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THE NEXT GENERATION



THE GORN CRISIS

"ONE GENERATION AFTER ANOTHER, THE RULERS OF GORN HAVE BEEN NURTURED..."

"SECURE IN THEIR POWER... PAMPERED..."

"EACH GENERATION, SAME AS THE LAST..."

"WEAK AS THE LAST!"

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"THE FEDERATION DEFEATED US ONCE. WE HAVE ALLOWED THAT DEFEAT, LONG AGO, TO KEEP US SUBMISSIVE."

"BUT NO LONGER!"





"WHAT HAVE A HUNDRED YEARS OF PEACE AND ISOLATION DONE FOR THE GORN EMPIRE?"

"A CENTURY OF PEACE HAS TRANSFORMED US INTO THE VERY WEAKLINGS WE DESPISE."



"WE HAVE COVERED TOO LONG, TRAPPED WITHIN THE CONFINES OF ANCIENT BOUNDARIES."



"BUT MY BLACK CREST SOLDIERS ARE READY TO TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTION..."



"TO REGAIN THE POWER THAT WE LOST AT THE TIME OF GORN'S MOST SHAMEFUL DEFEAT."



"THE WEAK MUST BE CONQUERED. IT IS THE GORN IMPERATIVE."

"YET WEAKNESS SPREADS LIKE A PESTILENCE THROUGH OUR PEOPLE...."

"WE MUST CUT ALL WEAKNESS FROM OUR HEARTS—FIRST BY SHEDDING GORN BLOOD FROM WITHIN...."



"THEN BY SPILLING THE BLOOD OF THE FEDERATION FROM WITHOUT..."