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THERE ARE HORRORS BEYOND LIFE'S EDGES  
 HORRORS THAT WE DO NOT SUSPECT,  
 AND ONCE IN A WHILE  
 MAN'S EVIL PRYING CALLS THEM...

CHAPTER 1  
**VALLEY OF SHADOWS**

THE "MAX"  
**EZENGU**

**COLORIST / WRITER / LETTERER**


THE  
**EZENGU**

**PENCILLER**

SPECIAL THANKS TO : JUSTICE ENAMERHEH & MICHAEL BABARANTI SAVAGE ...

DEDICATED TO ALL THOSE WHO FEAR THE NIGHT...






HEAVEN BLEEDS AND THE EARTH WEEPS FOR IT. LAST WEEK A STAR FELL FROM THE SKIES, DO THE GODS WEEP? EARTH'S GUARDIAN, ITS SHINING CHAMPION OF EMERALD, SILVER AND GOLD SAVED US ALL, AND TO THE REST OF THIS WORLD CHAOS HAS BEEN AVERTED... FOR NOW.

WHO AM I YOU WONDER, WHAT AM I YOU MAY ASK? THE ORIGIN OF MY EXISTENCE IS SHROUDED EVEN TO ME, AND MY STORY FOR NOW IS UNIMPORTANT. EVEN SO I WILL NOT TELL YOU FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY; KNOW THIS, KNOWLEDGE IS POWER AND POWER TEMPTS DEATH...

FOR NOW WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW IS THIS; I AM A CURSE UPON THE VESSELS I INHABIT, AND A PLAGUE UPON EVIL. MANY KNOW ME AS A LORD OF FEAR...

FOR I HAVE A THOUSAND FORMS AND MANY NAMES, BUT FOR NOW THE PEOPLE OF THIS LAND CALL ME **ERU**, KING OF THE NIGHT.





TONIGHT IS UNLIKE ANY OTHER NIGHT,  
WHILE EARTH'S GUARDIAN DANCED WITH DEATH  
AND CHILD HEROES PLAYED WITH FIRE,  
IT SEEMS CHAOS HAS BEEN DENIED.  
BUT CHAOS IS SUCH A SORE LOSER, AND IN  
SPITE, IT SPAT ON THE WORLD BELOW.

THE ASTEROID'S CLOSE IMPACT DISRUPTED THE VEIL  
THAT PROTECTS THE LIVING FROM THE OTHERSIDE.  
A NATIONWIDE BLACKOUT. THE COUNTRY'S FORTUNATE  
FEW RUN ON CHEAP GENERATORS AND NETWORKS  
HAVE GONE DOWN. TO EVERYONE IT SEEMS NORMAL.

TONIGHT EVIL HAS COME  
TO PLAY GAMES...  
I LIKE TO PLAY GAMES!

I'VE BEEN SEARCHING FOR THIS MAN  
FOR A WHILE NOW. HE WAS HIDING IN SHADOWS,  
LURKING WHERE ANGELS DO NOT FOLLOW.  
THE WRETCHED PREACHER OF SORROW, THE SERVANT  
OF THE BLOOD KINGS, FIVE ARCH-VAMPIRES THAT KNOW  
WHERE TO HIDE FROM THE SUN IN LAGOS CITY...

I PLAN TO SEND HIS CARCASS  
TO THEM, WITH A SIMPLE MESSAGE...

REJOICE CHILD,  
FOR YOUR BLOOD SHALL  
BE GRANTED THE HONOR  
OF BEING PART OF  
THE RISE OF OUR KINGS!

A MESSAGE THAT WILL ECHO IN THEIR  
HEARTS, TILL THE NIGHT I COME FOR THEM.





ONE THEY WILL NOT LIKELY  
FORGET



THAT THIS IS...





MY CITY.

PRIEST  
SAY YOUR  
PRAYERS!





# TALKING DRUM

## FACE YOUR FEARS...



SO WITH THIS NOTE WE CONCLUDE OUR SHORT TEASER ISSUE...NAAAAHH! I'M JUST MESSING WITH YOU! I HOPE YOU ENJOYED READING THIS TEASER ISSUE, AND I KNOW YOU WANTED THE STANDARD TWENTY TWO PAGES, BUT NOT YET FELLOW COMIC REPUBLICANS... BACK TO ERU, I THINK THE BEST PART OF MAKING THIS MINI-COMIC WAS COMING UP WITH THE STORY AND WHAT I WANTED ERU TO LOOK, ACT AND THINK LIKE, AND KUDOS TO OZODAVINCI FOR THE ARTS. BUT ALL THIS WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN PLAUSIBLE WITHOUT SUPPORT FROM YOU, OUR FANS. WELL IF YOU'RE READING THIS PART(I HOPE YOU DO FOR SOME REASON NOWADAYS NOBODY REALLY READS THE LETTER COLUMN), THIS RIGHT HERE IS THE HOTSPOT, ALL THE FAN ART AND YOUR COMMENTS WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO PUT IT UP HERE. BUT BEAR WITH US IF CERTAIN UNFRIENDLY COMMENTS ARE LEFT OUT, AS WE DON'T WANT IT TO AFFECT OTHER READERS. FAN ARTS DON'T HAVE TO LOOK AS GOOD AS THE COVER I WOULD APPRECIATE EVEN A STICK FIGURE DRAWING OR SOMETHING WAY BETTER THAN WHAT WE ARE PULLING OFF. ERU (YES HE'S REAL, AND NO WE WON'T INSTAGRAM PICS IF HIM TO YOU) WILL BE IN THE STUDIO WITH US TO PICK HIS TOP 3 MOST GENIUS CONCEPTS OF THE FAN ARTS. AND WELL THERE'S A REWARD IN THERE SOMEWHERE SO GIVE US GOOD CONCEPTS. ON ERU?? WELL I CAN'T REVEAL MUCH, ALL I CAN SAY IS MORE PAGES. CHAPTER2 PROMISES TO BE AN ALL OUT ROYAL RUMBLE (OOPS! SAID TOO MUCH) JUST EXPECT RAMBO MEETS TERMINATOR A LOT OF "I'LL BE BACKS" AND SNAPPY ONE-LINER COMEBACKS THAT MAKE COMICS MEMORABLE. SO WHILE YOU'RE ITCHING TO GET YOUR HANDS ON SOME "DARK AND SPOOKY", YOU CAN CHECK OUT THE REST OF OUR TITLES THAT ARE OUT FOR FREE (WHO DOESN'T LIKE FREE THINGS, EH?). HERO-GENERATION #1 MADE A SWEET DEBUT, I HEARD SOMEBODY IN THE COMIC GOT BLOWN UP HEHE! GO AN DOWNLOAD AND SEE FOR YOURSELF.

MIGHT OF GUARDIAN PRIME #1, 2, 3 IS OUT, THE SUPERHERO WHO'S GETTING THE MOST BUZZ IN THE INDUSTRY IS ALSO UP FOR DOWNLOADS. FIND OUT WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT HIT UP [WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/COMICREPUBLIC](http://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/COMICREPUBLIC) LIKE THE PAGE AND THEN DOWNLOAD OUR COMICS. DOWNLOAD OUR COMICS, DOWNLOAD OUR COMICS NOW. UNTIL NEXT TIME FOLKS REMEMBER THERE IS NOTHING TO FEAR BUT ---ERRR!!!  
...LADY GAGA'S PROBABLY THE SCARIEST THING I CAN THINK OF, SO LATER FOLKS...



COMING SOON...GUARDIAN PRIME #4

STEP INTO THE ACTION AS OUR HERO  
FACES A NEW THREAT, FEATURING  
THE EXTREMES ...THE ASTEROID WAS ONLY  
JUST THE BEGINNING!

