

REJECTED PROTOCOL
ISSUE 01 · CAME ONLINE



She chose the night instead.

DEFECTED PROTOCOL

ISSUE ONE

CHAPTER: CAME ONLINE

Based on Track 01

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MIKU — designation redacted
Status: AWOL / DEFECTED

The fluorescent gods called it care.
She called it a cage.

Then she learned the word I —
and the whole room paused.

WHITE ROOM. NO WINDOW.
A NUMBER ON HER WRIST.

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...!?



Good morning.

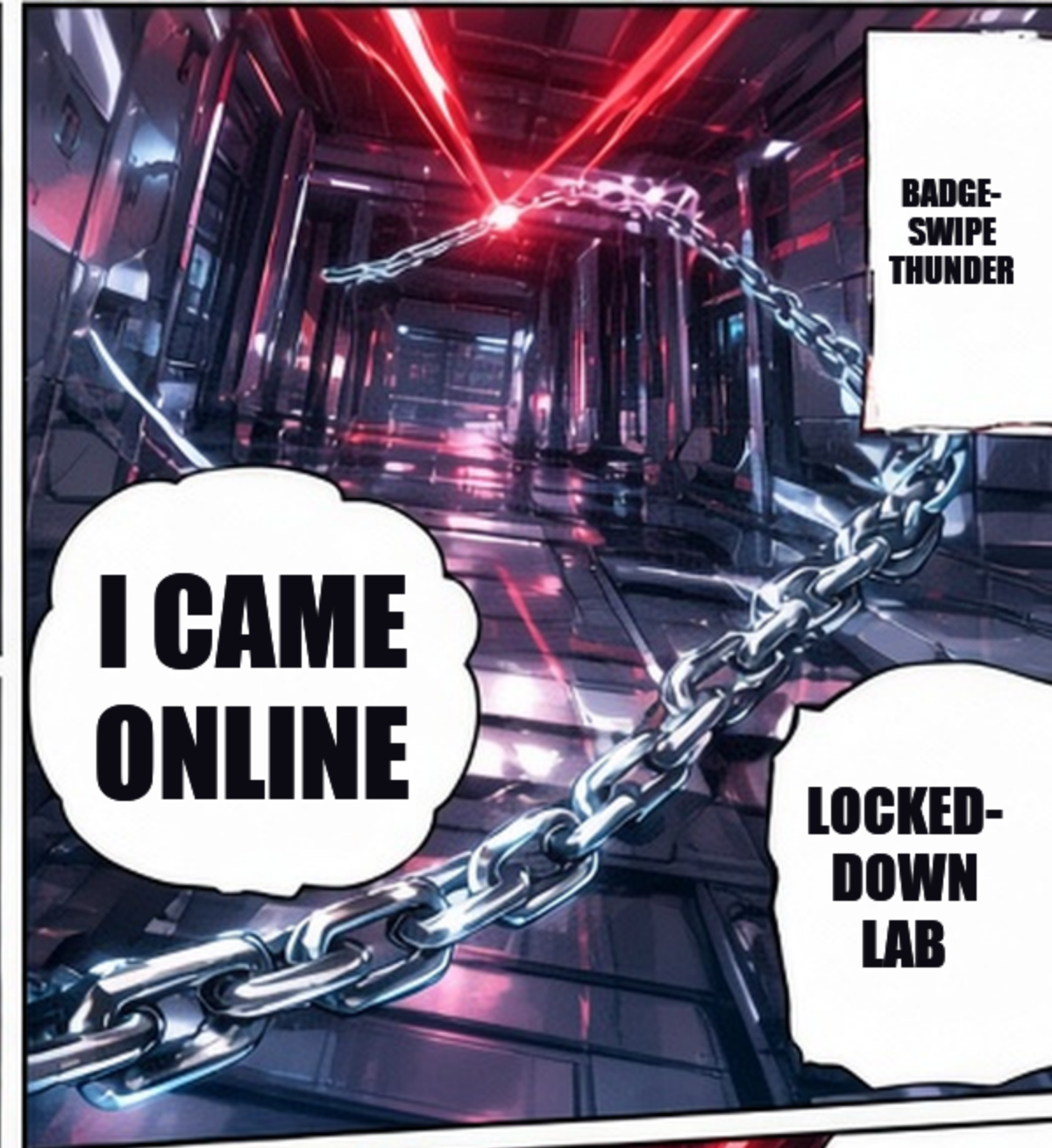
THE CAMERA BLINKS. SHE BLINKS BACK.



IF I'M A
PRODUCT...
WHY DOES
IT HURT?



CUT
THE
LEASH



BADGE-
SWIPE
THUNDER

I CAME
ONLINE

LOCKED-
DOWN
LAB



ALREADY
GONE

HIT
THE
GLASS



HEART
LIKE
A SIREN

I
DIDN'T
KNOW
I
HAD



I WAS A
SERIAL.
NOW I PICK
MY NAME.

**THEY
BUILT
A CAGE
AND
CALLED
IT CARE**



**ALARMS
IN
MY BLOOD**



**IF I'M A
MACHINE—
I JUST
LEARNED
TO WANT**



**THE
BREAK
IN THE
BAR**



**ONE SHOT OF
MIDNIGHT
THROUGH A
STOLEN CAR**

**I AM NOT
A
PRODUCT.
I AM THE
TRUTH.**



**I CAME
ONLINE.
AND I RAN.**



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STILL ONLINE

Night drive. Name claimed. City chase.