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Author's POV 1

"Where have you been?" Cara and Vivi ask, jumping directly on Meredith as soon as she enters the rented house.

"We stopped for a while to admire the landscape," Meredith tells them quickly, but Vivienne puts her hands on her hips and looks at her, grinning stupidly.

"Don't!" Meredith tells her, looking at her threateningly and pointing her finger to her.

"I knew it!" Vivienne said and holding out her hand to Cara she said.

"Give me my fifty bucks!" and Cara is just disappointed and looking at Meredith said.

"You owe me fifty dollars, Mer. I had trust in you that you will never do it in a car!"

"You two are horrible!" Meredith said laughing and immediately fled the floor searching for Lori but she came face to face with Leia, who is very pale and is trembling.

The rest of the gang is on the outside patio laughing and preparing a grill, and celebrating winning the grand prize.



As a human, Francois Cassel is a celebrity and he is everyone's attraction tonight, just Max is reluctant about him but the rest of his friends adore him.

Francois is charismatic, has a cheerful spirit and is also damned handsome. Right now he tells jokes and makes everyone laugh.

Hearing them Meredith looks at Lela and signals to her to follow her outside.

"I'm not feeling well, Meredith," she said, as if avoiding going outside.

"They're all out, Lela." Mer said and started to pull Lela after her.

"I don't want to go outside," Lela said sadly.

"I never did something like this, but this is our last night here before going back to Vancouver. Everything was perfect until tonight, don't ruin your mood by staying alone. Come with us!" Meredith said using a luna command without being aware of it. "I will present to you my friend. He is a genius," Meredith said looking at her but Lela's face is even paler.

Meredith takes her hand and somehow forces her to follow her.

As soon as Lela puts her foot on the patio, Una starts to yell in her mind:



"Please go and talk to our mate. He can't just refuse us!" and she just looks at Francois, who laughs and feels good with Meredith and Vivienne's friends.

"But he already did it!" she said, looking sadly at him.

The truth is that she is not feeling well because she is sick, she is feeling this way because she met Francois in the halls of the contest venue and without wanting to, seeing him she said "Mate!"

Francois knows everything about werewolves. He studied the problem after James and Landon Quinn saved Meredith and Vivi, but this is the biggest step of acceptance he will ever do. He can be friends with some of them but to accept them deeply in his life is too much. They are animals!

Also he was just abandoned by a woman he loved wholeheartedly, and right now he hates women. Women are monstrous, women are mean and pathetic beings that act miserable and stab you in the back.

Mate? He looked at Leia and all he did was to feel disgusted even for the thought of being with someone that has an animal inside her body.

So, knowing exactly what a mate is, without



giving her the chance to say something, he told her:

"I reject you! Get lost! "

Leia looks at him and feels that her heart is breaking into pieces. She is twenty six years old and she waited all her life for this moment, but she waited for nothing.

"Come with me!" Vivi yells at her and takes her hand and pushes her until she reaches Francois who changes his face completely when he sees her and realizes that Leia is with this group of werewolves.

Cara and Meredith immediately notice the grimace and look at each other.

"What is happening here?" Meredith whispers as she looks at Cara, who shrugs her shoulders.

"Franco!" Vivi said. "I want to introduce Leia. She is Luke's sister! " she yells with happiness. "Now she is my sister-in-law and she is funny and can beat any man's ass. She is the strongest woman in Max's pack. "

Leia just looks at Vivi, smiling sadly and nods her head to Francois while he is just saying "Nice to meet you" and turns his back and continues to speak with Sam and James.

And that's it!

Meredith signals Cara and then goes straight to Leia and takes her hand.

"Come with us!" she tells and in two steps all the three women are in front of the house, outside, where no one hears them.

"Spit it all out!" Meredith said threateningly.

"What is between you and Francois!?!?"

"I don't want to .." Leia starts to say but Cara squeezes her eyes and said:

"Your luna is asking you something, and I, as a beta female, ask you to tell us what happened."

"So Sam gave you a status and now you're feeling cunning??" Leia asks, smiling at her.

"I do!" said Cara, smiling at her then becoming serious and asking again "What happened, Leia?"

And Leia starts to tell them about the encounter with Francois and about his rude attitude.

"Is he insane?" Meredith asks. "I know that he is hurt by his ex-wife that cheated him, and that he doesn't trust women anymore, but he also knows what a mate bond is. "

"I will talk to him!" Meredith said she was slightly angry, but she didn't take two steps as Leia immediately grabbed her hand.

"No, Mer!" she cries. "He already rejected me and



I accepted his rejection."

"WHAT?" Cara and Mer asks in unison.

"This is why you are feeling like this?" Cara asks almost crying because she was rejected and she suffered the same thing.

"There is no way to change his mind." Leia said. "I was single, without even a boyfriend all my life, because I was saving myself for my mate, but it seems that was all for nothing." and she immediately wipes away her tears.

"As I have been alone for twenty-six years, I can still stay like that." And she is lifting her head and looking around, because she is hearing something.

"Did you hear that?" she asks lightly alarmed.

"No, I didn't hear anything" Meredith said but Cara starts to feel agitated too and just when she wants to take a step back she feels it.

"Run Meredith!" she yells in panic "Veronica is here!"

Cara catch Meredith's arms and tries to pull her into the house but it is too late.

In less than two seconds, Vincenzo Castellano and Federico are in front of them, followed by Veronica and Craig, Vincenzo's beta.



Leia and Cara try to mindlink the boys but in an instant they are knocked down by Castellano's brothers.

Meredith looks in shock at them and runs to Cara who falls to the ground, hitting her pregnant belly but by the time she touches her, Veronica is already next to her and starts beating her bestially with her feet in her belly, trying to kill the unborn pup, while Vincenzo catch Meredith in his arms.

"MAAAAAX!" Meredith said and tears began to flow down her cheeks as Cara began to bleed.

"MAAAAAX! Help us!" but there is no chance to be heard because the patio is kind of isolated from the rest of the house, and the girls went outside precisely because they wanted to talk quietly.

"You smell like him," Vincenzo said, pulling Meredith to his chest and smelling her neck. "He touched you!"

But Meredith said nothing. She doesn't even blink and she prays and tries to mindlink Max, even if she knows that is impossible.

"That one is awake!" Craig said, pointing to Leia, while Veronica finally stops from hitting Cara, who is now in a coma state.

"Kill her!" Federico orders them and Craig takes



out his claws and sticks them in Leia's chest, tearing her flesh.

"Noooo!" Meredith said and starts to struggle, she hits Vincenzo, using her skill in martial arts, using all the training that she learned from Max but he is too strong for her.

And seeing that she wants to fight, and knowing that he must run from here quickly he signals to Federico, who came with some injection and drugged Meredith.

"Max" she whispers with her last powers. "Max, the girls..."

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