

Chapter 21 Exchange

Eduarda and Joshua have a long conversation, where they exchange all the information they have, Joshua wanted Eduarda to take off the

necklace immediately, but was convinced by her that it would be better for her

to keep the necklace and only take it off when it was really necessary, as this

would avoid call the attention of the people their father had warned them

about, and together they decided not to trust Professor Draco, at least for the

time being. And their biggest argument

was whether or not they should tell Erick, but Joshua lost on that too, so it

was decided that they wouldn't.

Eduarda is finally

discharged and is surprised by the hug she receives from Peter, the red-haired

boy with freckles in her group.

"Welcome back" and he

says it in such a sincere way that Eduarda finally returns the hug.

"Aren't you afraid

that I might incinerate you?", says Eduarda in a playful tone, and noting that

several people stop looking when she says this.

"Stop that, stop

being silly, you're one of us," he says in a shy, cute way.

Gaby watches the

scene, and she can't help the twinge of jealousy that spreads, and wonders when

she became so insecure.

Smiling, he

approaches and gives Peter a playful push, catching Eduarda spinning her

saying:

"He's right you're

one of us", and softly in her ear he says, "I missed you Dudley".

But neither he nor

Eduarda saw Peter's furious look.

"That's right, that's

right", says Eduarda, "I'm not used to being popular"

At that moment Betany

turns down the hall beside Trevan and both stop in the way when they see

Eduarda.

Eduarda doesn't know if she bursts out laughing like Erick and Joshua or if she gets irritated, because their reaction makes other people act the same way. As if Eduarda could shoot them with just a look.

"Let it go," says Gaby

"It's good if you stop to think about it", says Cristina, "they are too scared of you to cause you any problems"

When thinking this way, Eduarda realizes that she is right, it is better for them to be afraid of her than hunting her.

Classes go on normally, without any incidents, only one thing bothers Eduarda, Erick's disappearance, and she can't even say why, after all she doesn't even like him,

but deep down she asks herself: "I don't like him, do I? , Or like?".

But at the end of classes a voice echoes through the speakers in the corridors:

"Students and teachers, we would like to inform you that we will be receiving a group of young vampires, for na exchange of knowledge and to strengthen our alliance of peace, each group will be receiving two new members of the exchange, we ask for everyone's cooperation"

A flurry of murmurs bursts through the halls, "Vampires, here?"

"I can't believe we're going to have to live with disgusting Bloodsuckers"

"What a wonderful year, vampires and freaks who burn you alive"

Eduarda doesn't really know what to think about it, but everyone knows that this alliance of peace is very fragile, even more so because wolves and vampires are natural

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enemies.

In a room in the boardroom Erick is furious with his father's arrangement:

"The old man has got to be going crazy," he says to Joshua, "as if we don't already have enough to deal with, Hercules, murders, your sister and now this."

"Hey don't put my sister on that roll", says Joshua but knowing that Erick was right

"There is no, imagine what the Vampires will think when they find out that there is a girl here who burns people with her hands?", counters Erick frustrated

"Oh my God, I hadn't thought of that," says Joshua, as vampires love to be challenged and if they could beat someone like that they would do their best to get a fight.

"The problem is that I can't go back on my father's decision now, it would be the same as declaring war", grumbles Erick

"Did he do this to
force you to take the throne?"

"Perhaps, he has been
getting more and more impatient, wanting me to choose a Lycan to rule
by my
side, but he can forget, I will not let him drag me into this, after all I
already have the weakling" says Erick surprising Joshua

"So will you accept
your mate?" asks Joshua

"Haa man I don't
know, do you ever miss something you never had?
This is how I feel sometimes"

Joshua feels
extremely guilty for not telling Erick that he is sure his partner is
Eduarda.

But on the other hand
he thinks it's better to let things take their course.

"Let's get ready to
receive our guests, since we don't have any choices", says Erick as he
heads
towards the door.

Joshua can't explain

why but he feels chills run down his spine and Kratos becomes agitated, so he

says:

"Go ahead, I'm already going"

Although he finds it strange Erick decides not to ask as it is clear that his Beta has some secrets

with his sister, and he has decided to wait patiently until such time as they

trust him to help.

He enters his quarters and goes straight to take a shower.

Eduarda is increasingly anxious about Erick's disappearance, and begins to fantasize about

various reasons for this, until she becomes convinced that he is terribly sick

and lying in bed in his room alone. And she convinces herself that it would be a courtesy to return the visit he paid

her in the ward, where he even held her hand.

So she goes into his room, but there's no sign of him there, and slowly she's drawn to the bed, and picks up one of his pillows wondering if when she got the sense of a wolf it would smell so good.

Erick is going crazy wanting to know how Eduarda's day was, not because he cares, but because of Joshua, he says to himself sighing and leaves the bathroom with only a towel around his waist.

And to his surprise there she is, the cause of all his torments, sniffing his pillow.

And he wonders if this is a gift or a punishment from the Moon Goddess.

