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"Here, take this." Noah passes it to the girl who takes it with wide eyes, lips parted open as she stared at the beta.

"I can't possibly." the girl trails off, eyes filled with fear and shock, she stared at the content in her hand, hands shaking slightly.

"This is just a little price for you to pay. Your brother will be kept well and healthy in the pack. Isn't that what you want?" Noah presses on, looking back and forth. He isn't supposed to be here for so darn long but the girl is a fucking wimp.

"B-but, It could kill him." She blurts out. The beta rolls his eyes irritatedly, his wolf gnawing at him.

He sighed bringing his hands to the bridge of his nose. "That's the fucking plan. Are you going to disobey the Luna? Luna Melissa would have your head if she finds out you refused her orders. Don't forget you are there because of her and her only! Your brother is living a life an orphan like him shouldn't be living. It's all thanks to her. I'm sure you know you'll get more from being loyal to Luna Melissa than Samantha." He grits out, grabbing the girl's arm tightly. Her eyes widen with fear, her body trembling.

"Put this into his food, water, whatever he is given but have it in his food. That way, the Luna can keep rewarding your brother but if you choose to do otherwise, know for a fact that you and your brother will meet your dead parents soon enough." He threatens, smirking slightly when he sees the trembling girl nod.

"That's more like it. Leave now. You've been out for a while already and the excuse of you going to buy herbs won't work for much longer." He pushes her back, sending the girl staggering just a bit.

"Yes sir. I'll do as you've said. Please excuse me." She says shakily, bowing then turns to leave, the powdered content Noah had given to her, slipping into her clothes.

Noah watched with keen eyes as she walked towards the market square again leading to the dark moon pack. He had sent a quick message to her last night as fast as he could, telling her to meet him here of which she

did very early this morning under the excuse of getting herbs and some ingredients.

He has to tell Melissa though, they would need someone more competent than her. At first, it was easy to convince her to kidnap the brat and dump her in the middle of the woods where Samantha would take her. The promise that her younger brother would be taken care of had her scurrying about. She did it in a heartbeat but now. She's refusing orders. Noah will not have that.

He picked up his phone, already dialing Melissa's number.

"Have you done it?" She asks over the line. The beta hums as he gets into the car, "Yes, he should be done and over with today if he at least has a drop of water. Don't worry" he reassures Melissa.

"Are you leaving now?" He asks her.

"Yes, Liam is out as usual. I have the opportunity to carry the thing out. Get back to the pack as soon as possible." She instructs and hangs up.

Melissa looks at her reflection in the mirror and nods, satisfied by her look. Today, she's going to check on Yinat and the brat. After what Erin displayed yesterday, she knew she had to act fast. Erin has changed. She isn't the same person she was three years ago. The Erin of before would never dare to raise her voice at her nor would she dare to threaten her but the woman she saw yesterday...

Melissa shook her head, pulling her thoughts away from the fiery and fury she saw in Erin's eyes. She had Ana moved out of Samantha's hole and into Yinat's. There, not even a soul will find her. She smirks, grabs her bag, and walks out of the room.

Melissa gets into a car and drives off. She has the opportunity and freedom right now since Liam stepped out of the pack hours ago. She still has no idea what it is he has been up to exactly. After this drama with Erin is done and over with then she would be able to get whatever it is that's going on with him. Noah will find out as usual.

Melissa turns, leaving the pack for the second time, oblivious to the eyes following her steps.

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Thirty minutes later, she arrives at the place. The outskirts of Blue Moon pack. She parks the car and gets down, grabs her things, and begins to walk further, she has only one thing in mind to make sure everything is properly secured to: her. When she got the brat out of that pack, she never planned on giving her back and it's going to be that way.

Minutes later she stops right in front of the cottage. Normally, she would've come here with Noah but today, he had a different thing to do and she, she has a different thing to do too.

Melissa walks into the cottage, still oblivious to the eyes that have followed her.

She pushes the door open, her heels clicking against the wooden floor, she scrunches her nose in irritation as she stepped into the place. It doesn't look different from how it used to be, well, the only difference is that Yinat isn't crying and the brat is laying on the bed asleep.

Yinat scrambles up from the bed as soon as she hears the door open, sleep clearing from her eye in an instant. She kneels as soon as she lays her eyes on Melissa.

"Your Highness." She blurts out, her heartbeat quickens when she looks up, trying to find the beta but doesn't. She traces Melissa'a gaze to the pup sleeping on the bed. A knot tightens in her throat. She has no idea why the Luna has brought the pup to her but with the way the child kept crying, it's only normal to assume, something was wrong.

"Y-your majesty." She croaks out, trying to call Melissa's attention to her. It works.

Melissa looks at her, eyebrows raised "What? I heard you the first time." She snapped angrily. That seemed to do it for the pup as she woke up in fright, already bursting into tears.

Yinat's heart clenched at the sight. It had taken a lot of work from her to make the pup sleep and yet it's all ruined.

"Shut up! You insolent little thing!" Melissa growled, her scent turning bitter.

Yinat leaps forward, grabbing the pup in an attempt to make her quiet.

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Her cries would only anger Melissa even more but it doesn't work. The child only cries the more, Melissa's growl making her even more scared.

"Y-you will only scare her the more, your highness," Yinat says, swallowing harshly.

Melissa cocks her head slightly, a smirk on her lip. "Are you going to lecture me, whore?" She bites out, eyes filled with a wave of blazing anger toward the two.

Yinat shakes her head, body trembling with fear. "I-I could never." She stutters, holding the pup tightly even though she wound stop sobbing.

"Then is it because you're carrying my mate's child, you think you have the right to lecture me on what to do with a child? Is that it? Are you trying to mock me, Yinat?" She asks, voice edging annoyance the more.

Yinat shakes her head fearfully. "P-please forgive me." She stuttered. Melissa rolls her eyes, she takes a step closer to the two. Ana hugs Yinat tightly, still sobbing loudly.

"Bring her," Melissa says, eyeing the stupid display in front of her. It's pathetic. One is Liam's illegitimate pup and the other is his whore. How ridiculous.

"Y-your-" Yinat doesn't get to complete her words.

Melissa raises her eyebrows "Are you going to refuse?" She asks as though daring the other.

Yinat looks down, eyes brimming with unshed tears.

"Never." She says, now trying to pry off the little hands wrapped around her neck tightly. A tear fell to her cheek.

Melissa smirks when the pup cries louder as Yinat pries her off.

Melissa doesn't even waste time, she kneels, grabbing the pup's arm harshly, ignoring the loud wails. "You want your mommy?" She asks, smiling widely at the child. Ana nods somberly.

"You won't ever see her again. Do you know what that means? Your mommy is gone. She left, you won't see mommy again.". She says but every of her word is thrown more harshly and angrily.

The pup begins to cry again, Melissa's expression and voice scaring her badly. Yinat wipes the tears that trickled down her chin on seeing the fear embedded in the child's eye.

Melissa hisses irritatedly, pushing the pup away so she falls, unable to catch up with Melissa's strength.

Yinat leaps forward, grabs the pup, and hugs her tightly, muffling her tears. Melissa sighed, she rolls her eyes, and stand straight.

"I've seen what I want too and now I know.. be a good girl, Yinat and you'll be free to f

go soon." She says, grabbing her bag and gearing to leave.

"Y-yes your majesty. T-thank you." Yinat stutters. Melissa only rolls her eyes and walks out of the cottage. She shuts the door close, locks it, and slips the key back into her bag. She runs her hands through her hair, sighing for the umpteenth time. Erin will never be able to find her daughter. Not now, not ever. She might as well forget about Ana and have another pup with Derrick because if a pup of Liam is alive. It's going to come from Melissa and no one else.

She walks towards her car and hops in, ignorant of the person watching her.

"Tell me, what did you see?" He asks, lifting the glass of alcohol to his lips and taking a sip.

The man before him nods. "She went like you predicted and." he trails off, thinking back to what he had seen earlier.

He tilts his head sideways, waiting for the man to complete his words.

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"She has the pup."

Liam snaps his eyes at the man, "She what?" He bellows angrily, his grip on the glass tightening.

"The pup, she has the pup there with her and another woman." He says, thinking back to what he has seen. For a second the door was left open



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and he was able to see the woman locked in the cottage hugging the crying pup tightly.

"Melissa took the pup?" Liam asks again, Erin's words ringing in his ears again and again.

"Yes, Alpha, and she has someone else there." He says.

Liam quirks an eyebrow up. "Someone else? Who?" He asked. The man shook his head. The door was open for barely a minute, he couldn't see their faces.

"I couldn't see her face well." The man replied, thinking back hard if he could recollect even a single thing but he couldn't. The only thing he could get was...

His eyes widen, finger-snapping together.

"Yinat! Her name is Yinat."







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