

## Omega

Lilah POV

"LILAH, get downstairs!" Came the shrill scream of Luna Maria. Wincing slightly I groan internally and gently place the iron down on the board ensuring to turn it off. Smoothing down my brown uniform I take a deep breath and head downstairs. Standing waiting for me at the bottom of the stairs was the Luna, tapping her foot as if I had made her wait long. "Come on girl, we have news that Lincoln is returning tomorrow morning. I need his suite scrubbed so it is spotless, fresh sheets, flowers and his fridge stocked just the way he likes it. I need breakfast prepped in the morning - the full spread for him. Ensure his clothes are ironed, folded and ready for his use." She instructed me in a cold tone.

"Yes Luna." I reply softly.

"NOW LILAH" she shouted seeing me not move immediately. Biting my tongue I bowed my head as is customary to anyone of authority. Quickly walking away I feel a wash of calm sent to me by my wolf Sky. "It's okay Lilah, we can do this" she whispers to me.

Future Alpha Lincoln, taking a deep breath I try to avoid focusing on the years of hate and insults I have grown accustomed to because of him. My life for the past year has been considerably easier since he has been away at Alpha training. I rarely show up to work sporting any visible injuries, the worst I have to put up with is the verbal insults from other pack members. Comparatively it has been a walk in the park compared to 4 years of punches, kicks, set-ups and insults, now that doesn't mean I am treated like very one else. I am still what everyone else classes as the lowest of the low.

Walking up the stairs I turn the corner and bump straight into Shannon, with a quick push to my chest I fall backwards and the cleaning products scatter around the landing. "Watch it Omega" she hisses. Reaching for the cleaning basket I start picking things up, as I reach for the brush a red heeled foot kicks it further away. Feeling my anger rise I keep my head down not wanting her to see my wolfs presence in my eyes. "That's exactly where you belong, on the floor mixed in the dirt like the trash you are" she laughs at me.

Sighing I stand myself up and walk towards Lincoln's door, as my hand lands on the door knob I'm quickly spun around and slammed against the door. "Just what do you think you're doing going into my mates room?" Shannon snarls at me. My eyes widen in shock, "Mate? I wasn't aware I'm sorry" I gasp out.

"Luna Maria instructed I prepare for his arrival"

Releasing me I drop to the floor gasping for breath, feeling my neck I knew bruises would be starting to appear. "Get on with it then b\*\*\*h, do as your Luna has told you. But remember, stay out of my way and away from my mate, no one wants to see your hideous face anyway." With a sly smirk she struts off down the corridor. Picking up my basket I slowly open his suite door, glancing around I see nothing has changed in the past year. Putting the basket down I quickly begin wiping surfaces. "It will be different this time Lilah" Sky said to me, "how are you so sure Sky? He thought nothing of me before so why hope it has changed?" I reply. "It's not that, I just have this feeling Lilah. His wolf Knight never wanted to hurt us, him never telling Lincoln about me shows that" she says back. Thinking to myself I realised Sky never told me that his wolf knew of her existence, "how does he know you're there Sky, no one has ever caught us?" With a small laugh she whispered "it will all become clear, don't panic and just focus on what's happening now." Vague...just brilliant. Lost in my thoughts I quickly clean the room and prep the bed with clean sheets from the closet. Looking around at my neat work I notice the sun setting outside, my stomach rumbles indicating just how long I had been working for.

As I walk into the kitchen an older Omega named Mary brings me over a small sandwich, "here quickly eat that, I know you haven't eaten yet today" she whispers to me under her breath. Smiling at her gratefully I lift the sandwich to my mouth, but before I could have a bite I hear a shout from the doorway. "Just WHAT do you think you're doing Lilah. Did I say you could stop to eat?" Luna Maria appears beside me and rips the sandwich from my hands. Throwing it in the trash she turns swiftly around "follow me" she says all too calmly. As we walk to the laundry room I imagine all the things I could say to her if I could allow myself. The Luna was an awful woman, she thrived off of her position in the pack and used it constantly to show her authority, her punishments were often harsh and too much. Steeling myself for what was to come I had to muffle a gasp when I saw the pile of laundry I had waiting for me. "This needs ironing immediately Lilah, if this is not done by morning you will receive the standard punishment. It's been a while since you've seen my favourite toy." She smirks with an evil glint in her eye. Stopping myself from shuddering when she referenced her whip I nod my head and whisper "yes Luna."

Staring at me a minute longer she nods her head and walks swiftly out of the laundry room. "Let's hurry up Lilah, it's been a busy day. Even you need your rest" Sky said to me urging me on. Moving my tired muscles I work my way quickly through the washing and make sure everything is done to the highest standard before I drag my feet downstairs to the omega dormitory and fling myself down on the thin mattress. Looking at the clock on the wall I see it's 2;30am, great I have to be up in less than 2 hours. Closing my eyes I let the darkness consume me.

The shrill noise of the dormitories alarm clock wakes me up all too soon. Groaning quietly I stretch my sore muscles and blink my heavy eyelids a couple of times. Grabbing myself a quick cold shower I get myself dressed and hurry upstairs to the kitchen. Opening the doors I take a step back taking in the chaos that is the kitchen. "Oh Lilah, thank goddess you're here. Quick whip up pancakes for everyone and ensure there are plenty of topping options - savoury and sweet." Mary instructs me. Tucking myself away in the corner of the kitchen I quietly prepare everything asked of me, once done I head to the dining hall and help the other omegas set up for the welcome home breakfast. Before we know it Luna Maria storms in and addresses us all "Alpha Lincoln will be arriving shortly, he's just passed our gates. I'd like you all out of my sight immediately." Smiling to myself I think of the few short hours I will get of peace with Sky before I'm needed once again.