**Chapter 59** "Sleep, my beautiful to-be wife," Simon kissed Athena's forehead before standing from the bed and looking out the window. He doesn't know why, but during the third time, he felt like someone was watching them. Simon was sure he asked everyone to leave the premises one kilometer from the house. He couldn't ask Fabian or anyone because that would've risked them hearing Athena's sweet seductive after-sex voice, and that's the last thing he wanted to happen. "Mmmm, Simon,"Athena smiled in her sleep, and Simon turned to her. (w)w.noveL\hat{W}(\circ)\mathcal{N} M.\circ\circ "I am here, my love," he walked back to her before lying with her and closing his eyes. He will just deal with this later. It can be his paranoia too. Simon shook his head and let sleep take over him as he pulled Athena close. Meanwhile, the guy in the forest, hiding behind the tree at a 500 m distance and trying his best not to make a sound, gritted his teeth in annoyance. "I told you, amore mio. I told you not to mate with this cruel alpha, didn't I? Why couldn't you wait for me a little longer? I was coming for you. Didn't you understand my message through the graffiti?" That guy looked at the window with hatred brewing in his eyes. Hatred for Simon Scar and his entire pack, who took away his love and obsession from him. "You shouldn't have claimed what's mine, Simon. I would make sure you get a death that horrifies the whole nation," That guy turned around and started walking away. 'They will celebrate the Luna ceremony of Athena soon because now she has officially accepted Simon as her mate, right? Let's see if they would love the surprise I am planning for them, The guy smirked at his trail of thoughts before increasing his speed. He hid behind the trees to camouflage while the guards were changing posts. "Damn it," He winced when a branch scratched his arm, drawing out some blood. This shouldn't have happened. His blood would alert people if they saw it. He should be removing this evidence of his presence here, but this is the only time he can't leave for another three hours without getting caught. The guy thought before shaking his head and running out of the pack towards his hideout in the city. It's not like Simon would really be able to catch him, even if they see the blood. These stupid people have only been looking for their enemies in the forests. They have no idea that their biggest enemies are living in the city right beside them and enjoying the same luxuries as them without them knowing about anything. "Sir, where were you?"That guy's subordinate asked him as soon as he entered the apartment and was about to ask more, but when he saw that his boss's mood was not pleasant, he nodded at everyone to leave. "Colton, start preparing for plan B. You were right. It was useless to think things would be easy," That guy ordered before walking inside his The sounds of Athena's pleasurable screams still echoed in his head, and he hated that he wasn't the one on the bed with her in place of Simon, making her scream in ecstasy. "You are mine, Athena!" That guy growled. Meanwhile, in the Black Scar pack Athena opened her eyes, her whole body feeling like it was run over by some truck. She turned to her left, only to find the space empty. Simon must've left for pack business. He already gave her the entire night. Athena blushed and hid her face under the blanket, remembering **w**w(w).ño**v**e**LWOr**m.cóm everything that happened between them. "You are awake,"she heard Simon's voice before the mouthwatering smell of pasta wafted through her nostrils. "Specially made Simon's pasta for my love, "Simon grinned, and Athena smiled. "Congratulations on becoming the luna of the pack, my love," he kissed her forehead. "Luna?"Athena widened her eyes, completely forgetting about it, and Simon 2/0 grinned before he pushed her inside the bathroom. "Simon?"Athena voiced out, confused. "Get ready for your Luna ceremony, my love, "Simon said. "Luna ceremony? So early? Why wasn't I informed of it? How did you even prepare for it?" Athena "I didn't know anything about it, either. Maybe my order to leave the premises of one kilometer near the house was enough to tell them they were getting their luna -"But is that even possible?" Athena's words made Simon pause. "What do you mean?" "Technically, I am still a rogue," Athena said. "You don't plan on being a rogue for eternity, right?"Simon asked. He didn't like how Athena was still considering herself a rogue. He had thought after yesterday night she would accept him and this pack and choose the pack bond. "So I don't have a say in this anymore?"Athena opened the door and looked into Simon's eyes. "That's not what I meant, Athena. I just thought it was reasonable enough for you to accept the bond," Simon looked at her, confused about what to say anymore.w $\hat{W}$ w.n $\mathcal{O}V$ e $\ell$ w $\mathbf{O}r$ (m).c $\sigma$  $\mathcal{M}$ Seeing Simon's eyes turning concerned now, Athena burst out laughing before shaking her head. "Serves you right for shocking me. I will be ready in some time,"Athena said, and Simon rolled his eyes when he realized she was just joking with him. "Alpha Simon, you should see this," Fabian's words came through the mind link, and Simon smiled bitterly. They can't have a day without any problems in their life anymore, no? "You get ready. I have to check something,"Simon said before leaving, and Athena went inside the bathroom to freshen up. "What is it?"Simon asked as soon as reached the border side where Fabian called him. "This. We found blood on some bushes near this part of the border. I suspect someone was here last night. The blood samples were sent to the laboratories, and they didn't match anyone in the pack, including Andrew, Jake, or Athena. We are afraid this is some rogue's blood who was careful and cunning enough to enter and exit the pack without us knowing about it," Fabian said. "Where is the patrol unit in this area?"Simon asked, and the team immediately stepped forward, their heads hung low. "What is this?"Simon's voice turned cold. "We assure you, alpha, none of us was sleeping. The only time we left our post was when changing shifts. We swear none of us even winked, let alone sleep," The leader said, and Simon sighed before massaging his forehead. "I can't help but notice how this border is the closest to my house. Is it possible that this rogue came to see Athena or keep a look at her? That graffiti shouldn't be taken lightly," Simon said to Fabian, and Andrew, who had heard about it too, reached there. "Use hidden cameras. That's the best option to monitor who is coming and leaving the pack. I had those installed a couple of months ago. They are very beneficial. "Andrew commented, and Simon nodded. "Fabian, you heard him. I want security cameras on the whole border of the pack,"Simon said, and he was about to turn before he bent and smelt the blood. The negativity and power it was oozing were no joke. Whoever this person was, he was really powerful. Fighting against him wouldn't be easy. He still hasn't seen Scarlett, but this person's blood scent is the strongest Simon has smelt in a long time. The last time he smelt blood like this was During Athena? "I heard you are arranging a luna ceremony?"Andrew's words brought Simon out of his thoughts. "Alpha, the council head's son, would be arriving at the pack any minute," Fabian told Simon. "Okay. Send him to our office and inform me when he arrives,"Simon nodded at Fabian before turning to Andrew. "Yes. I think it's about time people officially recognize her as the Luna of the pack. Athena and I had agreed that she would train the female fighters of the pack, and it would be easier if they built trust with her for being their Luna," Simon explained while walking towards where the pack members had arranged for the ceremony functions. "I agree with what you are talking about, but don't you think that it would be a little too much for Athena since the pack would go to war soon? It takes years for females to understand their Luna responsibilities, and sorry to say, but you are practically dumping this on her,"Andrew paused, forcing Simon to look at her. "According to normal protocols, she should learn paperwork first, not pack wars. Anyway, who am I to say? It's not like you exactly gave her any choice," Andrew shrugged. "First, bullying, then rogues, your sister, wars, and whatnot? She is living the life of a warrior even when she shouldn't be," Andrew scoffed before he walked away, leaving Simon muddle-headed with his thoughts. Andrew was almost right about everything. From the moment Athena met him, she suffered nothing but problems. He has heard about how Jake and she used to live in the hotels, cooking and enjoying life, and comparatively, her life was way better at that time. Simon sighed before walking to the ceremony area, not sure about this anymore. "Simon, we wanted to know if Athena would be okay with these flowers," Savannah's words made Simon look at the preparations. He could see how happy the pack members were, trying to prepare a party area for their luna. He was happy too, but he didn't know if Athena was too. What if the joke about joining the pack she made was indeed true and her true feelings? Simon was lost in his thoughts when suddenly they heard the sound of something blowing off, almost shaking the ground. "What the hell?"Savannah asked loudly as the mothers rushed to their houses with their children to protect them. "Fabian, what's wrong?"Simon asked through the mind link, but he didn't have to wait for the answer as he heard someone shouting. "Quickly! Alpha's house is on fire!"Simon heard, and Onyx growled in urgency as he rushed to his house along with everyone. Seeing the whole house burning in flames, Simon's eyes widened in shock. "Athena, Athena, "Simon looked around to see if she was out. However, when he didn't find her, and she didn't answer the mind link either, his heart dropped to the pit of his stomach. "Athena!"Simon growled in concern, ready to go inside and save his mate. "Alpha! Alpha!"Fabian and others shouted when they saw what he was about to do, but it wasn't like they had a choice. "Athena!"Andrew shouted as soon as he reached here and he was about to go towards the window to see if he could enter from there when through the black smoke, they noticed someone kicking the door outside before a man walked out with a girl in his hands. It was obvious, the girl was none other than Athena, but who was this man? Everyone kept looking at the man, but Simon, who became impatient, rushed to Athena, his eyes meeting the man briefly. "Athena, Athena. Open your eyes," Simon patted her cheeks softly before sprinkling some water on her face that Timothy quickly brought. "Athena, Athe-" \*Gasp\* Athena took a deep breath before she coughed loudly. Softly, she opened her eyes before blinking at the bright light. She tried to open her eyes again, the first thing coming into her vision being the familiar beautiful green eyes. "Samuel?"Athena whispered, and the man sighed. "Are you okay?" Samuel cupped her cheeks, and Simon looked between Athena and the council's head's son before pulling Athena towards him. Why does it look like the whole world wants to snatch Athena away from him? She is his mate. Can't they just understand this and get over it? "Are you okay, my love?"Simon asked, and Athena hummed. "What happened? I told you to get ready. I even prepared breakfast for you so you won't have to work. How did the house catch fire? And what was with the blast? "Simon asked. "I don't know, Simon. When I went downstairs, I just wanted to smell some aroma, and thus, I lit an aroma stick, but as soon as I did that, it blasted, throwing me on the wall, and the whole house caught fire. Did you leave the gas open?"Athena asked him, and everyone looked at Simon. "Are you for real, Simon? Your one mistake would've ruined her life,"Andrew, who was already mad about Luna's ceremony so soon, growled, and Simon shook his head. "I didn't say I did it. I am sure I closed the valve. Someone plotted against us and won," Simon said. "Samuel, thank you for saving my mate," Simon said, and Samuel shook his head. "She is my friend before your mate. I had to save her. I came all the way here just to meet her. So how could I let her die like this? "Samuel flicked Athena's nose, and Simon smiled at him gratefully. "Jasper, Alex, and Troy. I want you to investigate this house thoroughly. This doesn't look like some gas blast. We have piped gasses, so it doesn't make sense that the house would blast like this even if it was because of gas, "Simon stood with Athena in his arms. He noticed that her whole dress was ruined, and he thinned his lips. "Shall we postpone the ceremony?"Simon asked to see what was going on in her head, but to his shock, she denied it. "The war is nearing. Let's not waste more time on such things," Athena said. Though Simon was glad she didn't hate the idea, he didn't like how she had to keep the war as her priority rather than her health and wishes. "I think we should postpone it. The rest of the pack already knows that you are Luna now. A ceremony won't make any difference. It would be better to celebrate this like a festival once we are done dealing with this war, no?" Simon asked his pack members, and they agreed. "We want the best for you and Luna, Alpha," one of the members said, and everyone nodded. Meanwhile, the guy, whose team was responsible for the blast, heard the news through the microphone they had fitted outside the house to hear

what the pack members talked about, rejoiced, and hugged each other. www.novelworm.côm

hummed. "This is just the beginning. Simon has no idea that he has messed with someone not to be

reckoned with when we will take away his mate from him,"the guy laughed coldly before shaking his

"We did it, boss. We stopped the ceremony,"Colton said, and the guy

The first plan worked. Let's move to the second one.

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