Trapped by the Ruthless Billionaire by Lucia Love

Chapter 25

25 – Can't handle the truth Armando wasn't a fool. Indeed, he was there for revenge but after meeting Casper face to face, he wouldn't dare. Casper was nothing like he saw in the video and wouldn't dare to fight the Lion in his den with just a few bodyguards. The Casper he was seeing now was even more fierce, covering himself with darkness.

Swiftly, he changed his main objective today, into business. As for his revenge, it wasn't what Casper expected. Now that he had seen him, he would set a trap for him, where he would die like a cockroach. For now, he just had to act up and wait for the right opportunity.

"Revenge? That's ridiculous, Mr Blade. I'm not as foolish as my brother. I'm here for business. "Casper's gaze was intense and even though he did not believe Armando, he didn't let it show. He carried himself with exceptional grace.

"Alright then. Have a seat." Casper stretched his slender fingers to the chair in front of him. Without his glasses, his eyes looked like they were going to slash Armando at any moment but his outward appearance was calm.

Armando sat down and crossed his legs while they discussed business. It was true that he wasn't like his brother. He didn't want to cut corners and was willing to go through the process and also allow for investigations to be carried out before receiving his request.

The meeting ended well but Armando had an invitation for Casper. "Since Mr Blade has approved my request, I would like to invite you to the Don's Bonfire Dinner hosted in Italy in two weeks' time."

Casper knew about this meeting. All the Mafia Lords and Dons would be there. It was a great place to talk things through to prevent

misunderstandings. However, most people never returned from this meeting. The reason for that was still unknown to him. Also, he was supposed to receive a direct invitation from the organizers but that hadn't happened. They seemed to be afraid of him but here was Armado, extending the invitation to him. Somehow, Casper was okay with not attending because of their illicit activities with women but now, he wasn't sure.

"I will think about it." Throughout their discussions, Casper has tried his best to treat Armando as a business partner, thereby making him feel comfortable around him.

"Mr Blade, since you carry Grandpa's authority, it will not be right for your seat to be vacant. You are new and all the leaders of the various groups will be there to welcome you. It's the right time to acquaint yourself."

There was a lot of sense in Armando's words but if that was the case, then why wasn't the invitation from the organizers? Except Armando

had taken it upon himself to bring Casper's invitation. When Casper thought about the most common reasons for him to do so, he got none and could only conclude that Armando was up to something. "Is Mr Ciro worried about me?" Casper turned cold. No matter the pretense Armando put up, Casper could see right through him. No sane

person would care about a relative's murderer. Armando shivered slightly at Casper's intense gaze but quickly composed himself as the perfect actor he was. "Well, most people said you were very difficult, which was why they, like my late brother, tried to cut corners but since I met you, I don't

suspicion that would prevent Casper from attending the event. "Alright, confirm my attendance," Casper assured him. To not attend the event would make it seem that he was afraid. Armando let out a coquettish smile. Casper had fallen into his trap. He would regret not giving his brother the chance to change the rules of the game when

think that is the case. It's just my way of showing appreciation," Armando justified himself. The last thing he wanted was to create any

"Well noted, but please don't come alone. For a three-day event, you will need some sexy women to keep you warm." Casper was already aware of that, giving him a cold glare,

"I have taken note of that as well."

he asked.

Armando was about to leave when he recalled something and turned around. "One last thing." I heard another rumor that Mr Blade doesn't warm up to women. How will you cope then?" There was a yoke of mockery in Armando's tone but Casper wasn't perturbed.

"You worry too much, Mr Ciro, I will meet you in Italy."

Armado felt like he already won. Tonight, he was going to celebrate with those hot girls he brought along .After all, money and power equal alcohol and women. "If that is the case, then I have nothing more to say. I beg to take my leave." He bowed his head slightly but the corner of his lips was curled into a mocking smile. Casper had no friends among the Mafia Lords. How was he going to survive the three days? He would be dead before the end of the first day.

"Cathan, please show Mr Ciro out," Casper ordered gently. Cathan did as he was told.

At Jenna's office, she hadn't been able to go to see Casper after meeting that Armando guy at the reception. She knew he would be with Casper at the moment and called Kate on the phone instead.

"Jenna, I'm sleeping." Kate sounded irritated. She never liked her sleep disturbed and Jenna knew that yet, she couldn't hang up and call back later. This was a matter of urgency.

"Sorry, it's Peggy."

"Peggy?" Kate's voice raised a little. She wasn't expecting Jenna to disturb her sleep because of Peggy and Jenna also mentioned that it was urgent.

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"Yes. She's here in my company with her boyfriend," Jenna emphasized on the word boyfriend. Kate was still groggy from sleep and didn't

want to wake up. "Tell them to come home." She was about to hang up the phone when she heard Jenna's voice again. "Well, she wants a job for her

wondering if you'd let her stay in your old apartment till she's able to rent one on her own." "You know I can't say no to you. It's because you are the one asking. She's lucky she didn't ask me herself after what she did to you," Kate said irritably. Jenna massaged her nape thoughtfully. "I already told you later that it wasn't her fault right?"

boyfriend and a place to stay. If it were Peggy alone, I would have let her move into the third bedroom but she's with a man so I was

2/4 Kate nodded as if she suddenly recalled something. "Oh yes, you did. Is there anything else, don't spoil my nap because you can't get

frowned slightly and asked after Jenna's silhouette had disappeared behind the door.

see Casper. Perhaps that man must have left his office now.

some," she rolled her eyes as she teased Jenna on the phone. "I hate you," Jenna said jokingly.

"I know you don't," Kate teased and hung up.

Jenna held her phone tightly to her chest, long after Kate hung up. Speaking with Kate has given her unspeakable warmth. Now she had to

Stepping out of her office, she was surprised to not see any of the bodyguards around. Her brows knitted in confusion, as she contemplated whether or not to call Casper on the phone before going into his office.

Just as she was about to dial his number, the door to his office pushed open. Four men she instantly recognized as Armando's bodyguards, followed by Armando himself, walked out elegantly. It was too late for Jenna to go back to her office because he had seen her but just as his lips parted and he wanted to say something, Cathan who had seen Jenna's nervousness quickly said,

"How long is she going to stay there?" He asked Cathan. Cathan shrugged. "That will depend on the severity of her offense. Like I said before, she's always getting into trouble."

"He's waiting for you," holding out the door for her. Jenna was grateful because she knew that Cathan was doing this for her. Armando

Enjoying the book? Don't forget to visit noveL5s.com for the full experience. You won't find the next chapter anywhere else. Happy reading! Seeing that Armando didn't question him anymore concerning Jenna, Cathan's furrowed brows slowly relaxed. After exchanging a few

words, Armando left with his bodyguards. However, when they reached the underground car park, he inadvertently said to his lead

bodyguard, "Wait here till she closes from work. Follow her till you find out where she lives, then leave the rest to me," he instructed. The bodyguard nodded in assurance as he watched Armando leave. A bitter smile arched the corners of his mouth. Armando was already engaged but he was still looking at another woman.

At the CEO's office, Casper felt his heaviness dissipate as soon as he laid eyes on Jenna. He wanted to hug and kiss her but knew he didn't have the right. Without being told, she sat in front of him. The duo rode on the cloud of silence for a complete two minutes.

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The two of them broke the silence at the same time. "I'm sorry, you go first," Jenna apologized and said. She needed his help so she had to be calm. Also, she constantly had to keep reminding herself that he was her boss. Her head was lowered the whole time.

personality and words seemed detached. "I need your help," Jenna fidgeted with her fingers and said directly. There was no beating about the bush. "Anything." Casper's heart swelled up. He was willing to do anything for her but just couldn't show her how much he cared no matter how he tried. He just couldn't do anything about his dominating aura so it was up to Jenna to get used to it.

this sense, he felt helpless for the first time.

"Are you alright?" Casper's worry, as usual, didn't show on his face as he spoke. His

"Anything?" Jenna found it odd and quickly glanced at the man, whose eyes pierced like a sword. "Yes. You saved me twice so I should be able to help you too right?" The joy Jenna felt slowly dissipated. She thought he agreed because he cared about her. Yet it seemed that he was only returning a favor. She bit her lower lip thoughtfully, "So how long is this generosity

supposed to last?" Something flashed in Casper's eyes but it was gone as fast as it came. "I don't know but for as long as the life you gave me still exists, I will make it up to you." Jenna pursed her lips. So it was all for restitution. His incessant calls over the weekend and the way he looks at her. She thought he felt something for her but it was all a fallacy. "A friend needs a job for her boyfriend as security or bodyguard." Casper's gaze darkened slowly, as he wondered if Kate had another man. He knew that Cathan had a special interest in Kate therefore, he couldn't bring himself to help

Kate's boyfriend. He hadn't thought of confirming with Jenna if it was indeed Kate. "We don't recruit bodyguards. They are born into the job. All my bodyguards are family – Cousins, distant cousins, uncles, etc." This is the reason why they can't betray me easily. We have the same blood. Jenna couldn't argue. His explanation made sense but, "And security?" She asked hopefully. If Hunter couldn't join Casper's bodyguards, he could still join the general security team.

to work here. It has nothing to do with me," Casper crashed her last hope on purpose. He wanted to see what she would do next after what he promised her. "But you are the CEO and..." as if she was hit by a stone, she asked, "where is Max?" From her expression, Casper could tell that she wasn't ready for his answer therefore, he was at a loss. He couldn't tell her but also knew that she might find out somehow, due to the video. In

"After what happened with Max, our security is outsourced. He would have to go through their training and selection to be recommended