Bianca scoffed before closing her eyes. She can't forget the look of pure disgust Cole had thrown on her when he came to know her father tried to kill Athena and get her out of the way. Bianca had never thought Athena would find out about them and even dare to complain like this. "I hope you remember one thing very clearly, and get it straight through your skull, Bianca. You are my chosen mate, and Athena is my fated mate, the love of my life. Even if I rejected her, my love and affection for her would not dim in this lifetime. You will become Luna. I assure you of that. And that's all you need to know," Cole had said to Bianca. "Enter," Bianca rubbed her eyes to even her expression before smiling. "Keep the food on the table," Bianca said to the maid before an idea popped into her head, and she turned around softly with a coy smile.

"Molly, what is happening in the pack right now? I am sure you are one of

was looking for a new owner for this ring," Bianca gazed at her finger with a hint, and the maid

"What is it?" rogue activity in the Black Scar pack and Blue stone pack," Molly spoke, and Bianca scrunched her brows.

How can she forget it? It was Alpha Andrew's pack. The same person Athena used to meet during

"It was tragic. Four dead bodies were found there. The headless bodies of the people in the

Everyone is thinking about who could've done such a gruesome thing. It's a threat to all the packs,"

Well, it doesn't have anything to do with her as long as Cole isn't involved. They can die and burn in

there or talk to some rogue?" Bianca asked, and the maid shook her head. "I am sorry, mam, but we

maids aren't allowed in the room for long enough to find everything," The maid said, and Bianca

"Good job. If you keep working for me and passing me good information, I assure you the place of

Only Molly knows how hard it is working for the current head maid, who treats them like slaves. If

information from my side. I will pacify more maids into this work and ask them to tell me the gossip

gossip here. So it won't be a problem, and no one will suspect you or me," Molly said, and Bianca

"That's good. You can leave now," Bianca waited for Molly to leave before she looked at the

doesn't matter to me. You will be called my daughter, legal or illegal, and I will take care of you.

rejected your pack bond, I actually felt bad because I wanted to see the defeat in your eyes, seeing

'Of course, it's not your fault that Cole treats me like this, but you and I both know that you play a

major part in that reason. Sweetheart, I hope your life continues to stay miserable, and you never

"I don't think so. It has more to do with her thoughts. Athena is the kind of person, who would plunge

a dagger straight through a rogue's skull without batting her eyelashes. You and I both know

'Jake, we needed your help. I know you said you couldn't tell us the location of the rogue base

identify the coordinates of what we show you in the area? Drake and Dave have been looking for it,

did, they don't deserve any respect or conduct. I will help you as much as I can in recognizing the

path we followed on our way here," Jake answered, and Simon immediately looked at Fabian, who

"Here, I know this place. Is there a lake near here?" Jake looked at Fabian, and the latter nodded.

"Leave her alone. She will come down as soon as she wakes up. She can't stay at a place without

"Wait. Is that a red ribbon?" Simon looked at the various things they found on the borders to see if

they could find anything that could give them a hint. "Yes. We found one at our borders too. Is

"You guys might think that I am taking my sister's side, but Scarlett's team didn't do this," Simon

"Sir, I didn't want to interrupt you, but this is important. There is a possibility that the pack members

"What do you mean? We clearly sent their bodies to the morgue ourselves. How can they be alive?

They didn't have a pulse, and do you suspect them of coming back to life after their heads were

them through a video call. To confirm it, we asked our pack members living in that area to check

"Cooper said the same thing over the call. Drake was upset over the girl he was training, and he

it be possible? The other man is in another country, studying logistics," Andrew answered, and

went to her home to relay the message personally, but that girl opened the door herself. How could

rubbed his chin thoughtfully. "Fabian, ask the morgue if they haven't burnt those heads yet. We can

"This reminds me, Athena was talking about some scent,"Andrew's words caught everyone's gaze.

recognizable, and that's how he passed the security. She couldn't smell his scent until he appeared

"She suspects that there is an illegal drug or potion in the market that these rogues are using to hide

their scents, and it's important to catch the dealer. They would be hiding at some distance from us,

tell. It's like a free pass for them to roam among us without getting caught," Andrew added.

"Not only can they hide their scents, but judging from this dead body **W**(w) **W**.novê lŴ ① rm. CO m

shocked and became hyper because she blamed herself for everything that happened. Thus, it was

The rogues probably killed their members for this threatening purpose, or who knows, maybe they

Meanwhile, Athena, who woke up a few minutes ago, heard everything they were talking about

"What should I do, moon goddess?"Athena closed her eyes again as sleep took over her once

vNvvv Everything was pitch black. As Athena opened her eyes, she found herself in a forest, or

Everything sounded as clear as a melody heard in a silent room, but when it came to vision, her

'Who is it? Where are you?' Athena panicked. It was bad that the constant rustling of leaves made it

hard for her to know in which direction the voice came from, that she couldn't see anything either.

"M-mommy?" Athena's lips whimpered as she looked around hastily to find the source of the voice,

Why was she in a hurry? She was hearing her mom's voice after so many years. Was it not normal

for her to react like this? How can her mom say that when she should know how much pain she

"Mommy, please don't play with me. My heart is aching, and my eyes are longing to see you,"

Athena looked at the rough hand in shock as one more tear fell from her eyes.

she couldn't even touch him as her body passed through the illusion.

"I missed you so much. It hurts. Do you know what happened in my life

Athena whispered as a tear rolled down her eyes, but before it could fall on the ground, a rough

This roughness of skin, these hands that feel like home. She only knows one person who used to

"Dad?"She looked up, her eyes brimming with years, as she jumped on her father to hug him, but

How is that possible? Her dad was able to catch her tears, but she wasn't able to hug him. What

"Don't make my daughter cry, Blue. You have no idea how I brought her up without you," Athena

heard her dad's voice again, and she turned around, finally seeing her mom dressed in an angelic

"Is this real?" Athena whimpered, her hands on the ground as she cried in happiness and pain.

"My love, don't cry. It breaks my heart to see you like this. You are my angel baby,"Athena's mom

after you left? I found out that Cole was cheating on me. He was my mate. He cheated with Bianca,

us. I came to the Black Scar pack to study because I know how much you wanted me to complete

every time of my life. I met my second chance mate, and he didn't want me, and I-"Athena stopped

when she realized she was starting to ramble when she should be talking to her parents.

ramble since we parted," Athena's mom said, and Athena wiped her eyes before she stood.

leave,"Her dad said, and Athena realized how they mentioned she would leave and not them.

"My little warrior, my angel, what are you afraid of? I have been watching you from heaven, and I

"No, my love. Never. I am the proudest dad in this world because I got you as my daughter. You

methods. Where is my warrior daughter who once took down ten rogues alone when she was 13

"I am afraid that my actions will become problematic for everyone,"Athena confessed, and her dad

"Bullshit. I believe my daughter would be the one who would save this war and her mate from the

miseries of fighting his sister. I trust you, my love. When you feel alone and helpless, always

You are the daughter of the great warrior alphas. Nothing you would do.can go wrong. And if

someone blames you, I will book a personal slot for him or her in hell," Athena's dad said, and

"Seriously, dad? How can you joke about this? "Athena wiped her ears, and her mom smiled at her.

"Just remember, baby, I am proud of you. I believe in you and your strength. We will always be there

questioning your powers. The warrior inside you is just lazy, not dead," Her mom commented on her

Knowing they would leave, Athena looked at them with uncertainty before sighing. Her mom was

"We love you, my love," she heard before they disappeared to nothingness. "Athena? Athena?"

Athena opened her eyes softly, the tears rolling down the side of her eyes, making Simon look at her

"I dreamt about my mom and dad, Simon. They said they are proud of me," Athena whispered, and

"I am not surprised. We all are proud of you," Simon caressed her hair. "Anyway, I have something

right. It's better to cherish this moment than wail in the agony of not getting to live it.

have no idea how lucky I got with you. You came into our life like a boon. I am just surprised at your

"Oh dear, why did you stop? My ears were longing to hear your voice and

"Can I hug you, please?"Athena asked as she looked at them with hope,

"You will be able to hug us only once, and we would prefer it when you'll

her mom, but her foot got entangled in an uprooted stem, and she fell on the ground, the small

"My child, why are you always in a hurry?" Athena heard again, and her eyes watered.

"Athena, my child," Athena heard a whisper again. However, rather than

This voice? How can she forget it? She would never in a million years.

that's what she knew it was from the smell of trees, grass, and soil. She could hear some rustling of

said, and Andrew was about to ask him to elaboratewww.movell  $\hat{v}$ 

"What is it, Cooper? What? Are you sure? Yes. I will convey the message,"

"Alive," Andrew completed his sentence, and Timothy nodded at them.

"That's not what he is trying to say," Simon interrupted before looking at

"The two people from our pack that we suspected of dying were actually

out in another state. We just got news from their families. We talked to

find the clue with them. It's obvious someone tampered with their faces, or

there is no way the coincidence would be so accurate," Simon ordered

Fabian, who immediately made the calls to find the truth behind those

"She said when Cole had come to take her away, his smell was barely

incident, it looks like they can change their scent to some extent. We will

make our final judgment after seeing those dead bodies again,"Simon

He should go and see how she is doing. Simon knows that Athena was

Taking a deep breath, Athena looked at the ceiling, not sure what she

should do. She wanted to be of help to Simon and Andrew, but right now,

important for her to know that no pack member

downstairs because her door was wide open.

leaves and water flowing at some distance.

'Athena?'Athena heard a faint whisper.

panicking, she widened her eyes in shock.

died. It was some rogue trick.

used already dead people?

she was feeling utterly useless.

eyes weren't helping much.

pebbles scraping her palms.

bears after she left her like that?

catch her tears always.

kind of mirage is this?

white gown and her dad in

whispered before they walked to Athena.

and then he made me a rogue. Cole parted with

my degree. Then I was bullied, and I missed you

can feel you are not the same girl I trained

anymore,"Athena's dad said, and she looked down.

"Did I let you down, dad?"She bit her lower lip in shame.

years old without a wolf?" Athena's dad asked, and Athena sighed.

remember one thing, your dad and mom are always watching you.

"I hope you always stay happy, sweetheart. It would've been great if we

could stay for longer and forever, but we can't get what we want all the

time, no?"Athena's mother extended her arms, and Athena realized she

Running towards her parents, Athena hugged them tightly, her heart

white pants and shirt.

and they smiled.

shook his head.

Athena chuckled through her tears.

He was making fun of this situation.

lazy wolf, and Athena smiled.

content.

with concern.

Simon nodded.

for you through thick and thin. You need to stop

was calling her for the hug they were talking about.

"Why were you crying, my love?"Simon asked, worried.

to tell you, "Simon went serious, and Athena expected the worst.

As if that wasn't enough, her dad had to leave too.

hand appeared right below her chin, capturing that tear.

again.

commented before he looked towards the first floor, where Athena was still asleep.

in front of her," Andrew repeated Athena's words.

and we won't be able to

"Good. Here, let me tell you exactly where it is," Jake took out his laptop and turned it on.

"You mean to say she is like this because she is blaming herself?"Andrew asked.

"You are right. That's what Athena said after she heard the news. These

packs are unrelated, and the only connection is her. Someone wants her

out of here, and that's why this happened," Jake said before nodding at

"Honestly, I wouldn't have helped you, but after seeing what those people

"Simon, you should check up on her," Andrew looked at Simon, and Jake

"Did she wake up?" Jake asked, and Simon shook his head.

because of the rogue conduct, but can you at least

and they still have no clue," Simon went straight

through the business.

started showing him the

something wrong?"Andrew

who are dead are actually -

pulled out of their bodies?"

Simon

heads.

when he received a call from his beta.

Andrew talked while Timothy rushed inside the house.

Fabian looked at Timothy as if he had grown two heads.

Timothy, who nodded.wWW.ŇO(v)ëIwOrM.čo@

them, and they confirmed it too," Timothy said.

commented.

most Drake's and Dave's team records.

looked at Simon from the corner of his eyes.

causing a ruckus anyway,"Jake commented, and

Simon scrunched his eyebrows when his gaze fell on something.

Cole marry me. Who would've known you won't live to see a day like that?'Bianca grinned.

she becomes the head maid, she won't pick a utensil again. She will have all her maids work

"Anything else? Any activity from Alpha Cole about Athena or if he would go

Black Scar Pack belongs to Alpha Simon, for sure. But who does the Blue

Stone pack belong to? Bianca thought before raising her brows.

"What about it?"Bianca asked calmly, and Molly shook her head.

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her childhood days, or that's what Cole

The maid said, and Bianca nodded.

hell for all she cares.

beamed.

mentioned when he was drunk a couple of days ago.

Bluestone pack and the heads in the Black Scar pack.

nodded before taking off her ring and giving it to the maid.

diligently at her fingertips. Molly smiled thoughtfully before nodding.

"Don't worry about that, mam. I assure you that you will get plenty of

[Stay rest assured, my child. I will handle everything. What others say

Bianca took a deep breath before cracking the bones in her body.

night, Bianca said to herself before sprawling on the bed happily.

"How is she doing?"Andrew placed the coffee in front of Simon.

"Better than before. Thanks for holding her in time," Simon said.

forehead as he looked at the information pile in front of him.

Jake entered the home, interrupting their conversation.

Simon, who called him at the last minute.

"It's nothing. Athena must've been shocked," Andrew commented, and

'Athena, sweetheart. I really didn't have any feud with you. When Cole

the Head Maid,"Bianca said, and Molly's eyes

they heard around the pack. All the maids'

message from her dad with a cunning smile.

Sleep with a happy smile now.] The message said, and

smiled at the greedy maid.

get a happy day or peaceful

Simon shook his head.

that."Simon massaged his

looked at the gold ring with greedy eyes. "Well, there is indeed gossip you would like to know about, mam," Molly said hurriedly.

"Miss Bianca, sir sent food," The maid stood out of Bianca's room, and the latter looked up from her

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desk, her gaze filled with pure rage.

So after insulting her and almost raising his hand at her, he finally remembered there was a girl, Bianca, in his life to whom he promised all his love and attention.

"When I went to take the tray of breakfast from Alpha Cole's cabin, I heard them talking about some

those maids who know all the gossip around here. And it happens that 1