD ME.

WHAT HOPE DID
YOU HAVE, ANYWAYS?



I GOT YOU!

**NO! YOU DON'T KNOW
WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!**

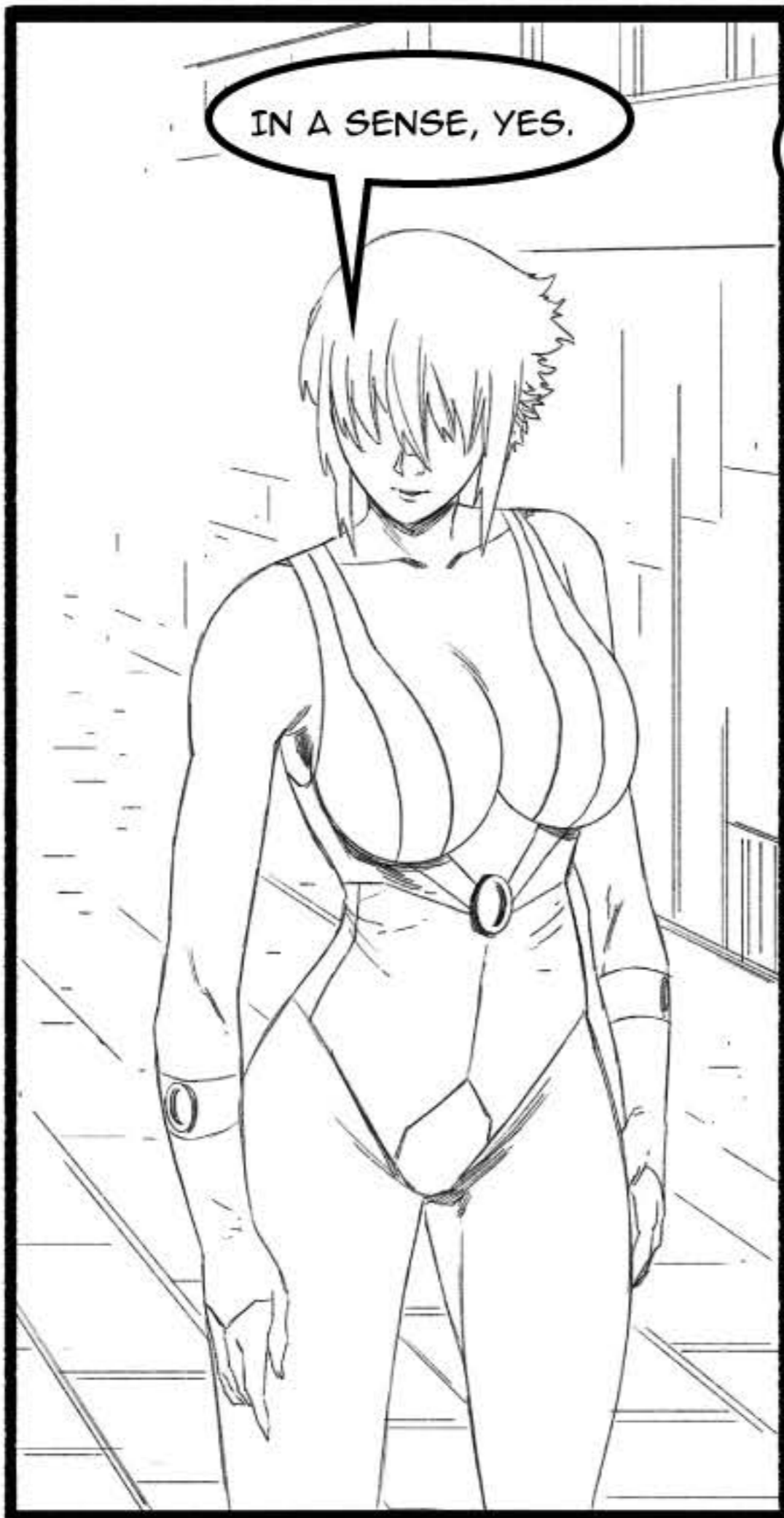


**IT'S NOT INTELLECT
OR GENETICS THAT
REIGN SUPREME
IN THIS REALM!**

**IT'S WILLPOWER!
THE WILL TO WIN!**

**NO! THIS IS NOT RIGHT!
WE HAVE THE RIGHT!
WE ARE THE MASTERS
OF THIS WORLD!
WE MADE YOU!**







SORRY,
CHANGE OF
PLANS!



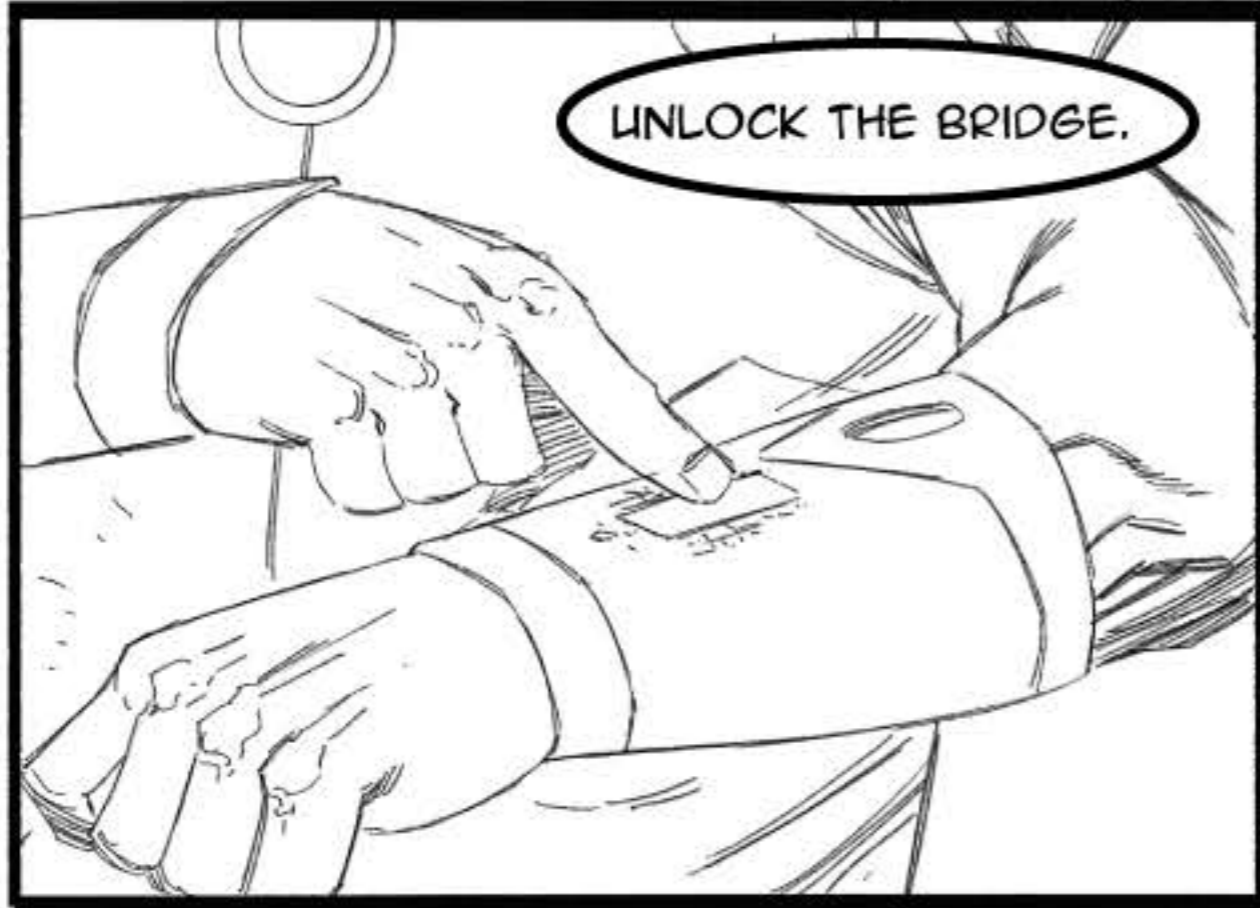
ALRIGHT,
COME ON,
COME ON!



THERE IT IS!



GENERAL!
HAVE THE SCIENTISTS
CONFIGURE A TIGHT-BEAM
TRANSMISSION. 47 HERTZ,
WITH A 2.7 CINE WAVE!





I HAVE UNDERESTIMATED YOUR RESOLVE, SOLDIER.



YOU DESERVE A WARRIOR'S DEATH.



YOU DON'T!



HONESTLY, I NEEDED ONE OF YOU FOR THIS. I'M GLAD IT'S YOU.



NEED
ONE OF US?
FOR WHAT?



TARGET MY
GPS COORDINATE
AND TIGHT-BEAM
TRANSMIT.

THIS WILL BURN OUT
OUR TIGHT-BEAM TRANSMITTER!
AFTER THIS, WE CAN ONLY
TRANSMIT GLOBALLY!



I KNOW. DO IT!



WHAT GAMES
ARE YOU PLANNING?!?
ENOUGH!



WHAT? NO!



OUR CULTURES SHARE
A COMMON BACKGROUND.
THERE'S AN ANCIENT ROMAN
WORD WE HAVE THAT DESCRIBES
A STRICT WAY TO DEEP DISCIPLINE
AMONG THE RANKS.



I SAW IT IN D'NS'S MIND
AS SHE TRIED TO ABSORB
MY KNOWLEDGE. YOU, TOO,
HAVE THE SAME PRACTICE TODAY.
AND THE SAME WORD.



DECIMATION. THE ENTIRE CREW
OF A SHIP SHARES THE PUNISHMENT OF ONE.
EVERY SOLDIER OF YOUR SOCIETY IS IMPLANTED
WITH A DECIMATION DEVICE, AND EACH CREW
HAS A FREQUENCY FOR ACTIVATION.



WE BURNED OUT THE TIGHT-BEAM
TRANSMITTER TO TEST IT ON YOUR
COMMANDER. ALL WE GOT LEFT'S
THE WIDE-BEAM.

