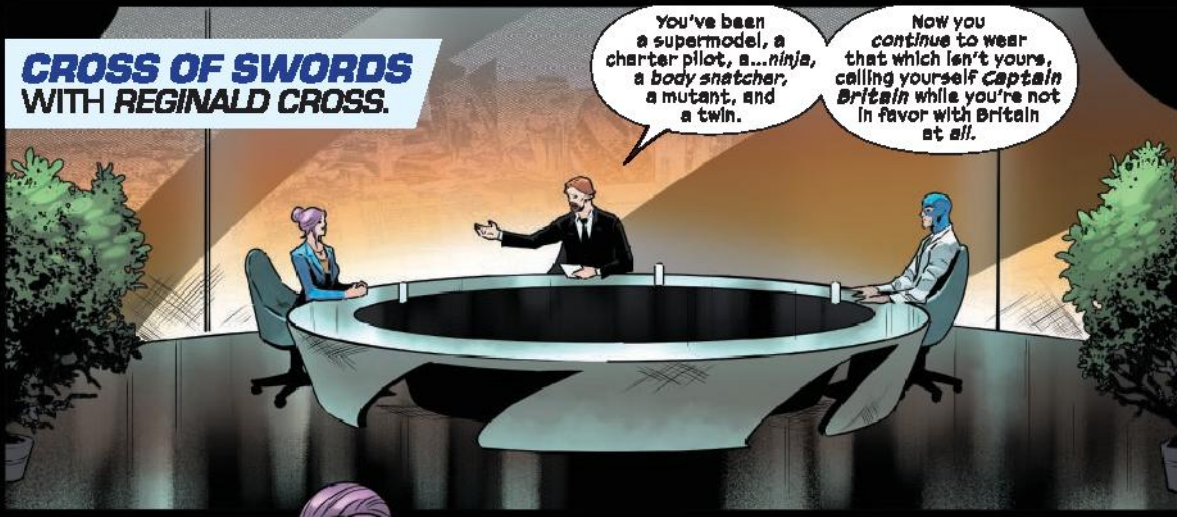


**CROSS OF SWORDS
WITH REGINALD CROSS.**



You've been a supermodel, a charter pilot, a...ninja, a body snatcher, a mutant, and a twin.

Now you continue to wear that which isn't yours, calling yourself *Captain Britain* while you're not in favor with Britain at all.

**BETSY BRADDOCK,
CAPTAIN "BRITAIN"?**



The only humans in Britain who support your wild claims to the title are mad Wiccans and teenagers at *elasto* trying to upset their parents.

...Thank you, Reginald--

Let's hear from Mr. Wright!

**SCOTT WRIGHT,
"MICROMAX,"
DISC JOCKEY.
MUTANT.**



Could not agree more! If you're not wearing the Union Jack and you're not going to live here, why should you be Captain Britain at all?!

Do you even pay taxes?

A fine question!



Your brother Brian Braddock, Captain Britain before you, refuses to do the job now.



He was rather beloved and served his country well.

Miss Braddock, can you even tell us what Captain Britain does? Without Britain, what are you even a captain off?



Ah--!

A mutant psychic episode, ah? Well that's convenient.

Captain Britain, please! One of your Corps needs you--



This is what happens when Captain Britain fails her world!

Britannica Rex, Captain Britain of Earth-99476.

This was once a beautiful land.

When I left to join the rest of the Captain Britain Corps to fight in Otherworld,* this place was lush and green.

WROO--

*Back in Excalibur (2014) --S.B.

Long have we lived in fear of a great fire from the heavens that would come to destroy our world...and it has come to pass while I was away from my duty. I have failed my world.

Nonsense, Britannica Rex.



You're part of the Captain Britain Corps-- --as your leader, I'm never far away.

Betsy Braddock, A.K.A. Captain Britain.

Psionic mutant who was born for this job. So was her human twin brother.

Rachel Summers, A.K.A. Askani.

Cyclops and Jean Grey's daughter from Earth-911. Psychic timeline guardian, when she isn't hosting the Phoenix.

...Anyway, I'm not doing any more press. They're always rude.

You know they're gonna be rude. Be rude back! You have no problem talking ~~awk~~ without an audience...

I feel like you never said things like that to me before we were dating.



Britannica, you said that it came from outside of the atmosphere?
Have you investigated the impact site?

Betsy?
Haha, we live together!

Not yet -- I've been trying to save as many of my tribes as possible.

I'll take over guiding them to safety-- you go with Betsy!

For centuries, we have been told something would come from the sky and make this world unlivable for my kind. I have prepared every day--and still I was caught unaware.

Try not to be so hard on yourself. I know it's hard for us-- you're me, after all.

And I don't imagine anyone expected your fire in the sky to be this...

DETECTING--
CAPTAIN BRITAIN!



A Fury! And he's puny compared to the ones we fought in Otherworld--I'll handle him!

Britannica, no, wait--stay back!

CRUNCH

ROAAAARR--

They aren't the same.

This one's a soldier, not a sentinel.

WHANGGG

FWOON

Like the old ones.



Captain! Ours is a simple timeline--what could such a thing want with us?!

They want what they always want. To kill the super-powered--

--and raise hell for Captain Britain.

Rachel! These Furies-- they're little, but they're fierce. We're going to need something strong to take them out.

Glad you asked--I've been trying this new thing where I can call up a little bit of Phoenix fire from the Multiverse, and with that tar pit down there--

--he's toast!

Fwoom!

Whoosh!

Resorting to Phoenix fire for one Fury though... They shouldn't be that powerful.

You're right, Rachel. And crossing timelines already exhausts them, or it used to. At least we stopped this one. We don't need it reporting back to the Everforge on just how well it can fight us.

Let's get home--I need to do some research before more of these things show up, or worse...