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So many emotions are running through me right now I'm filled with so much rage and my fists are itching to cause some serious damage and pain to someone or something I'm angry with Vanessa for betraying me, my famiglia and my mafia and for putting my loved ones in danger

I feel sad, annoyed and bitter for the loss of a years long friendship which I believed was a true and honest friendship, so much so that I made Vanessa my daughter's godmother but now I'm not even sure if it was real and sincere I'm also feeling worried and panicked for my wife who is yet to wake up from the chloroform she was given which is very concerning to me because it's been hours since she ingested it, so she should've woken up by now, right?

After we arrived back at my estate, I ordered Benjamin and some of my men to take Vanessa to my dungeons and keep a watchful eye over her while I took my wife up to our bedroom I then changed Cassie out of her clothes and put her in one of my t-shirts before leaving her to rest on our bed As for me, I've been sitting in a chair which looks like a king's throne in the corner of our room, drinking whiskey and smoking a cigar whilst watching Cassidy and patiently waiting for her to wake up

Like I said, it's been hours since we came home and each minute that Chapter 43 - Guilty Or Innocent? passes by is making all of my emotions even worse Even now as I talk on the phone with my brother-in-law, I can feel my emotions getting stronger and more heightened the longer Cassidy is out "How's Katerina, Benji? is she ok?" "She's fine, brother, the doc checked her out and apart from a few cuts and bruises here and there, as well as a major knock to her mental and emotional health, she's perfectly healthy"

"Good" I say as let out a sigh and rub my eye with my palm I'm so f*#*g exhausted and want nothing more than to fall into a deep slumber but I doubt I'll get any sleep tonight "Is she still asking for Vanessa?" "Not anymore she's not, Klay..the doc had to sedate her because she refused to sleep even though she was exhausted and admitted she hadn't slept in days because she was afraid of Antonio or Trevor coming into her room and touching her while she was sleeping" He says confusing me

"What do you mean she was afraid of them touching her? you don't think...you don't think they've done anything inappropriate with her, do you?" "don't know man but if I had to base my answer on what I've observed here tonight then I'd say yes" "Why? what did you observe?" Task Benjamin who sighs on the other end of the phone "Well, she

repeatedly flinched whenever one of our males «came near her, she refused to let our doc do a s**** assault kit on her and when he

d to look in her eyes with his light, she freaked out big time and had a panic attack" "What?" Oh, I can't wait to get my f*****g hands on those two assholes I swear, s**t is going to hit the fan if I find out either of them have done anything inappropriate with my cousin "So, she's resting now?" "Yeah, the doc said it's for the best that she's sleeping because her heart rate will slow down a lot faster and it'll also help relax her and calm her down as well"

know from personal experience with Cassidy that there's nothing worse than an overactive brain when you're having a panic or anxiety attack "It's probably a good thing all three of Charlie's angels are currently knocked out because I don't think I've got the energy to answer any of their questions right now" "Don't you mean Klayton's angels?" Benjamin asks with a chuckle and I smile as I look over at my beautiful wife "How's Cassie?"

"Still the same, she hasn't woken up yet" I say earning a groan from him "Lreally wanna hurt that b***h for doing this to my baby sister, I mean, how dare she? after everything Cassie has done for her and what she did for Cassie and Cassius..how could she do this?" "I don't know man, I'm shocked as well" Chapter 43 - Guilty Or Innocent? I say as I let out a sigh and run a hand through my hair "I've known Vanessa for years and I never would've thought she'd do this to me, to us"

I say with annoyance in my tone just as the sound of a murmur was heard My head snapped towards my bed where I saw Cassidy starting to move around as she moaned and groaned "I've gotta go, Benji, I'll talk to you later" I quickly hang up the call and put down my cigar before jumping up and going over to the bed "Hey babe, are you ok?" "Klayton?" Cassie asks confused as she looks around our room before

narrowing her eyes back at me "Where am I? what's going on?"

"Don't you remember, baby?" "Lerm..a little, I don't know...everything's a little fuzzy" Cassie sits up and looks down at what she's wearing and then at my naked torso "s**t Klayton, did you f**k me so hard into forgetting about it again?" She asks me and I chuckle "No babe, we went to save Kat, remember?"

"We did? I don't remember" Cassidy asks confused "Did we find her? is she ok?" "She's fine, babe" Chapter 43 - Guilty Or Innocent? I say with a smile as I gently caress her cheek "Good" Cassie says as she closes her eyes and sighs as she leans into my touch

Her eyes then snapped open like she had suddenly remembered or realised something and she looked at me With an unsure and confused expression "Did something bad happen, Klayton?" "Well.." "The last thing I remember was Marcus taking Katerina out of the room and you calling me on the phone but I've got no recollection of what happened

afterwards or how we got home or how I ended up in your shirt" I sigh in frustration as I look down and grab hold of Cassidy's hand "What's going on, Klayton?"

"What do you mean?" I ask her and she looks at me like really? don't bullshit a bullshitter "I may not remember, Klayton but I know something bad has happened, it's written all over your face, so tell me what happened?" I once again sighed as I subconsciously moved closer to my wife "Babe..something bad did happen..I found out who our mole is and you're not gonna believe who it is or what they were willing to do with you" "What? who is it? what did they do?"

(Cassidy asked me Chapter 43 - Guilty Or Innocent? I looked into my wife's eyes and I instantly felt a huge wave of guilt wash over me "I'm 50 sorry, babe" "Sorry? what are you sorry for?" "Because you warned me about her when you first met her..you told me you didn't trust her and I should've listened to you"

I said as I rested my forehead against our entwined hands "Who, Klayton? who didn't I trust?" Cassie asks sounding confused as she runs her free hand through my hair "Vanessa, babe..you didn't trust Vanessa" "Vanessa? why..." Cassie drifted off as she thought about what I said and her eyes widened in shock when she realised what I said "Vanessa's the mole? are you sure?"

"Oh yeah, babe" I say while nodding my head as my jaw clenched in anger "How do you know?" "Because she knocked you out with chloroform while you were on the phone with me, that's why you've got no memory of what happened or how you got back home" "But why? why would she do that?" She asked me and I was hesitant to answer her because I knew the answer would open up some old wounds for her, wounds that she's worked so hard to keep closed

"Well, I'm not sure because I haven't spoken to her yet but if I had to venture a guess based on something she said earlier then I'd say that she Chapter 43 - Guilty Or Innocent? wanted to give you something so that he could use you to get me to hand over my mafia and my cousin to him" "WHAT? THAT f***g b***h, I'M GONNA KILL HER!" Cassidy growled as she got up from our bed I tried to stop her but she was too quick for me as she stormed into our walk-in wardrobe to change her clothes

"Cassie baby, wait" "No, I won't wait, Klayton, I'm gonna rip her f*****g head off and shove it up her f***g flat ass, I mean, who the hell does she think she is, huh?" "know, sweetheart just calm down" I say and Cassie looks at me like are you being serious? "Have you banged your head, Klayton?" Content ©

What? "You want me to calm down but how do you expect me to do that when that f*****g b***h has backstabbed and betrayed us? s***t, you should be apoplectic right now but you're not, you're calm, why are you so calm right now, Klayton? why aren't you angry?" She says pissing me off "I am angry Cassidy, in fact, I'm f*****g livid but I have to be calm and so does my Donna because as you know, love, we can't afford to go into

this half-c****d, we need to be calm and rationale so that we can get as much information out

of Vanessa as possible" Isai and I honestly thought she was going to be my feisty, stubborn little gattino and insist on going to see Vanessa but instead, she sighed in frustration and her shoulders lumped as she threw her shoes onto the floor Chapter 43 - Guilty Or Innocent?. — "Ok fine but I want in on the interrogating, Klayton, you're not leaving me out of this, do you understand me?"

Cassie demands while pointing her finger at me and I chuckle as I embrace her and kiss the top of her head "As if I'd leave my Donna out of this" The Next Day..

"Are you ok, babe?" "Yeah, I'm fine" Cassie says while sighing I looked down at my wife, who looked conflicted about something

"Are you sure, love?" Task her and she looks up at me with a smile "Yeah, I just..I don't know how we're gonna do this... mean, how do you tell someone that their wife who they love wholeheartedly and who they planned a beautiful fairytale future with is the traitor who has betrayed us and put all of our lives at risk?" "The same way we tell everyone unsettling news" "By ripping off the bandaid" "Exactly" Tsay with a smile as I kiss her forehead

We then head towards Kat's room to rip off the metaphorical bandaid but something tells me it's not going to be as easy as I think it's going to be I knocked on the door and opened it after hearing a weak come in from Kat who instantly smiled at us but her smile looked forced to me "Hey guys" Chapter 43 - Guilty Or Innocent?

She says huskily "Hey Kat, how are you feeling?" "I'm sore but I feel a lot better now that I've had a decent night's sleep" "That's good, Kat" Cassie said as she gently gripped Kat's hand "So, how's Lacey? is she ok?" "She's fine, she was unconscious for a little while but she fought through that"

"It must be the Antonelli blood in her, you all are so stubborn you wouldn't accept death or being unconscious without putting up a fight" She says and I chuckle "How did you guys find me?" "You wouldn't believe me if I told you, Kat" "Try me" "ok 1 sit down on her bed and rest my hand on the other side

of her legs "Marcus found you, sweetheart" "Marcus? as in our Marcus, my cousin Marcus?" She asks in disbelief and I chuckle slightly "Yes, that Marcus..he was able to find you by hacking into Trevor's software and by doing that he was able to find you through a tracker Trevor had installed in your wedding ring" I tell her and she looks down in shock only to find her ring

missing Chapter 43 - Guilty Or Innocent? "Where are my rings?" "They're with my team, they're working on taking the tracker out of it so that Trevor can't trace you ever again" "So, he won't be able to find me?" Kat asks me and I smile at her

Kat asks me and I smile at her "No, he won't" "Good" She says with a sigh as she looks out of the window

"Kat, we've erm..." I drifted off as I looked at Cassidy who gave me a reassuring nod "We've got something we need to tell you, sweetheart and it's...it's not good" "What is it?" She asks as she looks between Cassie and me "It's about the mole, Kat"

Tsay and she starts to panic "It's not me, I swear it, I'd never betray you, Klayton" "I know...I know, it's not you Kat but we did find out who it is and it's someone who you wouldn't believe or even suspect, trust me, I'm struggling to process her betrayal myself" "Her?" She asks confused and I nod my head "Yeah, the mole is someone who is incredibly close to the both of us"

Ttell my cousin whose face quickly changes from confusion to shock Chapter 43 - Guilty Or Innocent? "Wait, you don't mean..." "It's Vanessa, Kat, Vanessa's the mole" Isay and her eyes widen in shock "What?...no, that's impossible, Ness would never..she'd

never betray us, Klay" "I never would've believed it myself, Kat if I didn't see it with my own eyes" "What did you see?" Kat asks angrily through gritted teeth "I saw her trying to kidnap my wife after she'd knocked her unconscious, I also heard her on the phone apologising to my wife as she did it, she also confessed to knocking Cassie out with chloroform which was given to her by Trevor"

"I don't..I don't under...it explains her behaviour" "Behaviour? what behaviour?" I ask Kat who runs a hand through her hair "She's been acting really weird lately, more so after we attended Lacey's wedding" "Weird? how?" "She was being sneaky and secretive with her phone and whenever someone would call or text her she'd act suspicious, there's also been numerous times when she had to go out of the country for a modelling job and it was always around times when I wouldn't be able to go with

her..for a second I thought she was cheating on me and I even confronted her about it but she said I was just being paranoid" Kat said while scoffing at the end "It's highly possible she was meeting Trevor during those trips and she Chapter 43 - Guilty Or Innocent? was acting that way over her phone because it was that asshole contacting her" "Do you think she's the one who put the tracker in Kat's ring?"

Cassie asks shocking me Wow, I never thought of that It would make sense that she'd do it under the pretence of getting it cleaned or something 5K; /ve really underestimated this girl "No, I don't believe she did" Kat says before looking up at me

"Look Klayton, I understand how this looks but I really don't believe Vanessa is doing this willingly, I mean, think about it, if she was then why would she apologise to Cassie after drugging her if she's team Trevor?" "What are you saying, Kat?" Cassidy asks as she looks down at my cousin confused "I'm saying that I think my brother has got something on Vanessa, Cassie, something big or important to her and that's why she's doing this...trust me guys, the Vanessa I know would never betray you or our famiglia

and she'd never do anything to put any of us in danger" "Well, there's only one way to find out for sure what's really

going on and to also get the truth from Vanessa" We have to talk to her I was already planning on interrogating Vanessa today and I thought I'd be going in there as an angry Don eager to get vengeance for my wife and my famiglia but now I'm feeling conflicted after talking with Kat and I'm left with one question in my mind

i>Is Vanessa guilty or is she innocent?

You know, not much makes me smile these days Seeing my children's faces after a long day at work makes me smile, spending alone time with my beautiful wife makes me smile and thinking about the good old times with my best friends back when we were younger and a complete circle makes me smile Getting one over on my enemy and witnessing him losing his s**t has also got me smiling like a Cheshire cat as well "I SWEAR TO f*****g GOD, KLAYTON ANTONELLI, YOUR DAYS ARE f*****g NUMBERED, DO YOU UNDERSTAND ME? YOU MESSED WITH THE WRONG MOTHERFUCKER AND NOW I'M GONNA REIGN DOWN f*****g HELL ON YOU AND YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY STARTING WITH YOUR b***h ASS WIFE AND YOUR LITTLE PRINCIPESSA!"

Trevor says the last part mockingly "I'M GONNA f**k YOUR WIFE AND COUSIN UP SO BADLY, YOU'LL BE BEGGING ME TO KILL YOU BY THE TIME I'M DONE WITH THEM, TRUST ME, KLAYTON, YOU'VE JUST DECLARED WAR, YOU MOTHERFUCKER!" /ve just declared war? This i**#t is extremely late to the party if he thinks my little stunt with his dad is me declaring war on him, I declared war the moment he messed with my wife and killed my best friend "What's with the s**t-eating grin?"

"What's with the s**t-eating grin?" My wife asks me I turned around and looked at my sexy woman who was standing with Chapter 44 - Guilty Or Innocent?. ff her arms crossed over her chest which was making her nice, juicy breasts look more pronounced Ticked my lips at the sight earning an angry throat clearing from Cassie "Oh nothing, my love, I'm just listening to Trevor lose his

s**t in my voicemails" "Ohno" Cassidy groaned while rolling her eyes "What did you do this time?" "Why do you assume I've done something, babe?" Lask her and she looks at me like are you being serious? "Because you're you, Klayton, you can't resist going that extra step further"

She says and I laugh "Well, let's just say, babe, I.I reunited him with his father" I say with an evil smirk and Cassie looks at me like what the rek? "Boss" I turn around and see my tech guy Eddy heading towards us "Eddie, what have you got for me?" "Something unbelievable, boss, look"

Eddie hands me his iPad which has got the CCTV footage from the gala on it Cassidy stood next to me as I played the video and I was both horrified and livid when I heard

the intense conversation between Katerina and Lacey Srats I knew Katerina had suffered a lot under her brother's care but didn't

"Why didn't she tell us about this?" "I don't know...maybe she was too scared or ashamed" "I'd go with the latter, boss, s****I assault victims generally feel ashamed" "That's true" Cassie says and my jaw clenched tightly "Do you think Vanessa knows about this?" "There's only one way to find out" I say as I head towards the cell where Vanessa is being held, I open the door and I'm met with the sight of Vanessa tied to a metal chair in the middle of the room with a table in front of her

"Klayton, thank god you're here, L." Vanessa drifted off as her eyes narrowed from me to the woman

behind me and a slight gasp left her mouth when she locked eyes with my wife "Cassie, y.you're awake" "Of course I am, what kind of question is that, Ness?" "Were you not expecting my wife to wake up, Vanessa?" ask her and she drops her head which pisses me off "TL asked you a question, Vanessa" I growl as I slam my hands down on the table causing her to flinch

"Yes, I was expecting her to wake up just not yet" She says confusing me "I thought you said Trevor only gave you enough chloroform to knock Cassidy out for a little bit, now fourteen hours later you're saying she should still be unconscious? which one is it?" Chapter 44 - Guilty Or Innocent? "He did,s he was, 1." She closes her eyes and sighs "The truth is, I don't know, I'm just going off what Trevor

told me" "So, you're really doing business with him, Ness?" Cassie asks with hurt and betrayal in her voice "It's not what you think, Cass" "Not what I think?...Klayton told me you wanted to hand me over to Trevor, Vanessa, after everything he did to me, to my so...to my son and you were willing to just hand me over to him like some prized pig" Cassie said through gritted teeth

"You don't understand, Cassidy" "Try me" A tearful Vanessa takes a deep breath in and slowly releases it before speaking again "He threatened me...he threatened us, he was also blackmailing me as well which was the cherry on top of the cake if you ask me" Vanessa says while rolling her eyes "With what? what was he threatening and blackmailing you with?"

"With outing us...Trevor was planning on causing a huge scandal by releasing a s*x tape he's allegedly got of him, Cassidy and Antonio to the press and he was gonna give some evidence of the top families in business being involved in the mafia to the police and the press as well to bring you all down if I didn't do as he said" "What did he ask you to do?" Cassie asks her and she lets out a breath "Well, first, Trevor wanted access to your island during Logan and Lacey's wedding so that he could run amok but I refused, so instead he

asked me to be his spy so that he could make you believe he was there when he wasn't, he also wanted me to get him access to your gala so that he could get close to Lacey and grab her along with..with Kat." Vanessa says the last part with a sob and I could see she was genuinely upset but I remained stoic until I get all of the facts and information from her, my wife however was the complete opposite of me because she was pissed off and rightfully so "And you did all of this under Kat's name leading us to believe that she was the mole and she had betrayed her cousin but unfortunately for you, Lacey Black is just as stubborn and determined as her big, badass cousin over here and she was determined to prove Katerina's innocence which she did and we were able to find her thanks to your sick little stunt with her wedding ring"

"What are you talking about?" "You know exactly what we're talking about, Ness, the tracker you put in Kat's ring so that Trevor could track her wherever she goes" Cassie says and Vanessa remains silent "Silence is golden" Cassidy smirks while I glare at my former friend "You said everything without saying anything at all, so don't you dare sit there and cry and act as if you care because if you really did care about Kat or any of us for that matter then you wouldn't have done any of this Vanessa...you wouldn't have put Katerina and Lacey in

harm's way if you cared" "Cassidy's right, Vanessa" I growl at her "You know me and you know that family means everything to me and Chapter 44 - Guilty Or Innocent? I'd do anything to protect my family..if you really cared about us you could've come to me about this" "Tknow"

"THEN WHY DIDN'T YOU?" I shout and she flinches "I don't know, I panicked I guess" "You panicked?" Task mockingly "Yes, I did..when Trevor first reached out to me, I had absolutely no plans of working with him or helping him, not just because of Kat but because of you guys...believe it or not, love you guys and I love your kids." "YOU LEAVE MY KIDS OUT OF THIS!"

Cassie shouted as she attempted to go after Vanessa but I grabbed her from behind and held her close to me "Relax, gattino" I whispered in her ear "I do love you guys, Cassie, you're my family but.." Vanessa once again drifted off as she looked away from us "But what?"

"But Trevor had a backup plan, he had an insurance policy if you will to make sure that I did what I was told and I complied with every single one of his commands" "And what insurance policy is that then?" I ask her and she sighs as she looks between the both of us "He kidnapped my parents and is holding them hostage somewhere...he told me that he'd torture them and eventually kill them if I Chapter 44 - Guilty Or Innocent? dared to disobey him"

"So?...why do you give a s**t, Ness?" Cassie asks with a scoff, dismissing Vanessa off "They're my parents, Cassidy" She said through gritted teeth "Yeah, the same parents who you hid your sexuality from for most of your life because you were afraid of what they'd say or do to you, the same parents who wished you would die a slow and painful

death the day you came out as a lesbian to them and the very same parents who sent you a funeral wreath with yours and Kats name on it on the day of your wedding with a note that was far from a normal wedding wish from a parent to their child, instead of wishing and hoping for many years of good health and

happiness in your marriage, they wished and hoped for an anti-l***q+ group to invade your wedding and do unspeakable things to you both and you betrayed us to save them?" Cassidy asks angrily "They're still my parents, Cass" Vanessa says sadly as a few stray tears fall down her cheeks "They may hate me and what I am but that doesn't mean I have to return their hate with hate...besides, my parents aren't the only ones who are stuck in Trevor's clutches, Klay, Vincenzo is as well"

"What? are you being serious?" Task her and she frantically nods her head "He's got my brother, Klay..he's got Vinny who is only fifteen years old and that bastard is grooming him" "Groomed? like sexually?" Task her and she shrugs her shoulders Chapter 44 - Guilty Or Innocent? "I don't know but it wouldn't shock me if he is"

"How do you know he's grooming him then?" "Because Trevor told me he is, he said that if he doesn't succeed in getting an heir out of Cassie or Lacey then he wanted a backup by grooming Vinny to take over from him but the asshole is pretty determined to get his heir" "How so?" Cassie asks as I let out a frustrated sigh and run a hand over my face "He's had so many chances to grab either myself or Lacey and he hasn't taken them, so how is he planning on grabbing us?" "He's already put his plans in motion to get Lacey"

She says and my head snaps up "What plans?" "You know that director guy she was meeting up with to do a film based on her books?" "Yeah" "Well, that was Trevor under the pseudonym Caleb Rojas" WHAT? "His plan was to drug and kidnap Lacey taking her back to London but the movie he was planning on filming was far from the movie she's no doubt been dreaming about ever since she penned her first "

"What are you talking about? what other movies are there?" Cassie asks her "Ever heard of a snuff movie?" Vanessa asks us and my heart almost stopped beating "Did you just say a snuff movie?" Chapter 44 - Guilty Or Innocent? "Mmm-hmm"* "What's a snuff movie?"

Cassidy asks confused "It's a pornographic movie which shows one of the performers in it being murdered for real at the end" "Holy s**t and Trevor was planning on doing this with Lacey?" "Yes and no, he was planning on doing a s* tape with Lacey after he drugged her but then he was gonna do some hocus pocus s**t to edit in a very realistic looking scene to show a young woman who looks like Lacey being murdered so that when he sends it to you, you'd think she was dead and wouldn't search for her anymore, that way he gets to keep her all to himself and he gets one over on you by destroying via killing your favourite principessa" Vanessa explains Trevor's plans to me and I felt like both

throwing up and punching a wall I wasn't interested in doing the first, so I did the latter cutting my knuckles open in the process "Klayton, calm down" Cassie offered me some comfort by grabbing hold of my bicep and gently caressing it with her thumb which calmed me down a little bit When she saw that I had calmed down, she turned to face Vanessa and I swear, I was both turned on and scared by the look on her face If you're loving the book, Ss.com is where the

adventure continues. Join us for the complete experience— all for free. The next chapter is eagerly waiting for you! She looks so sexy and intimidating right now "I don't understand you Vanessa, you know how sick Trevor is after everything he's put us and our family through, everything he's put Kat through and now everything he's planning on putting Lacey through AND YOU STILL DECIDED TO WORK WITH HIM!" Chapter 44 - Guilty Or Innocent? Cassidy shouted as she banged her hands on the table "I did it to protect my family"

"I DON'T CARE!!...I really don't care what your excuses are" Cassie growled as she got in Vanessa's face "You had a choice, Vanessa...you could've talked with your best friend who is also the most feared Don this world has ever seen and he could've helped you save those pricks you insist on calling your family or you could do what you did and choose to side with the biggest pile of s**t the mafia realm has ever seen and risk losing the ones who actually love and care for you to potentially save a family who hates you and tossed you aside without a care in the world" Cassie says while glaring at Vanessa and looking her up and down in disgust

"Unfortunately for you, you chose wrong and now you have to deal with the consequences of that decision" My wife says before storming out of the room leaving behind a deafening silence when she did "You understand where I'm coming from, don't you, Klay?" Vanessa asks me and I shake my head "No, I don't" I looked at her and saw her face was now wet with tears and her eyes were red from crying and most likely

exhaustion as well "You once told me the only real family you had was us, Katerina and Vinny because Vinny was too young to judge you on your lifestyle choices and was most likely having his mind poisoned by your parents" "That's true" She whimpers and I nod my head as I look down at her Chapter 44 - Guilty Or Innocent? "Do you know how Kat lost her virginity?"

"What?" "You heard me, now answer my question" I say and she shakes her head I walked over to the table and rested my hands on it as I leaned in close to her "She was fifteen years old and she was raped by Antonio, over and over again while Trevor sat and watched them" I tell Vanessa and her eyes widen in shock "How do you know that?" "Katerina told Lacey about it the night of the gala, she was

terrified to tell me that she was being stalked by that bastard and confessed to my principessa why she was so afraid of her big brother and his little scumbag minion and Lacey tried to get her to tell me but thanks to you, that never happened" "I don't believe you, Kat would've told me if it were true" Vanessa denied what I was telling her as she

rapidly shook her head "If it helps you to sleep better at night thinking I'm lying then fine, believe what you want but it doesn't change the facts" I say before turning around to leave

"Wait, Klayton, you're not seriously gonna leave me in here, are you?" Is she being serious? "Vanessa..you betrayed me and my famiglia when you chose to side with that sick bastard instead of coming to me and by doing so, you put numerous innocent people in danger one of whom is your own wife, the Chapter 44 - Guilty Or Innocent?. il same wife who you framed for being the mole while you hid away like a coward and let me believe my own cousin was betraying me when in fact it was my best friend" I growled at her and she had enough sense in her to lower her head in shame

"It didn't have to go down this way and you know it but you've made your bed and now you have to lie in it" "Meaning?" "Meaning you're gonna stay in here for the foreseeable future" I say before storming out of the cell and slamming the door shut as Vanessa screams my name at the top of her lungs begging and pleading with me to come back and release her but I just ignored her and continued walking as I headed back upstairs to be with my babies

The only thing that can relax me and calm me down right now is a hug from my son and my angel

You'd think being a part of the mafia, we would've seen and heard it all but clearly, that's not the case after our little chat with Vanessa, especially for me Thad no clue what a snuff movie was and was horrified when my husband explained it to me and even though Trevor was never actually planning on murdering Lacey according to Vanessa, it's still scary and insane to think that something like this exists and Trevor was planning on tricking us with this so that he could take Lacey away from us Klayton and I were naturally pissed off after we left the dungeons, I was so angry that I was tempted to polish off a bottle of bourbon but I knew I wouldn't be able to stop until my anger was practically non-existent and I didnt want that

I've barely any alcohol in the past four years, I mean I've drank but not to the point that I used to and I try to steer clear of it as much as possible because I clearly don't make the best decisions when I'm under the influence, so instead of hitting the bottle, I decided to come and see my kids and give our nanny a break Klayton followed behind me not long later and he looked like a bomb ready to explode but all of his anger seemed to subside the moment he picked up our daughter and held her in his arms as Cassius snuggled into his side Asmile broke out on my face and a warm fuzzy feeling filled my chest as I looked at my beautiful little family

When I became Klayton's Donna four years ago, T knew I had signed on for a wild and crazy ride and I knew I would see a lot of danger and ugliness in this world because of who and what we are but these three people right here make our dark and ugly world light and beautiful just by being them When people think of the mafia, they immediately think we're nasty, evil and awful people who do atrocious and diabolical things and

commit heinous crimes which I guess we do but we only ever commit these kinds of acts on those who deserve it

As my father-in-law once told me, we're kind of like a modern-day Robin Hood, we help those in need and protect the innocent whilst punishing those who Lucifer himself would reject from hell for example rapists, drug dealers, paedophiles, traffickers and low lives who sell drugs and guns to kids Trust me, if this life was anything like what it's depicted as in movies then I would've run as far as I could away from it but it's not and I feel proud and honoured to be doing the work that we do and I can't wait to put a permanent end to the annoying thorn that's been sticking in my side for the past four years "What are you thinking so hard about, beautiful?" I was brought out of my thoughts when I heard my Têx belongs to

husband's husky voice in my ear and felt his gentle touch on my cheek I looked over to my left side and I noticed Klayton was now sitting next to me on the floor as our babies played with their toys in front of us Jesus Christ How long was I lost in my thoughts for? it couldn't have been that long, right? "What makes you think I was thinking hard about something?"

Task him with a smile and Klayton smirks at me "Because when youre lost in your thoughts, babe, your eyebrows scrunch together, your nose twitches a little and you nibble on your lower lip as well" He said as his thumb gently rubbed my lower lip "So, tell me..what's going on inside your beautiful head, babe?" Klayton asks me whilst kissing my temple and I let out a sigh "I was just thinking about Vanessa and the interrogation, that's all"

I say and Klayton's entire being immediately stiffens and his jaw clenches "What about it?" "Everything..why wouldn't she come to us and tell us Trevor was threatening her?" Task as I look up at him "She's a smart girl, Klay and she knows that you've got some of the most powerful people in this country including the mayor of New York and most of the NYPD in your back pocket so she should've known Trevor's threat to out us to the world would never see the light of

day, so why didn't she just come to us?" "I don't know, babe" Klayton said sadly as he wrapped his arm around my shoulders and pulled me closer to him "But it doesn't matter anyway, the fact still remains that she betrayed us and she put all of us including those two precious babies of ours in danger and I can't let that slide" "Tknow you can't and I'm not asking you to let it slide, I'm just curious

as to why Vanessa made the wrong choice when she knows we would've done everything to help her save her family"

"Maybe she's playing us and her family aren't really in danger and she's just using them as an excuse to get herself off the hook or maybe she just doesn't trust us enough" I looked over at Klayton to see if his expression matched the tone of his voice and sure enough, my baby is sad and angry with Vanessa for either lying to us and betraying us

or lying to us, betraying us and not trusting us enough to help her out I knew Klayton was feeling a huge loss right now for not only losing his friend and cousin-in-law thanks to her betrayal but also the sister he never had, I also knew that he needed some comfort from me, so I crawled into his lap and wrapped my arms around him as I nuzzled my face in his neck

If you are not reading this book from the website: ss.com then you are reading a pirated version with incomplete content. Please visit Ss.com and search the book title to read the entire book for free We sat like this for a little while just comforting each other Klayton rubbed his hands up and down my back as I gently ran my fingers through his soft hair "You know we have to go and talk to Kat, right?" I break our silence and Klayton groaned clearly not happy about us having to go and break his cousin's heart

"We have to, Klayton, she deserves to know the truth" "I know, I just don't wanna do it" He says sounding like a child and I chuckle Speaking of children "Mommy, is daddy ok?" My son asks me and I smile at him "Daddy's fine, baby" Chapter 45 - No Rest For The Wi "Come here, my son" Klayton pulls Cassius towards him as I manoeuvre myself from off his

lap Klayton and Cassius have got a wonderful relationship and it always makes me smile when I see them together, he's so close with the both of us that you wouldn't think we had missed out on half of his life "Are you ok, daddy?" Cassius asks his dad as he runs his little fingers over Klayton's beard "Daddy's fine, son, I've just got a lot on my plate, that's all" "Is that why you look so big? because you've got so much on your plate?"

Cassius asks Klayton and I chuckle earning a glare from my husband "Actually son, daddy is so big because he goes to the gym a lot with uncle Benji and uncle Connor" "If you say so, mommy" Cassius gives us both a kiss on the cheek before leaving his father's lap and going back to his toys "I'm starting to see Tommy more and more in our son as the days pass, babe" "How so?"

I already knew how but I wanted to see if he was seeing the same things as me "His cheeky mouth for starters, Cass and his smart-ass comments as well" "Don't they fall under the same thing" Chapter 45 - No Rest For The Wi "No, not really" Klayton leans in and kisses my lips He then stands up and offers me his hands to help me up as well "Come on babe, let's go and see Kat, the sooner we bite this bullet the better"

"Ok" Our nanny came back from her break to look after our babies while we left to go to the hospital During the ride to the hospital, I had this really bad feeling in my gut that I couldn't explain but I'm guessing if it's like most bad gut feelings then it means something awful is either about to happen or it's already happened "Are you ok, love?" "Yeah, I'm fine, I'm just nervous about how Kat's gonna react to what we found out"

"Well, I think it's safe to say that she's gonna be upset and angry but we just need to reassure her that no matter what she's always got us and our families" "That's true" I

say with a sigh "It's just that I know what it's like to feel intense heartache at the hands of the love of my life and I don't want her to feel that because unlike me who got a second chance with mine, I doubt she'll be able to get a second chance with hers" "I thought we weren't gonna bring up our past ever again, babe?" Klayton asks annoyed

"I'm not, I'm just saying...besides, it's kind of hard to ignore our past

when the biggest thorn in our past is lingering around like a nasty ass smell" I say and Klayton chuckles as he lifts our entwined hands up to his lips kissing the back of my hand We then headed into Katerina's room and I was happy to see that she was looking a lot better today "Hey, Kat" "Klayton, Cassie, you're back" "Yeah, how are you?" "I'm fine"

Kat says with a smile but it wasn't a happy smile, it was a nervous smile *So..did you guys talk to Vanessa? is she ok?" She asks and Klayton and I share a nervous look with each other "Yeah, we've spoken to her, Kat and it's erm...it's not good" "What do you mean?" We told Katerina everything Vanessa had told us and to say she was pissed would be an understatement At first, she was in denial but when we mentioned that she had betrayed us for her biological family, Kat lost it and she even tried to get up out of bed because she was

determined to go and see Vanessa for herself but we managed to stop her "Let me go, Klayton" "No, Katerina" "WHY NOT?" "YOU'RE f****g INJURED, THAT'S WHY" They shouted at each other

"You're injured and you need to heal before you go and see Vanessa, Kat" "Are you really gonna let me see her, Klay? or are you gonna find another excuse to not let me see her when I'm healed?" Kat growled at my husband who glared at her and all I could think was oh s**t when I saw the fiery gaze in his eyes I thought my husband was gonna flip out on his cousin but he didn't "When have I ever denied you of something, Katerina?"

He asked through gritted teeth and Kat immediately backed down and looked away from us "Look, I understand why you're so desperate to go and see her, trust me I do because I'd feel the same way if it was Cassie in that cell but you need to think about yourself first before you think about Vanessa or anyone or anything else" "You're right..I just need to hear it for myself, Klay, I won't be able to rest until I do" She says sadly "Well, trust in us and what we say, Kat and use that to relax,

ok...we'd never steer you wrong" I say with a smile and she reciprocates it I sat down on the bed just as Klayton's phone started ringing and I gently gripped Katerina's hand to give her some comfort "Yeah, hello...oh hey Logan, what's up? why? what?...no offence, brother but what's that got to do with me? I don't even know the girl... WHAT?" What the hell?

wy! Chapter 45 - No Rest For The Wi Kat and I share a confused look with each other before looking back at a very agitated and angry Klayton "Don't worry, Lo, we're on our way" "What's going on, babe?"

Task him when he hangs up the call "We need to go, babe...I'll come and see you again tomorrow, Kat" Klayton said as he kissed the top of her head "Ok..is everything ok?" "Everything's fine, sweetheart just relax and enjoy your peace" "I will as much as I can" "That's my girl, let's go, Cass"

Klayton grabs hold of my hand and practically drags me out of the room I tried to find out what was going on as Klayton led us around the hospital looking for who I'm guessing was Logan but he either ignored me or he didn't hear me When we finally got to where he wanted, I was beyond shocked when Klayton received a hard punch to the jaw from the last person I was expecting "KLAYTON ANTHONY JOHNATHAN JOSEPH JESUS MATTHEW ANTONELLI!! I'M GONNA f*****g KILL YOU!" "Lacey babe, calm down" Logan tried to calm Lacey down as he held her in a bear hug while I helped my husband

back to his feet "What the hell, Lace? why did you f*****g hit me? and why are you adding biblical names to my name? I thought I told you not to do that again" Chapter 45 - No Rest For The Wi "BECAUSE I WAS HOPING THAT BY ADDING BIBLICAL NAMES TO YOUR DEMONIC ASS NAME THEN THAT 'WOULD MAKE YOU LESS UNHOLY!!" She says shocking me I've never seen Lacey this angry before not even when she had to deal with that Gina or Gemima girl

"What's going on, Lace? who's pissed you off so badly that you look like a dragon who's about to burn my husband with her fiery breath" "Oh, I wish I could" Lacey said through gritted teeth while glaring at Klayton "And ask your husband why I'm so pissed with him, Cassidy" "Twish I knew, principessa" Klayton said and I think either the situation or his

affectionate name seemed to calm her down a little bit because her eyes started to fill with even more tears or at least that's what I thought "What happened, kid?" "You tell me..what did you do to Trevor, huh? what did you do that flipped his b***h switch so hard that he came after my best friend?" What? Trevor went after Carmella? This makes no sense, why would he go after Carmella?

"What are you talking about, Lace? Trevor doesn't even know about Carmella, hell, I barely know the girl, so why would he attack her?" Klayton asked angrily and this seemed to spark Lacey's anger once again "Because I'm important to you and she's important to me..so are my kids who were with her when she was attacked" Oh no

Lacey sobbed as tears continuously streamed down her face What she said next caused my heart to skip a painful beat as nasty and painful memories from my past came back to haunt me "And now she's in an operating room down the hall, not only fighting for her own life but she's also fighting for her child's life as well..the doctor doesn't think they're gonna make it"

"Lacey...Lacey baby, wake up" "Hmm, what? what's up?" I was woken up from my nap but because I was so exhausted, my eyes were burning and itching to close again "You need to go home and get some rest, babe" "I can't" I said as I sat up in my chair but groaned from not only the pain in my back but also the pain in my neck 'Seats

My body feels like I went to sleep twenty-nine and woke up sixty years older "Babe, you've barely been home in days" "So?" Task annoyed as I look up at my worried and stressed-out husband "So, you need to go home and get some sleep in an actual bed, not a chair and you need to eat food which doesn't come in a triangle packaging or isn't junk food" "I can't leave..." I started to say before I felt the lump in my throat again

and felt tears start to fill my eyes "I can't leave Carmella, she needs me" Chapter 46 - Unwelcome Guests. 27 "Carmella's not going anywhere, honey, besides, Cade is here and so are her parents" Logan says and I shake my head "You don't understand, Logan...Carmella was there for me through EVERYTHING and I do mean everything, babe" I said making sure to put as much enunciation on the word Contentt belongs to N0ve/IDrâ/ma.O(r)g!

everything as could "Ever since we were little girls, she's been there, she's looked after me, she's protected me, she's encouraged me and she's always been my biggest cheerleader. she was my rock when I was all alone and pregnant and she was the one who was there by my side helping me with our babies" I say as a sob left my mouth "She didn't have to, she could've just said hasta la vista and gone back to New York to be with her family because [know she missed them like crazy but she didn't, she was there from the very beginning, Logan"

"I know, babe" Logan knelt down next to me and caressed my hair as [broke down and looked at my best friend who has been left unconscious thanks to that bastard "She's my best friend and my sister who has always been there for me in my time of need and now I'm gonna be there for her in her time of need"

"And you have, babe? you've barely left her side since she was admitted" "Do you think four days can make up for twenty-plus years, Logan?" Chapter 46 - Unwelcome Guests. aT lask annoyed and he gives me a sympathetic look "Lacey you've always been by Carmella's side just like she has with you and I know she'd be appreciative of you being here, babe but I also know that wherever that crazy girl is in that wild subconscious of hers, she's probably pissed because her best friend is neglecting herself to be here for her"

He says and I chuckle "Yeah, if she was here she'd probably give me a poor rendition of Hit The Road Jack or Bye Bye Bye by NSync"

I say and we both laugh but mine was mixed with a sob God, I'd do anything to hear one of her random song one liners even the dirty ones

"You're right Lace, she would or she'd sing These Boots Were Made For Walking and use it to get you to go home and rest" Cade's voice said from behind me We both turned around and saw Cade looking like he's been run over by a steamroller His hair is all dishevelled, he's got a thick beard and I think the t-shirt he's wearing is inside out as well

"Since she's not here, I may as well do it for her" Huh "These boots are made for walking and that's just what theyll do, get your ass home and get some rest before I call security and get them to force you to" Cade says and I chuckle "Nice, brother" "Thank you" Chapter 46 - Unwelcome Guests. ~) Cade smiles for the first time in days and his smile forced a

smile out of me as well "Cade, I can't leave Carmella" "Yes you can because I'm here now and her parents are downstairs grabbing themselves a cup of coffee, a really bad one might I add but it does the job, so go home, get a home meal inside of you, have a relaxing bath, sleep in your bed and spend some time with your kids and if you don't then Tl..." "You'll what, hmm?" Tinterrupt him

"I'll tell Carmella that you've been neglecting yourself and T'll make it worse than what it is so that when she wakes up she'll kick your ass and annoy you with songs that you hate like WAP or Baby or that song from Deadpool" "Careless whisper?" I narrow my eyes at him and he nods his head "Yeah, that's the one" I let out a breath as I looked at my best friend "Ok fine but I'm coming back and neither of you can stop me"

"Of course you can come back, babe but only when I'm satisfied that you're not neglecting yourself anymore" Logan said with a smile I gave one last look at Carmella before standing up and stretching my body to get rid of any kinks, I then grabbed my things and leaned down to kiss Carmella's forehead "Hurry up and wake up, Carm, we need to plan your baby shower for my little niece" Chapter 46 - Unwelcome Guests. =? I whisper in her ear and kiss her forehead one last time before hugging Cade and leaving with Logan

We got into the back of Logan's sleek black Maybach and he held me close to him as his driver drove us back home to our estate I rested my head on his chest and closed my eyes as his fingers gently ran through my hair I was hoping for a peaceful and quiet ride home but Logan had other ideas when he brought up the last person I wanted to think about right now "I received a phone call from Klayton today, babe, he said you've been ignoring his calls and texts"

"So?" "So, he's worried about you and he wants to see you, love" Logan says but I didn't answer him, not because I didn't want to but because I couldn't

At first, blamed Klayton for what happened to Carmella and I wanted to beat his ass for it but then I talked to my children about what happened and after hearing from them what they saw, I realised that Trevor would've brutalised anyone who was with my kids that day because my kids were the intended target, not Carmella According to LJ. and

Dayton, the bad man aka Trevor tried to take them and was stupid enough to try and lure them away with sweets like a f*****g predator but my kids are way too smart for bullshit like that When Trevor couldn't take my kids the old-fashioned way, he tried to by simply trying to grab him but two grown-ass men trying to grab three rambunctious kids wasn't easy for them, especially with their auntie Carm around who according to the doctor, she put up a fight but it wasn't enough

Luckily for us, some strangers on the street, as well as a passing police car managed to stop the dynamic duo's attempts to kidnap my children and they ran away like the shithouse rats that they are I wish I knew who the good samaritans are because they not only saved my children from being kidnapped by an evil demonic bastard but they also got Carmella the medical attention she desperately needed which saved both her and her baby's lives "Lacey" "Hmm"

"You went quiet, what's on your mind, love?" Logan asks me and I let out a breath "I don't know what to do or how to feel Logan..I wanna hate Klayton and [wanna hurt him until all of my anger and hatred is gone because if it wasn't for him and Trevor acting like a pair of bratty toddlers squabbling over power and infamy then my best friend and her baby wouldn't have been put in danger, neither would our children but I can't." I whispered/sobbed at the end as the familiar lump in my throat stopped me from continuing "I can't hate him, Logan... can't hate him because I know for a fact that if Klayton thought for even a second Carmella was on Trevor's radar then he would've done

everything he could to protect her" "If you know this then why can't you find it in your heart to talk to him?" "Because I'm conflicted, I love him but I hate him, I wanna Kill him but I don't" I pulled away from Logan and looked him in the eyes "I sound crazy, don't I?" Chapter 46 - Unwelcome Guests. ad Task him and he chuckles

"No but you are running on little to no sleep as well as crap food, so maybe after a good night's sleep and some decent food you'll be able to think clearly again" "Hmm, maybe" I once again rested my head against Logan's chest and closed my eyes I remained this way until we arrived home As soon as I saw my home, I felt guilty for being here but I also felt relieved that Logan and Cade forced me to come home and rest

As I exited the car and headed inside of the Manor, my mind drifted to something Carmella told me not too long ago Carmella told me that being pregnant and being responsible for another human being had put everything into perspective for her, it also made her realise that she had to be selfish and think about herself first and foremost because if she doesn't look after herself then she won't be able to care for her child or anyone else she loves If she were here with me now then she'd probably kick my ass for neglecting myself the way that I have and knowing her, she'd probably frogmarch me up to my room and tuck me into bed just to make sure I didn't get distracted

Logan and I entered our home only to be greeted by our anxious nanny "Mr and Mrs Black, thank god you're home" "What's wrong, nanny?" "It's the triplets, ma'am, they've

been acting really weird for the past few days" Chapter 46 - Unwelcome Guests. = The nanny says while wringing her hands

"Weird? how?" "They've been very secretive and are always talking in hushed whispers when they think they're alone but when I or someone else is with them, they're quiet which as you know is abnormal for them"

She's right The triplets could talk the back legs of a horse, especially Dayton "But today, I overheard them talking about what happened with Miss Carmella and they kept talking about the bad men, one in particular who had asked Master LJ. to give a special message to his mother but he doesn't want to" What the fk? Logan and I briefly looked at each other before we looked away while shouting for the triplets

It didn't take them long to answer us and when they were standing in front of us, I immediately knew they were either up to something or they were hiding something which pissed me off "What's going on, kids?" "Nothing mum, why?" "Well, nanny tells us you've been acting weird the past few days and you've been very quiet" "We're always quiet" Dayton says angrily and I look at him like really?

"I'd probably believe that statement if Logan Junior or Teddy said it but it just sounds ridiculous coming from you Dayton James Black" I say and he rolls his eyes which I chose to ignore for now "Nanny said you've been worried over something the bad men may Chapter 46 - Unwelcome Guests. ~/ have said or did after he had..after he had hurt auntie Carm and I wanna know right now what they said or did" The triplets looked at each other nervously

"Mummy..." "No Teddy, we can't tell her" "But we have to" "No, we don't" The triplets argued amongst themselves pissing me off "Ok guys, knock it off" I said while rubbing my forehead furiously

"Kids, what have your mom and I told you about secrets?" Logan asked them and they dropped their heads as their shoulders slumped "You told us we should never keep secrets from each other" "Exactly, now tell us what these bad men said right now or we'll have to punish you all" The triplets were silent for a few seconds but just as they were about to tell us what was going on, the doorbell rang I groaned in annoyance as I turned around to open the door

"Hello there, Lacey" "Oh my god, it's the bad men" Dayton says before I can speak and my eyes widen in shock as my heart fills with anger and confusion when [realise what he just said about the person standing in front of me Oh no, this isn't good

+AN - Just to let you know I've made some changes, so if things don't add up that's why*** Lacey's POV "Hello there, Lacey" "Oh my god, it's the bad men" Dayton says before I can speak and my eyes widen in shock as my heart fills with anger and confusion when [realise what he just said about the person standing in front of me Oh no, this isn't good Well, at least for him it's not good

It turned my head to look at my kids and my anger spiked when I saw the fear and anger in their beautiful blue eyes. Luckily, Dayton had spoken only loud enough for me to hear but not for the two men in front of me to hear him. "Eddie? What are you doing here?" "Klayton sent me here to give you these as a peace offering for what happened." He says while offering me a bouquet of red carnations. What the f*ck? "Oh, thanks."

I say sounding confused as I accept the flowers. Why would Klayton send me a bouquet of red carnations as a peace offering when he knows I love roses? "Hey, kids." Chapter 47 - Another Traitor. ~) Eddie greeted my children who ran up the stairs. Normally, I wouldn't be happy with this kind of behaviour because they're being rude but I don't care right now. "Hmm, that was weird." "Sorry about that, they've been a bit off ever since their auntie was attacked."

"I don't blame them, something like that has got to be very traumatic for them." Yeah, it was. I thought to myself with a smile as I narrowed my eyes to the guy next to Eddie. "So, who's your friend?" "Oh, this, this is..." Eddie drifted off with a look of panic in his eyes. "I'm his younger and sexier brother, Vincenzo but you can call me Vinny, beautiful." Vincenzo says with a smile and I narrow my eyes at him.

He looks so familiar to me but I can't work out why or where I may have seen him from before.

"Really? You look like you're twelve." I say and he chuckles. "I'm eighteen, gorgeous." Jesus. Do you remember when eighteen-year-olds used to look like eighteen-year-olds and twelve-year-olds used to look like twelve-year-olds? I mean, who changed the rules of Mother Nature? This kid looks like he's still waiting for puberty to smack him in the

Chapter 47 - Another Traitor. J face and he claims to be eighteen, I don't buy it. "Are you hitting on my wife, young man?" Logan appeared from behind me and wrapped his arms around my waist as Vinny groaned. "Urghll, you're married? Figures the hottest chicks are always married."

Vincenzo says earning a slap to the chest from Eddie. "Stop hitting on her i****t, the boss won't be happy if he finds out you're hitting on his woman." "What did you just say?" I ask confused. Did he just say the boss won't be happy if he finds out Vincenza's hitting on his woman? No, that can't be right. "I told him to stop hitting on his boss's cousin because Klayton won't be happy about it."

"Oh, right...s0, you work for my cousin as well." "Yeah, I'm a new recruit." Vincenzo says with a smirk which didn't sit right with me. "Sorry guys, we've gotta go, my lady here needs to rest before we head back to the hospital to see Carmella." If you are not reading this book from the website: ss.com then you are reading a pirated version with incomplete content. Please visit Ss.com and search the book title to read the entire book for free. "Oh, of course, we only came to drop off those flowers anyway." Eddie said with a smile as he waved slightly at us.

"See you around" "See ya" The boys left and we headed back inside of our mansion
Chapter 47 - Another Traitor. odd [rested my back against the door as I looked down at the bouquet in my arms with confusion on my face "What's on your mind, beautiful?"

"None of this makes any sense, Logan" I say as I look up at him "Why would Klayton send me carnations when he knows I love roses? and why would he have Eddie send them to me instead of a florist or himself bringing them? and why did the kids say they were the bad guys? you don't think Eddie is also betraying Klayton, do you?" "I don't know, love, we'll decide what to do after you've gotten some rest" Logan says and I look at him shockedContentt belongs to N0ve/IDrâ/ma.O(r)g!

"Seriously, Logan? I can sleep now, I need to talk to Klayton" "And you will after you've gotten some sleep" He says and I huff in annoyance "Look babe, you haven't slept in four days and when you have, it's been either in a chair or on a couch and you've been disturbed because of either Cade, Carmella's parents or the hospital staff coming and going" "But I can't just go to sleep, I need to speak to Klayton and tell him about Eddie's visit" "Ok, if it makes you feel any better and it makes you do as I

say, I'll call Klayton and speak to him, alright" / can't exactly say no now, can I? Ok, fine" "Good girl" Logan grabbed hold of my hand and led us up to our bedroom As soon as I walked into our room, it felt like I was in a trance and I

Chapter 47 - Another Traitor. 2? subconsciously kicked off my shoes as I made a beeline for the bed walking like a zombie before flopping down on top of it "Are you ok, love?" "Twill be when all of this bullshit is over and done with and we can finally go back to our normal lives, maybe even go on a nice honeymoon" "Really? and where would you like to go?" Logan asks me as he sits down next to me and even though my eyes are closed, I could tell that he was smiling from the tone of his voice which had a hint of amusement and a whole lot of happiness in it

"Hmm, somewhere hot with white sandy beaches, crystal clear oceans and no evil bastards to ruin our fun for us" "I think I know the perfect place" Logan lays down next to me and wraps his arm around my back as he nuzzles his head closer to mine "Sleep honey..we'll deal with all of the other bullshit later on, ok" But "No buts, now sleep"

Logan kissed my forehead and I instantly relaxed as I drifted off to sleep Several Hours Later.

Waking up alone is never a nice feeling, especially when you're married to someone like Logan Black but I'm grateful that I did now because my husband has got wandering hands even in dire situations like the one we're currently in and I need to have a shower with a clear head and not have my head being clouded by Logan, his incredible body and his insatiable appetite for s*x

Anyway, after having my shower, I quickly changed into something casual since I plan on going back to the hospital later on tonight and after blowdrying my hair, I braided my

hair in a side fish plait "Oh good, you're awake, I need you to come with me, love" Took up at Logan and narrow my eyes at him "You look different, why do you look different?" "Oh this" He says whilst pointing to his face and I nod my head

"Yeah, that" "Well, this is what happens when a husband finally gets his wife to sleep" "I don't understand" Lask confused "I must've been more exhausted than I thought I was because I've been so worried about you as well as looking after our kids and doing my job and I fell asleep not long after you did" "This is a result of you sleeping?" "Yeah and also having a shower and shave as well"

He says and I smile even though guilt ate me up "I'm sorry, babe, I didn't mean to neglect you or our family or leave you as a one-man army here...t's just I feel bad if I leave Carmella, she's done so much for me and now it's my turn to be there for her" "I know, babe and you've got no reason to feel bad, I just want you to take better care of yourself" "And Twill" Isay with a smile as I walk over to Logan and kiss his lips "Where are the kids?"

"They're in LJ. and Dayton's bedroom, they've been in there ever since dinner" He says shocking me "Dinner? is it that late? why didn't you wake me?" "Because you needed to sleep, now come on, you need to eat and I prefer you do it before Klayton gets here because knowing your stubborn ass, you'll put it off again" "Hey, I'm not stubborn" Isay feeling offended and Logan rolls his eyes as if to say Jfyou say so, Lace "Anyway, let's go"

Logan grabbed hold of my hand and led us out of our room We were about to pass the boy's bedroom when we overheard our eldest three babies talking about Eddie and Vincenzo I hate to invade our children's privacy and eavesdrop on them like this but sometimes it's necessary "Why did you say those two men were the bad men when they weren't, Day?"

"Because they were with the other bigger and badder men and they were filming them beating up auntie Carm" WHAT? "He's right, Lo, the younger guy even said that they should kill auntie Carmella because she might recognise them if she survives but I don't understand why because we don't know them" That's true The kids have never met Eddie, well, not really and today was the first time we met Vincenzo

"And why didn't the creepy men just take us? I mean, isn't that the reason why he attacked our auntie in the first place because he wanted to kidnap us?" Teddy asks with fear in her voice making my anger spike to a whole new level "I swear I'm gonna stick a rusty knife up Trevor's piss hole and a poisonous cactus up his ass when I get my hands on him" Isay barely above an angry whisper "Jesus, I hope I never get on your bad side, baby" "You have done many times, Logan but a nice little threat of no s*x or the guest bedroom soon has you behaving like a good little boy"

"He didn't want to kidnap us, he wanted too..mum, dad" A startled Logan Junior says as we walk into his room "What's going on, kids? what are you hiding from us?" Lask the

triplets who share a worried glance with each other "Your mother asked you a question and we expect an answer right now" Teddy looks at her brothers who look like they're being their usual stubborn selves but I knew my girl won't be, especially not in a situation where they're potentially in danger

"Mummy..." "Teddy shut up" If you're loving the book, Ss.com is where the adventure continues. Join us for the complete experience— all for free. The next chapter is eagerly waiting for you! Dayton says while glaring at his sister "No Dayton, you shut up" Itell him sternly and he quickly backs down "Go on, Teddy"

Teddy takes a breath before speaking Chapter 47 - Another Traitor. / "Mummy, the bad man said to tell you that if you don't want him to hurt you, daddy or us then you should do as he says when he sends you a gold envelope" Teddy says with a quiver in her voice and a trembling bottom lip "Is this true boys?" "Yes, mummy" "And this is why you were afraid to talk to us about this?"

because you thought this man would hurt us?" Logan asked them and all three of them nodded their heads frerreg assholes lthought to myself while closing my eyes "What I don't understand is why they attacked Carmella if they had no plans of taking our kids yet" Logan muttered to me in confusion but our kids heard him "Because three men grabbed us and auntie Carmella

thought they were kidnapping us so she tried to defend us but then two other guys appeared out of nowhere and attacked her" "I thought it was because they wanted to punish uncle Klay by hurting mum and that's why they hurt auntie Carmella because mum loves her like we do with each other, that's what the blonde one said" "It was both" Logan Junior said sounding annoyed "Are you mad at us, mummy?"

Teddy asks on the verge of tears "No, of course not" I'said whilst shaking my head as I knelt down in front of my little girl and embraced her in a hug before being joined by Logan Junior and Chapter 47 - Another Traitor. —s Dayton "Guys, why did you call those two men at the door the bad men if they weren't the ones who attacked your auntie?"

Logan asked as he knelt down next to us "Because they were there, daddy, they were with the bad men which makes them bad men" What? "Are you sure?" "Yes, mummy" "It seems that Klayton has got more than one traitor in his midst" "What the f**k did you just say?" A deep, husky voice says from behind us

I'snap my head to the doorway where an irate Klayton and a shocked Cassidy are standing "Did you just say I've got more than one traitor?" "It seems so, Klay" I'stand up along with Logan as Klayton runs a hand roughly through his hair npeeyin Before you speak, let your words pass through three gates: Is it true? Is

it necessary? Is it kind? ~ Buddha Just a thought for the day.

"Did you just say I've got more than one traitor?" "It seems so, Klay" I stand up along with Logan as Klayton runs a hand roughly through his hair ngee gaye Klayton growled as he left the room I don't know what I expected Klayton's reaction to be but it certainly wasn't for him to storm out of here like a bat out of hell mumbling something about killing Eddie Oh no

"KLAYTON!!!" I shouted as I ran after my cousin I chased him downstairs and reached him in time to grab his bicep just as he was about to open my front door "Wait, Klayton, where are you going?" "I'm going to kill Eddie and Vanessa, that's where I'm going, Lace" Oh sweet child of mine

God, couldn't you have rained some brains down on my cousin as well as beauty? Klayton pulled his arm out of my grip and went to open the front door but I stopped him by standing in front of it and placing my hand on his chest "Klayton, you can't kill them" Chapter 48 - Help From The De. —J "Oh really? and why not?" Klayton asked while looking and sounding annoyed

"Because killing Eddie and Vanessa would be like the Lakers not playing LeBron James during a championship game" I say and Klayton narrows his eyes at me in confusion "Was that a basketball reference?" "Yeah, a bad one but do you understand what I mean, Klay?...i you kill Eddie and Vanessa now then you'd be an i***t because you'd be giving up a golden opportunity to use Trevor's own moles against him" "Tknow"

Klayton sighs as he rubs his forehead in frustration I step closer to him and rest my hands on his arms as I gently caress his biceps with my thumbs

"Look, I understand how frustrating this is and right now, all you wanna do is go into beast mode and create a bloodbath but you can't, you can't kill them, at least not yet anyway, not until we can find a way to end Trevor and all of this madness for good" "You're right, it's just..how did this happen? how did not one but two traitors get into my mafia without me knowing?...I must be slipping in my old age" "Thirty-three isn't old" I say and he scoffs "Says the twenty-nine-year-old, I swear, as soon as you hit

thirty you'll think you're old too" He says and I chuckle "Anyway, to answer your question, I don't know why they're doing this but what I do know is that money, power, status, popularity and even fame Chapter 48 - Help From The De. _ and notoriety are great motivators to turn someone to the dark side, not to mention Trevor could easily be threatening or blackmailing them with something, he seems like that kind of cat after all" I say as I let out an annoyed huff

I then looked up at my cousin who looked like he was lost in thought "Are you ok, Klayton?" "Yeah, I was just thinking about something Vanessa told me" "What did she tell you?" Task him and he lets out a breath as he runs a hand through his hair "She told me that Trevor was threatening and blackmailing her but I don't believe her" "Why not?"

"Because she said that Trevor had kidnapped her family and he'd threatened to hurt and kill them if she didn't do as he requested of her" "And you think she's lying?" Task him and he nods his head "Yeah, I do" "Why? it's her family, Klay..! mean don't get me wrong, I'm not agreeing with what she's done but if Trevor's really got her family and that's why she's doing this so that she could save them then what's so wrong with that?..we'd do the same for our own family" "What's wrong with it, Lace, is that instead of coming to me and telling me about Trevor's threats, Vanessa decided to

betray me, she decided to destroy our friendship and she put you and the rest of our

Chapter 48 - Help From The De. ~s family in danger, not to mention she framed her own damn wife as well..no matter what, Lacey, there's no excuse in the world that's good enough to excuse what she's done to us" He's right It doesn't excuse her actions and the choices she made but at the same time, I can't help but feel bad that maybe she got flustered and made a wrong choice "Besides, her family are homophobic assholes, not exactly people worth saving, the only one I feel sorry for really is her brother" Klayton says and I narrow my eyes at him

"Yeah, Vinny, he's fifteen years old and according to Vanessa, Trevor is grooming him to be his heir if he doesn't succeed with you" Oh my god A young teenager called Vinny "Just out of curiosity, Klay, what's Vinny's full name?" I ask nervously "Vincenzo, why?" Oh no I narrowed my eyes to the flowers on the side table near the door and I started to think about the interaction I had

"What's wrong, principessa?" Klayton asks me as he rests his hand on my shoulder "Did you send me those flowers today?" Klayton looks at the flowers and scoffs before shaking his head "No but if I did then I wouldn't send you carnations, Lace...if anything I would've sent you roses because they're your favourite flower and have

been ever since you fell in love with our nonna's rose bushes back in Italy when you were a little girl" "Are you sure you didn't send them as a peace offering?" I ask him and he looks at me confused "I'm positive, Lacey, why? where did they come from?" "Eddie came here with them, he told me you'd sent him here to give them to me as a peace offering" I say and his eyes widen "And you didn't question it?" He asks sounding angry and annoyed and I glared at him

"Jesus Lacey, he's on Trevor's side and you didn't think it was a little suspicious he'd show up out of nowhere with a bunch of flowers" Klayton growled as he pointed to the flowers pissing me off even further "Are you done?" Task annoyed as he continues to glare at me "First of all Klayton, I didn't know for sure that he was betraying you because a bouquet of carnations doesn't exactly say that and even though it confused me that you allegedly sent me flowers I don't like, I wasn't about to look too deep into it, secondly, I was exhausted after I'd spent days at Carmella's hospital bedside, so I wasn't exactly hawk-eyed or eared when I was talking to them and thirdly, Tony found out he was the traitor after I talked with my

kids" "Them? who's them?" Klayton asks confused and that's when I remembered Vincenzo "The other guy he was with, he said he was a new recruit of yours and he was eighteen but he didn't look it" Chapter 48 - Help From The De. of "What was his name?" Klayton asks through gritted teeth "v.Vincenzo"

Klayton's eyes widened in either anger or horror and for a few seconds, he just stood there breathing heavily before he pulled his phone out of his pocket and called Benjamin "Benjamin, I need you to look into Eddie, find out everything you can on him and get it to me ASAP, do you understand me?" Klayton said on the phone as he roughly ran a hand through his hair He was already angry but whatever Benjamin said on the phone took him from angry to irate "WHEN I SAY EVERYTHING, BENJAMIN, I MEAN f*****g EVERYTHING!" Klayton shouted startling me as Cassie and Logan rushed

downstairs

"What's going on? and why are you shouting at my brother?" Cassie asks annoyed "Because he's an i****t, I mean, what's so hard to understand about the word everything, Cass?" He says and she rolls her eyes "Well, what's made you this angry?" "This, this bullshit over here is what's made me angry" "Flowers made you angry? don't worry baby, I'll buy you some tomorrow"

Cassie says amused pissing Klayton off even further which I didn't think was possible considering he's already pretty angry Chapter 48 - Help From The De. w, Klayton explained everything to Cassie while I looked at the flowers which are really beautiful, they're just not my cup of tea My eyes narrowed in confusion however when I saw a gold envelope tucked away in them which I didn't notice before How could I have missed this? I thought to myself as I pulled the envelope out of the

bouquet I opened the letter and I was confused when I saw it was an invitation to a club opening What the hell? "But why would he send her flowers? and why carnations?" "Well, they are the flower of Spain, isn't that where Trevor's from?" "Yeah...they also symbolise love, so maybe this is his way of showing his alleged love for Lacey" Klayton says causing Logan to groan

"Or maybe they were just extra insurance to make sure his little love not got here in time" I say confusing everyone except Logan whose eyes had narrowed on the gold envelope in my hand "Is that..." "A golden envelope from Trevor? yeah" "What is it?" Cassie asks me and I let out a sigh "It's an invitation to a club opening..Mrs Lacey Black, you are cordially invited to the opening of El club s***1 de sumision dominante whatever the hell that means"

"It means The Dominant Submission s*x Club in Spanish" Chapter 48 - Help From The De. e/ Klayton says angrily and I narrow my eyes at him in shock "Trevor's invited me to a s* club? why?" "I don't know but you're not going anyway, so why do you care?" "Oh,

aren't I?" I ask shocking Klayton, Logan and Cassidy Klayton was so angry with my little question that he even

assumed his usual angry Don pose with his hands on his hips and a scowl that could make anyone who wasn't used to it piss in their pants "What did you just say, Lacey?" He asks me and I let out a breath "Just listen to me, ok, I know this is gonna sound insane but." "You're not going, Lacey" "Klayton..."

"No, you're not going and that's final" Urgh! "And why not, Klay? this is a golden opportunity for us to trap Trevor like a rat and end him" "By sending you in as bait to a s* club with that psycho inside, no way" "Klayton, it's the perfect opportunity just please listen..." I try to explain my idea to him but he once again cuts me off "No, Lacey, it's not happening and that's that, I don't care how perfect you think your idea is"

"Just hear her out, babe" Cassie says as she rubs my cousin's arm Klayton huffed like an angry dragon as he clenched and forced out the

Chapter 48 - Help From The De. =) word fine between his gritted teeth "It's simple, Klay, men only think with one brain when they're horny and it isn't the one in their heads, so all I have to do is find Trevor and make him think that I'm into him or I've given myself up to protect my family, flirt with him a little bit and make him think I wanna be alone with him and when we're alone, you guys can ambush him" "No, no f****g way, Lacey, you're not flirting with any man other than me" Logan growled and I groaned as I rolled my eyes

"It wouldn't be real flirting, Logan, just enough flirting to convince his dumbass so that we can trap him" And how do you suggest we get in there, Lace? this man isn't your everyday average Joe, he's a mafia Don and a very sneaky one at that" "Klayton's right, Lace, Trevor will be expecting an attack which is most likely why he sent you that invitation in the first place" Cassie said and I nodded my head "Well, then we have to be smarter than him, we should get Marcus to hack into the security cameras as well as his computer systems and get him to install something on them so that we've got complete control of them, not Trevor, we could also get invitations sent out to you guys as well so that you can get into the club as well and mingleTêxt belongs to

with guests so that you can keep an eye out for me" "Yeah and we can send some of our men in to act like they're looking for employment as bar staff or security" Cassidy chimes in and I smile at her "I could also use what happened with Carmella the other day to act like I hate you and I blame you for what happened to her and make Trevor Chapter 48 - Help From The De think that I don't want anything to do with you anymore and that's why I'm 'rebellin' against you by going to this opening"

"It's not a bad idea, Klay" Logan says hesitantly "Besides, this may be our only shot to get this asshole for good" Logan says and Klayton groans as he rubs his hand over his face "Why do you have to be so f***g smart, Lace?" "It's a curse"

Tsay with a chuckle and he glares at me which doesn't last long before he's smiling and shaking his head "Look...even if I do agree to this insanity, Lacey, where are we gonna find the equipment or app or whatever software we may need to take control of Trevor's entire system?...I highly doubt something like that exists even with today's modern technology" "Don't be so sure of yourself, Klayton" Cassie says with a smirk confusing all of us "What are you saying, babe?"

Klayton asks his wife who stood there like a proud peacock with her arms crossed over her chest and a smirk plastered on her beautiful face "What I'm saying is that I know someone who has got the exact software we need and Trevor won't see it coming since nobody knows about it" Cassie says confusing Klayton until the lightbulb goes off in his head "Wait, you don't mean..." "Yes, Klayton...somewhere in the Logan residence back in North Chapter 48 - Help From The De. —7 Carolina is the exact software we need to do this, it was Tommy's last project

before...you know..." Cassie says drifting off sadly at the end as Klayton wrapped his arm around her shoulders and kissed her temple "Anyway, we just need to call Layla and convince her to give us it which won't take much considering she wants this asshole dead just as much as we do" "Yeah, she does" Klayton says and I smile sadly at them "It seems even in death nothing can stop dear old Tommy from helping you guys"

"You've no idea how true that statement is, principessa"

"I'm sorry, sir, you want me to do what?" "You heard me, Eduardo, I want you to make sure Lacey comes to my club opening next week" /s he being serious? "Boss, you do realise what you're asking me to do is practically impossible, right? I can't make sure Lacey attends the club opening without arousing suspicion and alerting the Antonelli's" "I don't care, Eduardo just make sure Lacey is at my club opening, otherwise you can say goodbye to your parents"

Trevor hangs up and I throw my phone down on the couch in frustration as I run both of my hands through my hair roughly tugging on it as I did How the f**k does Trevor expect me to make sure Lacey attends his bluddy club opening next week without alerting everyone and letting them know that I'm working for the other side? "Hey Eddie, the boss is looking for you" Stan, one of Klayton's men says startling me but I didn't show it "Why's the boss looking for me?"

"I don't know but you should get there before his mood gets worse, there's nothing worse than getting on your boss's already bad side, trust me" "Why's the Don in a bad mood?" Lask confused Chapter 49 - Caught In 4K

Stanley briefly looked behind him to make sure no one was in sight before telling me the reason why he believes our boss is in such a foul mood "Well, word on the grapevine is that he's pissed because his cousin Lacey refuses to talk to him or accept any of the gifts he's sent to her and he's sent her a lot of s**t from a diamond jewellery set to chocolates, fancy wines and allegedly two tickets to the Maldives for her and her

husband" "And all of this has put him in a bad mood?" Task him and he narrows his eyes at me "Of course it has, Eddie. Jesus even God almighty in the

heavens above knows how much the Don adores his younger cousin and dotes on her like she's the queen of his world" That's true Lalways thought it was kind of cute and sweet the way Klayton treated Lacey and also because of how over-protective he is of her but now, I think it's weird

Don't get me wrong, I get wanting to look after and protect your family and I also understand being close to your family members but with Klayton, he seems to take things one step further with her which is creepy and strange, in my opinion "Ok fine, I go and see him now" I leave my office and head up to the floor which is solely for Klayton, his wife, Cade and his personal assistant I was feeling nervous and anxious as I patiently waited for the elevator to stop on the top floor and when it finally did, I was confused and shocked when the doors opened and I heard the sound of glass smashing along with some pretty angry voices

SMASH!! "YOU'RE SUCH A f*****g PRICK, KLAYTON ANTONELL!!!" "WHAT THE f**k, LACEY? WHAT HAVE I DONE WRONG Now?" "OH, YOU MEAN APART FROM ALMOST GETTING MY BEST FRIEND AND HER BABY KILLED BECAUSE YOU COULDN'T RESIST TAUNTING THAT PIECE OF s**t, TREVOR? THAT PILE OF CRAP ON THE FLOOR IS WHAT YOU'VE DONE 'WRONG!!" "Are you talking about the flowers?" Klayton asks sounding a lot calmer but Lacey was still

pretty amped up "Yeah I am because they're proof that you don't know me as well as you think you do" "What are you talking about, Lace? I." "I'm talking about you sending these piece of s**t flowers to me as a f*****g peace offering after what happened with Carmella and you couldn't even send me my favourite flowers" "Wait, carnations aren't your favourite flower?" Klayton asks sounding confused and my eyes widened as my mouth formed into a very shocked O Oh s**t, this isn't good, well, for Klayton it isn't

"YOU KNOW DAMN WELL CARNATIONS AREN'T MY FAVOURITE FLOWER YOU JACKASS, I LOVE ROSES!" Lacey shouted as a loud thud was heard "Well, how am I supposed to know that?" "Maybe because you're my cousin and you know better than anyone that I've loved roses ever since I first saw our nonna's rose bushes in Sicily" Chapter 49 - Caught In 4K. of Lacey said sounding like she was close to tears "I'm sorry, principessa, I really am"

"You can shove your apologies up your stupid ass because I'm done with you, Klayton" She says shocking both myself and Klayton "You're done? what do you mean you're done?" "I mean what I say, Klayton, I'm done with you and I want nothing more to do with you anymore" "You don't mean that Lacey" "Actually, yes I do, I'm fed up with all of this bullshit, Klay and I'm sick and tired of seeing the people I love getting hurt because of degenerates like you and Trevor..I mean, who's gonna be next, huh? Logan? my parents? my grandparents? my brothers? or maybe he'll hurt one of my

kids instead" Lacey said with a slight quiver in her voice "I can't let that happen, Klayton and I can't just sit around and wait while Trevor plays Russian roulette with my family and friends lives" "But that doesn't mean you have to cut me out, Lacey..." Klayton said sounding panicked and kinda afraid which is incredibly rare for a mafia Don only to be cut off by his cousin "Yes I do, Klayton because as long as you and the mafia are a part of our lives, we're never gonna be safe"

"lace..." "Goodbye, Klayton" Lacey said before rushing out of Klayton's office and leaving his floor as Klayton shouted her name and chased after her Luckily for me, I was able to quickly hide in an alcove close to me so Chapter 49 - Caught In 4K. A that the feuding cousins wouldn't see me

wouldn't see me After watching Klayton furiously leave his floor leaving me all alone up here, I smirked as I pulled my phone from out of my pocket and quickly called Trevor Speak" "I've found a way to get Lacey to your club opening, boss" "Really? how?" Trevor asks with excitement in his tone "Don't worry about that, boss just know that I've got a plan and it's foolproof"

I smirked as I thought about finally destroying Klayton through his most prized possession Klayton's PO "Don't worry about that, boss just know that I've got a plan and it's foolproof" That motherfucker I thought to myself as I glared at the computer screen which was showing Eddie smirking as he talked with who I assume is my bastard cousin on the phone I swear if [wasn't holding my little principessa then I probably would've stormed back up to my floor and kicked this asshole's ass that's how angry I was feeling

"Erm Klay, can you let me go, please?" No I pouted like a child not wanting to let her go Even though our argument was fake and everything we said was s**t we made up to trick Eddie into thinking we were arguing, it still didn't sit Chapter 49 - Caught In 4K. —) right with me that this could've been real and I truly could've lost my cousin because of Trevor "But you're hurting me" "What?"

I looked down and my heart hurt when I saw the pained look on her face "s**t, I'm sorry, principessa" I said whilst loosening my hold on Lacey but still keeping her within my embrace

I could tell she wasn't happy with me still keeping hold of her but I didn't care and she was just gonna have to suck it up until I was happy and satisfied that I wasn't gonna lose her "So, it seems Eddie's gonna use you guys fighting and also Lacey's vulnerability to get her to this party..question is, how do we stop him?" Connor asks whilst continuing to glare at the computer screen "We don't" Lacey says and my grip tightens on her as my jaw clenches togetherText property © .

"We don't? what do you mean, Lace?" "I mean what I say, Connor, we don't stop him and we let Eddie believe that he's luring me into going to this party when in fact it's us who are luring him as well as his bosses to their early demise" Connor repeatedly narrowed his eyes between myself and Lacey in disbelief before settling his eyes firmly

on me "Is this a joke, Klay?" He asks me and I shake my head "No, it's not, we decided to use Lacey as bait whilst infiltrating

Chapter 49 - Caught In 4K. _ Trevor's opening so that we can finally nail this asshole for good" I say through gritted teeth and Connor's eyes widen in shock "Is this Cassie's dumbass idea? actually, why am I even asking that question? this has clearly got Cassidy's name written all over it" "Why do you say that?" Lacey asks confused "Because she's the Donna who thinks every mission should

be run by women because she says and I quote women know how to get s**t done and still be home in time to make dinner and tuck their babies into bed whereas men think with either their d**s or their egos both of which always get in the way and screw everything up * Connor said whilst imitating my feisty little wife and I smiled as Lacey chuckled "Well, she's not wrong but you are" "Huh, how so?" "Because Cassie didn't come up with this idea, I did" Lacey says and Connor's eyes once again widen in shock

"What? why? I don't understand" Connor stuttered "You don't need to understand, Connor, all you need to know is that Cassie made a point when she said men mostly think with their d**s and that's exactly how we're gonna trap Trevor" Lacey said with a smirk "And you've agreed with this, Klay?" "Yes, I have"

I say while nodding my head as Connor looks at me in disbelief "Anyway, I've gotta go guys, I need to go and see Carmella at the Chapter 49 - Caught In 4K. ~) hospital" "Ok, be safe" "Lalways am" Lacey and I kiss each other's cheeks and hug one another before bidding each other goodbye as she leaves the security room

Now that Lacey was gone, Connor wasted no time in voicing his real opinions on the situation and questioning me about mine "Ok, she's gone now, you can tell me why?" "Why what?" "Why you've agreed to this insanity, Klayton? are you seriously gonna use Lacey as bait to get this asshole?" He asks me and I let out a breath "I don't want to trust me I don't but Lacey pitched a great idea to me and I had no other choice but to agree to it" "You had no other choice? you could've f*****g said no,

Klayton" "First of all, don't speak to me like that, Connor, I am your Don and I won't take any form of disrespect from anyone including you, do you understand me?" I growl at him and he quickly backs down while lowering his head out of respect "And secondly, unless you've got a better idea, this is our only option" "I can't believe this" Connor sighed as he ran his hand through his hair

"I can't f*****g believe you'd put Lacey in harm's way like this, have you forgotten what that bastard put Cassidy through"

"Of course, I haven't forgotten, Connor" Chapter 49 - Caught In 4K. — I growl as I snap my head up to look at him "Then why would you agree to this insanity, Klay?" "Because I've got no other option, Connor..look, what Trevor did to Cassie has been living rent-free in my head for the past four years and I've had to live every day of these past four

years feeling not only guilty for not being able to kill him while I had the chance to but I've also been feeling determined to find and destroy that bastard and get revenge for everyone he's ever hurt and if using Lacey as bait is the only way I can finally end this

motherfucker for good then that's a risk I'm gonna have to take" Connor didn't look happy with my decision, in fact, he looked upset and worried about it which I don't blame him for because we all saw how badly Cassidy was affected by what happened with Trevor and we don't wanna see this happen with anyone else, especially not my little cousin Trust me, if there was any other way that I could nail this fucker without putting someone I love in danger then I'd happily take it in a freaking heartbeat, the last thing I want is to put my Lacey in danger "Hey guys, what are you doing in here?" Benjamin's voice brought me out of my thoughts

"We're spying on Trevor's spy" Connor said and Benjamin nodded his head as I narrowed my eyes to the file in his hand "Please tell me that's what I think it is, Benj" "Yes and you'll never believe what I found, brother" He hands me the file and I look through it feeling my eyes widen and my anger grow the more I read it "How accurate is this, Benj?"

"One hundred percent, there are copies of his birth certificate, his driver's licence and his passport as well which all say the same thing" Connor looked over my shoulder and I could tell from the tone of his voice when he spoke that he was just as confused as I was when he saw the information in the file "Wait, are you telling me this dumbass came to us using his real name?" "Yeah, he did" "Why would he do that if he's working for the enemy?" Connor asks and Benjamin shrugs his shoulders "I don't know, maybe he's not as smart as we thought he

was" "Or not smart at all, this says that he was a high school dropout and he never even applied to college let alone graduated from one" "What? that's impossible, he showed us the certificates he received after he'd graduated from MIT" Connor said sounding shocked "Well, they must've been fakes" "fk, how did this happen? how did we let this fucker fool us?"

"Because someone we trusted allowed him to fool us?" Huh "What do you mean, Benj?" I ask him and he lets out a breath "Do you remember who recommended Eddie to us?" Benjamin asked us and my body immediately stiffened "Yeah, it was Vanessa"

"Exactly and do you know why she recommended him to us?" Chapter 49 - Caught In 4K "Maybe because they're both working for Trevor, Benj" Connor says in a duh tone "Well, yeah but no, she recommended him to us because he's her older brother" 'WHAT?