

**SAN FRANCISCO.**

THE AFTERMATH OF THE BATTLE  
BETWEEN TERRAX THE TAMER AND  
THE SUPERIOR SPIDER-MAN.

QUICKLY NOW!  
BEFORE THERE'S  
A SECONDARY  
COLLAPSE.

THANK  
YOU!

I  
THOUGHT  
WE WERE  
DEAD...







GREAT WORK, SPIDER-MAN.

*SUPERIOR* SPIDER-MAN.

WE'RE STRETCHED SO THIN, WE DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE TO LOOK FOR SURVIVORS.



HERE. ON THIS TABLET YOU WILL FIND A SCHEMATIC SHOWING THE LOCATIONS MOST LIKELY TO BEAR FRUIT BASED ON BLUEPRINTS AND POPULATION.

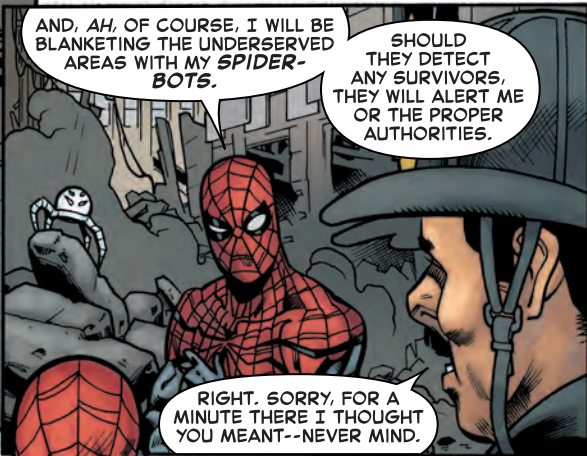
DEPLOY ALL YOUR FORCES THERE.

BUT WHAT IF THERE ARE PEOPLE TRAPPED IN *OTHER* PLACES?



YOU CAN'T SAVE EVERYONE.

IT'S A WASTE OF RESOURCES TO TRY.



AND, AH, OF COURSE, I WILL BE BLANKETING THE UNDERSERVED AREAS WITH MY *SPIDER-BOTS*.

SHOULD THEY DETECT ANY SURVIVORS, THEY WILL ALERT ME OR THE PROPER AUTHORITIES.

RIGHT. SORRY, FOR A MINUTE THERE I THOUGHT YOU MEANT--NEVER MIND.



GOOD HEAVENS, WOMAN. I SAID WHAT YOU WANTED ME TO.

WILL YOU *PLEASE* STOP SCREAMING PROFANITIES IN MY EAR?



**HORIZON UNIVERSITY**  
LAB OF ANNA MARIA MARCONI.

YOU JUST ADVOCATED LETTING PEOPLE DIE!

I ADVOCATED MARSHALING RESOURCES WHERE THEY CAN SAVE THE MOST LIVES. IT'S CALLED "TRIAGE." HOSPITALS DO IT EVERY DAY.

YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE ME AN ANEURYSM.

ONE CANNOT "GIVE" AN ANEURYSM. IT'S MEDICALLY IMPOSSIBLE.

YOU MIGHT BE THE FIRST.

SPIDER-MAN!

THAT'S "SUPERIOR" SPIDER-MAN.

MAY I HELP YOU, MADAM?

YOU SAVED MY LIFE. WHEN YOU'RE DONE, COME BACK. I'LL MAKE YOU KIELBASA.

I HAVE NO TIME FOR SUCH TRIVIALITIES--

WHAT I MEAN TO SAY IS, THANK YOU. I'D BE DELIGHTED.

*THWIP*

WHY DID YOU TELL ME TO SAY THAT? I ABHOR KIELBASA.

THIS MAY NOT HAVE BEEN THE BEST IDEA.

YOU'LL EAT THE KIELBASA AND LIKE IT.

OH, YOU'RE TELLING ME...



**THAT MORNING,**  
AT HORIZON...

I FIGURED THIS ISN'T A HOSPITAL, SO WHO'S TO SAY YOU CAN'T HAVE WINE WHILE YOU RECUPERATE?

2004 CAROSELLA? YOU HAVE EXQUISITE TASTE IN WINES, MS. HERNANDEZ.

OH, PLEASE, CALL ME EMMA.



IF YOUR APPRECIATION FOR FINE WINE EXTENDS TO FOOD, I KNOW THE SOUS-CHEF AT CHEZ MARTIN.

MAYBE WHEN YOU'RE FEELING BETTER, WE COULD--



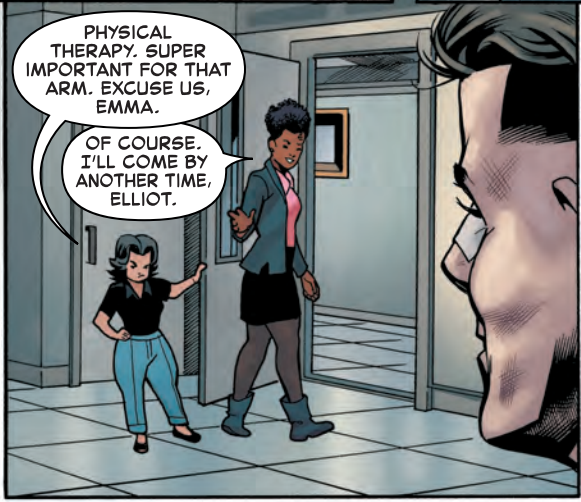
WHAT ARE YOU STILL DOING HERE, ELLIOT?

EH? I WAS ALMOST KILLED! WHERE ELSE WOULD I BE?



PHYSICAL THERAPY. SUPER IMPORTANT FOR THAT ARM. EXCUSE US, EMMA.

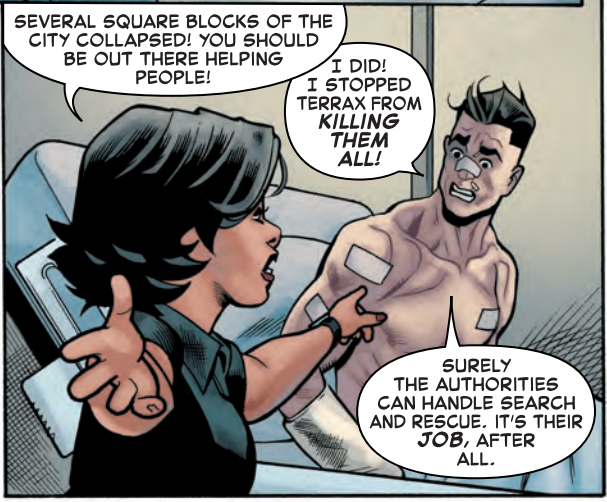
OF COURSE. I'LL COME BY ANOTHER TIME, ELLIOT.



SEVERAL SQUARE BLOCKS OF THE CITY COLLAPSED! YOU SHOULD BE OUT THERE HELPING PEOPLE!

I DID! I STOPPED TERRAX FROM KILLING THEM ALL!

SURELY THE AUTHORITIES CAN HANDLE SEARCH AND RESCUE. IT'S THEIR JOB, AFTER ALL.

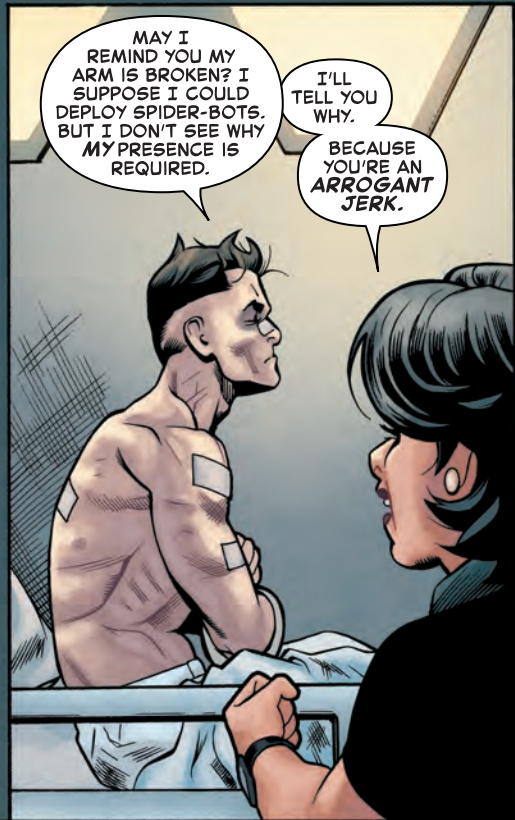






MAYBE THEY CAN, AND MAYBE THEY CAN'T. EITHER WAY, THEY CAN USE YOUR HELP.

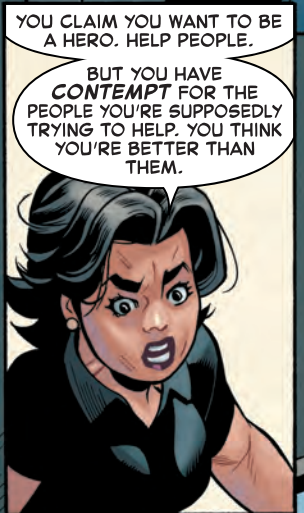
YOU SAY YOU'RE A HERO? PUT ON THIS RIDICULOUS COSTUME AND GO BE HEROIC.



MAY I REMIND YOU MY ARM IS BROKEN? I SUPPOSE I COULD DEPLOY SPIDER-BOTS. BUT I DON'T SEE WHY MY PRESENCE IS REQUIRED.

I'LL TELL YOU WHY.

BECAUSE YOU'RE AN ARROGANT JERK.



YOU CLAIM YOU WANT TO BE A HERO. HELP PEOPLE.

BUT YOU HAVE **CONTEMPT** FOR THE PEOPLE YOU'RE SUPPOSEDLY TRYING TO HELP. YOU THINK YOU'RE BETTER THAN THEM.



BECAUSE **I AM!** LET'S NOT MINCE WORDS, ANNA. I'M FAR MORE INTELLIGENT--



YOU'RE BETTER AT NUCLEAR PHYSICS. CLONING. ROBOTICS.

BUT DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO SAY TO SOMEONE WHO JUST LOST THEIR CHILD?

I--I DON'T SEE WHY THAT'S RELEVANT--



THAT'S EXACTLY WHY YOU'RE GOING OUT THERE. SEEING THE PEOPLE YOU SAVED UP CLOSE. GETTING TO **KNOW** THEM.

AND DON'T THINK ABOUT SLACKING OFF. 'CAUSE I'M GONNA BE IN YOUR EAR THE WHOLE TIME.

NOW GO BE A HERO OR I'LL KICK YOUR ASS.