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"Luna, if the alpha knew about this, theywill have our head," Dean and pa x pleaded with Iris to go back to her bedroom.

It was in the middle of the night and Cane had to go to discuss a few things with alpha Colter and Koda about their next move after they received news from the Riverside pack. In the letter, they also mentioned they had found Haco and he was in an intensive care from the healers there, which made Iris's mood lit up, though she was still worried about the other, who had not yet been found.

"Don't worry, I will be careful," Iris said, shehugged her body and tightened her cloak because the weather became very cold."I only want to see the diamond tiger and after that I will go back to my bedroom."

"Luna, I don't think this is a good idea. Theboy is sleeping."

"Good!" Iris smiled at Dean, who looked like

he was on the verge of tears." I will only heal his wounds and then I will return," she said lightly.

And no matter how Dean and Pax coaxed Iris, the luna didn't want to listen to them.

At this point, Iris managed to outsmart Cane and somehow, she was proud of herself for being able to do so. She knew Cane would be in the meeting this late night, so she pretended to be asleep, it was very convincing until he couldn't tell and once he left, Iris went to the room next door, where the diamond white tiger stayed inside his cage.

Cane was very adamant to let Dean and Pax to tame the creature first before Iris could come closer to him, yet she didn't think she would be able to see him in the near future if they used Cane's method. This time, she did not agree with Cane and his prohibition came from the place, where he was overly worried about her.

Dean and Pax were right, the boy was currently sleeping, he curled himself into a ball inside his cage, but his limbs were

chained.

"Luna, don't come closer," Dean warned heragain when Iris approached the cage.

"He is inside a cage and chained, also thereare the two of you, what are you worrying about?" Iris frowned, she didn't like this. She really wanted to order them to get rid of the cage and chain because it bothered her.

Because of the noise, the little boy woke up, his eyes were on full alert when he saw the three people in front of his cage, as he started to growl viciously, barring his teeth and claws. Whenever

people came to him, it meant he would be in pain.

"Leave us," Iris said. She didn't ask, but itwas a direct order to the two of them.

"Luna... we can't..."

"Leave."

And after a few more stern orders, they

didn't have any other choice, but to leave the room, the only thing that comforted them was the fact Iris wouldn't be able to open the cage and set him free.

"I am going to let the alpha knew about this, you stay here," Dean said, as he went to go to see Cane in the meeting room with alpha Colter and Koda.

Meanwhile, the night became even colder and it seemed snow would fall anytime soon. They were going to face the winter and the upcoming war against the royal warriors, the situation couldn't be more tricky than this.

Thankfully, Cane's spies had spotted the ships from Karam continent, which supposed to bring provision for them to go through winter, but they had to explain the death of the four merchants, which wouldn't end up good, still, that problem could wait until their ships were docked in the Rirverside pack.

"...after I received the good news, we aregoing to strike Winter Moon pack first."Cane finished explaining his plan to alpha

Colter and Koda.

Despite how upset they were with the way Cane led them and took the position as the strategist, they couldn't deny that they were not able to think a better plan than this one.

"What about the black magic users? I amsure, Alan will send some of their black magic users and I refused to use our magic users," alpha Colter said sternly. With the people from the Holy Kingdom were here, they couldn't expose themselves, because it would put them in a difficult situation with them.

"Let the magic user from the Holy Kingdomto deal with them." $\mathbf{w}\hat{W}\otimes \mathcal{N}\mathbf{o}V\mathcal{E}/\otimes \odot \mathbf{r}m.\mathbf{C}o\mathbf{M}$

"Hm..." Koda nodded, agreed with that plan."After we took over the Winter Moon pack,we will move to Moon Dew pack and then to the capital city. We will take down the tyrant king, who has been using black magic and let the Serafim to sanction Vemion as the next king in this continent with me as his regent." The thought of it made Koda smiled smirked in delight to

imagine what kind of power he would hold once it happened.

Unfortunately, alpha Colter saw that and what Laluna told him the other day rang in his ears.

"Yes," Cane said simply. Little did theyknow, it was not as simple as taking down Alan. There was

something more ominous and dark in the palace. The upcoming war wouldn't only be about, who would sit on the throne.

"Since we are talking about this, there issomething I want to talk with alpha Cane in private," alpha Colter spoke in his deep tone and then looked at Koda."Can you leave us alone for a while?"

Koda frowned. "Is this a secret? Why can't I join?"

This rebuttal made alpha Colter was not happy."Leave, Koda. This is an order."

Bound to his position as the beta, Koda didn't have any other choice, but to listen to what his alpha told him to do. He left the room with tight lips.

Sensing something, Cane didn't speak, until alpha Colter himself, who started this conversation.

"I know that you don't like a small talk, so Iwill make it short." Alpha Colter sat on his chair, staring at the map on the table, where there were a few colorful pins that marking their warriors and the areas under their control."I want you to consider taking Laluna as your mate."

Cane scoffed. He didn't even try to hide his disdain when he heard that, but alpha Colter immediately elaborated his suggestion.

More or less, he parroted what Laluna had told him. He had to admit that woman was quite smart to be able to come up with this idea. It was clear that she had thought about this matter thoroughly and weighed all the options, considering all the worst possibilities that could happen. $w(w)w.mov@\mathcal{L}@orm.côm$

"...More so, luna Iris is still not with a child."Alpha Colter tried to soften his words, but Cane saw through it."I think her condition is the problem... it is great that she can

awaken her other ability as a great healer, but if she can't fix her own problem, your pack will be left without an heir. Alpha Cane, no matter how harsh the reality is, but you must be aware that you are the last bloodline of your family and you need to pass it down to your children in the future."

Cane still didn't deign alpha Colter with a single response, he kept staring at him without expression, in which alpha Colter assumed for him to keep talking.

"Lalun a has proved it to us that she isfertile, she has given birth to Vemion's baby, which meant, you can start your family right away once you take her as your mate."

Alpha Colter blabbered something else and then stopped when he realized Cane had not yet uttered a single word.

"Alpha Cane, I hope you will take thisopportunity." He closed his speech in diplomatic way. "This can unify our cooperation. Once you take Laluna as your mate, I will adopt her as my daughter and you will always have the strength of Red Cla w pack behind your back."

Still, Cane didn't say anything, his expression was still the same, he didn't let alpha Colter to know what was in his mind.

The silence inside the room stretched out and when it became very uncomfortable, alpha Colter spoke again.

"What do you think, alpha Cane?I will notask you to answer this right away, but we can discuss a few things that can make you more comfortable with this arrangement."The more alpha Colter spoke, the more he dug his own grave."Luna Iris can be the mistress,I am sure Laluna will not mind it. From what I heard, your pack member is not really welcome to her because of what happened in the past, even more when she has not yet with a child, even after a year has passed and the problem with Sofia."

Still, Cane said nothing.*w*Ŵ**W**.**N***σv*ε*l*WoŘ**m**.©*o*m

"Is there something you are not satisfied with?"

Finally, Cane deigned him with a reply."I will assume this conversation never

happened, but if you brought this thing up again, I will consider that as an insult to my mate and you can consider to take the throne on your own." Cane stood up and somehow, alpha Colter felt so small in front of him.

After saying that, Cane walked out of the room only to find Laluna had been standing outside with baby Vemion in her arms.

"Alpha Cane..." she called him carefully.