

Contract With Alpha Logan by Misha K

Chapter 103

Katy POV

Apparently, we were facing the third task today because the first one was the introductory dinner. I was surprised not because this information caught me by surprise, but because I had won the first contest. Rebecca was a close second, followed by Diana.

After Logan's threat to King Soren and a potential one to Rebecca and Luce, they had become silent. However, I knew they were like vipers up a sleeve. Not to be trusted. Beau had also become wary of me and would avoid me at all **costs**.

Ace was standing on a raised platform, reading some papers, and was in conversation with King Soren. He would look at me from time to time and the air would charge up with electricity. I swear it was like the first time we had realized that we were mates. It was impossible for us to keep our hands off from each other.

I don't know why Luce wasn't around. However, Queen Cassie and Beau were there. They were all discussing something in hushed tones. It seemed like Ace was now actively taking part in conducting the contest, which was a good sign.

My friends, including Alicia, were impatiently waiting for the task announcement.

“Why are they taking so much time to announce the next task?” a girl said impatiently. “We’ve been sitting here for one hour!”

Alicia nudged me with her shoulder. “Look at Rebecca. Her eyes are on Alpha Ace.”

I had been ignoring her, but when I glanced at her, I caught her looking at Ace and leaning in to display her cleavage. What was wrong with this girl? I clenched my teeth and felt like ripping her face, but I took a deep breath.

This whole “Selection” was getting on my nerves.

“Alpha Ace,” Rebecca called him from her place, leaning a little more. “When will the contest start?”

He snapped his eyes at her and didn’t answer. I heard some girls giggling. Feeling embarrassed, Rebecca lowered her face and fidgeted with her fingers in her lap.

It was Beau who replied, “Just a few more minutes, Rebecca.”

Rebecca beamed and grinned. “Thank you, Beau.”

Another hour passed, and they didn’t announce the task. We were all getting anxious about it. Suddenly, the door of the main hall opened and a tall warrior appeared. He ran to the king and bowed to him. “Alpha, there is a rogue attack on the west border of the pack!”

“What?” King Soren said, his eyes wide in disbelief.

The warrior swallowed thickly. “There are about five rogues and they’ve taken down two of our gammas who were on the patrol. I’ve sent a team of gammas to tackle them, but we anticipate another seven rogues to attack us. Our lead tracker has picked up their scent and they are heading towards the Viking pack!”

“This **is** absurd!” King Soren rasped. He looked at Ace and said, “I am leaving, since this situation demands my attention. Take care of the girls.”

“Wait father,” Ace said. “I will go with you, but I have to ask a question to the contestants out here.”

A frown came on **his** forehead as King Soren stared at Ace. “We are getting late!”

“Give me five minutes,” Ace assured him. He turned towards us and explained the situation to us. In the end, he asked, “How would you respond to this situation?”

Most omega she-wolves were of the opinion that they should attempt to communicate with the rogues in order to understand what they want. A few said that they would stay indoors and let the gammas do their work because the rogue attack was the problem of the Viking pack, not theirs.

Rebecca raised her hand. “Alpha Ace, can I say something?”

“Yes,” he said through gritted teeth.

“I believe it’s best to leave this dangerous situation for the Alpha to handle. We shouldn’t get involved in it because we don’t know what your strength is.”

I chuckled. Rebecca had disguised her crude idea in those words. Simply stating, she brushed aside her plausible involvement in this confrontation.

“No,” I protested. “This isn’t right.”

Everyone whipped their heads towards me when I countered Rebecca. I took a deep breath in and said to Ace, “Please alert your pack to stay indoors and ask your gammas **to** secure the border. As they do it, you, as an Alpha, should assess the situation. If you let me help you, I would like to gather a team to confront and capture the rogues.” I got up. “We are getting late by spending time on what is the best strategy. Please, let’s get in action!”

Ace's face lit up as his chest swelled. "That's the best answer I got today!"

Rebecca's face contorted in rage when she saw me heading out towards the main door. "You think you can outsmart those rogues?" she shouted at me.

I turned my head over my shoulder. "I know I can if we strategize. They are very few. Besides, you can stick to your opinion and sit there." Saying that, I walked out of the door with Alicia and a few friends following me. Ace rushed to join me while Queen Cassie and Beau didn't even budge from their places. King Soren ordered his wolves to secure the castle and linked via mind to his pack members to stay inside.

Ace shifted in his beautiful brown wolf and guided us to the west borders. He offered me to sit on him, but I shifted as well and ran with him. Ara was joyous seeing his wolf. She was literally drooling over him, even in such a dire situation.

Upon reaching the border, I noticed the warriors had already secured the perimeter. There were three rogues who were fighting with the guards. I nudged Ace to attack the rogues. And as soon as he charged **at** them, I joined him along with my friends and a few gammas of the Viking pack.

Ace charged at the one who seemed to lead. He was bulky but no match for Ace. He tried to bite Ace, but Ace dodged him and, with a roar, charged at his neck, sinking his fangs into it. His flesh squelched and Ace tossed him aside, now looking menacingly towards the rogue who I was tackling with. His wolf let out a dangerous roar and before I could blink, the rogue who had attacked me was lying dead on the ground.

In less than ten minutes, we took all the rogues down. The remaining seven rogues that were supposed to come to this side never showed.

Victorious, we reached the castle, leaving the gammas to clear the mess. King Soren was so happy that he announced, "This was your third task," he said, surprising **all** of us to the hilt. "The results will be out in a few hours over lunch."

“OMG!” Alicia rasped. “This was the third task?”

I gaped at King Soren, and when my eyes went to Ace in confusion, he winked. It was then I realized why they made us wait for so long.

The participants were instructed to return to their rooms and prepare for lunch. When I returned, I still couldn’t shake the feeling that dealing with the rogues would become the third task.

Lily and Lilian were there, chirping about it. “Miss Katy, you were amazing! You helped Alpha Ace to combat the rogues!”

I shook my head. “I was there with a few more girls.”

“Bah!” Lily chided me. “You always underestimate yourself.”

After the twins helped me get ready, they left. “If you need us, please call us,” Lilian urged.

“I will,” I said with a smile.

Lunch was an hour away, and I thought I’d talk to Kylie, when once again, I heard loud noises from the adjacent suite.

King Soren was seated at the head of the table and this time, Ace was sitting on his left, while Queen Cassie was on his right. Beau and Luce sat next to her. I couldn’t help but like the change in dynamics. My eyes went to Beau, and I found him glaring at me. I dipped my head in a small bow and took my seat right next to Ace.

As soon as we were all seated, King Soren started, “As you know, that this was your third task. It was a situational judgment test to assess what a Luna would do in a serious scenario like this. This scenario helped us assess your various skills, including that of leadership, empathy and decision making. I have to say that all those who went with Ace to deal with the rogues were brave. Yet, it was Katy Hanks who skillfully outlined the conflict resolution.

Her stress management was excellent. I congratulate her on winning this round.”

As my mouth dropped open, the other girls cheered and clapped. Of course, Rebecca, Luce and the Queen **sat** still.

“Thank you, King Soren,” I said, getting up and bowing to him.

Ace squeezed my thigh when I sat down, sending a shiver down my spine. He leaned towards me and whispered, “About my dreams...”