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**AND THE CASTLE OF DEATH**

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THE REALM OF DEATH, A REMOTE AREA ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF PARADAWN...

TUMAN, WHAT IS THIS PLACE? I'VE NEVER SEEN A PLACE SO DARK BEFORE. IT FEELS HORRIFYING AND HAUNTED.

THIS IS THE REALM OF DEATH, SARAH.

WE ARE THE KEEPERS OF PARADAWN. WE ARE THE PROTECTORS OF ALL THE REALMS, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, A FORCE NOT TO BE RECKONED WITH.

SO, YOU'RE TELLING ME IN THAT CASTLE IS ANOTHER PROTECTOR LIKE US? HOW DOES THAT MAKE ANY SENSE? THAT LOOKS LIKE A HAUNTED HOUSE!

YES ANUBIS LORD OF THE UNDERWORLD LIVES HERE.



THIS DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT, TUMAN. MY GUT TELLS ME WE SHOULD HEAD BACK.



DON'T LISTEN TO YOUR GUT. LISTEN TO YOUR SOUL. REMEMBER, FEAR IS NOT REAL HERE! THE ONLY THING THAT IS REAL, IS OUR ABILITY TO OVERCOME THE ILLUSION OF THAT FEAR. WE CANNOT LET FEAR CONTROL US.



YOU HAVE POWERS NOW, SARAH. USE THEM TO FIND YOUR WAY. SPEAK TO ATHENA - SHE IS IN YOU NOW. SHE WILL GUIDE US.

IT DOESN'T WORK LIKE THAT, TUMAN.

BUT IT DOES. YOUR POWERS CAN LET YOU SEE HER. YOU CAN SHAPE-SHIFT AND DO UNBELIEVABLE THINGS, LIKE ME.



AND ANOTHER THING WHY DOES EVERYTHING AROUND ME KEEP CHANGING? I NOTICED REALITY CHANGES IN THESE REALMS. I COULD BE LOOKING AT SOMETHING, AND THEN SUDDENLY IT CHANGES. ARE WE IN SOME KIND OF DREAM?



LOOK. THIS CORRIDOR JUST CHANGED IN A MATTER OF SECONDS.



NOT A DREAM. OUR REALITY CHANGES AND SHIFTS IN THESE REALMS, CHARIOT. YOU HAD A PHILOSOPHER ON EARTH ONCE, WHO VISITED US HERE AND DISCOVERED THAT FORMS ARE NEVER ABSOLUTE. I THINK HIS NAME WAS PLATO. HE WAS A SILLY MAN, FROM WHAT I WAS TOLD.



HOLD UP.  
TUMAN...SOMETHING  
TELLS ME WE SHOULD  
GO THROUGH THIS  
ENTRANCEWAY.



ATHENA! I  
SEE HER. YOU'RE  
RIGHT. HER SPIRIT,  
IT'S GUIDING ME  
THIS WAY...



BUT SOMETHING  
ISN'T RIGHT...?



SHOW ME,  
SARAH.



I FEEL  
A PRESENCE,  
AND IT'S NOT  
ATHENA.



WHAT IS IT?  
LISTEN TO THE  
VOICE INSIDE YOU.  
WHAT IS IT  
SAYING?



THE PRESENCE FEELS DARK - MAYBE EVEN EVIL! I CAN'T QUITE TELL...

CRACKLE  
CRACKLE



EVIL?  
HMMM... IT MUST BE THE SPIRITS FROM THIS REALM.



NO. IT'S NOT SPIRITS... I SENSE THEM. THIS IS SOMETHING BIGGER.



HMMM...



IT'S COMING FROM DOWN BELOW.

CRACKLE  
CRACKLE



IT FEELS LIKE  
SOMEONE OR  
SOMETHING IS  
WATCHING US.



WE'RE HERE.  
THIS IS THE  
ENTRANCE WAY INTO  
THE CASTLE OF  
DEATH.



YOU'RE  
RIGHT. I FEEL  
THE SAME  
PRESENCE.



SOMETHING EVIL IS  
COMING.  
SOMETHING DARK...  
SOMETHING, BEYOND  
US...



BE READY TO FIGHT SARAH!  
DEMONS ARE COMING!



CRACKLE  
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CRACKLE  
CRACKLE



CHARIOT IS ALWAYS  
READY TUMAN. WAIT...  
MOVE BACK. THEY'RE  
COMING BEHIND YOU!



I KNOW, HEE HEE  
HEE!

BUT THEY DON'T KNOW  
WHAT'S COMING FOR THEM.



SPIRITS BY DAY,  
DEMONS BY NIGHT,  
END THESE SOULS WITH  
THE STRIKE OF MY  
MIGHT!

RETURN TO YOUR  
WORLD,  
TORMENTED  
SOUL!



FEEL THE WRATH  
OF THE POWERS I  
CONTROL!



ARRRGHHH  
SNINCHHHH

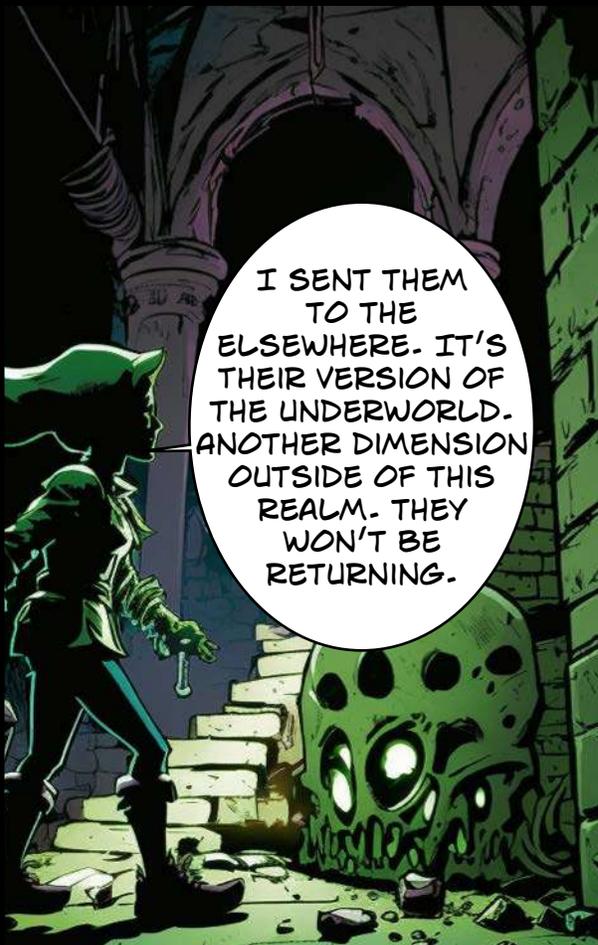
MOMENTS LATER...



WHAT DID YOU DO?

IT'S DONE!  
WE WON'T BE  
SEEING ANY OF  
THEM  
AGAIN.

SHOW OFF!



I SENT THEM  
TO THE  
ELSEWHERE. IT'S  
THEIR VERSION OF  
THE UNDERWORLD.  
ANOTHER DIMENSION  
OUTSIDE OF THIS  
REALM. THEY  
WON'T BE  
RETURNING.



LET US, FIND  
WHAT WE CAME  
FOR. ANUBIS, I  
SENSE HIS  
PRESENCE!



HE MUST BE OUT IN THE COURTYARD. THERE IS AN ENERGY COMING FROM OVER THERE, A TOMB UNDERGROUND THAT HOUSES HIS SPIRIT.



TOMB OF ANUBIS

CREEPY, BUT NOTHING I CAN'T HANDLE.

IF ONLY I HAD KNOWN THAT, I WOULD BECOME A SHAMAN GROWING UP.



NOW, LET'S SHOW HIM WHAT WE'RE MADE OF!



BE CAREFUL, SARAH! HE WILL FIRST REVEAL HIMSELF TO YOU AS FRIEND, AND THEN ATTACK YOU AS FOE. TO GAIN HIS RESPECT, YOU MUST SHOW HIM YOU ARE MORE POWERFUL THAN HIM!



MY POWERS WILL SUPERSEDE HIS.



POWERS? DID SOMEBODY SAY POWERS? A BEAUTIFUL YOUNG MAIDEN WITH POWERS? I'M THRILLED!!!



HOW RUDE OF ME.  
LET ME INTRODUCE  
MYSELF. I AM THE  
GREAT AND  
POWERFUL  
ANUBIS!

AND WHO MIGHT YOU  
BE?

MANY KNOW ME AS A  
POWERFUL FORCE OF  
NATURE. WE'VE MET BEFORE,  
ANUBIS, IN ANOTHER LIFE!  
I AM THE DEFINITION OF BEAUTY,  
BUT I ALSO POSSESS THE  
POWER OF A GODDESS!





I ONLY KNOW OF ONE PERSON LIKE THAT! BUT YOU CANNOT BE HER... YOU ARE BUT A PUNY LITTLE MORTAL GIRL. HA HA HA!



HMMM...



MORTAL AM I...



WITH THE POWERS OF ATHENA, AND THE MIGHT OF THE SEVEN SEAS...



FEEL THE RATH OF CHARIOT!!!



AHHHHHHH!

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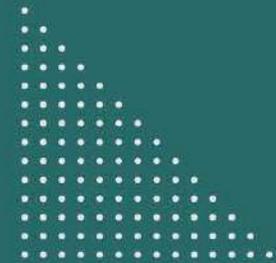
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YOU DARE  
CHALLENGE ME? HA HA  
HA HAAA! PREPARE TO  
DIE FOOLISH GIRL!



YOUR  
POWERS ARE  
NO MATCH FOR  
MINE! YOU ARE  
BUT A SPEC OF  
DUST...



WE'LL SEE  
ABOUT THAT, YOU  
OVERGROWN  
FRANKEN-BAT!



IT'S TIME  
TO KICK SOME  
LIVING DEAD  
ASS!



MY  
POWERS  
GROW  
STRONGER WITH  
EVERY PASSING  
MOMENT.



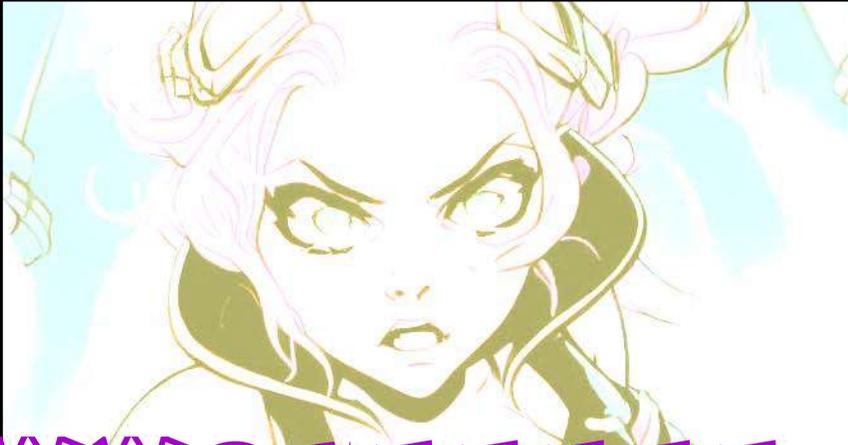
FEEL MY  
WRATH. FEEL MY  
RAGE.  
FEEL MY LIGHT, YOU  
UNWANTED  
DEMON!!!



IT'S OVER ANUBIS. NOW, BOW TO ME!



HA HA HA. NEVER!!!



**FWWOSH HHHH!!!**



SHHHHOOOFF!!



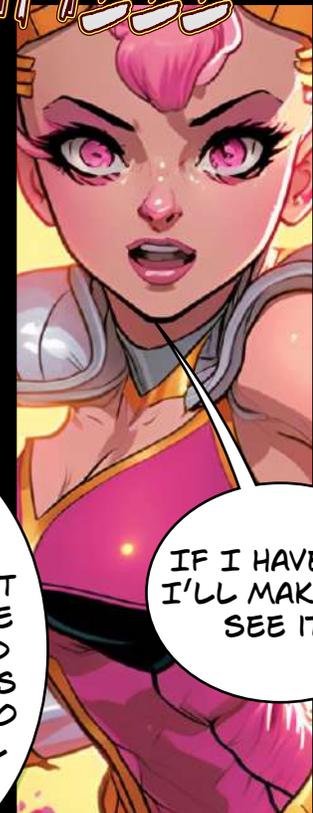
AAAAHHHH!!!



IT'S OVER.  
SURRENDER  
ANUBIS.



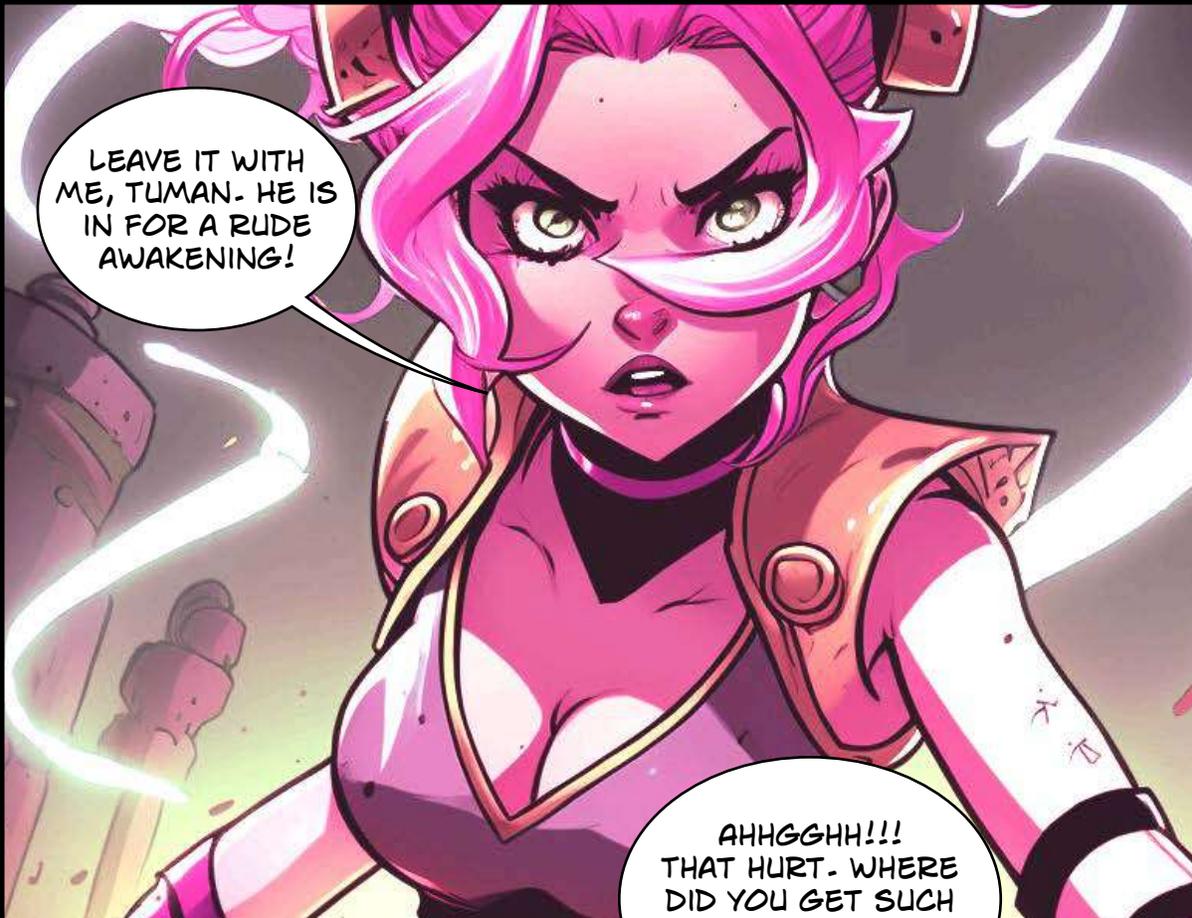
YES, HE  
WILL...BUT  
NOW WE MUST  
MAKE HIM SEE  
WHY WE NEED  
HIM, WHY HE IS  
IMPORTANT TO  
THE SURVIVAL  
OF US ALL!



IF I HAVE TO,  
I'LL MAKE HIM  
SEE IT!



I WISH YOU THE BEST WITH THAT, AS HE IS NOT EASY TO PERSUADE.



LEAVE IT WITH ME, TUMAN. HE IS IN FOR A RUDE AWAKENING!

AHHGGHH!!! THAT HURT. WHERE DID YOU GET SUCH POWERS, LITTLE GIRL?



I'M NO LITTLE GIRL. I'M YOUR WORST NIGHTMARE...





HA HA HA. YOU MAY BE ABLE TO FIGHT ME, BUT YOU CANNOT KILL WHAT IS ALREADY DEAD...



WE NEED YOU TO STOP AND LISTEN. WE NEED YOUR HELP, ANUBIS!



YES, ANUBIS, YOU KNOW OF THE FORGERY BETWEEN OUR ANCESTORS LONG AGO. WE SEEK THE SAME WITH YOU.



YOU SEEK HELP FROM ANUBIS, AND HOW WILL THIS BE OF IMPORTANCE TO ME? YOU ARE INSIGNIFICANT HA HA HA.



YOUR REALM WILL CEASE TO EXIST AND EVERYTHING IN IT- INCLUDING YOU! SOMETHING MORE EVIL THAN YOU IS COMING FOR US, AND IT WILL NOT STOP UNTIL IT ERASES US ALL! YOU MAY HAVE NOTHING TO GAIN, BUT YOU HAVE EVERYTHING TO LOOSE, ANUBIS!



YES, SHE IS RIGHT. SHE HAS THE POWER TO SENSE THESE THINGS. THE ANCIENT ONE HAS COME TO ME AS WELL, IN DREAM AND SHE SEEKS TO ANNIHILATE US ALL, TO RESTORE HER ORDER.



THE ANCIENT ONE? YOU MEAN THE DARK ENTITY! THAT'S JUST AN OLD TALE. HA HA HA. NOTHING FOR ME TO WORRY ABOUT!



AND WHAT IF YOU'RE WRONG, ANUBIS? WHAT IF THE STORIES ARE TRUE? ARE YOU WILLING TO RISK IT ALL FOR YOUR ARROGANCE? EVERYTHING YOU HAVE WILL CRUMBLE!!!



HMMM. IF THIS IS TRUE THEN WE MUST STOP THE DARK ENTITY... BUT, HOW DO YOU PROPOSE WE DO IT?



DO YOU KNOW OF THE PROPHECY OF PARADAWN? HAVE YOU HEARD ALL THE TALES?

THE PROPHECY TELLS THE TALE OF A GROUP OF OUTCASTS, WHO MUST FORGE A BOND. IT IS TIME FOR OUR PEOPLE TO JOIN FORCES, AND TO OBLITERATE THE ONE KNOWN AS THE DARK ENTITY. SHE IS COMING WITH A MIGHTY VENGEANCE, AND WE MUST DO EVERYTHING IN OUR POWERS TO STOP HER.



IT IS SAID THAT WE MUST WALK TOGETHER THROUGH THE FOREIGN LANDS TO GET TO THE SPIRITED REALM AND THERE, A DOORWAY WILL BE OPENED TO REACH THE DARK ENTITY.

IT IS WRITTEN THAT SHE WILL STRIKE US THERE, AND THEN TRY TO DESTROY PARADAWN.

BUT ANCIENT SCRIPTURE ALSO TELLS US THAT A BAND OF PROTECTORS WILL UNITE TO BATTLE THE DARK ENTITY, AND THAT A BATTLE FOR THE REALMS WILL BE OUR LAST STAND TO SAVE US FROM EXTINCTION!



WE MUST UNITE AND BANISH HER FOR ALL OF ETERNITY.

WE MUST PROTECT OUR REALMS, OUR LANDS, AND OUR PEOPLE AT ALL COST!

WE WILL TAKE OURSELVES TO THE LIMITS OF OUR REALMS, AND VOYAGE TO THE OUTER REACHES TO FIND THE DARK ENTITY.



ONCE WE REACH THE SPIRITED REALM, WE WILL GATHER OUR FORCES AND ARMIES, AND MAKE OUR STANCE!



THERE, WE WILL WAIT FOR THIS DARK FORCE AND STRIKE!



THE ENTITY MAY QUESTION US, AND TRY TO TURN US AGAINST EACH OTHER, BUT WE MUST STAND FIRM AND DEFEND OUR LANDS AND PROTECT OUR PEOPLE FROM IT'S DESTRUCTION.

WE MUST FIGHT OUR ENEMY TO THE BITTER END, AS THE ENTITY IS NOT FORGIVING, NOR IS SHE WILLING TO GIVE UP HER CLAIM TO OUR WORLD.





SHE IS A DARK FORCE!

BUT WE ARE THE ONES SHE FEARS.



SHE FEARS OUR FIERCENESS!



OUR STRENGTH!



AND OUR MIGHT!



BUT SHE DOES NOT KNOW WHAT'S COMING FOR HER. THE DARK ENTITY CANNOT FEEL US OR KNOW US! SHE IS BUT A VOID IN THIS UNIVERSE THAT IS SPREADING, AND WE NEED TO STOP HER BEFORE SHE GAINS ALL HER POWERS.



AND I WILL LEAD US TO HER! AS IT IS MY DESTINY!

LEAVING THE CASTLE OF DEATH, THE THREE OF THEM BAND TOGETHER TO FORM THEIR ALLIANCE. TUMAN GUIDES THEM TOWARDS THE WEST!



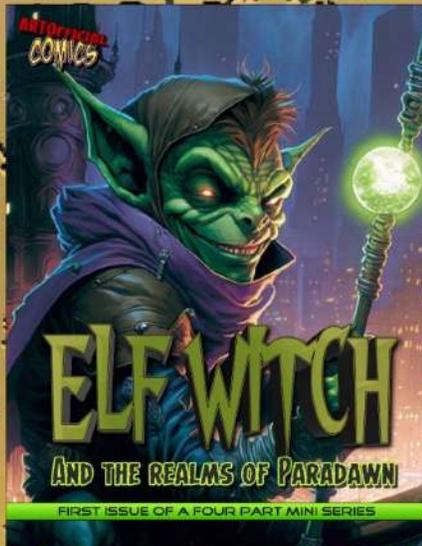
SO, WHERE TO NOW, TUMAN?

IT'S TIME TO BRING YOU HOME, CHARIOT. WE'RE GOING TO FIND THE DARK ENTITY IN THE SPIRITED REALM!

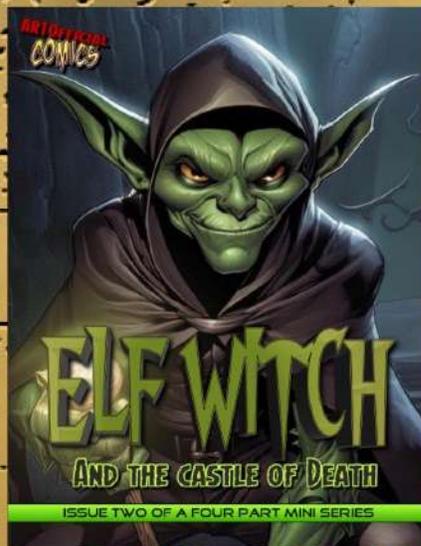
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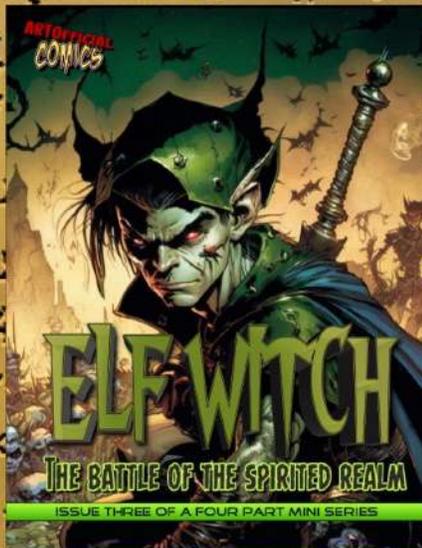
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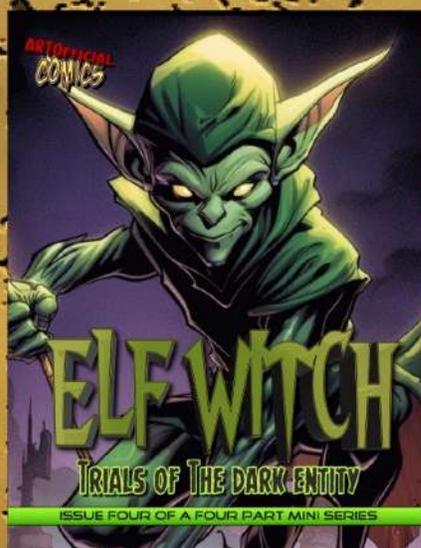
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