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Hearing the crowd, Ruby was practically quivering from anger as she stared daggers at Zayn. "It's you again, huh, you piece of trash?" she fumed under her breath. "How many times do you have to embarrass us, huh? You've gone and challenged the wrath of some underground kingpin? Why don't you just keel over and die right now?"

Zayn was speechless. How poor did his mother-in-law's comprehension skills have to be in order to get to that conclusion? It was obvious that Faye was the one who provoked them!

Not that he wanted to waste his time explaining something like that to a rock.

Faye's panic multiplied. "We should go!"

"Go?" Charlotte echoed, her voice thick with derision. "Sure, just try and escape, I dare you. I know who the two of you are now one of the Carter family's little ladies and her infamously useless husband, huh? You two sure deserve each other. You can escape me, but don't think you can escape us."

"Don't... Don't take another step in our direction! If I feel like I'm in danger, I... I'll call the cops!" Faye cried.

Charlotte threw her head back and guffawed as though she had heard a really good joke. "The heat? You're gonna call in the heat? Thanks, now I'm thoroughly aware that you have no idea who my darling Sky Lord is. Go on, call the cops. Back out of your threat, and I'll have to treat you like a pretty little puss. Of course, I should probably also warn you that if you get the police involved, then say goodbye to sweeping all of this under the rug with only 10000 dollars!"

With that, she crossed her arms and snickered, her eyes trained on Faye like a hawk. Charlotte was not at all concerned about the possibility of her calling the cops at all. She was right, in fact-her threat had gotten to Faye so much that despite having her phone already in her hands, Faye could not bring herself to punch in the numbers.

It was then when an imperious voice rose above the din. "Get the hell out of my way!"

A look of pleasant surprise shadowed Charlotte's mien before dark amusement displaced it the moment she turned to look at Faye and Zayn. "Oh, you two are dead. My baby Sky Lord is here... Your pathetic 10000 dollars can't help you now!"

The color was fully drained from Faye's face. Ruby, too, panicked, and immediately broke out into yet another one of her endless whines, "Oh, what should we do now? From the looks of it, they're all gangsters and underworld kingpins! Those aren't the sort of people we normal, law abiding folks should ever irritate! God, Faye, it's all your fault. How can you be so careless? Now look what you've done!"

Faye clenched her jaw as she hung her head in silence.

"Zayn, you stay here and keep them at bay for as long as you can," she continued, "While Faye and I go!"

"What the... Mom!" Faye blurted out in disbelief.

"What's with that look? This useless son-in-law has been leeching off of our family for so long! We've spent a fortune just to feed him! And how many times have we been humiliated because of him? Now is a great time for him to finally be of use and repay all that we've given him!" Ruby argued matter-of-factly. "Besides, he's got an iron-made hide for skin anyways, so it's not like he's going to die from being beaten up this one time."

Faye could not believe her ears. What sort of mother-in-law was she? What other mother-in-law would so readily dispose of her son-in-law as bait and use him as a meat shield as though it was a perfectly normal thing to do.

Zayn, however, had seen enough of Ruby's shameless feats that he was no longer surprised. "Fifi, go with Mom if you're scared. I'll handle it," he told Faye.

His words enraged her. "How are you supposed to handle this, genius?! Do you even know who we're up against? And this was my mistake, all mine. I should be the one fixing it!"

"Even if it was your mistake, I should still be the one trying to fix it by the virtue of being your husband. Protecting you is my duty," he replied. "Remember? This was something I swore to do from the moment we exchanged our wedding vows."