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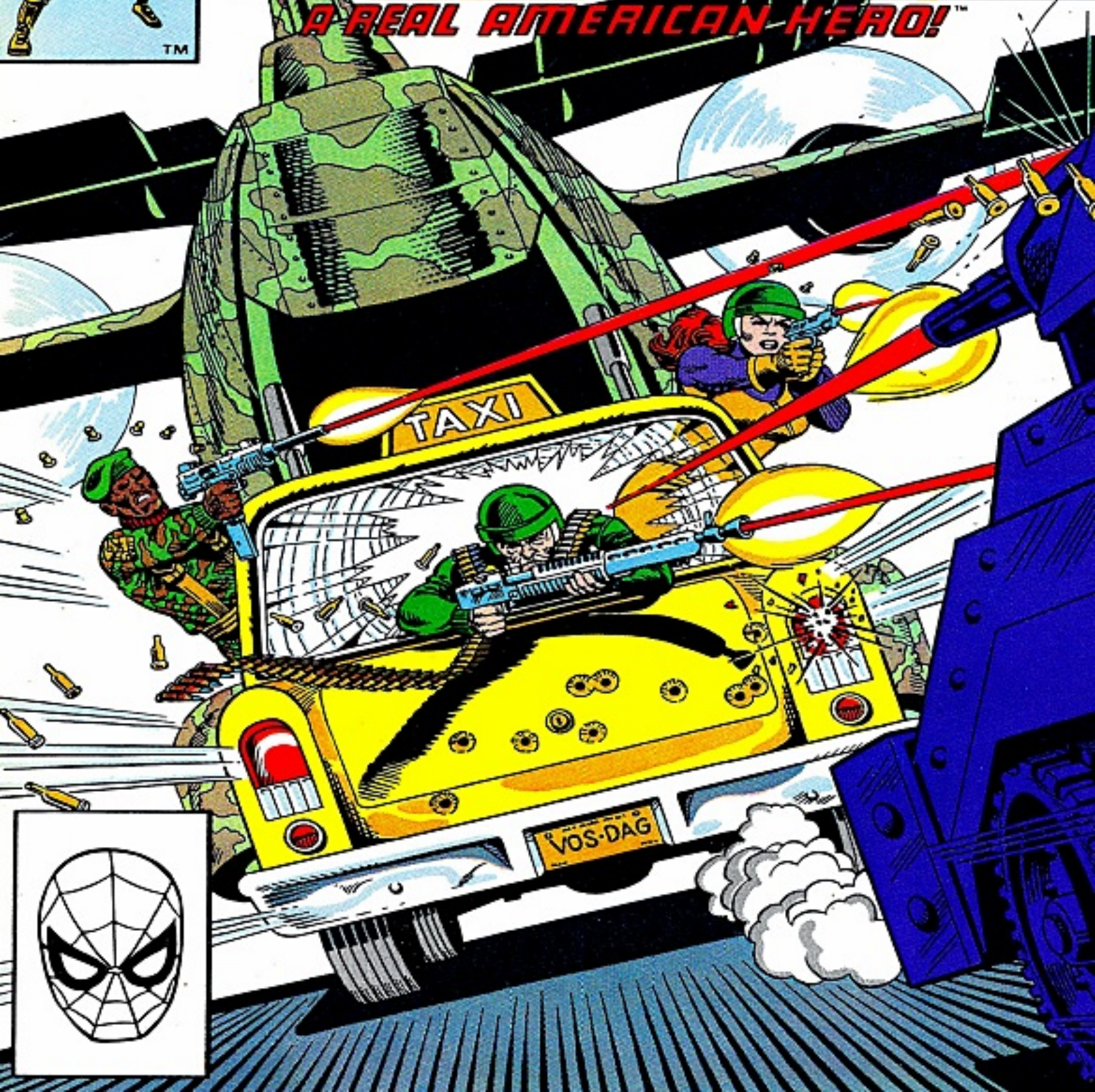
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GI-ROE

A REAL AMERICAN HERO!



Stan Lee
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LAST PLANE FROM RIO LINDO

HOT ON THE TRAIL OF A SCAR-FACED COBRA MESSENGER CARRYING A MYSTERIOUS BRIEFCASE, STALKER, BREAKER, GUNG-HO AND SNAKE-EYES STUMBLE ONTO A SECRET COBRA OPERATION BEING RUN BY DR. VENOM AND THE MERCENARY KWINN DEEP IN THE JUNGLES OF SIERRA GORDO...

THE BARONESS AND SCAR-FACE BOMBED THEIR OWN BUNKER! AND SNAKE-EYES WAS STILL ON THE ISLAND!!

SO WERE DR. VENOM AND KWINN... YA KNOW, JUST BEFORE THE BOMB HIT, IT LOOKED LIKE KWINN WAS TRYING TO PUSH SNAKE-EYES AND VENOM BACK INTO THE BUNKER...

SO WHAT? THE WHOLE ISLAND'S BEEN VAPORIZED! IT'S GONE. GUNG-HO-- BUNKER, VENOM, KWINN AND SNAKE-EYES AND WHATEVER SECRET THE BARONESS WAS TRYING TO PROTECT!

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...A PERFECT SHOT, BARONESS! DR. VENOM HAD OUT-LIVED HIS USEFULNESS, KWINN WAS TOO UNPREDICTABLE AND...

... AND SNAKE-EYES WAS SOMEONE YOU WOULDN'T HAVE WANTED TO MEET ON EQUAL TERMS! THEY WERE THE THREE MOST CUNNING AND DANGEROUS MEN I'VE EVER MET. LET'S CIRCLE BACK--



--AND MAKE SURE THERE WAS NO POSSIBILITY OF SURVIVORS.



YOU'RE BEING OVERLY CAUTIOUS, BARONESS. THE ISLAND HAS DISAPPEARED WITHOUT A TRACE...

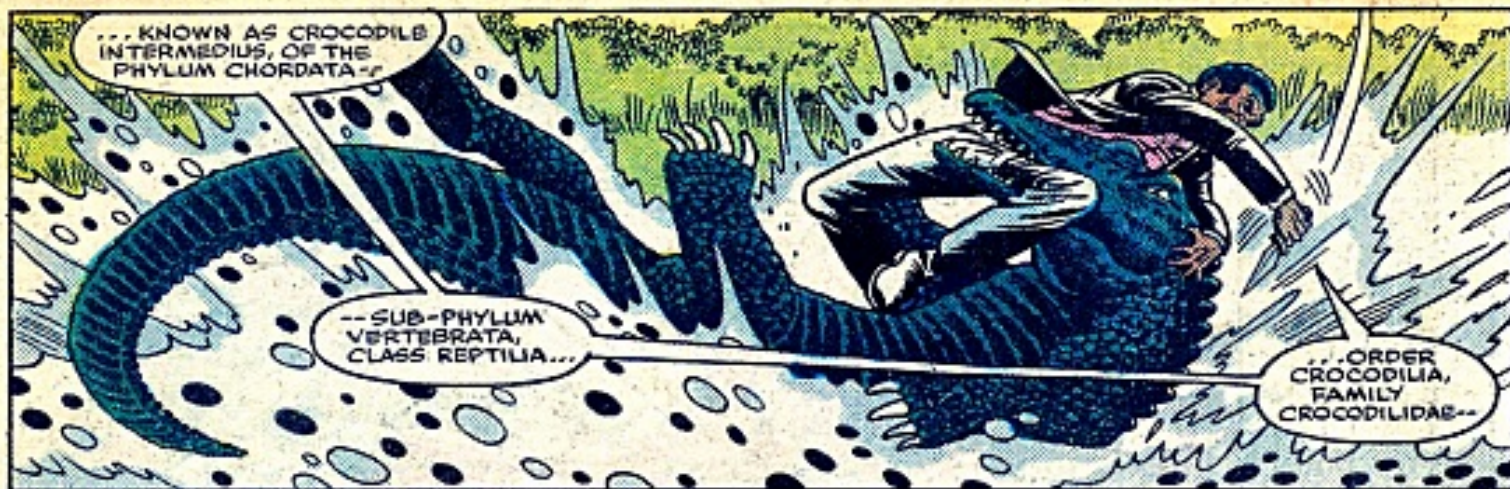


... AND AS FOR THE THREE JOBS IN THE BOAT--



--THEY TOO, MUST BE AMONG THE DEAD.







...THIS PLACE IS LESS THAN A QUARTER OF A MILE FROM THE RIVER SO IT MUST'VE BEEN DIRECTLY CONNECTED WITH THAT COBRA BUNKER ON THE ISLAND AT ONE TIME.

I FIGURE THE ISLAND BUNKER WAS A COMMAND POST FOR WHATEVER WENT ON HERE AND--



PUT THIS FIRE OUT! YOU LOST YOUR MARBLES, BREAKER? A RAW-BUTT GREEN RECRUIT KNOWS BETTER THAN TO LIGHT A FIRE IN HOSTILE TERRITORY!!!



AW SHOOT, STALKER... GUNG-HO THOUGHT YOU WERE GOIN' INTO SHOCK. WE HADDA KEEP YOUR UNGRATEFUL CARCASS WARM AND BESIDES WE NEEDED TO COOK THE CROC--

IT'S A CROCK ALL RIGHT! RIVER MUD WOULD'VE KEPT ME JUST AS WARM AND RAW MEAT GOES DOWN JUST AS EASY TO A HUNGRY MAN...



...THE FIRE WAS A BIG MISTAKE, NOW OUR PRESENCE IS KNOWN TO EVERYONE FOR MILES AROUND! WE HAVE TO SECURE DEFENSES AND PERIMETER IMMEDIATELY! AND WHERE'S THAT CAJUN JARHEAD?

GUNG-HO WENT DOWN-RIVER LOOKIN' FOR A RADIO. WE FIGURED G.I. JOE HEADQUARTERS OUGHTTA BE TOLD ABOUT THIS DEBACLE...



TEN MILES DOWN-RIVER...

ERIO LINDO

...SO YOU SEE, HECTOR, I TOLD YOU IT WAS A GOOD IDEA TO WAIT UNTIL THOSE COBRA GRINGOES WITHDREW FROM SIERRA GORDO BEFORE WE SOLD OUR PIGS!

SI, FELIPE! WITH COBRA GONE, THE GOVERNMENT COLLAPSES AND THE PRICES RISE!





YOU'RE MAD, RICHTER. THAT CHARRED CLEARING IS TEN KILOMETERS OUT OF OUR WAY! THE GOVERNMENT HAS COLLAPSED. LET'S GET OUT WHILE WE CAN... MAKE OUR WAY TO A FRENCH PORT--ANOTHER HITCH IN THE LEGION PARAS WON'T SEEM SO BAD AFTER THIS...

HRMPH! EVEN THE FOREIGN LEGION WON'T HAVE US AFTER WHAT WE DID THAT LAST TIME IN ALGERIA!

COBRA MADE A HASTY WITHDRAWAL FROM THESE FACILITIES. THEY MAY HAVE BEEN LESS THAN METICULOUS IN THEIR "SANITIZING" OPERATIONS. CAREFUL GLEANING MIGHT YIELD A FEW SCRAPS OF HARD INFORMATION...

...AND HARD INFORMATION ABOUT COBRA ACTIVITIES CAN ALWAYS BE CONVERTED TO COLD CASH ON THE INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION EXCHANGE!

IN THE RIO LINDO RADIO STATION...

WHO LET THIS PEASANT IN HERE? HE SMELLS LIKE A TRUCKLOAD OF PIGS...

I WISH TO MAKE A PRIVATE CALL TO STATEN ISLAND. THAT'S IN NEW YORK... UNITED STATES OF AMER--

I KNOW WHERE NEW YORK IS! DO YOU THINK I'M STUPID?

OH NO, EXCELLENCY! I NEVER JUDGE A MAN BY HIS APPEARANCE...

VERY WITTY...



MINUTES LATER IN G.I. JOE UNDERGROUND HEADQUARTERS AT STATEN ISLAND...

COMMUNICATIONS

... READ YOU LOUD AND CLEAR, GUNG-HO. THIS IS HAWK, SIGNING OFF.

SCARLETT, ROCK 'N ROLL, GRUNT, DOC AND TORPEDO!

FORMATION ON THE AIRSTRIP IN TEN MINUTES WITH FULL FIELD GEAR AND HALO RIGGS!

COMMUNICATIONS

*HIGH ALTITUDE LOW OPENING (PARACHUTE GEAR)



ROCK 'N ROLL, YOUR MACHINE-GUN WILL BE THE BULK OF THE FIREPOWER FOR ALPHA...



SCARLETT, YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF ALPHA TEAM. ALPHA WILL TAKE AND HOLD THE RIO LINDO AIRFIELD UNTIL I CAN LAND THE C-130 TRANSPORT AND EFFECT THE EXTRACTION!



... PACK ALL THE AMMO YOU CAN CARRY. NO TELLING HOW LONG YOU'LL HAVE TO HOLD THE FIELD.



GRUNT IS CLEAN-UP HITTER FOR ALPHA. ANYTHING ROCK 'N ROLL CAN'T BUTT DOWN IS YOUR TARGET.



DOC AND TORPEDO ARE BRAVO TEAM...

BRAVO WILL RECON A DESTROYED COBRA BUNKER AT THE BOTTOM OF A RIVER...



BRAVO'S SECONDARY MISSION WILL BE TO MEET UP WITH STALKER, BREAKER AND GUNG-HO AND HELP THEM GET TO THE AIRFIELD...

... SO I CAN FLY YOU OUT OF THERE!



TEN MINUTES LATER...

... HAUL IT OUT! MOVE IT!
WE'VE GOT THREE JOES IN
A TIGHT SPOT AND THEY'RE
COUNTING ON US TO GET
THEM OUT OF IT!



THREE? YOU JUST SAID "THREE
JOES"... AND BACK IN THE "PIT"
YOU SAID THAT BRAVO TEAM WAS
GOING TO RENDEZVOUS WITH
STALKER, BREAKER AND
GUNG-HO!

HAWK, *FOUR* JOES WENT ON THAT MISSION
TO SIERRA GORDO! SNAKE-EYES WAS WITH
THEM. THAT MAKES *FOUR*... DID
SNAKE-EYES--



GET ON THE PLANE, SCARLETT.
I'LL BRIEF EVERYONE AS SOON
AS WE'RE AIRBORNE AND
ENROUTE TO TARGET!

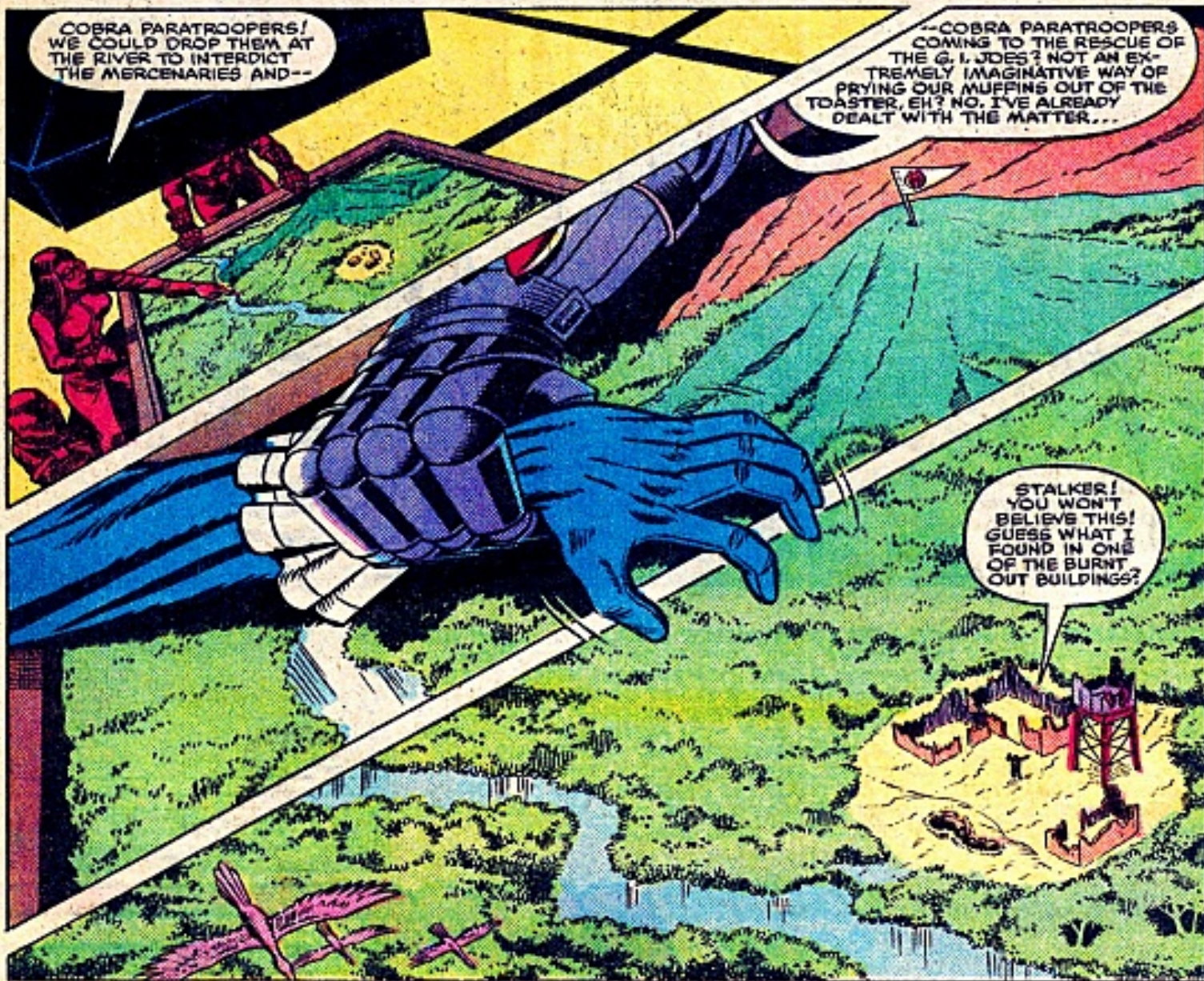
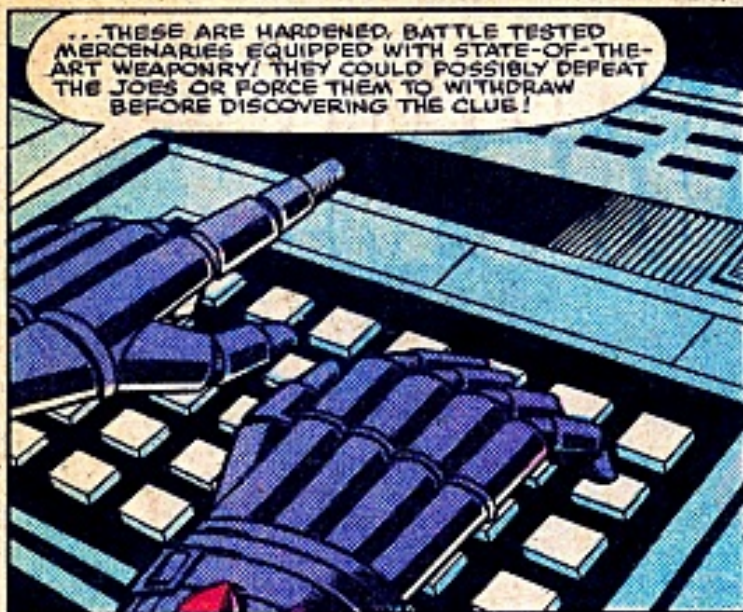


MEANWHILE IN SIERRA GORDO...

SEÑOR! I *IMPLORE* YOU, LET US
TURN BACK TO RIO LINDO! THESE
JUNGLES ARE FULL OF UNEMPLOYED
MERCENARIES, OUTLAW GOVERNMENT
TROOPS AND CUT-THROAT BANDIDOS!









IT'S A TOP SECRET COBRA COURIER POUCH! DIDN'T GET HARDLY BURNED A-TALL! AND INSIDE, THERE'S-- HEY, YOU DON'T LOOK SO HOT!

GOT THE CHILLS, BREAKER. FEVER. THINK MY LEG'S INFECTED... LEMME SEE THAT POUCH...



IT'S ALL IN "OPEN!" NOT CODED. LISTS, NAMES, NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES. ALL THEIR AGENTS?

NO WAY. ANYTHING IN "OPEN!" IS FAKE...



... BUT SOMETIMES ON THE BACKS--

-- BINGO. ALL THE TYPEWRITTEN LETTERS AND PUNCTUATION DENT THE BACK OF THE SHEET...



... EXCEPT FOR THE DOT OVER THIS "I".

MICRO-DOT?



25,000 FEET ABOVE SIERRA GORDO...

-- BRAVO TEAM, OFF IN FREE-FALL!

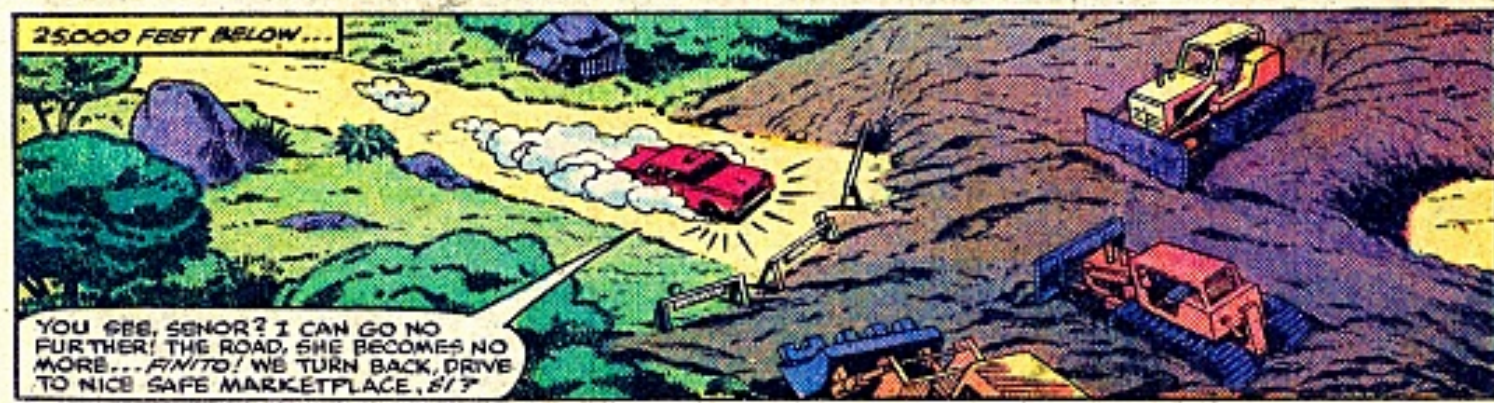
TORPEDO AND DOC HAVE DEPLOYED. HAWK, THEY'LL OPEN 'CHUTES AT 4,000 FEET...

SCARLETT, ROCK 'N ROLL AND GRUNT! STAND BY!



ON TARGET... GREEN LIGHT!

ALPHA TEAM DEPLOYED!



25,000 FEET BELOW...

YOU SEE, SENOR? I CAN GO NO FURTHER! THE ROAD, SHE BECOMES NO MORE... FINITO! WE TURN BACK, DRIVE TO NICE SAFE MARKETPLACE, ¿I?







HAWK TOLD ME THAT THE BUNKER WAS DEMOLISHED! LOOKS LIKE IT SURVIVED THE BLAST INTACT AND JUST SANK TO THE RIVER BOTTOM WHEN THE REST OF THE ISLAND BLEW APART...

MUST BE STEEL-REINFORCED CONCRETE... LIKE THE GERMAN SUB-PENS AT ST. NAZAIRE...



MAYBE SOMEBODY SURVIVED...

TAP TAP TAP



THREE TUGS!



TROUBLE?

--AND A MYSTERY! A SQUAD OF RENEGADE MERCS WAS SNEAKING UP ON THE CLEARING.

NOW THEY'VE BEEN JOINED BY A SECOND SQUAD, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE THE NEW ARRIVALS ARE UP TO NO GOOD...



NO GOOD? HMMMMM...

... THAT'S ABOUT AS NO-GOOD AS YOU CAN GET!



AT THE BOTTOM OF THE RIVER...

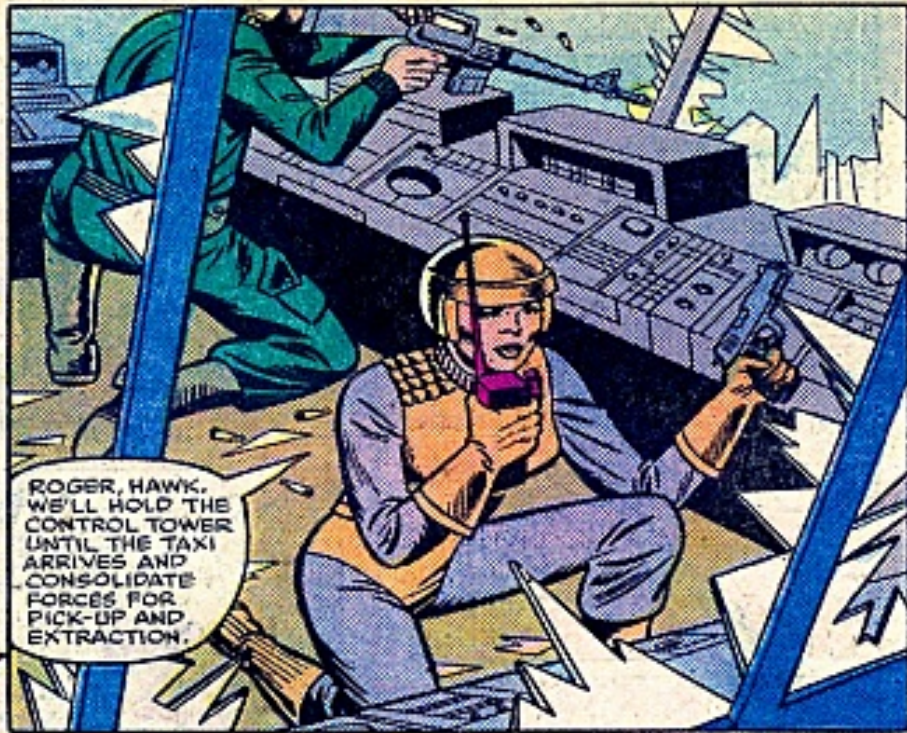




SCARLETT! I'VE SPOTTED A CIVILIAN TAXI SPEEDING TOWARDS THE AIRFIELD BEING CHASED BY TWO LOCAL MILITIA ARMORED CARS...

SOUNDS LIKE OUR BOYS...

RATATATATAT!



ROGER, HAWK. WE'LL HOLD THE CONTROL TOWER UNTIL THE TAXI ARRIVES AND CONSOLIDATE FORCES FOR PICK-UP AND EXTRACTION.



BACK AT THE COBRA RESEARCH STATION...

THE JOBS HAVE GOT AWAY SAFELY. COBRA COMMANDER WILL BE PLEASED...

THEY'RE NOT SAFE YET...



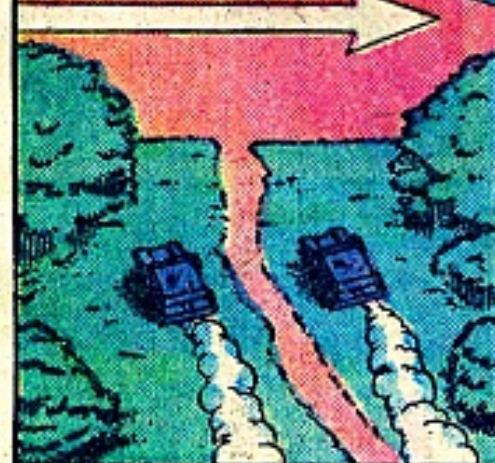
LET'S TAKE A LOOK AROUND FOR THAT COURIER POUCH...

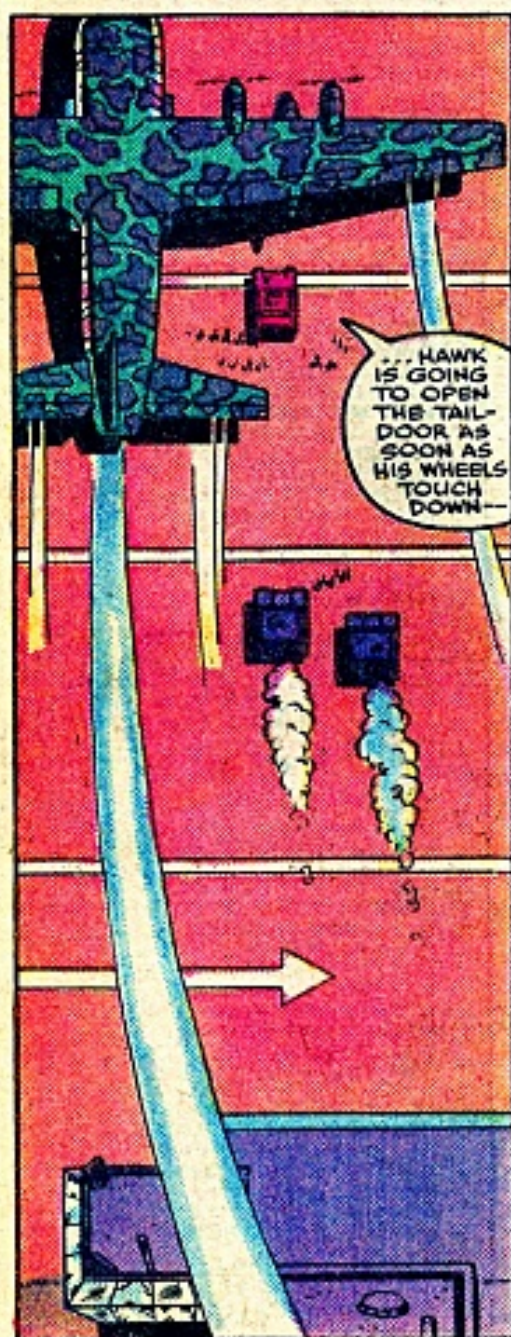
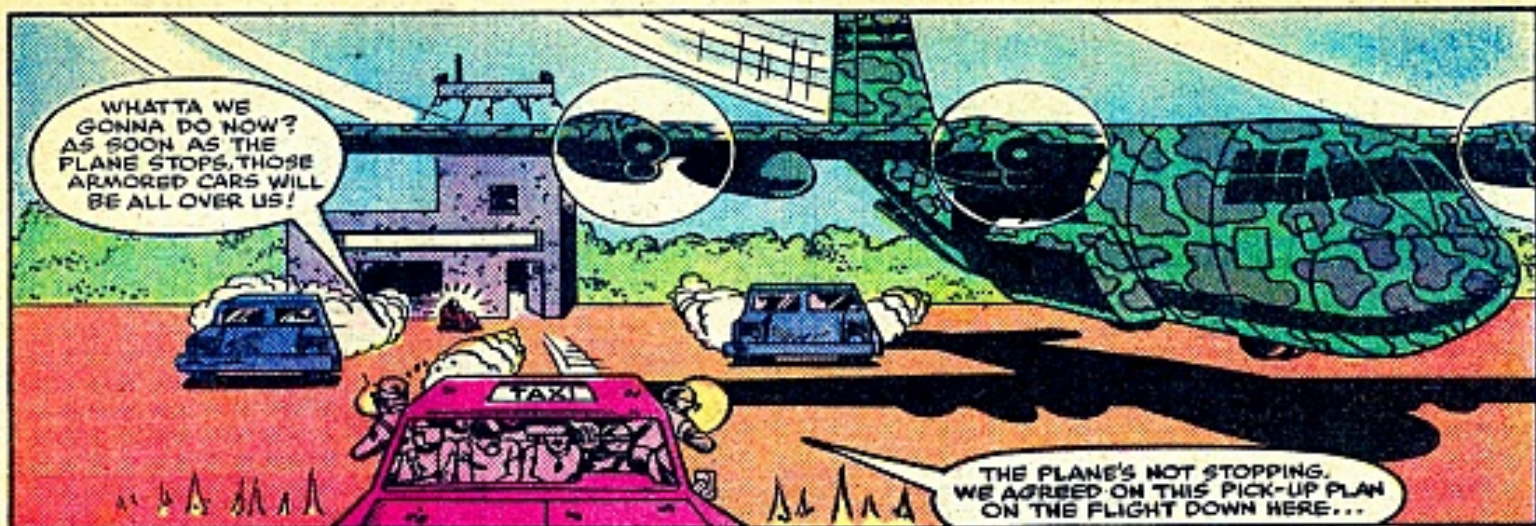
WE'D BETTER MAKE SURE THEY FOUND IT AND--



URK!









NEXT: DESTRO ATTACKS!

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Dear G.I. Guys,

I really enjoy your G.I. JOE comic book. I think your cover on number 10 is beautiful.

I buy this book every month and never miss an issue. I look forward to the excitement in your stories. I have a big collection of comics, and G.I. JOE is one of my favorites. By the way, I would like to see Cobra Central shown in more stories.

Bud Garris
P.O. Box 852
Bethel, NC 27812

Thanks, Bud. The cover on issue #10 was done by the talented team of Mike Vosburg and Jon D'Agostino.

Dear Editor:

I like the G.I. JOE team and their vehicles. In fact, I like G.I. JOE more than any other comic. One of these days I'd like to see the Joes unmask Cobra Commander and find out who he really is!

You're not the only one, Michael — but that's a pretty tough mission even for our crack troops.

Dear G.I.'s,

I got G.I. JOE #10 last night. Because of a snowstorm here, the comics delivery was delayed and I was kept on the seat of my pants! How about having more of Rock 'N Roll — and not so much of Scarlett!

Chris Williamson
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Dear Marvel:

I love G.I. JOE comics. I have collected 1-10 and I can't wait until 11.

I would like to see a Classified File on Snake-Eyes. He's my favorite Joe. Keep up the good work.

Greg Hobgood
7972 Meadow Ct.
Ft. Worth, TX 76118

Dear G.I. JOE Creators:

G.I. JOE is easily the best comic I've ever read. I don't see how Larry Hama can think of such great stories for each issue. And the art is stupendous! I look forward to every issue. You've stolen my heart, and I hope you continue G.I. JOE for a long time.

Jonathan Billheimer
607 Crescent Dr.
Elizabethtown, TN

Dear Marvelmen:

I read and collect all G.I. JOE issues. I think the art is great. Is there any chance of making an issue with Snake-Eyes by himself?

Lincoln Rivers
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Great Lakes, IL 60088

There are no plans at present for a Snake-Eyes solo story, Lincoln, but you'll be seeing plenty more of him in upcoming issues.

Dear Marvel:

By reading G.I. JOE #10 I found out why Snake-Eyes wears a mask. I did not have any idea that he was disfigured in a helicopter crash.

I'll be buying G.I. JOE forever. Thanks for making this book.

Kenny Poe
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Apex, NC 27502

Dear Marvel,

I like your G.I. JOE book very much. It's the best comic I've ever read.

Matthew Wyszczelski
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Dear G.I. JOES:

I am one of your biggest fans ever. I haven't missed an issue yet! I used to hate comic books, but when I picked up the first issue of G.I. JOE I was amazed!

Andy Shockney
1041 Columbus Circle S.
Ashland, OH 44805

Dear Larry and Denny:

I really liked issue #10 because it had all the Joes in it. And it was also very exciting.

David Goodwin
No Address

Dear Gentlemen:

I have been collecting Marvel comics since I was five. The G.I. JOE series is by far the best I have read. Congratulations on a job well done.

Matthew McDonald
98 Meadow Dr. S.W.
Patakata, OH

Dear Joes:

Are you open for some creative criticism? It concerns the plot of G.I. JOE stories. Each story is basically the same outline. The Joes go somewhere, to get whatever, fight Cobra, they win, and Cobra Commander barely gets away.

The Joes are pretty good, though. With just a bit of rearranging, the comic book could be first-rate.

Pei-Chi-Chang
837 S. Sierra Vista #A
Alhambra, CA 91801

Well, Pei-Chi, the Joes are just carrying out orders. As for Cobra Commander, what do you want him to do — win?

Dear Marvel,

G.I. JOE is my favorite comic. I have every issue so far and will keep getting it. I really think it's super! Keep up the great job, and don't stop — please!

Ralph Schrader
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Hollis Garden, NY 11423

At ease, Ralph, G.I. JOE will carry on!

That's all for this month, troops. Be sure to report back in 30... you don't want to miss "Destro Attacks!"

JOHN BYRNE'S

ALPHA FLIGHT

--IS COMING THIS SPRING! 'NUFF SAID, EH?



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