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'A shuttle has crashed into us, Captain Baker,' Natasha, one of her officers, told her at Sector 15. 'And they've got two of our people, Captain!'

'They? Who are they?'

'We don't know. But … they're in there – in the power room.'

The Captain ran to the doors, but they were locked.

From behind the doors she heard a man shout, 'Help! Help! They're horrible! They'll destroy the space station, Captain. Save us, save us!'

The Captain pointed her laser at the doors.

'Get back!' she said to Natasha. 'I'm going to do this alone!'

The laser went through the metal door like a knife through butter. The Captain disappeared through the hole.

The Captain looked quickly around the power room. Her two men were on the floor. Their eyes were open, but they said nothing … and they didn't move. In front of her the nose of a red space shuttle pointed through the wall into the power room.

'That's a shuttle from the science farm on Gamma 8,' thought the Captain.

'What's it doing here?'

Suddenly she knew. There stood a giant wasp-like monster. It started to move towards her … it touched her. Suddenly her right arm hurt terribly. There was a second monster, and a third. The Captain took the laser quickly into her left hand and pointed it at the first monster. Zap! It stopped, fell to the ground, then disappeared. Zap! The second monster disappeared …

'Everything will be all right,' shouted the Captain, and then she fell to the ground.

'Call Gamma 8 … oh, and call … call the doctor …'

The Captain was home late that night.

'Your arm!' her husband said, 'Are you all right, Deb?'

'Oh, it's nothing, Sanjay,' said the Captain. 'Let's have dinner!'