

## Chapter 35 : New friend ?

Y/n's POV

I was gently sleeping on the floor when a man woke me up.

"**Просьпайся, соня. (Wake up sleepyhead.)**" he told me so ly. I sat up slowly and looked at the man in front of me. I recognised him as my father, he was smiling at me but it was a sad smile and I saw that he had bags under his eyes, he seemed exhausted.

"Привет, папа. (Hi dad.)" I greeted him happy to see him.

"Привет, мой жучок, я знаю, что мы должны были провести время только с тобой и со мной на твой день рождения, но мы собираемся встретиться с другими людьми, они хотят попробовать что-то с тобой... (Hello my bug, I know we were supposed to hang out just you and me for your birthday but hmmm we're gonna see some others people, they wanna try something with you...)" he said not looking at me in the eyes. I can feel his sorrow so I start becoming worried and I start crying. "Ssshhh Не волнуйся, мой жучок, все будет хорошо, поверь мне, хорошо? (Ssshhh no don't worry my bug, everything is gonna be alright, trust me okay ?)" I quietly nodded and he smiled at me. Then he stood up so I did the same.

Then suddenly three men enter the room.

"I thought I gave you 3 minutes Ivanov!" says the first man in a contemptuous tone in a language I don't know.

"Sorry, Mr. Tserkov," my father replies in the same language. I don't understand anything. Why did he bow down when this man arrived. Who are these people? The person who spoke then approaches me and I slowly back away out of fear.

"Come on don't be afraid sweetheart. We'll take good care of you, come with me," he said with a smile on his face and held out his hand. I don't know why but he scares me. I then look at my father who smiles sweetly at me and nods his head in approval.

I then give the man my hand.

"Alright." he says as he begins to lead me away. Before I walk out the door I turn around to see my father who hasn't moved and is smiling sadly, I then see a tear running down his cheek.

"Happy third birthday my bug..." he then sighed. a

I woke up with a start, breathing hard and sweating. Wow, I hadn't had memories going back that far in a long time. Thinking about my father broke my heart. He worked for Hydra but he was a good man, he had no choice. I regained control of my mind a er a few minutes and then looked around me. I was in a new cell but no more comfortable than the other one, it was still empty and cold and dark. I decided to get up, but once I stood up, I had to lean on the wall not to fall. I feel dizzy and I have an incredible headache. I guess it's because of this collar that is still around my neck. Then I remember what happened in the gym with Alexis.

How long ago was that?

I decide to sit down against the wall and close my eyes to try to reduce my headache. How long was I unconscious? What part of the base am I in? What are they going to do with me? Where is Alexis? Urgh all these questions make my head hurt. Then the door to my cell opened.

"Are you finally awake? Good, follow me." said Rumlow as he entered the room.

"How long was I asleep?" I then asked as I stood up.

"5 days." he answered without any emotion in his voice. I followed him, shocked. So much could have happened in 5 days.

As we moved through the corridors I realized that it didn't look anything like the corridors of the base in Slovenia where I was, so I deduced that they had moved us. This is really not good.

"Where are we?" I then dared to ask.

"You don't need to know," he replied before opening a door. "Come in," he ordered me. I entered the room and froze. I couldn't take my eyes o him. A fear rose in me. Time seemed to stand still, I could not hear or see anything but him. Then we found ourselves in an intense staring match.

"I guess I don't need to introduce anyone, do I?" laughed Ivan. I then brought my glance on him, I did not even know that he was in the room. I then took the time to analyze the room we were in and I recognized a gym similar to the one where I had to face Alexis.

Oh no, not that...

I then felt my heart pound in my ears and the blood rush to my head.

"As you may have guessed, I want to see both of you in action," Ivan began to explain.

No no no no

"You will fight until one of you is knocked out.

No no no stop stop

"Then move!" shouted Ivan. I can't show my fear or I'll pay dearly. I have to go, I can do it, I can beat him, I'm fast, I'm strong and I can create weapons. I can beat him. What does he have, huh? Just superhuman strength like me, more combat experience, a metal arm and oh a certain desire to kill me. I can't... If I have to, I have to beat him otherwise- a

I found myself on the ground and a sharp pain came over my face, I realized that he had just hit me.

Pull yourself together Y/n!

I then got up and moved away from him with a big jump. I then analyzed my opponent. I know his fighting style, I can do it. He is stronger and more enduring than me but I am faster. Everything will be played in the speed.

I then saw him coming towards me with his manly gait, his hair in his eyes. He then took out a knife from his pants and tried to cut me with it, I then stepped back and avoided his attacks. He came with his knife, I blocked his arm with both mine, I wanted to disarm him but he gave me a punch with his metal arm.

"Urgh..." I think he just broke my ribs. Taking advantage of the fact that I was leaning on my right side, he changed the grip of his knife and stuck it in my shoulder.

"Argghhh" He then grabbed me by the collar and threw me across the room. I rolled over a few times before stopping.

"GET UP IVANOV!" growled Ivan, "FIGHT!!!"

I got up slowly, the pain distorting my face. I saw the soldier walking towards me, his bloody knife in his hand.

I took a deep breath, ignoring the sharp pain in my right ribs and activated my power. His movements seemed slower.

He tried to stab me but I dodged, then gave him an uppercut in the stomach as I straightened up and got closer to him. He then leaned forward, I kned him in the ribs, breaking some of them in the process, and pushed him with my foot. He fell and got up instantly. He stood up and looked at me with fury, he then took out a second knife. If he has the right to a knife, then so do I. I made a knife with my right hand, which surprised him. I took advantage of his surprise to attack him. Seeing me arrive he tried a knife, I dodged and went to give him one but he was faster in planting a knife in my right forearm, then he gave me a kick in the ribs making me move back, which had the effect of cutting my whole right forearm. I dropped my knife, knelt down and screamed in pain. I then received a kick in the head making me fall on my back. I saw the soldier coming towards me with his knives, I crawled on my back to try to get away from him. He came at me with both knives, ready to stab me in the heart. I closed my eyes in apprehension. I waited for the pain but all that happened was the sound of the blades on the floor. I opened my eyes and saw that I was standing against the wall, far behind the soldier. He got up and looked around the room for me. When he saw me, he rushed towards me.

I am going to die.

I can't stand against the wall or I'll be stuck. But at the same time I don't know how long I can stay conscious, I'm losing too much blood since the beginning. The winter soldier then found himself in front of me and continued to advance towards me. I moved backwards, in a circle so that I wouldn't have my back to a wall, holding my arm. From time to time he tried to stab me, forcing me to move back more quickly. I felt weaker and weaker, my vision became more and more blurred. I tried to blink to clear my vision and it was too late when I saw the soldier's knife coming at me diagonally. I backed away as fast as I could but it hit me in the face, along my right cheek to my forehead. I fell to the ground and the soldier knelt down in front of me, grabbed me by the collar and punched me in the head with his metal fist. Everything around me went black. a

Ivan's POV

I will always remember the look on Ivanov's face when she came face to face with our best soldier. She tried to hide it, but you could read fear in it. She who had been rather insolent since the beginning, here she was finally mute. I then made them fight and what a disappointment I must say. Y/n sucked, she was beaten by the winter soldier. She showed some interesting abilities, especially teleportation, I didn't know she was capable of such a thing but the fight was too short in my eyes. Of course she lasted longer than any other soldier who would have been knocked out a er the first punch, and the fact that she was able to touch him and hurt him is also impressive. However, her fear blinded her, she was too focused on her fear and not enough on the fight. From the first blow it was obvious that she was going to lose. The disadvantage of this fight is that she was seriously injured, for a moment I even thought that he was going to kill her.

"What do you think sir?" asked Rumlow a er he walked into my o ice.

"Hmm that was disappointing from Death Giver. I expected better from her. We'll have to do something about that, she was too weak." I replied then.

"I agree sir, what do you want to do then? Do you want to start directly with the Beta plan instead of the alpha plan?" he asked me.

"Do both at the same time, start the procedure for Beta as soon as she wakes up and we'll start Alpha as well."

"But sir she might be too weak to handle it," Rumlow remarked.

"She'll be fine, she'll have to make it. She has no other choice and we don't have all the time in the world either." I then replied.

"Very well sir, we'll start when she wakes up." he replied before leaving.

Finish playing Ivanov.

Y/n's POV

"Urghh" I woke up slowly and felt my whole body hurt. My arm, my eyes and also my ribs hurt... But what happened? I opened my eyes and realized that I was just lying on an old bed in the infirmary I guess. I then straightened up gently so as not to hurt myself too much. And that's when I remembered my fight... Oh my God... I then looked at my arm and put a hand on my face. I couldn't see anything in my right eye, it was covered with bandages. I didn't think the winter soldier was that strong. Then I heard someone coughing. I turned toward the noise and almost had a heart attack when I found the soldier himself on a nearby bed. I looked at him with big eyes, well more like one big eye. He looked me in the eye and then looked down. Weird

"It's me, isn't it?" he asked quietly.

"E-excuse me what?"

"I did this to you didn't I?" he then asked me, guilt in his eyes. I was going shocked at first, then looked down understanding what was going on.

"Y-yes," I replied so ly. He sighed.

"I'm sorry," he apologized. I could see how this was eating him up inside.

"Don't worry about it. I mean it's true that you sent me here to the infirmary but you're here too, aren't you? If you're there, it's because I sent you there, shame on you, right? You were sent to the infirmary by a girl haha." I explained to him with a shy smile, laughing. He looked at me, curious and then gave me a very light smile, almost imperceptible.

"Ah I see you are awake Miss Ivanov." the doctor remarked. "I'll be able to tell Rumlow to start the Alpha program and the Beta program." he then said.

"Excuse me what? What programs?" I then asked worriedly.

"Don't worry about it, he'll explain it all to you," the doctor replied before leaving the room.

I then turned to the winter soldier.

"Do you know what this is?" I asked him but he didn't look at me or answer. "Hey winter soldier!" I called to him.

"Buck..." he whispered.

"What?"

"Bucky, my name is Bucky," he said uncertainly.

"Oh..." I replied, I wasn't expecting that, now I feel bad for calling him winter soldier. "Y/n" I said then to which he responded with a nod.

It was then that Rumlow entered the room.

"Well, if you're awake we can get started. Here's how it's going to work. Starting tomorrow you're going to undergo special training.

First of all, the Alpha program. It consists of physical training with the winter soldier every a ernoon. You can either train by fighting or by learning and perfecting your techniques.

And finally, in the morning you'll be introduced to the Beta program, the details of which you'll see in the morning with Zemo."

My heart stopped beating a er hearing that name. I couldn't hear anything else, my ears were ringing.

No, no, that's not possible. Everything but this, not again. I don't want to go through this. I thought I was done. Why do they want to continue. What are they looking for? What do they want from me? What more do they want?

I didn't notice Rumlow and the doctor leave. I snapped out of my thoughts when I felt a hand on my shoulder. I turned my head and saw the winter sol-... no... Bucky looking at me with a frown.

"We're going to get out of here, it's going to be okay," he said more to himself than to me I think but I smiled at him, grateful.

I hope he's right. I feel like I'm back in the past, everything is repeating itself.

But what have I got myself into again... At least I made a new friend... Right ? a