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Many deals are in the offing, but we won't bore you with details until they happen. We will focus on our core business (printing books) supported by the increasingly expanding *Starline* miniatures range.

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INTO THE VORTEX

The Lyran cruiser *Doomward* is sent to investigate an inversion vortex. Spatial rifts of this type appear every few years, and create a wormhole to ... another galaxy? another time? another universe? No one knows for sure. Once near the vortex, the ship may not even be able to tell which side of the vortex it is on!

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