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THE AVENGERS

ASSEMBLE



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PART 2

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And there came a day, a day unlike any other, when Earth's mightiest heroes found themselves united against a common threat! On that day, the Avengers were born-- to fight the foes no single super hero could withstand! Stan Lee presents...

PREVIOUSLY

EARTH'S MIGHTIEST HEROES THE AVENGERS DISASSEMBLED

"CHAOS" PART TWO OF FOUR



It is the worst day in Avengers history. The return of the believed dead Jack of Hearts ends in his untimely self-detonation, taking half of Avengers mansion and Scott Lang, aka Ant-Man, with him.

Before the Avengers can react to this tragedy, long-time member the Vision crashes a quinjet into the mansion, unleashing a small horde of unstoppable Ultron robots on the remaining members. A gruesome fight ensues that ends with She-Hulk losing control of herself, hurting many members of the team, and going on a wild rampage.

Across town, Iron Man is addressing the United Nations in his capacity as U.S. Secretary of Defense, when he unexpectedly finds himself drunk and out of control. His vicious public display in front of the united world leaders leaves him devastated and humiliated.

Now the Avengers call has gone out. Code white: the highest level emergency.

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DEBERIAMOS
VOTAR--
!!SU!!

VOTEMOS
AHORA MISMO
PARA BORRAR DE
UNA VEZ TU PAIS DEL
MAPA Y CONSTRUIR UN
PARQUE DE DIVERSIONES
SOBRE LO QUE QUEDA
Y PASAR UN BUEN
DIA.

TONY...

NO NECESITO
QUE LO REPITA.

SECRETARIO
STARK, CREO QUE
ESO ES MUY
MALO...

...PORQUE ES CASI
COMPLETAMENTE
SEGURO QUE LO
REPETIRAN UNA Y
OTRA Y OTRA VEZ POR
EL RESTO DE NUEST-
RAS VIDAS.

AUTOPILOTO
ENCENDIDO

SI PUDIERA DECIRLE
AL PRESIDENTE QUE LO
QUE PASO FUE--

COMO SU
NUEVO JEFE DE
STAFF, ESTOY
OBLIGADO
A--

SE LO QUE
PARCE,
PERO--

TONY--

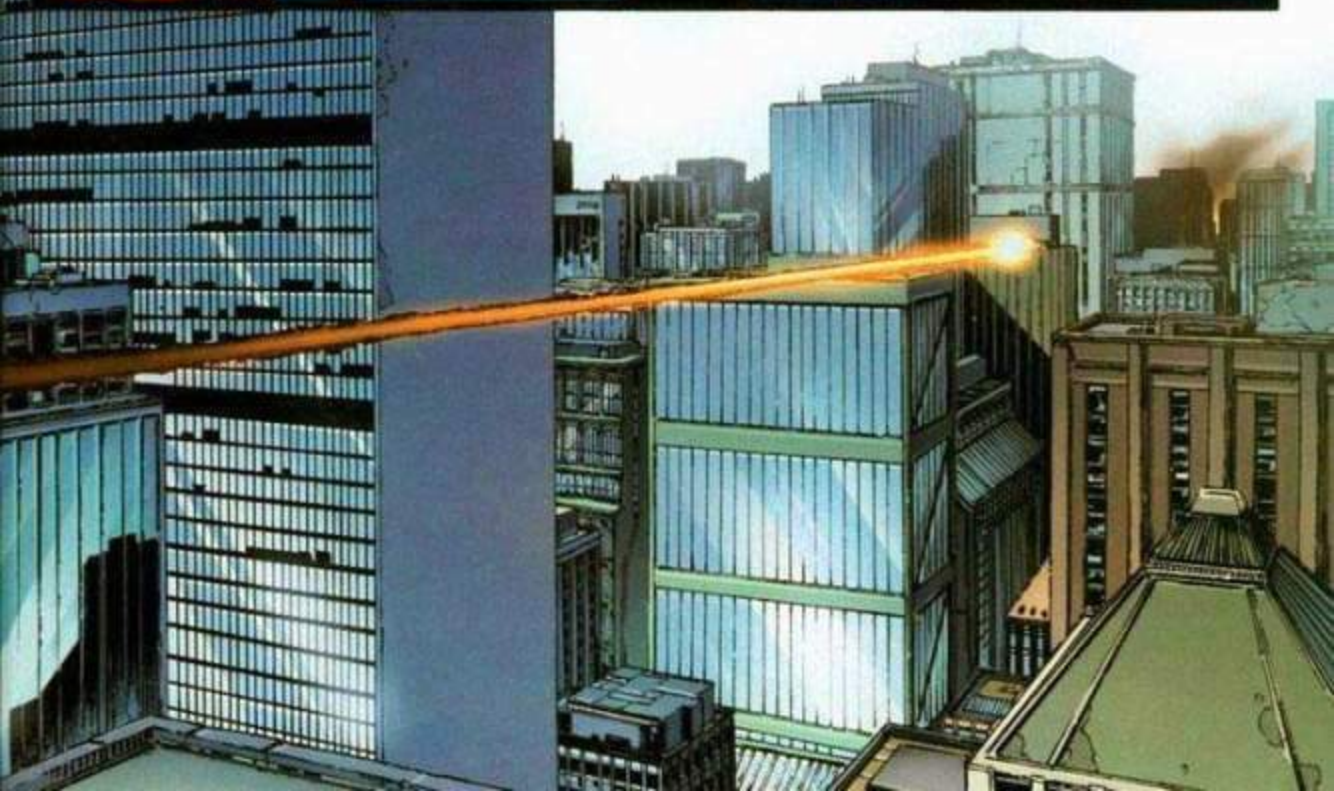
SOLO DIGALE
AL PRESIDENTE
QUE NO ERA LO
QUE PARECIA
Y QUE--

TONY, ¿REALMENTE
TENGO QUE **PEDIRTE**
QUE RENUNCIÉS?

¿PUEDO HABLARLE
AL PRESIDENTE
YO MISMO?

NO CREO
QUE ESO
PASE.

BUENO, ME TENGO QUE IR. EMERGENCIA EN LA MANSION DE LOS AVENGERS.



HUUAAARRGGH!!

FOOM

NAGH!

¡¡AGUI AGENTE ESPECIAL MAHER EN LA MANSION DE LOS AVENGERS!!

¡TENEMOS UN PROBLEMA SERIO AGUI ABAJO!

ARRGGHH!

Y SE ALGUIEN NOS ESTA OYENDO, POR FAVOR ENVIEN LA EMISIÓN ANTI-MULX DE INMEDIATO-- ¡WOOAH!

¡JENNIFER, POR FAVOR!

FUMP



AARRGGHHH!

JENNIFER,
SOY YO, CLINT
¡WACHO!
¿ME OYES?
POR
FAVOR,
MANTEN LA--

AARRGGHHH!

OH NO...

AARRGGHH!







RRRR!

THUMP



ESO
DOLIO
MUCHO.

LO
SIENTO,
CAPITAN.

EL HUESO SE SALIO DE SU SITIO.
NO EXISTE UNA BUENA FORMA DE QUE
ESO PASE Y NO EXISTE UNA BUENA
FORMA DE REGRESARLO.

DEBERIA
RELAJARSE LAS
PROXIMAS
DOS SEMANAS.

NO CREO
QUE *ESO*
OCURRA.

BIEN,
TENGO QUE ATEN-
DER A ALGUNOS DE
SUS COMPAÑEROS,
ASI QUE SI ME
DISCULPAN.

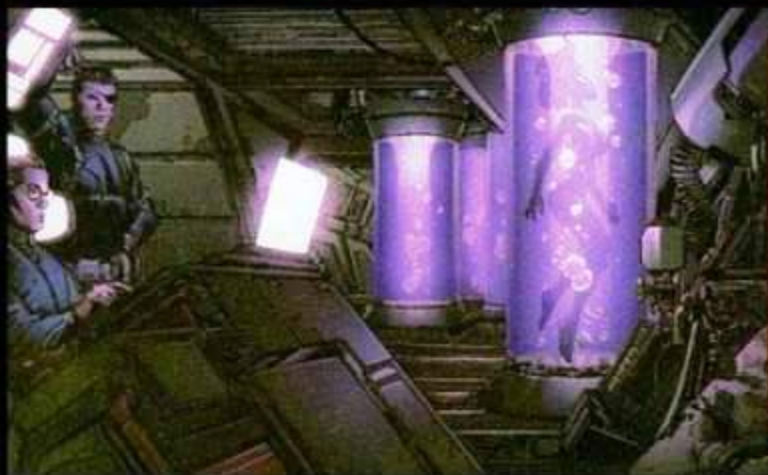


¿COMO
ESTAN LOS
OTROS?





ETH-ISRAEL HOSPITAL
Paciente No.
4758686
Nombre:
Kelsey Leigh
Condición:
Crítica



Ciente:
Jennifer Walters,
Estado de Avenger: activo
NombreCodigo:
She-Hulk
Estado:
En custodia de
S.H.I.E.L.D.
Investigación pendiente.
Autorización:
Nicholas Fury



SCOTT LANG
COD:
DESINTEGRACION
ESPONTANEA/
INVESTIGACION
PENDIENTE



**PROYECTO VISION.
DE REGRESO A
EMPRESAS STARK.
AUTORIZACION
Y CONFIRMACION
PENDIENTES.
PAQUETE 1 DE 2**





Y CREEME, **NADIE** ESTA MAS SORPRENDIDO DE ENCONTRARME **ASI** DE PREOCUPADO POR TI... QUE YO.

DIGO, LA UNICA COSA EN LA QUE ERAS PEOR QUE SER UNA ESPOSA ERA SER UNA **EX-ESPOSA**.

HAS ESTADO DANDO MILES DE VOLTERETAS PARA HACER MI VIDA MISERABLE DESDE HACE TANTO TIEMPO...

...Y **REALMENTE** ME RESENTI CONTIGO POR ESO.



PERO AHORA, AQUI... REPENTINAMENTE NO ME IMPORTA NADA DE ESO.

SOLO ABRE TUS...



¿Y SABES QUE ME ENSEÑO EL DIA DE HOY? NO IMPORTA LO QUE HAGA EN ESTA VIDA, GIANT-MAN, ANT-MAN, YELLOWJACKET, ESO NO IMPORTA.

CREAR ACCIDENTALMENTE A ULTRON SERA LA **UNICA** COSA POR LA CUAL SERE RECORDADO.



¿QUE LE HE HECHO A ESTE EQUIPO?



ESTA-ESTA NO ES LA VIDA QUE DESEABA.

NO ES ASI COMO QUERIA QUE TERMINARAMOS.



ESTAMOS BAJO ATAQUE.

SI, ESO PUDE HABERLO DICHO YO MISMA...

PREGUNTO POR QUIEN.

¿QUIEN? SABEMOS QUIEN.



Y A DECIR VERDAD, CREO QUE ESTE SOLO ES UN MAL DIA QUE AUN NO HA ACABADO.

¿UN MAL DIA?

SI ¡UN VERDADERO MAL DIA!



SOMOS--NO ESTOY SIENDO ARROGANTE--SOMOS INDIVIDUOS EXTRAORDINARIOS. LO SOMOS.

PERO--

NO TENEMOS DIAS NI BUENOS NI MALOS. TENEMOS DIAS **EXTRAORDINARIAMENTE BUENOS** O DIAS **EXTRAORDINARIAMENTE MALOS**. ESTO FUE--

ESTAS SIENDO MUJ--

ESTE FUE UN DIA **EXTRAORDINARIAMENTE MALO**.

ES MUCHO MAS QUE ES.



¿Y SABEN QUE MAS? LO VIMOS VENIR.

ESTO NO VA A SER LO MAS POPULAR QUE HAYA DICHO, PERO ASI ES, LO VIMOS VENIR.

ESTAMOS DEJANDO TODO A MEDIAS. NOS ENCARGAMOS DE LO QUE ESTE FRENTE A NUESTRAS NARICES EN **ESE** MOMENTO Y EN EL **SIGUIENTE** ESTAMOS EN OTRA COSA.

CREIMOS QUE JACK OF HEARTS ESTABA MUERTO. LO DEJAMOS ARRIBA EN EL ESPACIO. ¿QUE IBAMOS A SABER?

PORQUE TENIAMOS QUE ENCARGARNOS DE NAMOR... O ESTO O AQUELLO.

PERO ADMEN QUE. JACK NO ESTA MUERTO. REGRESA Y **EXPLOTA** SOBRE NOSOTROS COMO SIEMPRE **TEMIMOS** QUE HARIA...

AHORA SCOTT ESTA MUERTO... LO CUAL NO PUEDO AUN **ASIMILAR**.

ACTIVAMOS EL CODIGO BLANCO. LA EMERGENCIA DE MAYOR PRIORIDAD.



Y VISION APARECE Y NOS LANZA UN ATAQUE DE ULTRONES.

Y YO DIGO QUE EL QUE **TODO** ESTO ESTE PASANDO EN TAN CORTO LAPSO DE TIEMPO NO ES UN **"MAL DIA"**, ES--

SI, PERO ESTE ROBOT ULTRON, ESTA COSA ES VUESTRO **PEOR** ENEMIGO.

DIGAMOS ¿QUE?... QUE HACE MUCHOS AÑOS

--HACE MUCHOS AÑOS, PUDO HABER IMPLANTADO ALGO, NO SE, ALGUN CODIGO, UN CHIP, CUALQUIER COSA...



UN COMANDO.

UN **COMANDO** QUE DIGA QUE CUANDO LOS AVENGERS ACTIVARAN EL CODIGO BLANCO--

--CUANDO ESTUVERAMOS EN NUESTRO **PEOR** MOMENTO--

--LANZARA ESTE ATAQUE PRE-PROGRAMADO.

ES UN PLAN GENIAL, DE VERAS.

DIGO, FUNCIONO.

CREO--
¿SABES QUE?
CREO QUE ES UNA SUPOSICION MUY BUENA.



/NOS HA HECHO COSAS PEORES!

NO SABEMOS **COMO** MATAR A ULTRON. MATARLO **REALMENTE**.

¿EL ES I.A., CIERTO? NO SABEMOS **COMO** MANTIENE SU VIDA COMO INTELIGENCIA ARTIFICIAL.

NO, **TU** NO SABES. YO SI.



POR LO QUE SE, EL PODRIA ESTAR VIVIENDO EN TU ARMADURA.

¿Y SHE-MULK?

BUENO, UDS. SIGUEN PONIENDO HULKS EN EL EQUIPO Y CAEN EN **SHOCK** CUANDO SE REVELAN.



LES DIGO--
ESCUCHEN-- NO ESTOY **CONTENTO** CON NADA DE ESTO...

...PERO DIGO, LA FORMA EN QUE **VIMOS**-- UN DIA COMO ESTE TENIA QUE LLEGAR.

BIEN, HAY MAS EN ESTO QUE SOLO ESO--

¿MAS?

SOLO OYE--



ESTABA SALUDANDO A LA O.N.U. HACE POCO Y DE PRONTO--

¡LES **DIJISTE!**

HANK, SOLO CALM--

¡DILES, **TONY!** DILES LO QUE TU HICISTE!!





MUCHISIMAS GRACIAS.



¿DEBERIA IR TRÁS EL?

DALE UN MINUTO. SE RECUPERARA.

NO PUEDO IR TAN RAPIDO DE TODOS MODOS.

NO QUISE QUE SE ENOJARA. EL ME HIZO UNA PREGUNTA. YO LE DI UNA RESPUESTA.



¿QUE PENSASTE QUE IBA A HACER?

CONFIO EN TONY.

PUES, ASI ERES TU.

PARECIA TEMBLOROSO Y AGITADO. EL NO ES DEL TIPO TEMBLOROSO-AGITADO.



CAPÍ, NO VISTE LO QUE YO VI HOY, NO HAS VISTO LAS NOTICIAS.

¿ASI DE MAL?

ESTA EN TODOS LOS CANALES DE TV. VEAN ¿LA VEN DESDE AQUI?





TO BE CONTINUED...

AVENGERS ASSEMBLE!

We received our first three letters for AVENGERS #500 today, so I'm printing 'em! Thanks, Craig, Ann, and Dr. Robinson for your quick replies! While they're not all the happiest responses, they are strong ones! So, on to your letters and then a special surprise!

Hey Avengers,

I liked AVENGERS #500 but wonder where it is going. Obviously each Avenger's inner demons are coming out... Can we say "Pym is evil and planning all of this"? Huh? Huh? Can I get an Amen?

Craig Schmidt
Wheeling, IL

Wait... and see... Oh, and you owe me \$20 for Mom's birthday present (if you're confused, look at the credits at the bottom of the page).

Dear Avengers Assemble,

The issue introducing the Vision was the very first issue of AVENGERS I ever bought back in 1968. He is my favorite Avenger. I figured he was safe because he was in the 2004 handbook. If you think I enjoyed seeing She-Hulk rip him apart, you were wrong.

Mr. Bendis, I enjoyed your work on ULTIMATE X-MEN but now I think you're despicable (unless, of course, ripping the Vision apart is like ripping Wolverine apart—the effect is only temporary).

Ann Nichols
Sierra Vista, AZ

Ann, I have to agree with you about the Vision. I'm not being flip. I love the Vision. I hated seeing him torn up, but I know what's coming up for this book (a luxury you guys don't have) and the Vision may not be out of the picture forever. One never knows.

Dear AVENGERS editors,

I want you to know that AVENGERS #500 is my last issue. After reading it, I'd hoped that racking

up a body count wasn't the motivation of this event. But I went onto Marvel's website to find that I was encouraged to "see the carnage as it unfolds." No thanks.

I've read comics for 3 decades now and the Avengers have been a big part of that experience. I know that bad things happen to characters and readers don't always like what writers do to their favorites. I get that, but it's disappointing when beloved characters are snuffed for shock value and "event" hyping. And that's what happened here, particularly with the Vision. One of the greatest characters in comics was literally torn up and thrown away. And according to the promo material, that will keep on happening. Marvel holds these characters like hostages and threatens them to get attention. It won't work this time with me, not when it's done for just hype.

The really sad thing is that I'd hoped for better from Bendis. Let's face it, this is like the zillionth time a writer has felt it necessary to devastate the Avengers and frankly it's been done better before. Using a quinjet to ram Avengers Mansion was also a bit too close to real life events. I can't decide if that was gritty realism, poor taste, or both, but ripping things from today's headlines is not always the most creative path. I get plenty of horrifying shocks and body counts rising up for no reason from the news. Super heroes can often comment on our world, but they are also meant to be escapist. They can teach us, frighten us, and even inspire us. Ultimately super heroes are meant to entertain, to give us a good story, and to be fun.

This was not fun.

Dr. Mike Robinson
Lynchburg, VA

Dr. Robinson, I told Bendis it wasn't good enough. I swear I did. But, you know, he's "THE BRIAN MICHAEL BENDIS" and wouldn't hear it. As for whether this was gritty realism or poor taste, I don't think either was the effect we were going for. Referencing the events of 9/11 as a tool for artificial impact on the readers was not the intent. I hope you change your mind and tune in later,

we've got some great stuff coming your way!

And now, for a special treat, the original double page spread for the kicker at the end of this very issue! Finch wasn't happy with the way it turned out, and being the perfectionist that he is, told us he was going to redo it. Thought you might enjoy seeing it.

'Til next time,
--Andy

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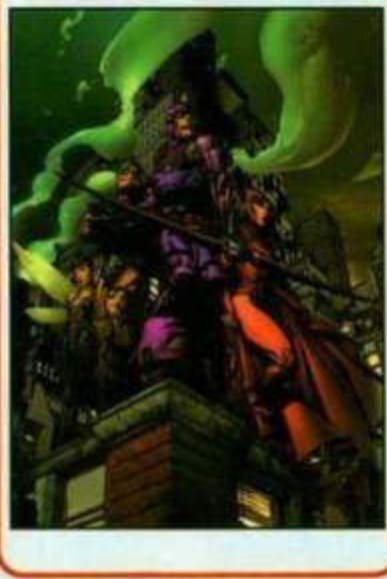


INVADERS #2



MADROX #1

**NEXT ISSUE:
ONE OF THESE
AVENGERS WILL DIE!**



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