

Chapter 26 An Uninvited Guest

The pretty girl knocked on their car window.

"Hey, Bro! Don't you know to drive carefully? Look, you caused a dent in my car. Do you think you can afford the cost of repairs?"

Eliam rolled down the window.

"I've called the insurance company."

"Eliam!" The pretty girl looked visibly shocked. "Why are you here? And why the hell are you driving this crappy car?"

Eliam took a closer look at the girl and realized she was his aunt's daughter, Ingrid Affleck.

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"Let's play it by ear." Eliam forced Ingrid into her car and asked her to contact the butler about the car repair.

However, Ingrid used the opportunity to take advantage of Eliam. Ultimately, he promised to give her the new Porsche he had just bought.

When he got back, Rhonda looked at him worriedly. "Do you know her?"

"She used to be my neighbor," Eliam said indifferently.

Rhonda frowned.

She wasn't blind.

The two seemed to be closer than just neighbors. But considering Eliam didn't want to talk about it, Rhonda decided not to press him further.

It was already past eight when they got home.

Eliam said he was going to buy drinks, so Rhonda got off the car first.

She opened the gate and saw a woman in a slip nightdress watering the potted plants in the yard.

The woman's slender back looked enchanting, and her skin was flawless. A large portion of her back was bare.

"Ahem..." Rhonda cleared her throat.

"You are back!" The woman turned around joyfully. However, her bright

smile vanished at the sight of Rhonda.

"Why are you here?"

"Dr. Kerr?"

Both of them were equally shocked.

"Why are you at my home?" Looking at Amanda's revealing nightdress, Rhonda guessed she was waiting for Eliam.

Amanda hurriedly arranged the strap of her dress she had deliberately removed a moment ago. Her face turned grim.

"Didn't Mr. Sloan come back?"

"Are you looking for him?"

Seeing Eliam was not around, Amanda became arrogant.

"Rhonda, how about we make a deal? Since you like Robert so much, I'll give him to you and be with Eliam. After all, you're going to divorce him in six months. It's better for you to leave him early. That way, everyone will be happy."

Rhonda felt Amanda was delusional.

"Dr. Kerr, I think you should consult a psychiatrist to check if you're all right. First, I'm only Dr. Coyle's friend. Second, who are you to Robert to give him to me? Are you his girlfriend? And last but not least, continuing or ending this relationship after six months is for us to decide. Outsiders have no say in it."

Amanda's face turned pale when she heard that.

"Rhonda, you married Eliam just for the money, not because you like him. Now that you got the five hundred thousand dollars, why don't you give him to me?"

"Who said I don't like him? He is handsome, kind, and reliable. It is rare to find such an excellent man."

"Are you talking about me?" Eliam returned with some drinks in one hand and a laptop in the other.

Rhonda blushed. She didn't know how much of their conversation he had heard.

Eliam handed the laptop to Rhonda, and she took it, smiling. They looked like a loving couple.

"Dr. Kerr, it's cold at night. You better wear more clothes. Otherwise, you'll catch a cold," Eliam warned her flatly.

Amanda's face turned pale as a ghost. She watched Eliam put his arm over Rhonda's shoulder as they walked into the house together.

Amanda grew furious.

She showered, carefully selected a revealing dress, and made sure not to wear perfume in an attempt to enhance her relationship with Eliam.

However, she didn't expect Rhonda to ruin all her plans.

Maggie, who had been watching everything from her hiding spot, came over and pulled Amanda back to her room.

She blamed Amanda for being too impatient. But Amanda blamed Maggie for giving false information. Eliam didn't seem to dislike Rhonda.

In the master bedroom, Eliam slumped on the sofa and let out a weary sigh.

Rhonda stood in front of him, waiting for his explanation.

"Go and make noodles for me. I'm hungry," he urged her.

"Why is Dr. Kerr living in our house? Why has no one told me about it?" Rhonda didn't realize she was questioning him like a possessive wife.

Eliam managed to suppress his smile and asked, "Are you jealous?"

"No, I am not." Rhonda's face flushed. "Didn't you say that I'm in charge of the family? There is a strange woman in our house. Shouldn't I ask what's going on?"

Eliam ran a hand through his hair and felt women were too complicated.

Even so, he patiently explained, "Dr. Kerr is Maggie's niece. Her dormitory is getting renovated, so she will stay here for a while. Anyway, Grandpa is at the hospital. She can be Maggie's companion."

"Do you believe her words?" Rhonda became furious as she recalled her conversation with Amanda.

"Maggie talked to Grandpa about it and got his approval. It doesn't matter whether I believe her or not. Anyway, she's going to be staying only for a few days. It's no big deal."

Eliam's nonchalance annoyed Rhonda. However, since Richard had agreed, she couldn't drive Amanda away.

"Since you all are okay with it, I have nothing else to say."

Noticing the obvious jealousy on Rhonda's face, Eliam felt a little happy. He felt having Amanda at home was working in his favor.

Rhonda let out a weary sigh.

"Where will Dr. Kerr sleep at night?"

"She will sleep in the study."

"What about you?" Rhonda suddenly realized Eliam would have no choice but to sleep in the bedroom with her if Amanda lived in the study. She felt it was all Richard's plan.

"I can stay in the hotel," said Eliam.

"Living in a hotel is too expensive! Do you think you're rich enough to afford that?" Rhonda blurted out.

However, she soon regretted it. It was more or less like inviting Eliam to sleep in the same bed with her.

Rhonda's heart was pounding as a blush flamed her cheeks. She ran out of the room on the pretext of cooking noodles.

Half an hour later, she returned to the bedroom with a bowl of noodles.

However, Eliam had fallen asleep on the sofa.

Seeing that he was fast asleep, Rhonda didn't wake him up. She went to

take a shower.

The thought of sleeping in the same bed with Eiam tonight made her heart beat faster. It felt as if the water was hotter than usual.

Moments later, Rhonda walked out of the bathroom. Eiam was still sleeping, but the bowl of noodles had gotten cold.



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