

# BANANA REPUBLIC

Adventures in Amnesia,  
the small backward Third World nation  
with hearts of silver and mines of gold

GENERALISSIMO WALLY  
VISITS WITH THE PRIME  
MINISTER OF NEIGHBOR-  
ING APOCALYPTUS:

LOOK, IT'S A CLASSIC  
FREE TRADE DEAL! WE  
GIVE YOU **JOBS**; YOU  
GIVE US **GOLD**!

WE EVEN WROTE A NEW LAW DIVYING  
UP YOUR COUNTRY'S GOLD MINES FOR  
YOU. WE FIGURED YOU MUST BE PRETTY  
BUSY. NO NEED TO THANK US.

YOU  
WHAT?!

LOOK, LET'S  
NOT KID EACH  
OTHER. WE WANT  
YOUR **GOLD**.

... TO BE **SHARED**  
**EQUITABLY!**... HEH!...  
UH... WE WANT YOUR **GOLD**...  
TO **HELP REGIONAL**  
**STABILITY!**...

WELL, WITH **AMNESIA!**  
NOW THAT WE'RE **PARTNERS**.  
SEE, THIS RESOURCE  
EXTORTION LAW...

RESOURCE  
**EXTRACTION!!**

... WHATEVER, ...

**SHARED?!**  
**WITH WHO?!!**

**SINCE WHEN ARE**  
**OUR GOVERNMENTS**  
**"PARTNERS"?!**

**SINCE OUR SOLDIERS STARTED**  
**GUARDING YOUR GOLD, AMIGO!**

**SEE, YOU NEED US. YOU NEED OUR EQUIPMENT, OUR INVEST-  
MENT, OUR TECHNOLOGY... WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOUR MINING  
EQUIPMENT WASN'T AN ANTIQUATED, BOMBED-OUT SCRAP HEAP?!**

I SUPPOSE  
THAT WOULD BE  
BEFORE YOU  
BOMBED IT.

... I'M BEGINNING  
TO FEEL YOU'RE  
NOT **GRATEFUL**.

... WITHOUT EVEN BEING **ASKED!**  
AGAIN, NO NEED TO THANK US...