

Chapter 75

Alexander's POV

Half an hour later, I was at Patrick's house, furious with myself for letting this company fraud situation go so far that it had affected my relationship with the woman I love, and equally angry about having to leave Catherine for a meeting.

"Sorry for messing up your plans, Alexander, but we couldn't wait. We need to decide quickly how to act," Alan said while greeting me.

"It's okay, Alan, I just want this all to end, kick these traitors out of my company, and get my Catherine back," I said wearily. "But what's so urgent?"

"Well, you already know Leda, right?" Alan asked.

"Yes, she was placed as a coffee lady along with Margaret on the executive floor," I said. "Oh no, don't tell me Margaret is involved in this mess?"

"No, Alexander, fortunately, the other employees with access to the executive floor are highly trustworthy, we've tested them all," Alan reassured me. "But as it happens, Leda and Margaret get along very well, and as we suspected, Margaret has seen and heard a lot in that company, though she never realized the significance of things."

At that moment, Patrick's maid led Margaret herself into the living room. She had just arrived and seemed a bit frightened.

"My boy, I had no idea," she said, standing in front of me.

I took her hand and made her sit down.

"Margaret, calm down. I don't even know what it is, but I'm sure you're not at fault for anything," I said, trying to soothe her.



"I talked to Margaret, Mr. Miller, and explained the importance of her coming here to tell us everything, no matter how small the detail," Leda explained Margaret's presence. "That's because today she told me something very important while we were having lunch."

"Go ahead, my dear, you can speak," I encouraged Margaret. "Anything, Margaret, can help us remove those who are hurting us, who hurt Catherine."

"Oh, my boy, don't even get me started. Catherine is a good girl, she didn't deserve to go through that, but I never imagined Celeste would be capable of such things. I mean, she was always a venomous snake, acting sweet with your father and you, but she was always evil." Margaret started talking, and I had a feeling she would have a lot to say that night.

Patrick brought her a cup of tea. Leda intervened again, explaining:

"After Margaret started telling me about Celeste, I told her that we discovered it was Celeste who set Catherine up, so anything she knew could help us a lot."

"Oh yes, my dear. Celeste thought she would become your assistant when Mariana left, but then Mariana said she wasn't qualified for the position and hired Catherine instead. That day, she came into the break room, threw her cup against the wall, and ordered me to clean it up, saying that's all I was good for. She mistreats everyone. Later, when Catherine arrived, she pretended to be nice, but I caught her many times in the break room talking to herself about how much she hates Catherine and how she would get rid of her, things like that. The day you returned from your trip, I overheard her calling that rude Johnson girl to tell her you were back so she should come to the office. She's always calling Johnson's daughter to tell her where you are, who you're with, which restaurant you're going to - she reports everything you do. She thought you would fight with Catherine because she knew Catherine wouldn't let that pest in, as Mariana had already told her, but you didn't. And don't think she likes Johnson's daughter either, because she doesn't. She calls



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