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Chapter 386 The Vampire King

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but wonder what my mother looked like. I also wondered how on earth a vampire king would fall in love with a she-wolf at first

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the space in front of Anthony and laid out a monitor with a webcam and a remote control.

"Hello, Anthony, I'm glad that you reached out so me so soon." The vampire king narrowed his eyes slightly. We could see from the video that he was sitting on his throne, but I couldn't tell whether he was happy or angry. "So what is the purpose of this call?"

"I'm calling because we have found your daughter." Despite the vampire king's domineering aura, Anthony was still very calm. It

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