

Tattooed 411

Chapter 0411

“What is it?” I asked, a little nervous.

“Darin used to mark his... girls. They will have a rose tattoo on their shoulder blade if they were part of what it was he was doing.”

Jacob looked down at his feet and shifted uncomfortably. I’ve seen a few of those tattoos around but didn’t think much of it. “Thank you for telling me.” I said finally.

Sherry nodded and her and Jacob walked out of our office. “What happens now?” Penny asked.

“Not really sure. Continue to monitor their location and probably do some of my own recon. We have your luna ceremony Saturday. We really need to lay low until we have some evidence of an attack or a situation.”

“Do you think it is wise to still do a luna ceremony after what happened at Kris’s?”

“We are more prepared this time.”

“I thought you were prepared last time.” Penny narrowed her eyes at

me.

“It’s under control.” I said and looked back at the tracking decide.

Kara POV

“Kara, wake up!” Gunther was shaking me. The more I tried to ignore him, the harder he shook.
“KARA!” He whispered urgently.

“What?” I tried to forget where I even was. The last 24 hours have been something of my nightmares.
The fear of being injected with something that could not just pretend to kill me but actually kill me

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Now, I am in this abandoned shack. There is no blankets or anything. There was more holes in the walls than actual wood and it gets cold at night.

“They are here!” Gunther jumped out of the stained mattress and started pacing.

“They? As in Vin?” Lifting my head up, my frizzy hair got in the way of seeing him.

“Yes! Get up!” He whispered more urgently. Everything in my body protested as I got up and straighten my clothes as much as possible.

“Where are they?” I whispered as Gunther looking in a few different

directions.

“Everywhere.” He said quietly. A cold chill fell over me. “Come on.” Gunther walked to the door and opened it. As soon as he did, I saw multiple men emerging from the trees. The sun was still rising so there was enough shadowing that I wasn’t sure how many where.

there.

“Gunther. How... surprising to see you. I watched your execution.” Vin stood in front of the yard with his hands folded in front of him.

“I’m just as surprised as you are.” Gunther walked out and I moved to the front door.

“I see your mate made it as well.” Vin narrowed his eyes at me.

“He used the same poison. Obviously he didn’t use the correct dose.” Gunther crossed his arms over his chest.

“So, I take it you are ready to come back into our ranks?” Vin asked. More and more men emerged from the trees.

“It is. We are wanting to stay in the shadows and help. Colt believes we are dead so we can use that to our advantage.”

“Well....” Thunder rolled in the distance. “Let’s move this conversation back to my home and we can discuss this further. Follow me.” Vin turned and started walking. Everything in my body told me not to follow him but Gunther walked up to me, took my arm and pulled me with me.

We walked for what felt like hours. The rain started to pour just within thirty minutes of our walk. No one spoke or moved out of formation. More than once, I turned to look at who was around me but Gunther kept making me look straight.

If it wasn’t for Gunther holding onto me, I would have eat so much dirt that it wouldn’t have been funny. Still, my ankle was starting to really throb. It was only when the grey sky started getting darker that I was just about at my limit when Vin suddenly spoke.

“Home sweet home.” He sang and raised his arms. This building in front of me was like a f ucking castle. Pack houses are generally very large but this was a whole new level. Everything was either black or

covered in dirt. The vines were covering most of the castle but the dark windows the most unnerving part of the whole thing.

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“Stop.” The guard walked out in front of us and started patting Gunther down.

“Strip.” A guard walked up to me.

“W-what?” I looked at Gunther in fright.

“It’s customary for everyone to get searched for anything before they come onto my territory. Can’t have any traitors now.” Vin looked like he was having fun.

“She doesn’t have anything on her.” Gunther said through gritted

teeth.

“We shall see. Strip.” Vin said and dangerously.

“B-but...” Grabbing my shirt, I took a step back. My heart was beating rapidly. A guard stepped behind me and pointed a gun at my head.

“Either strip or I will help you.” He said with an evil smile.

Taking a few steps from him, my shaking hands pulled my shirt up and over my head. I didn’t have the biggest rack but I had a decent amount. All the guards started snickering at my expense.

“The shorts.” Vin said firmly.

It took me a few times to unbutton my shorts and push them down from how bad I was shaking. A silent tear ran down my face from embarrassment. "Very nice. You got a good one Gunther. We used to share in the past." A guard walked up to me and ran his finger down my back.

"No." Gunther said and walked up to me. Yanking me away from him, he picked up my shirt and pushed it in my arms. "Get dressed." He

"Come. We need to get ready for a feast. My brother is back and found his mate." Vin said as he narrowed his eyes at me.

Dressing as we walked, I was so sickened that I had to force myself to not throw up. The inside of the castle is exactly what you would picture when thinking of a man decorated castle. Gold covered every surface, velvet lined the stairs, statues of gargoyles had eyes that followed you everywhere and even the antique pictures seemed angry.

Vin marched us up the stairs and down a dimly lit hallway until he stopped abruptly. "This is your room. I have taken the opportunity of laying out the evening clothes for you both. Dinner is served in one hour in the grand dining room. Don't be late. We have much to discuss." Vin gave Gunther a look before walking away.

Gunther opened the door, 'shoved me in before closing it and locking it. "He doesn't trust me." Gunther said out loud. In the mind-link, " Don't say anything out loud that is private. He will have cameras and audio in this room."

"Seriously?" I said in the mind-link as I walked over to the bed.

"Yes, speak out loud but be careful what you say." Gunther took his shirt off and tossed it in a basket.

"I have to wear this dress?" It was a blood red dress with an extremely low V-shaped top with a very high slit in the fluffy shirt.

“Yes. You need to shower and get ready.” Gunther said in a very annoyed tone. He wasn’t exactly annoyed at me but he wasn’t loving

either.

“I don’t ha-” As soon as I walked into the bathroom, there was an array of female product for me to use to get ready. There was a little of everything on the counter. Gunther turned the water on and it was only seconds before the steam started seeping out of the top.

“It needs to be hot so the steam will fog the camera “Gunther said in the mind-link “Come stand in front of me and get undressed and get

it”

Doing as he said, I got in front of him and slipped out of my clothes and got in the boiling water. It was actually very comforting. The hot water felt nice but it was burning off all the stares I was had gotten. wasn’t a warrior so my body wasn’t tone but I didn’t have any extra fat

either

My skin was red before I grabbed the shampoo and Gunther joined me. Never had I ever shared a shower before so I was taken off guard. Gunther smirked as he noticed my surprise

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“Never showered with anyone before?” He asked.

“No.” I said quietly.

“Me either.” He whispered and shifted me so he was under the water. My eyes couldn’t help but graze his body as he back was turned towards me. As I shampooed my hair, I couldn’t help but think about how sexy he was.

“You’re going to have to wait till tonight. We are in too big of a rush for me to f uck you in the shower but don’t worry. When this is all said and done, I’ll f uck you any place you want.” Gunther whispered to me and turned me so I was back under the water.

“You have to make sure we live through this, first.” I reminded him as I finished washing my hair.

“I promise I’ll do everything in my power to get us out of this.” Gunther said in the mind-link. He held up a finger to his mouth to remind me to chose my words carefully.

“I’m finished.” I said as the last of the soap ran down the drain.

Gunther shut off the water and opened the door just a little to grab the towels. After handing me one, he took one and stepped out. I

dried myself off in the shower before stepping out.

“Is there any panties or bras?” I asked.

“No. Vin doesn’t believe in them.” Gunther sighed. Tightening the towel, I pulled out a blow dryer and brush and got to work. Gunther stepped out of the bathroom as I did my hair and then moved on to my

makeup. Not wanting to look extremely good, I kept my makeup. light. Wanting to cover as much skin as possible, I left my hair down

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“We need to live in five minutes.” Gunther called from the bedroom.

“Okay.” I said as I stepped out from the bathroom. Walking over to the bed, I grabbed the dress and kept my towel. Stepping into the dress, I pulled it up and under my towel until the towel fell to the ground. Slipping my arms in the holes, Gunther came around and zipped me up. The dress really fit my like a glove. The shoulders were hanging down and my boobs were out on display. Normally, I would feel very sexy in this dress but right now, I felt exposed and dirty.

“Here are shoes.” Gunther pulled out some black heels.

“How did he know my size?” I asked.

“He probably knows everything about you. Vin makes it his mission to know a person before they are allowed in his circle. In fact, he probably knows more about your family tree than you do.” Gunther finished buckling my shoe before looking at his watch.

“Time to go.” I said as I took his arm that he offered.

“Speak only when spoke to and keep it short. Don’t give them rereason to be angry with you. He already knows everything even try to lie.” Gunther said in the mind-link as he shut the dedoor and we walked down the hall.

Hele was wearing a black pin stripped tux with a red tie. It was very mmatchy matchy to the point that I almost forgot this wasn’t a pron Yorou took good.” I said out loud.

Gunther did a double take at me before smirking a little. “Thank you,

polo took beautiful too.”

“Calotarial blood and I do love to spill blood.” Vin said from behind us.

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“You got the perfect size.” I said, trying to fake confidence.

"I see that. You look delicious." Vin grabbed my arm and made me do a twirl.

"What have you decided on dinner?" Gunther asked as he took my other hand and pulled me against him. The sparks was something that I loved feeling. More than once, I accidentally moaned out loud just from him touching my arm. In this currently situation, they were only comforting.

"Roasted duck with asparagus and mashed potatoes." Vin started walking and Gunther instantly started following him.

"One of your favorites." Gunther fake chuckled at him, or at least I thought it was a fake laugh. It almost sounded real. Like he found some humor in it.

"As I remember, it was once your favorite too." Vin smirked at Gunther. "You ate it off that whore's stomach."

My stomach turned as Gunther tossed his head back and laugh She got very nervous when I started using a knife."

"Good times." Vin said as we approached the dinning room. There was already men seated with a women beside each one. They all looked scared as they kept their heads pointed downward.

All the men's eyes watched us as we walked up to the head table and sat down. Gunther pulled my chair out for me and pushed it in before sitting down himself. "Gentleman Gunther. Who knew." A man said as he picked up his glass of wine and took a sip.

"Any kind of man knows how to be respectful. Not everyone was

now. Following the other women's lead, I just kept my head down and didn't make any movements.

"Dinner is served." Vin clapped his hands and the side doors instantly opened. Women in skimpy uniforms walked out with plates. One by one, they were set in front of us. I made the mistake of looking up as one of the guys grabbed a fist full of as s as one passed. She didn't. even flinch but I saw the pain in her eyes.

To Gunther's credit, he was rather disgusted in that display. "I see you got new meat."

"Yes, we came into some good investments. They are proving to be more difficult to train but what else do you expect from them... they are only women after all." Vin waved them off as he picked up his fork and took the first bite. Everyone else followed and started eating. Even the women so I took my fork and knife to cut the duck.

"This is so good!" A man said from across from me with a mouth full
of food.

"MANNERS!" Vin slammed his fist down on the table, making women jump, including me. I knew Vin had an evil side but the his eyes truly terrified me. So much that my hands shook as I tri keep eating.

I'm sure at the right setting, this would be great food. However, it all tasted like sawdust in my mouth. Even my saliva ran away, forcing me to drink the wine rather quickly.

"Gunther, now that you are back, I have a job for you." Vin said after a
few minutes of silence.

"A job? You are going to give him a job?" The guy with poor manners spoke up again.

Vin looked at him. "Are you questioning me?" His eye brow raised and

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“No, Vin. Never. I am just willing to do any job that you require.” He bowed his head in submission.

“I don’t require anything from a man that can’t keep it in his pants. I need this job done correctly and not distracted by t its.” Vin waved the guy off. “Gunther. Come to my office after dinner to discuss your job.”

“With pleasure.” Gunther said it as he looked directly at the guy who. was whining.

“Ms. Kara. I understand you are the ex-girlfriend of Alpha Colt of the Blue Fang Pack.” It was a statement, not a question.

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“Correct, sir.” I said as I cleared my throat. The wine was starting to get to me. My lips were tingling, my face was flushed and my body.

was relaxing.

“Tell me, why didn’t he make you luna?” Vin asked.

“I wasn’t his mate, sir. On his birthday, it was clear we weren’t mates so we were officially broken up.”

“However, he wasn’t your first boyfriend.”

My body froze as his words sank in. "He was my only boyfriend."

"What about a Mr. Russell Bount?" Vin finished off his mashed potatoes and used his cloth napkin to clean his mouth.

"We went on a few dates but that was it. He wasn't classified as my boyfriend."

"But you lost your virginity to him."

I felt Gunther stiffen up at this. He knew I wasn't a virgin but I didn't correct him when he assumed Colt was the only person I slept with. I found the whole thing stupid as he slept around a lot.

Since Gunther told me not to lie, I didn't. "In the back seat of a Corvette."

A few men snickered. "I have a gift for you." Vin said in a way that made me look up at him. Up until now, I kept avoiding his eye contact.

"A gift?" Gunther said.

"Yes, come see." Vin stood up and everyone followed.

Gunther helped me to my feet and then followed Vin out of the dining room and down the hall. We kept going until a backdoor came into view. As soon as we walked outside, I was immediately sick to my stomach. Russell was tied to a tree. Not around the tree but his arms and legs were stretched as far out as possible with rope connecting him to a tree. His body was suspended in the air so he was a huge X.

“I assume you recognize him.” Vin said. I had stopped walking as all the emotions ran through me.

“Yes.”

“Gunther, what you don’t know is that Russell here was Kara’s first

Jove. Not Colt but Russell.”

“Where...” I couldn’t stop myself from speaking.

“Where did I find him?” Vin filled in for me. “I assumed I would run into you again so I took the liberty to test your loyalty.”

“Test my loyalty?” I asked, hoping I heard him wrong.

“Correct.” Vin took my arm and yanked me down the yard and by a wooden table. “Prove you are loyal to me. Kill him. Cho weapon and take him out.” Vin made it sound like it was easy as

that.

“Pick up the gun and just do it.” Gunther said in the mind-link.

“I’ve never killed before.” I whispered back. “I don’t think I can.” Tears

threatened to fall.

“You don’t have a choice.” Gunther growled. “I am commanding you to pick up the gun and kill him.”

Me ntally, I knew he couldn’t command me to do s hit but my arms didn’t listen. “NO! PLEASE!” Russell begged.

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I wasn’t sure what gun I grabbed but with two hands, I pointed it at Russell and fired. The first shot missed him completely. By this time, tears were running down my face as I squeezed the trigger again. This time I hit his leg. Russell cried out in pain as I pulled the trigger again. That one nicked his side.

At this time, I just stopped paying attention and pulled the trigger until nothing else came out. Russell was still crying out as I opened my eyes to the horror scene in front of me. All my shots hit none vital parts except one. That his artery in his leg. Blood was flowing out of him painfully slow.

“That isn’t exactly what I had pictured but he will die.” Vin said, almost impressed. “You couldn’t have walked closer.”

Realization of what I just did hit me as Russell closed his eyes and became quiet. I just killed a man. “I didn’t think she would have it in her.” The guys joked behind me.

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My feet wanted to run. Would Colt take me back after his? Would he allow us to be part of his pack again or did I just seal our fate? “You did what you had to.” Gunther said in the mind-link. It was like he read my mind.

“I shouldn’t have had to.” I said avoiding looking at Russell’s body.

“No.” Gunther agreed.

“I think it is time for the men to retire to the study for a drink and then Gunther and I have a meeting.” Vin said and walked back inside.

“Come on.” Gunther said out loud to me. He walked me back inside. and up to our bedroom. Neither one of us spoke until we got there.

“Do I have anything to sleep in?” I asked.

“No. We have to sleep naked.”

“Can I sleep in your shirt?” I asked as Gunther was pulling on he.

“Not unless you want Vin to come and correct that behavior.” G didn’t even look at me as he walked to the bathroom.

It was all I could do but sit down on the bed. “Okay.” I said in

acceptance.

“I have to go meet the guys for a drink. I’ll be back later, don’t wait up.” Gunther came up to me and kissed me on the forehead before. walking out.

Getting up, I went to lock the door but there wasn’t any. Anyone could walk in at any moment and there wasn’t anything I could do about it. Sliding under the covers, I had to wiggle around until my dress slipped off me. Tossing it on the floor, I pulled the blanket up and over my

Gunther POV

“I wondered if I was going to have to come get you.” Vin said as he pushed over a whiskey for me. Sitting down on the couch, I took it and sat back. The leather was real but cold.

“Needed to pi ss.” I said before taking a drink.

“So, what the f uck happened?” Nathaniel asked. He was the same. f ucker that wanted a job but can’t focus long enough to finish it. The only thing he can finish is on a girl.

“When all hell broke f ucking lose?” I asked, looking at him angrily.” You mean when you bailed so f ucking fast that you left everyone without protection? Why didn’t you stay and fight because I don’t recall seeing you run after Colt and Alec to get the b astard back.” Leaning forward, I set my glass down and glared at him.

“I work better in the shadows.

“You mean your a coward that can’t fight when looking at someone in the face. You only strike when their backs are turned.” Picking up my drink, I downed it before leaned back again.

“How did Colt catch you?” Vin asked,

“I got shot. I was bleeding out. It was either taking my chances with Colt and live or die on the f ucking leaves.” Snorting, I acted like I was pis sed off. “It wasn’t like you came back for me. Even you Vin. Your left me there to die.”

“You know the rules. You were shot.” Vin acted like it was not a big deal. “What I am more concerned about is how you are still alive.”

“Yeah, exactly what happed?” Nathaniel asked, again.

“I am going to knock all your fucking teeth out if you speak again.” I

command and that meant putting people in their place. I had a reputation for doing just that. Thankfully, Nathaniel remembered and shut up.

“When I came to, I was in the cells. They had taken the bullet out and stitched me up. Then he started questioning me.”

“What did you tell him?” Vin asked.

“Nothing he didn’t already know. He found the how you and Darin worked out of for awhile.” I shrugged.

“Maybe told him about some fun times I had.” Smirking, I refilled my glass.

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“I doubt that. You don’t look like he touched you at all.” Greg, another guy in the room said. “I say you are rooting for the other team. I’m not buying it.”

“Just because your wolf isn’t capable of healing you doesn’t mean mine is weak. When have any of my injuries lasted more than 24 hours. Look at my gunshot.” Standing up, I pulled up my shirt to show them where I got shot. The bruising was gone and it was almost a

scar.

“Gunther has always had this freaky fast healing and now he has a mate.” Timothy waved me off as he poured himself a drink.

“I’m done with the pi ssing contest. Anyone want to step outside and see if you can stand against me?” Narrowing my eyes, I looked at them all. No one spoke up or even looked me in the eye.

“You boys need to get some sleep. Gunther, come to my office.” Vin stood up and walked out the study with his drink. Grabbing mine, I poured myself another glass and followed him out.

“Watch your back. Vin won’t always be here to protect you.” I heard someone whisper just as I was about out of the room. Turning back around, my eyes landed on Greg. He wasn’t even prepared for my fist to break a few teeth but he found out pretty quickly that I didn’t lack any strength. Even when holding some alcohol.

“Serves you right.” Another guy said but I was done listening. Walking out, I made it to Vin’s office before he sat down.

“What took you so long?” Vin asked as I shut the door.

“Reminded Greg of his place.”

“Can’t say I blame him.” Vin looked at me and turned in his seat.

“I haven’t lied to you, you know that.” Vin had this way of just knowing when someone was lying to him. At times, it was really unnerving but mostly I found it incredibly helpful. This was not one of those times.

“True, I would know.”

“What job do you have for me?” I asked when he didn’t continue talking.

Vin pulled out a vanilla envelope and handed it to me. Taking it and opening it, my eyes landed on an average joe. Nothing was special about this man. He was average height around 5’11”, 180 lbs and had

brown hair and brown eyes. If I had passed him on the street, I wouldn't have thought about it at all. His name was Tony Garcia. No. known residency or number.

"Who's this?" I asked after looking at the very short file.

"That is the key to Alpha Brian's success. I assume Colt is using him as well."

"You mean a spy." I said flatly.

"Call him what you want but this is the man they call to do surveillance and report back. My guess, this is how Colt has ki about part of the s hit. The other part is that f ucking c ockr oach Z Assuming he is alive too, we will need to find him and kill him. However, this man is priority."

"How did you find him?" I asked, a little shocked but not surprised. All Alphas have someone do the dirty work for them.

"I have my ways, you know that."

"You want him dead." I continued.

"I want him dead but recognizable. I want to deliver him to Alpha Colt

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"Do we know where is likes to hang out?" I asked.

“There is a little hole in the wall bar about thirty minutes from the packs. Address is on the next sheet. That’s all I have but given he is. doing work around Colt’s pack and the surrounding towns, that would be a good place to start.

“Kara and I will leave tomorrow to travel back and -”

“No.” Vin interrupted.

“No?” I looked at him confused.

“Kara will stay here. Call it... insurance. You complete this job for me and I’ll believe you are back on my side. Fail, and I’ll kill Kara after I have fun with her. If you are lucky, I won’t make you watch.”

“That’s f ucking b ull s hit and you know it.” I was f ucking p issed. How dare he! After all I had done for him, this was how he was going to

treat me.

“You don’t have a choice. Either complete the task or you both die.

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Kara is not leaving here on. I suggest you find himkly.

The longer I am waiting, the more impatient I become.”

I f ucking hated Vin. This is why I wanted out. He forced people stuff for him. Never getting his own hands dirty. Hitting you whe hurts and making you put your life on the line while he sat back an downed scotch. If Colt didn’t kill him, I would. Part of me wanted to right now but I wouldn’t even make it around his desk before he would have me pinned against the wall.

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“Don’t fucking touch a hair on her head.” I spit.

“Then I suggest you put your skills to work and find him. You know the drill. That’s why we make a great team.” Vin smiled at me.

I opened my mouth to speak but closed it as I walked out of the office. Vin didn’t he try to stop me as I stomped up to my room to see if Kara was sleeping or not.

Colt POV

“Are you ready?” I asked Alec.

“I am.”

“Are you sure you don’t want more men going with you?” Penny looked at me worriedly.

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“More men equal more errors. We need to do some recon and we can’t do it with too many guys.” I said softly. Alec and I were going to see where Gunther and Kara ran off too. Zac was held up fucking bar and hasn’t moved in hours. However, Gunther traveled to a different state and stopped moving. It

was located in the middle of the fucking forest on the side of a smaller mountain. My curiosity got the best of me and I needed to know what was there.

“I know but... what if something happens? You won't have any help or

“Penny's eyes got watery as she watched me tie my shoes.

“I'll come back to you, I promise. Have I broken a promise yet?” Standing up, I pulled her face up to mine and forced her to look me in the eyes.

“I'm sure there has been one.” She said stubbornly.

doubt it. Pulling her against me, I tried to push all the comforting feelings towards her. “I need you to stay strong so our babies are

okay.”

My luna ceremony is in two days. If you are not there, there won't be a ceremony.” Penny stepped away.

I'll be there and with time to prepare. I said as I grabbed my phone and

yes.

We love you.” Penny gave me a soft kiss and stepped back.

heard Alec and Ice say their goodbyes as they looked at Jasper. “You

ot this?" I asked him.

lot a hair will be harmed." He promised.

m here too!" Jacob said from the couch. Harry wasn't with him and

y guess was he hasn't talked to Penny about it yet.

see you." I said and shook my head. Looking at Penny, "Love you

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et's go." Alec said.

ye, sis." I gave her a quick peck on the cheek and followed A

the house. We were taking my car as it will be faster than ru

alwhole way. That would only wear our wheels and we need

ein strength in case things went sideways

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tope two we do."

he tracking on my phone. So far, nothing has changed.

good hove dit will take us a couple hours to get down there rent bope on't move tove cilave get there." said as I got on the highway.

"Have you spoken with your guy?" Alec asked.

"Not in the last couple days. I sent a message but it went unanswered."

"Does he usually wait that long between check ins?"

"He usually only calls when he has something."

"He might be in a position he can't reply." Alec looked out the window

he got comfortable.

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"I'm just trying to figure out the end game here. At what point do we just declare war or let him come to us?" I was getting agitated on this being drug out.

"We did that with my pack. He isn't going to do that again." Alec said as he took a deep breath. "We need to find his home base and raid

that."

“He might see us coming and just kill us before we even get to the gate.” I was getting rather annoyed with how Vin has stayed one step ahead. “Maybe Vin has his own guy. Maybe we need to go at it from the way he is going at it.”

“That’s an idea.” Alec nodded as he went into his own head.

My phone started ringing. Looking at the caller I.D, “His ears mu have been burning.” I said as I hit talk.

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“C”Colt.”

“I followed Zac since he is the most wild card one. He is held up at a bbar but there is an illegal gambling room under it. There are some major players walking in and out of there tonight. Most of them are giguys I’ve seen doing business with Alpha Rip.”

“I’m starting to think Vin has a guy. Can you find out who that guy

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“Considered it paid in full.” I had a bad feeling about what he was going tot cerequire of me but anything was worth Penny’s life.

“I knew ‘d’ tikike working with you.” Click!

“Has he totol you what it will cost?” Alec asked.

“I’m taking one oproblem at a time.”

Alec snorted before we fell into a silence that kept us both. My mind kept racing to what we would find. According to them they were both captured the most part. Some spikes in heart rate nothing that would indicate torture or fear. Gunther was far too stupid to allow his heart rate to rise but Kara does not. She has no training on torture or how to behave in certain situations. Hopefully, Gunther has

worked with her a while.

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We only stopped for a drive through to eat, otherwise we drove the entire way. Since it was still dark, we found a sleazy hotel that

won't ask questions and act as a room

“We are about an hour on foot from their location.” Alec checked his phone again.

“Both of them are still there?” I asked as I opened my bag.

“Yeah. We got about another two hours of daylight before the sun sets. It will take us an hour to get there. I'd say we should leave in an

hour and a half to make sure we stay under the darkness.” Alec set his phone down and put his bag on his bed.

“He surely has cameras around.”

“This will detect them.” Alec held up a little device that looked like a

miniature binocular.

“If we mess with them, they will probably get alerted. We will have to move around them.” This just got harder.

“They might even have auto so we need to be prepared for radio silence.”

“Hopefully there isn’t any thermal.” F uck, I hoped they didn’t.

“Only one way to find out.” Alec said as he started pulling more stuff

out of his bag.

Gunther POV

“Kara, wake up.” Climbing into bed, I had to gently shake her to wake her up. However, she wasn’t moving. Part of me wanted her to sleep this one night without interruptions. When I’m gone, she probably won’t be sleeping at all. Plus, it’s been a long time since she had. actually gotten a good nights sleep.

She was so beautiful sleeping in the middle of the bed. Her hair was dull, matching our situation. As I moved it out of her face, I couldn’t help but admire her inner beauty. How the Moon Goddess hand. picked her for me, I have no idea. I wanted to be a better man for her but my hands were tied. Curling up next to her, I closed my eyes and accepted this might be my last night of good sleep for a long time.

“Are you awake?” I heard her whisper in my ear.

“No.” I felt her giggle against me. Her warm body curled around me.

“You didn’t wake me last night when you got back.”

“I tried. You were dead to the world.” Opening my eyes, I looked at her. The room was still pitch black, telling me it was still dark. Looking over her shoulder, the clock read 4:30am.

“What was your meeting about?” She sat up and pulled the covers

with her.

“He wants me to handle a situation.”

“When do we leave?”

“That’s the kicker, you have to stay here and I am going alone.”

“W-what?” I felt her internal fear at this.

“I’m sorry but Vin was very specific on this. You are to stay here and I will go on this job.” I wasn’t about to tell her the other stuff. No way in hell was I going to allow that to happen.

Chapter 0420

“Maybe I can c-”

“No. I’m sorry but you have to stay here. Since you are up. The earlier I leave, the better.” I went to sit up but Kara grabbed my arm.

“Gunther, please! Don’t leave me here!” The fear in her voice was

clear.

“If I had a choice, I would take you with me but I don’t. I love you Kara and I’ll do what I need to do to keep you safe.”

“Then take me with you!” Prying her hand off my arm, I stood up and got dressed some clothes from the closet. Kara followed me. Standing in the doorway, she looked at me with fear and anger.

“I need you to be brave, Kara. You need to show no weakness here. They will test you, see if you will lie and question your loyalty. Do not lie and stay strong. You might actually be in far more danger where I am going and honestly, I can’t keep you safe and do my job. If you went, I would be worried about you and not focused on the job.”

“What am I suppose to do here?”

“Stay here unless Vin require you to go out. Take advantage of a comfortable bed a warm shower.” The way she had the sheet wrapped around herself made my dick twitch but I didn’t have time for that. I shouldn’t have even fallen asleep beside her. Now, I am hours

behind.

“Can’t you come back to bed and leave in the daylight?” Kara asked very pathetically.

“I shouldn’t have been slept beside you. I should have left you a note and taken off.” I said honestly. Kara looked away in frustration.

pprove to Vin that I am still loyal to him.” I said out loud. In the mind- link, I said, “I need to do this to keep you safe from Vin. I know leaving p puts you in an uncomfortable position but if this means we can be

free, I am willing to do it. Can you please understand that?"

13 suppose." Kara said back in the mind-link. "I don't like it."

"Didn't figure you would." I said back. Out loud, I continued like we didn't switch to the mind-link. "I'll check in when I can but that

probably won't be very much."

"Okay Kara said and walked back to the bed. She climbed back in as I tied my shoes.

"I'll check in when I can." Walking over, I kissed her forehead.

"How exactly? It's not like we have phones." Kara looked at me with defeat in her eyes.

"I'll find a way." I promised before giving her one last kiss and walked out of the bedroom. Quietly shutting the door behind me, I went down the hall and did for the castle. The file was the only thing I had in my hand and with no direction, I went in the direction I was most com-

going in.

ble

There was a little bar that did business out of frequently in the city. Since it was funded by Alpha Rip, it was always welcome there. The owner liked me enough that he put a bed in a back room for me to sleep when doing tough jobs. Now that Alpha Rip was dead, I wasn't sure if I would be allowed back but we shall see.

The whole thing was about a thirty minute walk. The moon was still shining brightly, showing mad the path. I had walked this so much that I had worn my footprints into the forest here. It really made me smile as permanent made my mark or this planet.

Looking up at the stars, I couldn't help but being relaxed. If it wasn't

Still cut off from the

life. Maybe in a completely different state but world. Part of me wanted to take Kara and do just that but I knew she wasn't the type of girl to live that way. She needed a bed and daily hot meals.

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