Chapter 26

Leondre's POV

I am an idiot, a fool is what I am. My mate saw me and she knows I have betrayed her. The look she gave me was that of shock and hurt, it broke me to see her like that. My sister and Dan followed me outside where I sat after she ran from the lobby at lightning speed, I had no strength in me to chase after her. My wolf was growling, he warned me many times to cancel this damn engagement but I did not listen to him.

'We have now lost our mate because of you, I'll never forgive you,' He growls. I'll never forgive myself either.

My sister kneels next to me and cups my face, she embraces me and I hold her close. Arya was also against this union but I had no choice, with Lycan packs allying, I also need to do the same but I regret hiding this from my mate, I should have told her that the northerners are attacking and recruiting more Lycans to their side.

Jake and Angela come into the lobby, both looking worried and I glare at them, making the duo retreat involuntarily. They should have been watching her!

'Why were you not with my mate?' I growl at them.

'We- we are sorry sir. Ana was working in another part of the city, we didn't know that they would send her to work here,' The female explains with tears in her eyes. My eyes sway to the gamma who is in charge of Ana's protection.

'Why did you leave her alone?' I question,

'I'm sorry, King, but I had errands to run at the company and-' Before he finishes talking, I have him against the wall, choking him. He prioritized work over protecting my Luna, his queen!

'Leon, Leon let him go,' A growl resonates that makes the earth vibrate. I release Jake and turn around to face my father. He is seething in anger and so is my mom, oh fuck.

'How can you betray your mate like that?' Mom growls, her eyes are bloodshot. I sigh and order lake to find her.

'My Luna is missing, find her,' I command all the warriors through the mind link.

'Yes, my King,' They answer.

I direct my parents to a more private area, and explain to them what has been happening while they are away, they were disappointed in me and my mother can't stop scolding me.

'We will find a way to beat the Northern pack but you marrying that brat Alaiah Martin is out of the topic, we shall cancel the arrangement and I'll write an email to my former Lycan pack to ally, along with their allies,' My mother says and Dad agrees. No one in my pack likes the sunrise Lycans as they are too pompous and full of themselves.

'Thank the goddess, I was against having that bitch as my sister-in-law in the first place, I could have killed her,' Snickers Arya.

We spent the whole night looking for my mate but there was no trace of her, I was getting desperate. Even the girl she works with at the hotel is nowhere to be found.

It has been three days and Ana was still missing, I couldn't eat or sleep. All my attempts to mind link her were in vain and I even reached out to all the neighboring packs in the region. I asked my men to check her former pack but that was futile too.

It has been day seven without my beautiful mate by my side and I could feel myself getting weak, for the first time in my life, I was scared that I will lose the most precious thing I'd ever had.

The door to my office opened and I growl when I saw Alaiah and Alpha Martin walk in. The short-depilated Alpha was fuming in anger that I had canceled the engagement with his daughter.

'Get out of my office,' I growled at them. They have been nothing but disrespectful to the men on my borders since I prohibited them from entering my pack.

'You are not seriously going to cancel an engagement that benefits our pack for that little mate of yours,'

'Yes, I was wrong to agree to your father's proposition,' I sigh, leaning back in my seat.

'King Lavista, you're making a grave error, and if my pack joins the northern Lycans, we'll be unstoppable and we will wipe you out, so why not ally with us,'

I glare at the man and he shrinks.

'Did you just directly threaten me? Your king?' I ask, getting up from my chair. The man backs away and swallows in fear.

'Well, take it as you want but we shall make alliances with others open to it, and don't forget that we are one of the wealthiest packs,' He says, fear evident in his voice even though he doesn't make it apparent.

Alaiah is crying for good now and begging me to reconsider taking her as my Queen but I refuse, she is too power hungry, how did I not see it sooner?

'You can't manipulate me to marry your daughter and as for alliances, we'll make more, and keep in mind that my pack will remain at the top and no matter what you or the northern leaders do, you will suffer for it,' I say in an authoritarian tone, making sure I release my Lycan King aura.

'Now get out of my office,' They hesitate to leave so I call Jack and Dan to kick them out and they are more than happy to.

'You'll regret it! That little bitch won't give you anything! She is a slut, a nobody without a pack backing her!' Alaiah screams.

After they are thrown out, I mind-link my warriors to ask how the search for my mate is going but it's still unproductive. I growl and hit my desk, breaking it in two. My mate is gone, she left thinking I betrayed her.

Moon Goddess please bring her back to me, I say a silent prayer.