

Alpha Dimitri LS Barbosa

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Aurora:

The door was knocked, taking me off guard considering that | knew that this family seemed to forget that the purpose of doors was to give some privacy to the person who was inside the room.

| looked at the door for a second, watching as it opened, revealing Ivan whose eyes met mine. | took a deep breath and looked away from him, not needing his pity or to deal with his anger. They were two things that | found as painful right

now,

“You knew that Charlotte was here and yet you took me for a fool.” | said, keeping my eyes on my lap. He froze, clearly not expecting my response, and | watched as he took a deep breath before he took a step forward.

“She is Alpha Dimitris ha rem, no matter what you are going to want to say about it, there is no way that you would...” “Him having a consort is not something that the elders would approve of considering that they chose me as a maté for him. While that is not my concern with what | just stated, | am merely letting you know that you can stop the kind act with me, | am neither fooled nor do | care about whether or not she was here.” | said, my eyes avoiding his as he took a deep breath.

“You are weak and need to recover.” He said, and | scoffed before nodding. The last thing that | needed was for another person to tell me that. The amount of blood that | lost resulting with the fact that | was not only at risk of losing my baby but also my life didn't make things any better for me. The anger that | felt at myself for what happened was one that | didn't think that | would be going through, and the fact that no one saw that was another fact that pained me.

“If that is what you came to tell me, then you can leave.” | said, nodding at the door. He shook his head, making me frown in confusion before he took a step back. | watched as he opened the door, and a woman wearing jeans and a shirt, a human, entered the room. | shook my head, waiting for what he was going to tell me, and he smiled.

“My mate, Natalia. This why | came, Aurora.” He said, and she looked down at her feet for a second. She wrapped her arm around herself as she avoided my gaze, and it took everything in me not to hide under the blanket as | found myself not looking

presentable, nor looking as cheerful as | would want to be when it came to seeing someone that | didn't know.

"| heard that you almost lost your child, | do hope that you feel better." She said, and | smiled and nodded, silently thanking her for her concern. | had to admit, the last thing that | expected was for the man to come and bring his mate after getting the advice from me, and the fact that he chose to bring her to introduce her to me meant a lot more than | could describe, and | could tell that he knew that very well.

"I am well, thank you, Natalia." | said, and she smiled. "I take it that you are aware of things here, who we are as well?"

"You needn't worry, my family has been allies with your pack for a long while now. Though humans, my father is still a Capo who is a partner of your Pakhan, in other words, your Alpha and mate." She said, and | smiled. The word mate made my chest ache and it took everything in me not to say that the man was never going to be my mate. He preyed to me time and time that he wanted nothing to do with me, and that was something that hurt me more than | could admit.

"Well, let me get better and | would love to know you. But | am sad to have lost an opportunity to meet you when | was in a better condition." | said and she smiled.

"Alpha Dimitri must be very lucky to have you as a mate. Elegant, beautiful, and very kind with your words despite you being ill. It is not something that is given to every lady, | have to admit that much." She said, and | smiled at her. The fact that she didn't know that Dimitri hated my guts was something that made me relax to some extent, and the idea of the topic being buried was something that | was hoping for.

"| can see why you chose her," | said, looking at Ivan. He wrapped his arm around her shoulder and she raised an eyebrow at him, making me smile at how he was quick to pull it away.

"You are not going to touch me until you have spoken to my father. You know, the last thing that | would want is to have false hopes only to find myself being the losing party in this one." She said, and | smiled. She looked at me and | shook my head at her, making her giggle before Ivan scoffed. "I will show myself out of the room, | can assume that you would want to

rest."

"It was a pleasure meeting you, Natalia. And | am sure that we are going to be having more gatherings together as friends." | said, and she smiled before taking a step back. She walked out of the room, and Ivan took a step back, moving to the side as Dimitri's scent filled my nostrils before he entered the room.

His eyes met mine and | looked away from him, shaking my head as he scoffed. My heart ached, but | knew better than to say anything right now when the door was open.

Ivan didn't say a word, but | watched as he walked out of the room before the Alpha turned his attention to me completely. "How are you feeling, Aurora?" He asked, taking me off guard at his sudden concern. The fact that he's been playing this game on me for the past few hours was something that was annoying me, and | wished more than anything that he would stop this act. "| know that you care less about me." | said, putting a hand on my stomach. "The baby is fine and healthy. You needn't worry. Now, you can leave."

"When are you going to stop doing this, Aurora?" He asked, taking me off guard.

"Stop doing what, Alpha?" | asked, shaking my head.

"This, what you are doing?" He asked, his next question however, taking me off guard as | found myself freezing as | tried processing it. "When are we going to start acting as an Alpha and his Luna?"

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Dimitri:

The fact that | knew that Aurora could try seeking for revenge by telling the Lord Alpha about what happened was not something that | was going to deny.

The last thing that | needed was to find myself getting in trouble with the elders, but judging by the fact that she was more than a little angry, | knew that she could try causing trouble. And that was something that | wanted to avoid; therefore, even if it cost me playing a game like this one, | was going to make her believe that | wanted something to do with her.

That would spare me trouble and fuss, at least until the gathering was over.

Plus, there was also the fact of what the pack doctor told me, and if she was a person of whatever powerful blood, or was not the bas tard that | believed that she was, then this was going to be a game plan that | didn't calculate for. The idea of it seemed absurd, but | knew for fact that it was very much plausible right now.

"The two of us are never going to be an Alpha and his Luna, Alpha Dimitri. You proved that to me on our mating night, and | think that even your lover did." She said, taking me off guard with her response. "I am tired, and according to your doctor, | need to rest. However, you can rest assured that | am not going to be harming you or any of the pack members with what you are doing to me. As for my child, | am not going to allow you to take my baby away from me."

“What?” | asked, and she smiled. Her smile didn’t reach her eyes, and instead, | watched as she looked at the door behind me for a second before she turned her attention to me.

“Your beloved angel told me that you intended to give her my baby. | will give you my own warning toward that and tell you that neither you or her are going to take my child away from me. And | do not care what you plan on understanding from my words right now. | do not want to risk the idea of losing my child, and that is something that | want you to keep in mind.” She said, and I took a deep breath, knowing that it would be best not to respond. Charlotte really did mess up this time, and that was something that | couldn’t just drop; however, | knew now that | couldn’t do anything to her.

-The fact that | knew that her father would be looking for her was not something that | was going to deny, and the idea of

him getting her was not something that | wanted. Therefore, | was going to have to deal with things the way that | saw them going.

| walked out of the room and raised an eyebrow at Ivan who was waiting by the door. | knew that he often did that to ensure that nothing went wrong, but considering that | was with Aurora, | was more than a little surprised to see such a reaction from him. The man knew that she wouldn't bring harm, no matter how angry, hence my surprised state.

“What happened?” | asked, shaking my head. He took a deep breath and | shook my head in question before he handed me his phone.

| frowned in confusion and looked at the video that he was showing me only to be surprised when | saw that it was Charlotte. She was running away through the window and was heading toward one of the secret exits.

Her eyes scanned the parameter, and | could see the fear in her eyes, angering me more than ever as | knew that she was trying to get out without the pack members seeing her. | clenched my fists and shook my head before the rest of the video shocked me. It was a second security camera that caught it, and the men, MY men, were laying on the ground fighting to breathe as her father stood in front of her, waiting for her. She looked down at her feet, and he nodded at her before wrapping an arm around her shoulder, guiding her toward a black car that was waiting for them.

“When?” | asked, taking a deep breath before handing the man his phone. The last thing that | would have expected was to be dealing with this again, but here | was, being betrayed by the woman who | not only fell for, but believed would be different, the woman that | trusted and loved for a long time.

“A few minutes after you left her. It seems to me that she and her father might have been waiting. | don’t know, we didn’t find a trace of them...”

"It is Charlotte. If anyone knows the pack grounds, it would be her." | said, momentarily regretting ever showing her where

the secret doors of the pack were, it was going to be Charlotte. My heart raced, and | knew that Ivan saw and read my anger very well. The man knew me like an open book, and | didn't need to be told twice that he understood my glare.

"What do you want us to do, boss?" He asked, and | shook my head. The fact that she told Aurora that | planned on taking the child was something that annoyed me enough, but now, | knew that | was going to have to deal with more of her sh it. It seemed to me that this was something that she had been planning for a while now, and even | knew that | didn't have the time for it. "For now, nothing." | said, making the man frown in confusion. "I will let her think that she got away with it. Let me see to what extent she plans on going. Right now, | have more important things to deal with, and neither one of them include Charlotte..."

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Aurora:

"You can leave today, but you are going to be going through weekly checkups now. Normally, we tend to do them monthly, but until we are sure that both you and your baby are stable in your situation, we are going to have to keep round checkups." The pack doctor said, and | nodded.

The fact that it has been two weeks since Dimitri brought me here annoyed me more than anything. | did try to get up and leave, more than once even, but the doctors never allowed me to go, and | didn't even need to mention the beta.

It was Dimitri who seemed to only come in to check but wouldn't say a word as he knew that we were going to end up arguing. And when he was quiet, he knew that | didn't have anything to argue with him about, and for that, | was forced to stay quiet. "Okay," | said, and she smiled, handing me a bag of medications.

"| don't have to tell you that you are going to need these vitamins to ensure both your and the baby's strength. You also need to be sure to eat more healthy and in more portions as your calorie count is a low lower than it is supposed to be." She said, and | nodded, crossing my arms over my chest. | took a deep breath, not knowing how things were going to be when | left the infirmary, but | knew that they were not going to be fun and games.

Dimitri was quiet because | was here in the infirmary, but | didn't know whether or not he would be as quiet when | left. And that was something that worried me, especially when | confronted him with the fact that | knew that both he and Charlotte planned on taking my baby.

That was something that | knew he didn't accept, and though he didn't say anything about it since that night, | knew that it must have been playing in his head.

| walked out of the infirmary and toward my room, ignoring the glances of the maids that | got only to frown when | entered the room to find it completely empty. It didn't even have a bed inside it, and instead, there were boxes that needed — opening. "What?" | asked, frowning in confusion only for the bedroom door to open. My heart raced, and | turned to face Mariana, shaking my head in question as | did. "This has to be some kind of joke, right?"

"Lady Aurora, this is going to be your baby's bedroom. The Alpha has requested that everything that you had here to be moved to his room as the two of you will be..."

"What?" | asked, stopping her. She looked down at her feet for a second, and | shook my head, not wanting her to go on before walking out of the room. | didn't like the fact that | was rude to Mariana as | stopped her, but | knew that the man was mad if he believed that | was going to be staying anywhere with him.

"What is the meaning of this?" | asked, entering his room. | knew that he already expected my presence, and judging by the fact that he was standing with his arms crossed over his chest; the man knew that | was already coming.

"You are my mate, in other words, my wife, and | doubt that a man and his wife should be staying in separate rooms..."

"Please play another game or scenario on me, because | am not falling for the fact that you are now suddenly kind to me when just two weeks ago, you asked me to lose the baby if | wanted to because you wanted nothing more than to cut ties with me." | said, stopping him. | knew that stopping the Alpha was not the wisest of actions, and the fact that | knew that the pack doctor didn't want me hurting myself, neither physically or emotionally, | knew that | was going to have to take a deep breath. Therefore, cut the crap because | am not going to fall for it."

"What makes you think that it is crap? | can actually want to stay with you. You know, it is not like you have any other choice. | am surprised that you are making a big deal when you are in such a situation." He said, and | shook my head at him. The man didn't know the extent of the patience that | had, and the fact that he crossed it, a long time ago, meant that | wanted nothing to do with him.

"| have my dignity, and | have my pride. Whether or not | like you or you have the slightest bit of control on me, | have my dignity and | am not going to let you step on it. As for me having no choice, the choice is mine to look you in the eye or spit

on your face as you seem to be forgetting that you lost my respect on the night that you accused me of carrying a child that is not yours." | said, reminding him of the fact that not only hurt me, but made me regret agreeing to sleep with him without a fuss. | knew

that it was my duty, but | could have done something to play the game. “I was a virgin, and in theory, | still am. But that didn’t matter to you as in your eyes, | slept with another man...”

“ENOUGH!”

“Enough of YOUR own games. Enough of the hate that you threw on me, enough of...” the Alpha’s growl stopped me, taking me off guard as he glared daggers at me. My heart raced and | glared at the man for a second before he took a step toward me, towering over my b*dy.

“When | say enough, | mean it, Aurora.” He whispered, keeping his eyes on mine.

| went to open my l*ps to say a word, but the Alpha shook his head before doing the one thing that | didn’t expect him to do.

He k*ssed me...

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Dimitri:

| pulled away from the k*ss only to smirk when Aurora went to slap me, and | grabbed her hand midair, stopping her.

“I am going to excuse that action this once, but if you think that you are going to be getting away with whatever you like, then the two of us are going to end up having a little problem.” | said, letting her hand go. “I am not playing you, and you can go and check for Charlotte, and | can assure you that you are not going to find her. And you won’t be seeing her around anymore.”

“| do suspect that you found her a different place to stay in now that she is your...”

“She chose to leave on her own when | chose you. Now, if you will stop your assumptions; the two of us can actually have a proper conversation that would lead to us talking about something that is more mature than the two of us always arguing.” | said, and Aurora’s eyes widened in surprise. | knew that things were not going to be that easy, | wasn’t dumb. But | hoped that she wouldn’t be giving me a fuss that | didn’t need to deal with.

“Alpha, | am not a second choice...”

“The two of us do not have a choice when it comes to one another. Believe me, we are going to be requested to act as husband and wife, and our first child would not be the only child that they expect of us. Now, the two of us can either choose to accept being together or we can choose to just ignore one another, treating each other as if we were

strangers that can f**k on a scheduled date.” | said, and she smiled, her smile dark and sarcastic.

“Then if it is about a half and hour f**k, we can arrange specific days to do so as long as | do not have my period. | assume that your c ock can harden when seduced into doing so,” She said, and my eyes widened in surprise. Her eyes were fixed on mine, and though she blushed, | could tell that she planned on holding her stance to simply prove a point.

“Deal, then we f**k on even days, unless, you are on your period. This would be giving us more heirs, and that way the elders would not suspect the fact that the two of us are not spending nights together.” | said, and she scoffed. She looked at -her things that were in my bedroom, and raised an eyebrow.

“And my things that are suddenly in your bedroom? What am | to do about them?” She asked, shaking her head. “The point of us f**king is to fulfill our duties, but that does not mean that | am to be sharing a bed with you.

“It is an even day,” | said, pulling my phone out of my pocket. “I am sure that you can spare one night to spend with me. | am planning on giving you a better bedroom anyway; this way, you can be closer to my room, and when moving back and forth from it, no halls would be crossed.”

“You have another room in the same hall?” She asked, and | shook my head before nodding at the right wall where a door was there. She frowned in confusion and | opened the door for her. It was initially a sitting room, but considering that | had one in my bedroom, | didn’t find the need of having another one in the room beside mine.

“The two of us are going to be sharing the same suite, and you are going to have your own room. Both rooms have their closets, bathrooms, and all the essentials that you are going to need. This way, you are going to spare me the fuss of your attitude, we might even enjoy a meal or two in the balcony, and IF we ever have visitors who are staying over, we won’t have to explain to them why each one of us has his own bedroom.” | said, crossing my arms over my chest as | walked toward her. Her eyes met mine, and | listened to her racing heart for a second too long before wrapping my arm around her waist.

“But | think that right now, since it is an even day anyway, we can enjoy the evening together,” | said, leaning in. Her heart raced as | brushed my l*ps against hers, and | smirked when | felt her b*dy heat up as her wolf reacted to my touch. She

as. nodded, and | smirked, connecting my l*ps with hers in a k*ss that quickly heated.

| tightened my arms around her waist, pulling her to my chest, and she wrapped hers around my neck, deepening the k*ss. | pulled her toward the bed, looking her in the eye as | pulled away, watching as she pulled herself up toward the pillow. And stripping my

shirt off, | crawled over her, gently using my knee to spread her legs, reminding myself that this was her second time and that her first wasn't as pleasurable as | would have wanted it to be if | had known that it was her first. And though | knew that she did hit her climax, | knew that the initial approach wasn't right.

Her hands shook, and | looked down at them as she fisted the sheets before | cupped her cheek, gently connecting my l*ps

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with hers in a gentle, unrushed k'ss. | pulled away from her l*ps and k'ssed her jawline, neck, and then her earlobe, smirking against her skin as she whimpered in response.

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"Relax, malyshka." | whispered to her. "I am going to take a good care of you."

| laid her down and settled between her legs, and lowering my hand to her waistline, | squeezed it gently, watching as she looked at me. Her eyes met mine and it was seconds later before she pulled me down to k'ss her. | pulled away to look her in the eye as my co ck hardened, and | knew, judging by her reddening cheeks, that she felt it against her covered cl it.

"All you have to do is trust me..."

Aurora:

| kept my eyes on the Alpha for a second as our clothes were stripped off of our bodies.

My heart raced, and I had to admit, after the first time, | couldn't help but find myself being nervous.

"Relax, Aurora." He whispered, noticing my fear as he took my hand in his. The fact that he was being somewhat sympathetic was something that | was thankful for. "It would hurt a lot less if you're relaxed."

| nodded, and he squeezed my hand gently before leaning in toward my l*ps, connecting mine with his in a gentle k'ss as he positioned himself at my entrance. | squeezed his hand involuntarily, and he smiled as he pulled away to look me in the eye. "Squeeze my hand if it hurts too much and | will know to stop." He whispered, his eyes softening, and for a moment, | couldn't help but find myself getting lost in them. "We will go at your pace, yeah?"

| nodded, and he smiled before pushing his co ck's head inside me. | gasped, and he stilled, allowing me to process, before | nodded for him to keep going. He pushed his inside me, settling for it being halfway before pulling it out and pushing back

in.

| took a deep breath, trying to adjust to the pain, and though | closed my eyes, | could tell that he had his eyes on me.

| whimpered, and he leaned in, connecting his l*ps with mine before pushing himself inside me completely. | squeezed his hand so tightly that | believed that | heard it crack under my grip. However, the man didn't say a word, nor did he react to that. Instead, he stilled completely, running his finger over mine in assurance.

"Dimitri..."

"I am not going to move until you tell me to, malyshka." He said, and | took a deep breath as he leaned in to k*ss my neck. He sucked on my sweet spot, and it wasn't until traveled through my b*dy that | moved my hips. The man smirked against my skin, and | could feel him pulling out of me and thrusting back inside, his pace slow, not rushed, allowing me to take my time unlike the first time the two of us spent together.

He grazed his canines on my neck, right where he bit me the first time, giving me the temporary bite that made the elders believe that | was the Alpha's mate now. He pulled his cock out completely before pushing back inside, this time his thrust was a little harder than it was earlier, and | couldn't help the low whimper that escaped my l*ps as he did. He stilled, fearing that he might have hurt me, but | shook my head as | wrapped my legs around his waist.

"Don't stop," | said, blushing as the words escaped my l*ps. He smirked, and nodded before pulling out and thrusting back inside me. He went with the same speed, and | bit my bottom l*p as | fought a gasp, but Dimitri stopped, taking me off guard as he put his finger on my bottom l*p, removing it from between my teeth.

"Don't stop your beautiful sounds." He whispered, making my cheeks redden. "I want to hear you moan for me, and | want everyone to know how good | am making you feel."

He lowered his hand between us, and my eyes widened in surprise when he started drawing circles of eight on my sensitive nub, causing my vision to blur as | saw stars. He groaned in satisfaction, and | whimpered in pleasure.

His b*dy shuddered over mine as | tightened around his cock, and feeling him twitch inside me, | couldn't help but find it harder for me to stop myself from shaking as my orgasm hit me harder than | expected it to

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Dimitri reached his climax a minute later, and riding the two of us off, he rested his head on my collarbone, looking at his cock as he pulled it out of me before thrusting it back inside me. My heart raced and my chest rose and fell as | tried catching my breath.

Dimitri pulled out of me, and | whimpered at the feeling of both being sore and empty, making the man smirk at my reaction. He laid down beside me, allowing his b*dy to relax before he got up from bed, and | knew that | shouldn't have really expected anymore anyway as | covered myself with the blanket.

He put on his boxers before walking toward his closet and pulling out a shirt, handing it to me, taking me by surprise as he

did.

"This should help you settle for the night. The maids are going to prepare your room tomorrow, and considering that it is an odd day, you wouldn't have to worry about the two of us looking at one another. The most that we would be doing now is sharing a meal and a few small conversations that could be skipped if not needed." He said, and | nodded, smiling at the

man.

I sat up and took the shirt from him, silently thanking him, and he nodded before giving me a quick wink. | blushed and shook my head at him before looking at the shirt for a second too long.

"If you don't like it..."

"No, but | want to take a shower if you don't mind." | said, looking down at my lap. "I don't have my things, but | wouldn't be using much of yours..."

"The bathroom is there, and closet under the sink has hotel toiletries. There are fresh towels as well, take what you want and use what you need." He said, and | nodded, covering myself with the sheets, and the man shook his head at me as | walked toward the door that he pointed at for me, | assume, the bathroom.

| looked at the man over my shoulder as | put my hand on the door handle, and | couldn't help the small smile that formed on my lips as | saw him sitting on the edge of the bed.

"Thank you for tonight, Alpha Dimitri," | said, and the man looked up at me, shaking his head in question. "Your gentleness, | mean. Thank you for it."

"You're welcome, Aurora." He said, nodding at the door. "Go and shower, you need to rest."

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Dimitri:

| shook my head in question as Aurora stood in my bedroom, and she raised an eyebrow at me.

“Even day,” she said, and | chuckled before wrapping my arms around her.

| connected my l*ps with hers in a second, and pulling her to my bed, | sat on the edge of it as she straddled my lap. It has been almost a month since our decision for the even days, and I had to admit, they did keep us busy.

| turned her around to lay on her stomach, and she gripped on the sheets as | stripped her off her panties, not bothering to take off her nightgown as | knew that she would be going to her bedroom once we were done anyway.

I slapped her ass gently, and she moaned as | pushed my cock inside her, thrusting in and out of her as both our bodies heated. | grabbed a fistful of her hair and pulling her to my chest, | k*ssed her neck as | proceeded with my thrusts.

“You're so fucking tight.” | whispered to her, biting her earlobe as | did. She wrapped her hand around my wrist, squeezing it, and | groaned as my b*dy shook. She whimpered, nearing her end, and as my thrusts grew sloppy, she met mine by rolling her hips backwards to meet my thrusts, making the two of us hit our ends.

| rode the two of us off before pulling out of her and raising my hands as not to touch her any longer than necessary, and she lowered her dress before bending down to pick up her panties. Her stomach, which was starting to somewhat show when she wore a shirt, was now proof her being pregnant to everyone whoever thought of doubting it. And that gave the two of us a lot more power amongst the other packs.

“We are heading to the Lord Alpha tomorrow, | do hope that you did not forget about that.” She said, and | nodded. Having had an issue with one of the other packs, the Lord Alpha delayed our meeting, to our luck, it was going to be tomorrow. The only thing that | didn't know was whether or not our families would be there. | knew that if they were, things were going to go a lot smoother than having to stay with the elders alone. But judging by the fact that Aurora and | were getting more intimate, | doubted that anyone would be questioning anything.

| hoped, at least...

“Do not worry, he informed me personally and | am not stupid to forget such a meeting.” | said, and she nodded. She put her hand on her stomach before turning to her bedroom door and walking inside. She closed the door, leaving me alone, and | shook my head before heading to the bathroom to take a quick shower before bed.

| had a lot to think about, and | had to admit, one of them was Charlotte who disappeared completely.

At this point, it was as if she was never here to begin with, and though | couldn't voice it out, | couldn't help but find myself worrying about where she was, what she was doing, and whether or not her father was hurting her. But judging by the fact that she chose to go on her own, | knew that whatever she would be dealing with would be of a consequence of her own action. | had no responsibility over it whatsoever, and she was now not only breaching a deal that she made with me and her father, but the two of them have silently giving me the permission to start a war that they would not want to handle if | wanted to.

The one thing that they had to their advantage was the fact that | had a chosen Luna. A woman who was chosen for me by the elders and even if | wanted to start a war, neither the elders would give me the right to do so, nor would the other Alphas support me, not without an explanation at least. And | knew that the explanation was going to lead me to more trouble than | would want to handle.

And that was something that both Charlotte and her father knew and took advantage of. But they didn't know that they were challenging the wrong Alpha.

"I am going to show you who you're up against," | whispered, looking at my reflection for a second. "But for now, | will allow you to enjoy the sense of 'victory' that you might be having..."

"Are you sure that you are going to be able to wear the heels, Aurora?" | asked, and she looked down at the nude heels that she wore.

"You are seriously asking me whether or not | am going to be able to wear a three inch wedged heel, Alpha Dimitri?" She asked, shaking her head in question. | raised an eyebrow at her, and she sighed. "I did not learn how to walk in them yesterday, and if you are referring to the fact that | am pregnant; darling, there are women who wear six inch heels on their eighth month pregnant. Whether or not it damages their heels is something, but as long as they are satisfied about how they look, that doesn't matter to them at that moment."

"Thank you for the notion, but you almost lost your baby last month." | said, reminding her of the incident. Her eyes hardened, and she took a deep breath. "I should be concerned about your wellbeing, Aurora."

"Thank you for your concern, but | am neither going to harm myself or OUR baby." She said, emphasizing the word 'our', and though | understood her reason behind it, | didn't bother commenting. "Anyhow, are you ready? The two of us don't want to be late for the Lord Alpha."

"I am," | said, and she nodded. | looked at Ivan, who had his arm wrapped around Natalia for a second, and Aurora smiled as the woman winked at her. The two of them were coming with us, and though they were yet to officially get married, her father and | managed to speak and come to an agreement of her and Ivan getting married.

Flashback:

"You want my daughter to marry your right hand?" Her father asked, glaring at me. Her mother sat on the couch beside her husband, and I looked at both Ivan and Natalia for a second before nodding.

"Yes," I said, and the man frowned. "I believe that it would be bringing both families closer, our alliances would grow stronger, and whether or not he is my right hand, I think that you are well aware of Ivan's position within my family. Therefore, rest assured, your daughter is not going to only be safe, but would be treated like the queen that she is meant to be."

"And what is to guarantee that? I doubt that you expect me to believe you simply because you chose to give me a few nice words that you want me to suck up like some..."

"Father," Natalia said, stopping her dad. He looked at her, shaking his head, and she took a deep breath. "Why is it hard for you to accept that I want to choose the man that I want to be with? And Ivan is a person that I chose to be with, father. Please, do allow me this advantage at least."

"You are supposed to marry..."

"I do not wish to have an arranged marriage with a man who not only broke my heart before, but betrayed my trust by cheating on me." She said, and her father's eyes softened. "Father, if you want my happiness, then please don't stand in the way of making it happen."

He looked at her mother for a second, and the woman smiled as she held his hand, squeezing it gently. The man looked at his daughter, studying her expression for a second before he looked at me. He shook his head before he sighed, taking a deep breath before voicing out the words that I wanted to hear.

"When should we start our arrangements?" End of Flashback. "Are you two ready?" Valerie asked, and Natalia smiled.

"More than ever before, Valerie..."

Chapter 57

Chapter 57 Aurora:

"Are you sure that you want to go to the Lord Alpha, Natalia? Don't get me wrong, but you are still human and he is the Lord of Alphas." Dimitri asked, and the woman scoffed, letting us know her answer. The fact that she underestimated what the Alpha said was

something that | knew and saw, but | knew better than to interfere in something that didn't concern me right.

now.

"I am going to, and if he asks, | do believe that you wolves tend to have humans as mates." She said, and the Alpha took a deep breath but nodded. The woman was one that | admired, and not because she was human, but because she was a free soul that didn't fear the rules of packs.

Maybe it was how she was brought up or maybe it was because she knew who she was, but | knew that | admired her personality. At least she knew to force everyone, even the Alpha, to respect her.

"Alright then, if everyone is ready, | am guessing that we should head off?" Alpha Dimitri asked, looking at me. | nodded in response and the two of us walked out of the house toward his car where the driver opened the door for us. The Alpha wrapped his hand around my wrist, momentarily stopping me as he looked me in the eye, and | frowned when | found myself pinned against the car as he leaned in to my l*ps.

Hot breath hit my face, and | couldn't help but take a deep breath as | looked at him before he pecked my l*ps, taking me by surprise as | saw my l*pstick on the corner of his l*ps. He wiped the red color from his l*p, making sure to keep just a tint to ensure showing off that we were 'intimate' before reaching the Lord Alpha's place, and | shook my head at his action.

"Let the game of lovers begin, don't you agree?" He asked, and | smiled and nodded. The fact that the two of us were getting intimate every other day was something that | found myself enjoying, especially considering the fact that he was now doing it because he wanted to. His eyes met mine and he took my hand before k*ssing my knuckle.

"You do realize that we are not being watched yet, Alpha Dimitri." | said, and he smirked before running his finger over my hand. | blushed, and he winked.

"| do agree that we are not being watched, yet. But a little practice wouldn't hurt when it comes to the fact that the two of us are going to be in an hour, if not less." He said, and | laughed. | nodded and the two of us entered the car, and | couldn't help the small smile that formed on my l*ps as | looked at the man for a second.

He looked at the driver through the rear mirror before nodding, letting him know to drive, and the driver nodded before starting the car as Ivan's and Natalia's took off before us. | nodded at their car, and he shook his head in question.

"Do you really believe that it is a good idea to bring her with us? Don't get me wrong, | am not questioning your decision; but | am curious about how things would be going

when the Lord Alpha asks why we chose to bring a human with us.” | said, and he nodded.

“| have to admit, that | am concerned about it, but we are going to leave the decision to Ivan in this one. | know that it is something that | might have to interfere in, but the Lord Alpha knows that humans are often mated to wolves too. As long as we can ensure that she doesn’t end up saying something that might offend the man, | think that we can go with the flow...?”

“Lord Alpha,” Dimitri said, smiling at the man. Both Alphas shook hands, and | stood back, waiting behind him, knowing not to interfere unless requested. To my surprise, Dimitri took a step back and put his hand on my lower back, pushing me forward. The Lord Alpha smiled at the small action, and | couldn’t help but find myself blushing as | couldn’t explain why he chose to do it.

Normally, | knew that he wouldn’t have bothered whether or not the elders looked at me to begin with. In his eyes, the less words they said to me, the better.

“How are you, Aurora?” He asked, noticing that the Alpha was clearly including me in the conversation. | blushed and smiled. “I am well, Lord Alpha. | hope that you’ve been well and healthy?” | asked, and Dimitri ran his finger over my lower back.

The Lord Alpha smiled, his smile warm and comforting, and | couldn’t help but find myself blushing at the man’s gentleness toward me. The fact that | knew that he wouldn’t be treating others the same way made me wonder why me, but |

knew better than to ask.

“| see that you brought a human with you,” he said, raising an eyebrow at Dimitri. Ivan wrapped his arm around Natalia, and she looked down at her feet for a second. “I do not intend to hurt her, Ivan. You can rest assured that she is safe in my presence. | was, however, curious about the reason she was brought here, but it seems to me that she is a certain beta’s mate.”

“Yes, she is my Luna.”

“She is unmarked,” he stated, and Ivan nodded.

“I am to marry him first. | am still human and with my family, it is compulsory to marry before | am ‘touched’ by a man,” she said, and the Lord Alpha nodded.

“| believe that you should be flowered, if | understand you correctly?” He asked, and she laughed.

"I never do follow rules." She said, and the Lord Alpha shook his head. My cheeks reddened at the conversation, and the Lord Alpha smiled at me before nodding, knowing to change the topic.

"Well, how about we go inside? I believe that you would be tired of standing right now." He said, and I put my hand on my stomach which I knew was showing through my dress. He smiled, probably hearing my child's heartbeat, and Dimitri looked down at me before kissing my temple as the Lord Alpha walked inside the living room.

"That went well," he whispered, and I nodded.

"Let's just hope that the rest of the evening does, don't you agree?"

Chapter 58

Chapter 58 Dimitri:

"You two seem to be getting along better than you were before." The Lord Alpha pointed out. I looked at Aurora who was walking with Natalia, and I couldn't help but smirk as the picture of her being under me, on top of me, or in front of me filled my vision.

Though the two of us had no feelings toward one another. I knew that this was a big part and move for the two of us, and the fact that she was willingly doing it, satisfying me and herself, well, that made it all the more pleasurable.

"I believe that we started getting used to one another's presence." I said, and he nodded. He looked at Ivan, who I knew was still nervous about the fact of bringing his mate here. I didn't know what he had on his mind, but as his friend, I could tell that he had a lot that he was thinking about.

"And I believe that you and your fated mate are doing well together?" He asked, and Ivan smiled and nodded. I had to admit, both he and Natalia not only got along, but the woman drove him insane, in a good way, and it was something that he liked. To say the least, human or not, she had the fire that he was looking for in a woman, and that was something that I knew attracted him to her.

"Thankfully, the two of us chose to accept one another despite being fated, it didn't only lay of fate. It was more of a connection, and that is something that I am thankful for." He said, and Lord Alpha Sirius smiled.

"And what about your baby?" He asked, turning his attention to me. "You are to be having an heir, surely you have started your checkups with your Luna, preparations?"

I had to admit, the fact that he asked took me off guard especially when I knew that he was neither her mother, who would normally be the one asking, nor was he related to

any of us. Allies or not, chosen mate for one another or not, | doubted that he would be concerned about whether or not | had my first heir.

“The baby is well, and so is Aurora.” | said, choosing to try dismissing the topic. The picture of her laying on a pool of her blood a month ago played in my head for a second, and though | was sure to control my expression, | couldn’t help but find myself wondering what would have happened if | didn’t find her that night. Not only would we have lost the child, but she could have lost her life, and that was something that | wouldn’t know how to explain to neither her or my parents or the elders.

The door was knocked, and the Lord Alpha nodded at one of the maids to open the door while | looked at Ivan. The two of us shared a glance, and | shook my head, not understanding the reason behind most of what was going on with the Alpha’s questions, but | knew that | didn’t like it. Whatever it was, something was hidden behind it, and that was something that | didn’t find myself appreciating. Plus, there was still the fact that | didn’t know who Aurora’s parents’ were, but | still remembered the pack doctor’s words when she told me that her blood was strong, and the Lord Alpha’s reaction when | wanted to ask about where she came from.

The anger in his eyes was not one that | understood, but | could tell that it wasn’t one that didn’t have a reason. Elder Jordan entered the living room, and the Lord Alpha’s eyes hardened for a second, making her raise an eyebrow.

“Is this how you are going to be behaving in front of your guests, Lord Alpha?” Elder Jordan asked, glaring at the Lord Alpha. | looked at Ivan, who shook his head, clearly confused about the clear annoyance that was between both elders, especially since normally, they would have been grounded by certain rules and ethics toward one another. And considering the fact that Alpha Sirius was supposed to be her superior, all kinds of disagreements should, normally, not exist, and even if they were, they were to be treated in private.

“| believe that they are my guests, and | did not call for you to come.” He said, making the me and my beta frown in confusion. | went to get up, knowing that it was going to be best not to interfere, when the Lord Alpha shook his head. “I am not one to kick someone out of my house when they come to me, but | do believe that you were to call in advance. It is only ethical for you to do so. As for you, Alpha Dimitri, | do not think that | asked you to leave.”

“I am aware, but we were going to check on our mates. Considering the fact that they have been outside for a while now, | think that it is only fair for us as their mates to check up on them and ensure that they are safe and well.” | said, trying my best to find a lie that would cover up for the reason that we were choosing to give them their privacy to converse. The Lord

Alpha studied my expression for a second before he nodded, allowing both Ivan and I to walk out of the living room, heading toward the front door.

Two maids opened the doors for us, and I nodded in thanks before both Ivan and I walked out. Ivan shook his head in question, and I shrugged, knowing that it was best not to talk about anything here. I wasn't dumb, I knew that the Lord Alpha and Elder Jordan would easily hear us even if they were talking, and the less the risk, the better the outcome.

"Is everything alright?" Natalia asked, shaking her head in question when she saw the two of us approaching. She put her hand on Ivan's cheek for a second, studying his expression, and he smiled, taking her hand in his before kissing his palm. Aurora, who stood a step back, shook her head in question, and I winked in at her.

"We both came to check up on you." I said, and both women raised an eyebrow before Aurora looked at the window of the house. Both elders seemed to be arguing and Aurora nodded in understanding.

"Well, it is a good thing that you came." Aurora said, smiling at me. "You know, it has been a long while since the two of us have been walking out here alone, wouldn't you agree, Natalia?"

Chapter 59

Chapter 59 Aurora:

"The two of you seem to be getting along well." Natalia said as the two of us walked around in the Lord Alpha's estate garden. The fact that he allowed us to do so was kind of him, but I knew that it was also because of the fact that not only was Natalia human, he also needed to speak to the Alpha and his beta in private without their women being around.

And considering the fact that neither one of the other elders were around, it meant that it was best for us to leave without being asked to.

It was a habit that I was raised with. Mother, despite my family being a close associate with the elders, would often leave when the elders and father wanted to talk. She was never dismissed, but she knew when to get up and when to teach me to leave, and that was something that I was thankful for. And I knew that even Dimitri appreciated it.

"What makes you think that we didn't get along in the first place?" I asked, and she laughed, shaking her head. My chest ached at the fact that the woman not only met me in a difficult time, but also saw me in my worst of states as a first impression, and though she thankfully didn't judge me for it, I still couldn't find myself liking it.

"You do realize that I saw the two of you when I first arrived, and I heard the talk that was going around the maids." She said, and I shook my head.

"This is one of the main reasons why I hate it when maids see things that they shouldn't around the house." I said, and she shrugged.

"Not really, I don't." She said, and I raised an eyebrow. "They always have their eyes somewhere, and when you have plenty of them, it is not really something to worry about when it comes to being bored and needing a gossip buddy. They often know everything, and they just stay quiet about them to ensure that they keep their job. But in big families, they are often required around, especially for the women of the house to know how things are going, to have her and ears somewhere or everywhere, even if she is not around."

"You seem to know the lurking of maids more than I do," I said, and she winked. eyes

"I grew up among them. My mother never had time for me as a child and my father was often traveling around. I was mostly raised by my nanny, then my tutors, and finally, I just chose to follow my own path. I just had to find a way around the rules that I had to follow, to know when to break them and when not to get in too much trouble." She said, and I laughed, shaking my head at her. "Now, back to topic, we tend to hear you moaning around in different areas of the house. Rumors have it that the two of you even got on with it on the dining table without caring about whether or not there were maids around."

My eyes widened and I blushed at the memory. But it was an even night, and I had to admit, my hormones chose to play their game when the two of us argued, and the fact that it was an even night didn't help things get any better.

Flashback:

"You are going to keep annoying me until I say something that I am going to fucking regret, and I am not in the mood to find you in the room, sulking in your own fucking blood..."

"You said that you didn't want the baby and that I could lose it if I wanted to. And while I did not intend to lose my child, it seems to me that everything that I was put through could have been the reason behind the fucking miscarriage that I could have had." I said, glaring at him. "All I did ask was where was she? Considering the fact that I knew that she was here, I think that I have the right to know whether or not she was around the Estate or was in the house that I was living in."

"Whoever lives in this house does not concern you until I allow you to be concerned of it." He said, getting up from his chair. I watched as he banged the fork and knife on the table, glaring at me before he walked toward me just as I stood.

“Whether or not you fucking like it, | am this pack’s Luna by law, and | think that you are well aware that | have my own responsibilities when it comes to this pack, and you as my mate.” | said, and he chuckled, towering over my b*dy as he glared at me.

“You have zero word, responsibility, and law within my pack grounds. The most that you can and will be doing is taking care of the baby that you are carrying, and that is all that | require from you.” He said, keeping his eyes on mine as his voice

darkened. “Do you want a bet?” | asked, taking a deep breath as | kept my eyes on his. “Oh, | fucking do.” He whispered, leaning in. “Even day,”

He connected his l*ps with mine before | could say a word, and | wrapped my legs around his torso as he pulled me closer, deepening the k*ss before he pushed me to sit on the table as he settled between my legs. | could hear the maids walking out of the room, leaving the two of us alone before he ripped my shorts off as he slid his own pants and boxers down.

He pushed his cock inside me, and | couldn’t help the moan that escaped my l*ps at the feeling of being stretched just as he k*ssed my neck, sucking on my sweet spot. | wrapped my arms around his neck, pulling him closer to me as he smirked against my skin, and I couldn’t help but find myself tightening around his throbbing cock.

“Let’s see you walking first, then we’ll discuss whatever word that you can have over mine within my pack...” End of Flashback.

Needless to say, | had a limp the following day, and had it not been for the Alpha carrying me to my bedroom, | would have slept on the dining table.

“The two of us have found our way in settling with things.” | said, and she laughed, shaking her head. “By meaning fucking around until the two of you were too tired to argue?” She asked, and | blushed. She laughed at my reaction,

and | shook my head at how direct she was before she sighed, shaking her head at me. “You are mated, by your laws, to one of the strongest of Alphas, and yet, you can’t seem to find a way to deal with him.”

“It is not like it is that simple. The man doesn’t even want to spare me a second glance unless it is an even day.” | said, making the woman frown.

“An even day?”

“Just ignore me,” | said, and she nodded. “But unless we are getting on with it, the two of us barely have proper conversations.” “That didn’t seem to be the case to me?” She asked, and | scoffed.

"We are playing a game of lovers in the land of the elders. The last thing that we would need is trouble." | said, and she nodded.

"Well, in my opinion, you just need the proper guidance to his heart, and considering the fact that you started with one step, | believe that the rest should be easy. Of course, that actually provides the fact that you want to be with him in such a manner to begin with." She said, and | frowned at her choice of words. | was about to respond before the two of us caught sight of Dimitri and Ivan walking out of the house.

Natalia nodded before giving me a quick wink.

"We will proceed with our conversation later?" She said, and | nodded. "For now, how about we see what these two are doing here..."

Chapter 60

Chapter 60 Charlotte:

"Enough is enough, father." | said, stopping my father. His eyes widened, and | was forced to hold my grounds, knowing that he would do nothing more than hurt me if he desired.

The anger that he held toward me was one that | was never going to live out of, but | knew better than to submit to him right now, especially since he wanted me to marry the one person that | didn't want to be with.

"You chose your first mate..." "He was a man that YOU chose for me, | simply made my preference..."

"By defying your father, by losing your fucking title, and by submitting to him as a consort. Do you really believe that anyone would be looking at you if not for me standing up for you?" He asked, glaring daggers at me. He has been throwing that in my face for the past month, and this was the sixth man he brought over, wanting me to marry. Even | was getting tired of being showed off like some package, and that was something that he not only seemed to find normal, but was something that he wanted me to accept upon myself.

"| went to Dimitri with you. YOU chose to want me as his bride to ensure stronger relations. You fought to send me away to a man that YOU chose for me, and when | did my duty to ensure that | was not fucked by a man that | did not like..." he slapped me, stopping me from saying another word. | glared at him as a low growl rumbled from my chest. He grabbed me by my chin, digging his nails in my skin, forcing me to look him in the eye just as the door opened.

Nikita, his mistress, well, ex mistress, she was now his wife. The woman that he cheated on my mother with and chose to marry a month after | lost my own mother.

“Oh, my love, you know that it would do you no good to keep upsetting yourself like this.” She said, and I glared at her.

“Stay the fuck out of this, Nikita.” I said, glaring at the woman. My father pushed me back, and I glared at the two of them, knowing that he was going to throw another series of insults. But I was not going to give up on Dimitri that easily, and I was NOT going to be sent off like some slave to a man who would do nothing more than enter my bed for a fuck to ensure that I am bred like some maiden. “By our wolf laws, I am still a maiden to Dimitri until he says otherwise, and you know what it is, father, to defy an Alpha. I cannot take that risk for myself, you, and my pack, especially since it was ME who ran away.”

“He kicked you out and has no word...”

“I was brought back in and was told to stay. In case you are forgetting, it was us who chose to make me leave, and that is something that he can hold against me. Now, I know that neither one of you care about this, but I am going to have to wait until the right timing to make sure that everything goes the way that I want it to. ONLY then would I be able to reclaim my place and send that bastard to where she came from.” I said, and my father raised an eyebrow.

“You are going to plan on what?” He asked, and Nikita scoffed, clearly making fun of me. I knew that neither one of them would be believing in me. But had it been up to the way that he wanted things to go, I wouldn’t have been in Dimitri’s life to begin with. Hell, he would have had a hundred other women entering and leaving his bed and I would have been sent home a long time ago.

“I was the girl that you sent to be deflowered by the Alpha,” I said, reminding him of the facts. He had accepted selling me, even if in theory he wanted to send me as a ‘bride’, it was for an Alpha to claim me as his own. And I knew that it annoyed him more than anything that I chose MY/own way. The one thing that I never did calculate for was the fact that the elders would choose a bride for the Alpha or the fact that he would never accept mating me no matter the years spent together. “I chose my path and I was able to build my own way the way that I wanted it. Whether or not you guided me never made a difference when I was in the hands of the Alpha...”

“Yes, it was why he married the girl that you considered ‘friend.’” He mocked, and I took a deep breath. It was true, for a very long time, I did consider Aurora as my friend, but the one thing that I was never able to tell her was that I was a consort for the Alpha. By the time that I was sent as his maiden, she was in university, finishing her higher studies while I was sent by my father from one man to another as if I was some cheap product that he wanted to get rid of.

The funniest part about the whole thing was that it was people who adopted her as a daughter who fought to ensure that she

finished her higher studies, and MY birth parent who sent me as a maiden. It sickened me and was one of the first times where | actually felt the jealousy of someone that | had once considered a friend.

It was my first break point, and | had to admit, | never did think that it would get any further, well, that was at least until she was assigned as a bride to the man that | fought hard to be with. Something inside me died that night, and | knew that | had two options. Either | took a stand or | backed away, and | knew that | didn't sacrifice everything to just back away.

"He mated with her, but he neither marked her, nor claimed her as his." | said, and my father raised an eyebrow. "Therefore, until that happened, he is mine, and | am not going to give up until | prove it..."