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VOL. 05 THE ETERNAL EMPIRE

THRONEWORLD



"SHE'S GOING TO
BE HERE ANY TEC."

"WHAT IN THE NAME OF
ALL THE GODS ARE WE
GOING TO TELL HER?"



"IT IS OUR CONSIDERED
OPINION THAT THE TRUTH IS
BEST IN THIS SITUATION."

"AH, BEAN, I MUST
DISAGREE..."



"...THE ETERNAL HAS
VERY LITTLE INTEREST
IN TRUTH, AND GIVEN
CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES,
EVEN LESS TOLERANCE
FOR IT."

"SO WHAT DO
WE TELL HER,
DAVIAN..."



"YOU'RE
SURELY NOT
SUGGESTING WE
LIE TO HER?"

OF
COURSE
NOT.

RATHER,
I THINK WE'D BEST
CONFINED OURSELVES
TO DELIVERING THE
FACTS.



HOW
THE ETERNAL,
IN HER WISDOM,
CHOSES TO INTERPRET
THOSE FACTS IS
ENTIRELY--

RIGHT--

--WHAT IN THE NAME OF ALL SIX HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-TWO VECTOR-DRIVEN FUCKS IS GOING ON?

THERE ARE FIVE OF THEM!

FIVE!

WHY AREN'T THEIR HEADS ALREADY ON MY WALL?



INTELLIGENCE VERIFIES THEY ARE SOMEHOW ABLE TO TRAVEL VIA T-SPACE...

...EFFECTIVELY, AS THEIR DEPLOYMENT AND STRIKES OVER THE LAST SEVERAL CYCLES DEMONSTRATES, THEY ARE TELEPORTING.

THIS HAS MADE LOCATING THEM VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE.

AS TO OUR FIFTH'S QUESTION, "WHAT IS GOING ON?"...

...VICTORY AND THE FORGED OF SCIMITAR-3 ARE DOING WHAT HER MAJESTY CREATED THEM TO DO...

...ACHIEVE MISSION SUCCESS, NO MATTER THE COST.



