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I hurried after Hunter as we made our way towards the border and by the time we arrived at the scene, Sophie has created an invisible barrier spell around her, to stop everyone from coming close to her, especially Jet.

She was smart enough to know she was more powerful than him and yet all he needed was an opportunity to get close to her, before she open her mouth to utter whatever spell she wants to, Jet would have torn her apart.

Adding to my frustration, the guards refused to let me pass through and I realized Jet must have ordered them to keep me at a distance. So I stayed back and waited, still wondering why she had the nerve to show her face here.

"Alpha Jet," I hear her call. "I cannot say I'm pleased to see you because that would be a lie. The councils sent me, apparently you have something that belong to them" She paused briefly. "By the way, they could not care less about you killing Morgana, they only protected her in the first place, to get on your nerves"

"Is that why you are trying to force your way into my territory?" He demanded, his attention was more focus on the invisible boundary she created. I forgot how much of a predictor my mate was, he was calculating, trying to figure out a way to break through while Sophie was more into the conversation.

"You of all people understand that the councils do not

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care for rules. When they want something, they go for it. You understand that better than anyone" She answered.

I glared at her, not liking the way she was looking at him. I felt something so primal in that moment so I turned away, trying to catch my breath and figure out what was going on but then a child's cry got my attention.

"I didn't care how the councils operated before and I don't care now so, I'm going to ask one last time, why are you trying to force your way into my territory?"

"We want the white wolf. She belongs to the councils now " At the mention to Claire, my turned around to glare at her once more. I tried passing through but the guards stopped me once more, but one glare in their direction, made them parted and finally let me through.

Hunter growled at her, taking a threatening step towards her but Jet stopped him.

"The nerve of you Sophie" Everyone looked at me with surprised as if just realizing I was there. "Claire is not a property and even if she were, belonging to you would be the last thing to ever happen. I'm human, meaning whatever boundaries you created won't work on me. Jet can use that to his advantage" I threatened.

Jet stepped in front of me, shielding me from her and probably thinking I would go after her. I'm not that stupid, confronting Morgana was one thing but Sophie? No thank you.

I didn't really mean my threats because I knew Jet wouldn't risk my life but Sophie however believed it and took a cautious step back. "It's nice to see you care about someone other than your pack" She stated out of

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nowhere. "Claire is no longer a werewolf, it's only a matter of time before we get our hands on her" She spun around and vanishes into thin air.

I heard the cry once more and started to trace it to the laundry stream where the entire castle washing was done. It was man-made and created solely for that.

What I couldn't fully grasp was how I was able to hear a baby crying all the way from the border. The laundry stream was only few kilometers from the borders, werewolf would no doubt hear it but for human? That's a little far for my hearing.

After crossing the clearing, I found myself in the stream. It only took me two seconds to find the crying baby and her mother, only few servants were present and washing. Carefully, jumping from one slippery rock to another, I made my way towards them.

By now, they've seen their Luna and have stopped washing to watch me. "Is she okay?" I asked the mother, who looked somewhat embarrassed.

"I apologize Luna. I will take care of it and get back to washing right away" She assured me.

"I don't care about that. You have a small baby, who appointed you to this job? Couldn't they find anything better or a less dangerous environment for you to work?" Not waiting for her reply, I continued. "Come with me, I will find you a safer place to work" Her face lit up at my words.

"Thank you so much Luna" Her voice cracked. "I have tried to make Madam Katherine understand but she wouldn't. She said it was this or nothing" She informed

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me. I wasn't really surprised to hear this, I gesture for her to give me her baby to hold and without hesitation, she did.

Immediately I hold her, the child stopped crying and stare at me curiously, probably wondering who the hell is this lady. I felt my chest tightened and I handed her back to her mother. It was too painful, a reminder of the pregnancy I lost.

"She's beautiful" I remarked, not wanting her to think something might be wrong with her baby for me to give her right back.

"There you are" Jet voice came above me as I almost bumped into him. He looked at the woman beside me and frowned. "Is something wrong?"

"I'm fine" I assured him so he would stop frowning at the poor woman. "After this, I really want to see Madam Katherine sorting list" I muttered under my breath.

We arrived back at the castle and I told Jet I would see him later because I have to attended to the woman's situation. The first place I knew to look for Katherine was in the kitchen and I met her there, barking orders as usual.

"Luna... To what do we owe this pleasure? Do you have any special request for dinner?" She asked, even though her attention was on the woman. "And why are you not working?"

"Actually, I'm here to talk about her. She is with a baby, I would really like for you to put her in a safer environment for the sake of her baby. The stream is no place to work with a baby, not to talk about the noise. A baby hearing is too sensitive for that" I explained.

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She briefly glared at the woman before looking at me. "I knew I should have hire her. I'm afraid other position has been filled, if she cannot work in the laundry department then there is no other job for her. Pack your things and come to my study so I can give you your last check"

I took a deep breath not wanting to yell. "Firing her is not the solution and I certainly didn't get involve so you could fire her. I don't care if there isn't any other position, find a spot for her and this is a Luna's order" I firmly told her.

"Very well Luna, I will figure something out" She assured me but I didn't trust her to handle this the way I want.

"You know what? I will handle this myself" I turned to the woman. "If it isn't too much trouble, get me the list of all the workers here with babies and small children that can't be left on their own" She nodded and left right away. "And Madam Katherine, I want a nursery to be created in the servant's quarters and then put out a vacancy for sitters who will watch after these children. If this woman in particular wants to be among the sitter, she is free to and if she wants to continue her old job then she can. I want this idea to be set in motion starting now" I concluded and walk away, not bothering to look at her and find out if she was okay with these changes or not.

I walked into the bedroom deep in thought, how could I have heard that baby cry? The sight of my mate walking out of the bathroom was enough to pull me out of my thoughts.

"I can't believe you showered without me" I pouted. "Couldn't you have waited for me?"



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He chuckled. "I didn't know how long it will take you to finish with your Luna duties"

I presented him my back so he could help me with the zipper. "I will be relieving Madam Katherine of her duties and putting her in charge of something else. I don't like the way she run things" I paused, waiting to hear what he has to say.

Madam Katherine has been running things in the castle for a while now, especially the kitchen, the staff and other stuff relating to it. What if they don't like the way I run things? Maybe I should just let her continue to run it.

At first I was startled when I felt his lips at the back of my neck, he did it again for a second time and I close my eyes, feeling my body react to him.

"This is your home, you can run it however you like. I have complete faith in you" The fact that he trust me with this made me so happy, I turn around to fling my arms around his neck, only to realize he was naked. The towel on the floor.

"How about that shower? I don't mind taking it again" I giggled at his words, knowing we are going to be in the shower for a long time.

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