Anivengers Chapter 1: Awakening

Storms of all kinds are found in this world, but the rarest are universal storms, storms of transuniversal energy that can have untold effects on the universe at large. Sometimes they merely shift the physics of a reality for a brief moment, sometimes they reshape it, and sometimes they can move people across the Omniverse. This story begins shortly after one such storm where seven individuals have been taken from their homes, but is this a mere coincidence, or are the hands of fate manipulating strings for a purpose.

The city of Tokyo was quiet the night the strange crimson storm clouds with their violet lightning surged over the city. Scientists sat in their laboratories attempting to study it, some
people prayed to whatever faith they believed that the storm would leave the city unharmed, most people just sat in their homes and watched as the strange phenomenon raged in the heavens. Unknown to all of them seven people were brought to the city by the strange storm. Landing in the middle of Shinjuku Gyoen National Garden the seven figures had no idea what destiny had in store for them as they lay unconscious in the cool dew covered grass. As the storm faded from the sky and people went on with their normal lives, no one suspected that normal as they knew it was soon to be a thing of the past.

As the sun rose over the city Naruto Uzumaki the Orange Hokage of Konaha found himself waking up in a place he did not recognize. A strange park with people walking along a concrete path in the distance, the air was somewhat clean but there was a strange twinge to it that he couldn’t quite recognize. He closed his eyes and extended his Chakra sense which quickly caused the hairs on the back of his neck to stand on end. While the majority of the people in the area around him barely registered as alive their chakra signatures were so weak the six people around him had immense Chakra signatures four of them were comparable to Kages but two of them, these two stood out from the others. One of them rivaled and exceeded to a degree Kaguya’s but the other dwarfed the most powerful foe he had ever faced by several orders of magnitude. He stood up and felt his Hokage cloak on his shoulders still. He glanced at the six people around him as they also awoke and began looking around confused.

Naruto looked at the person the strongest chakra signature was coming from first, she was a young woman, she wasn’t much older than when he had fought and defeated Toneri on the moon, yet her Chakra was off the charts to the point it was almost painful to try and measure it. She had long blonde hair done in two ponytails to the side and with two buns on her head and a silver tiar with a heart shape. On her forehead a golden crescent moon caught his eye. She was wearing a white silver dress that seemed almost luminescent and had a gold and white brooch with multicolored gems on it. She opened her blue eyes and looked around at the others and then the city, Naruto noticed that she seemed to recognize the buildings in the distance, but in the way someone recognizes things from the past. Usagi looked at the environment surrounding her in confusion this appeared to be Tokyo and more specifically Shinjuku Gyoen National Garden, and yet there was something off not only did it look like it did back before her final battle with Chaos, there was something off about it and the world around her.

Next he glanced at the second largest Chakra signature. This figure was roughly the same height as him, maybe five centimeters shorter though the man’s spikey hair disguised the fact to a point. He wore an orange gi uniform with a strange kanji on the chest, black wrist bands and cloth belt and dark blue boots. Naruto got the feeling this man was sizing the others and himself up in much the same way he was. In fact his guess was right, as Goku looked around he was checking the Ki signatures of each of the seven people around him and found himself surprised at their strength particularly the blonde haired man with the white cloak and the young woman in a white dress.
They both looked at an orange haired young man next, he was taller than Naruto by a centimeter clad in a black robe with a short white cloak around his waist and white straps across his chest in an x, with bonelike shoulder plates attached to them. The left plate having three sections of red scales on it. Both warriors took note of the swords the man wore, a short sword almost like a trench knife but shaped more like a Khyber knife on his waist and a large Khyber knife shaped sword on his back. As they looked at him they could feel the Chakra/Ki radiating off of him, he was powerful whoever he was. Ichigo looked back at them both and at the young woman with a crescent moon mark who had started looking at the others much as he was and now looked at him. Their spiritual pressures were off the charts he thought to himself, wondering if they were friend or foe. In addition to that he couldn’t help but notice the spiritual pressure of the world itself was way weaker than it was supposed to be in fact he’d never felt it this weak before.

Next all four of them turned their eyes on the young man in a straw hat, he was slightly shorter than Goku wearing an open red shirt, shorts and a yellow sash around his waist. An x shaped scar was visible across the young man’s chest. Luffy looked around at the people that he found himself surrounded with, he didn’t recognize any of them and wondered if perhaps they were bounty hunters that had somehow captured him as he looked at them taking his measure of them to plan his escape if needed. His thoughts turned to the other Straw Hats briefly wondering if they too were captured, he allowed these thoughts to pass though trusting them to be able to escape whatever situation they might be in.

He turned at the same time as the rest to look at a second young blonde woman wearing a white blouse and blue dress with blue ribbon tying her hair in a ponytail. As she looked at the others there was no mistaking that she was regarding them as potential foes. Her stance was that of a warrior and a leader her eyes bearing a fierce determination to discover what had brought her here and vanquish any who tried to keep her from that goal. Artoria wasn’t going to let herself be caught off guard already starting to gather the energy to summon her armor and Excalibur if it became necessary.

All six turned to the last of their number to stand up a young man with pink hair and a red tattoo on his right arm just below the shoulder. He was wearing a blue waistcoat tucked in zipped up with an open collar and only a left sleeve. As he looked around him Natsu was surprised to smell strong magic around each of the six people he found surrounding him but was disturbed by the apparent lack of magic anywhere else around him.

The seven continued to look between each other for several moments. Each was doing their best to take the measure of their situation and of the potential foes or allies around them. After what seemed like an eternity Artoria stepped forward towards the others tired of the wait for someone to address the situation.
“Enough of this waiting, would someone kindly explain why I was brought here, and better yet how it is I was removed from Avalon?” Her voice was commanding and confident.

“I don’t know what or where Avalon is, but I’d like to know why I was brought here too” Luffy said “so whichever one of you brought me here should explain what the big idea was, tell me where my crew is, where my ship is, and not stand in my way to get back to it.”

“I get the feeling none of us knows why we were brought here, so let’s not start accusing each other of anything.” Usagi said looking at the people she found herself in the midst of and hoping to avoid a battle that could cause damage to the area. If as she feared she had traveled into the past somehow by accident and these people too were lost in time then it would be best to figure out what caused this and why. A fight could have unknown repercussions on the timeline as she knew it. “So why don’t we start with some introductions. I’m Usagi Tsukino but I’m also called Neo-Queen Serenity now, or will be called that if this really is my past.” She again glanced at old Tokyo, it had been so long since she had seen the old buildings, so long since Crystal Tokyo and the new Silver Millenium Kingdom had risen.

“Well if we’re doing introductions…” Luffy shrugged slightly. “I’m Monkey D. Luffy Captain of the Strawhat Pirates and future King of the Pirates.” He said a large grin coming over his face. Naruto couldn’t help smiling slightly, the way Luffy spoke reminded him of himself at that age with his dream to become Hokage.

“My name is Goku” the man in the orange gi said waving to the group.

“You may call me Saber for now..” Artoria said choosing to keep her identity secret for now, this strange group did not seem to be Servants but that young woman who claimed to be a Queen in the future mentioned being out of time, a sensation she was very familiar with due to the Grail Wars. If they were in fact other Servants she was not going to give them any information they didn’t need to know, even if she didn’t recognize their names, and even if they didn’t seem to fit into any Servant Class, they could be attempting deception.

“My name is Ichigo Kurosaki, as far as I’m concerned that’s all you need to know about me right now.” There was something off about all of these people, the more he lingered on their spiritual pressure the more he noticed they all seemed to have a slightly different feel, as if all of them were on different wavelengths than anything he had sensed before.

“You can call me Natsu Dragneel, I’m Dragon Slayer Fire Mage of the Fairy Tail Guild.” Natsu picked up on a slight shift in the woman called Saber’s stance when he said Dragon Slayer, her eyes shifting towards him in particular as if getting ready to fight.

“I’m Naruto Uzumaki, the Orange Hokage of Konoha the Village Hidden in the Leaves.” Naruto couldn’t help sensing the tension in the air in particular there seemed to be disdain for the young man named Natsu from the woman known as Saber. “So…with introductions out of the
way perhaps we should figure out how it is we were brought to this place, or at the least figure out where we are.”

“Well I can at least answer the where, this is Tokyo specifically the Shinjuku Gyoen National Garden. But it…seems very different than the last time I was here..I can’t put my finger on it but something just doesn’t feel right..” Usagi said scratching her head unconsciously as she looked at the buildings in the distance of the park again. “I’d feel more certain in my feelings of this being my past if I could see the place where my house should be.”

“Sounds like a plan, I was thinking the same thing. This is definitely Tokyo so I think I’ll head over to Karakura Town in Western Tokyo. Something feels off about this place, the worlds Reishi feels off…” Ichigo said. Naruto and Goku nodded in agreement assuming the term he used was just a strange one they hadn’t heard of for Natural Energy and Ki respectively.

“Karakura Town? In Western Tokyo? I’ve never heard of it, are you sure that’s where you live?” Usagi said raising an eyebrow slightly, she was rusty on her old Tokyo districts but Karakura was definitely not ringing a bell.

“Seriously? You’ve claim to not only be from here and apparently be a Queen….from the future no less but you don’t know Karakura Town? Well you mentioned this might be your past…the name could have changed.” Ichigo said suddenly feeling more suspicious of the young woman’s claims.

“No it wouldn’t be that, I was born in this time period and even then the only time a district changed its name was a little over nine hundred years ago for me….a bit before my daughter was born specifically.” Usagi said without thinking about the consequences of revealing she was over a century old at this point.

“N….nine hundred years….wait are you a Shinigami from the Soul Society then?” Ichigo asked hopefully, if she was a future Soul Reaper or even substitute Soul Reaper he’d gladly take someone familiar with the Soul Society over someone with no familiarity. “Wait…no you still said you never heard of Karakura town so…what are you then?”

“That’s a little complicated to explain uh…..you see I’m a princess from the moon…who was reincarnated here on Earth..” She rubbed the back of her head laughing awkwardly not sure why she went ahead and told him the truth.

“A…princess….from the moon…I think I missed something…how exactly does one live on the moon?”

“Well it’s not exactly incredulous, about 12 years ago now I went up to the moon and discovered a lost ninja village up there that was abandoned besides one crazy guy that was trying to drop the moon on Earth to wipe out everyone so he could pick a bride and start over himself…but I stopped him and ended up knocking some sense into him.” Naruto said looking at
the young woman curiously. She didn’t look anything like Toneri Kaguya and the Old Sage of Six Paths had. In fact she looked like any other person. This was getting increasingly curious.

“Oh so we’ve got moon ninjas and moon princesses now? What’s next moon Pirates?” He said glancing over at Luffy.

“Don’t look at me, if there are pirates on the moon I wouldn’t know since I’ve never been there, that said that sounds pretty cool…what’s it like up there on the moon you guys? I bet it’s awesome.”

“Honestly there was mostly a lot of nothing while I was up there, a lot of cold nothing. Just rocks and dirt…and a weapon that was putting the moon on a collision course with Earth.” Naruto chuckled.

“Well after it was rebuilt Silver Millennium became a thriving city for the people of the Moon again protected by a dome which generated an artificial climate.” Usagi said trying to remember the details of just how the dome worked, as she thought she realized that there was a weight on her dress she didn’t remember being there before whatever brought her here. She had been so caught up in everything happening she failed to notice it before then. She looked down and saw a familiar gold heart shaped brooch with white wing outcroppings and small gemstones one each for her and the other Sailor Soldiers, the Eternal Moon Article. She hadn’t used or even seen it since she gave up her ability to transform and rose to the throne, its presence here now filled her with dread. If it had reappeared then it likely meant she was needed as Sailor Moon again.

Whatever was going on she needed to find out quickly.

“Okay…whatever enough moon talk I’m going to go see if Karakura Town is there or not. Though I don’t see why it wouldn’t be. I’ll come back here and let ya’ll know what I find.” Ichigo said turning to leave only to feel a hand grab his shoulder.

“I don’t know if running off on your own when you don’t know if this is even your dimension is such a wise move.” Naruto said getting a sinking feeling in his stomach that somehow he had been pulled through another dimension much like what Kaguya was capable of, with a major question on his mind. Could this be the world Kaguya had come from?

“Oh, and what would you suggest doing then? All of us just waltz through the streets, most of you aren’t exactly wearing clothes that look normal walking down the street and unless all of you are able to fly or something I don’t see you being able to do anything but slow me down.” Ichigo pulled away from Naruto his other hand gripping the shorter sword at his waist unconsciously.

“No but if you and the moon queen both have homes that may or may not be here then we should split up into two groups. Half of us go and look for where you live and half for her home. And we’ll decide on a rendezvous as soon as one of the groups is done and they’ll let the other group know.” Naruto said.
“He makes a good point, there is strength in numbers. But how exactly would we be able to inform each other of a meeting place?” Saber said, though she was still wary of this group if there was a chance of discovering why she was brought here and how to return to her place in Avalon and to Shirou then she would take the risk for the time being and deal with any potential consequences as they arose.

“I’ve got a way to handle that.” Naruto grinned and formed the handsign for the Shadowclone Jutsu, the handsign was second nature to him at this point. Ichigo and Goku but looked at him as they felt a surge of energy and suddenly two more Naruto’s appeared with a small puff of smoke. “My Shadowclones will go with each group.” The original Naruto said smiling, he hadn’t put much chakra in them but they had enough to handle a reconnaissance mission. And they could always draw more from Kurama and the Tailed Beasts reserves if the need arose.

“Once one of our groups figures out where we’ll be rendezvousing we’ll disperse telling the original and the other clone what the location is.” One of the clones said.

“And where are you going to be if these…clones are with us?” Ichigo asked looking at the white cloaked man.

“I..have something I want to check out on my own. Nothing too important. I’m not going to go too far away from this city…Tokyo you called it? Just somewhere nearby that has no one around to interrupt.” Naruto said. He could feel the Tailed Beasts presence and was wondering if they had any insight into what was going on.

“Good luck finding that, the nearest place you would be able to avoid people is probably Mount Takao around fifty one kilometers east and a little south of here, give or take.” Ichigo said looking Naruto with some suspicion.

“Okay, shouldn’t take more than a second to get there then.” Naruto grinned closing his eyes as did both clones. Ichigo’s eyes widened a bit as he felt Naruto’s chakra surge and suddenly Naruto’s clothes turned into luminescent yellow and black seeming to have become made of Reiatsu and his spiritual pressure became even heavier. His hair two was glowing with two hornlike structures having formed and even the band around his head now glowed. Even more surprising to him six black spheres that seemed to be made out of solidified Reiatsu. Whoever this guy was his Reiryoku was immense. Yet another surprise came as Naruto opened his eyes, the pupils now a cross, the horizontal part round and thick, one could even say toadlike and the vertical was slender and pointed like a predators. The irises had gone from a deep crystalline blue to a bright yellow.

Goku too looked at Naruto and his clones new forms with surprise, he’d seen many Ki auras before but never one shaped to a persons clothes. The spheres of pure Ki behind him also caught Goku’s eye, they seemed like Ki blasts waiting to be launched and yet, they were solid, smooth, if he didn’t know better he’d actually think they were made of black glass. He also noticed a
strange twinge to the Ki, something that was not quite the same as normal Ki but wasn’t god Ki either, or at least it didn’t seem to be the same as Bill’s and Whis’s god Ki.

Saber looked on silently but her mind was racing trying and failing to recognize whatever this Phantasm was. Usagi merely looked curiously at the energy around Naruto. Natsu felt on edge, he’d never smelled magic like this before, he’d seen magics that coat the body and modify clothes, and magics that float around defensively but there was something unrecognizable about this at the same time. Luffy stared at the suddenly glowing ninja for a few moment eyes wide.

“Woah, that’s awesome, how are you glowing like that?” Luffy said “And what are those black spheres?”

“That’s complicated, not really sure how to explain how it works. As for what they are, well concentrated spheres of chakra capable of erasing a target from existence or at least whatever they hit.” Naruto chuckled. Ichigo looked at the spheres again, he’d never encountered an ability that took the same form as this before. If he ever got back to the Soul Society he’d have to ask more about it.

“Okay, well if that’s all done then I suppose we should split into teams.” Ichigo said looking at the band around him.

“I’ll go with you” Goku said nodding to Ichigo, from what he could sense of the woman, Usagi’s Ki she didn’t need his help but Ichigo would probably be thankful for it if anything went down.

“Count me in too.” Natsu said looking at Ichigo.

“Okay then Saber and Luffy will be coming with me.” Usagi smiled at her temporary allies. Luffy returned the favor but Saber merely looked at her with an emotionless gaze. While Saber was more than fine to avoid having to deal with a dragon slayer if things go south she wasn’t thrilled with the idea of being aligned with a self-proclaimed pirate.

“Good we’ll met up later then.” Ichigo said, though he was uncertain of if this was a good idea it was better than his other options at the moment.

“Sounds like a plan to me” Goku smiled and suddenly lifted off the ground as did one of the Naruto clones. Ichigo followed suit, leaping into the air and feeling the Spirit particles collecting under his feet so he did not fall back to the ground. Natsu looked up at the three of them surprised.

“Woah..you guys can fly? Mind giving me a lift then? Cause I’m not sprouting dragon wings anytime soon.” Natsu said chuckling slightly and rubbing the back of his neck.

“Yeah no problem.” The Naruto clone said suddenly extending a yellow chakra arm to pick up Natsu.
“Well….this is a weird sensation.” Natsu said. “You’re not going to let go are you?”

“Not unless you give me a reason to.” The Naruto clone smirked.

“Oh, okay real funny pal.” Natsu said rolling his eyes. “Let’s get going before I lose my lunch.” The Naruto clone chuckled deviously and they quickly set off moving up over the clouds to avoid notice of the people below Naruto and Goku flying and Ichigo running forward as if on solid ground. As they ran off the original Naruto also lifted up off the ground and moved in the direction of Mount Takao that Ichigo mentioned earlier.

“Well it’s our turn then. Guess I’ll need a lift too since I can’t fly.” Luffy laughed and put his hands behind his head stretching.

“Actually I can take care of all of us fairly easily.” Usagi said closing her eyes and causing a bubble of golden light to form around the group and rocket high into the air and towards the direction of her old house.

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Meanwhile in a lab in the Northern part of Tokyo a small science lab began picking up strange energy spikes across the city. The energy was similar to the storm the night before but different. Less chaotic and wild, almost organized in their appearances, seeming to have some sort of pattern that none of the scientists can quite decipher. While they cannot figure out what the spikes are, they know one thing for certain. Something is coming. The question is what will it be, or perhaps, who will it be.