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Karsyn POV

He stood outside the packhouse with his grandmother. She was smiling merrily to herself "You look pleased with yourself." They were waiting for Raygan to take them down to the cells. Were currently standing by his car unsupervised at that, not even so much as one of the Alpha's units, standing watching them.

It appeared that Alpha Grant was trying to show them that he trusted them. He could, however, see one or two what looked like warriors over in the distance by the woods, just standing with their hands in their pockets watching them. Not close enough to consider it being guarded, though being monitored, he thought.

That was nice of the man. He'd stated he would hunt his daughter down and have her take them to see Danny, when his grandmother had suggested that it would be nice a gesture on their part if she could lay eyes on her other grandson. Alpha Grant had simply nodded and stated, "That's Raygan's department. I'll find her."

"I am." She nodded. "Raygan will come around, did once before under lesser circumstances."

"Father?"

"I'll deal with him when the time comes. Let's just see how you and she get along for a few weeks...you know where young Demi is?"

"Raygan and I have a fair idea, she's working on getting the proof, should have it by the end of the week hopefully, as I stated."

"Why are you not doing that yourself?"

"Not allied to the pack she's in, can't come and go as I please, like Raygan can." He stated it was the actual truth. He couldn't just waltz in here at will and land eyes on his stepsister. See how it was between her and Zac. Though that would be interesting, considering how long she has been here. Over a month now.

Would she suddenly burst into tears and plead being terrorised, cling on to him and beg to be taken home, shocking this pack completely? Or would she bolt from him? Knowing he'd realised she was the one playing his father, even hurting her own mother, and for what exactly?

It was a curiosity, and he was going to have to bring it up with Raygan, if they were going to be dating officially. There was now a reason for him to stroll on in here, every day, be here for hours even. Would Zac and Demi hide away each and every time? Zac couldn't just hide her away every single day, making up excuse after excuse, it would be more difficult by the day. Likely by the minute, Raygan could simply request a formal meeting between them all. Or Alpha Grant himself could call a formal dinner to have him meet the rest of the family. Had gotten away with it today due to Demi being in heat or was supposed to be. Who actually knew?

He smiled when Raygan strolled out of the packhouse, only had to wait 5 minutes or so, though she had changed into jeans and that bomber jacket she'd had on before. He'd have enjoyed removing that dress

from her himself. Leaned off the car and opened the door for his grandmother. "Raygan, I'll drive us there, just need directions from you," he stated calmly, as he watched her walk over.

"Kar, I'll get in the back. You and Raygan can sit up front." His grandmother chirped at him happily, was still playing matchmaker it appeared, and enjoying doing so.

"No need Luna Mika, I'll get in the back, you out rank me. Please sit up front." Raygan stated and walked passed him to climb up and into the back of his truck.His grandmother looked right at her and sighed just a little, but got in the front with him. He followed her directions, and parked where told, watched her get out and open Luna Mika's door as well. "I'll take the Luna, you can wait here, Alpha Karsyn."

He raised an eyebrow at her statement "Why?" he asked.

"I'd much rather not go into the cells, Raygan. Please do take Kar to see his brother. I'll wait here." Mika told her, wrinkled her nose and shook her head a little at the thought of going into the cells. They were never a nice place to be in any pack, reeked of old blood and faeces sometimes. Some packs never cleaned them after use.

"No." Raygan stood her ground "I will not be showing the enemy's Heir into my cells, you however, I can order not to say what you saw."

Karsyn's eyes widened "Raygan!" he exclaimed, shocked by her words.

"Would you just walk me into your cells? Let me know the layout or security of them. I don't think so. Stay here or no one sees the boy." She stood staring up at him, was putting her Alpha War General foot down on them both. She did have a point. But come on, they were Mates for Goddess's sake. It wasn't like he was going to use it against her.

"How about a little compromise," it was his grandmother. "Alpha Raygan, why don't you bring Danny out here, to us? Be good for him to see the sun, yes?"

"Fine." She stated flatly and stalked off into the woods.

He went to follow her and was halted by his grandmother. "Give the woman a break, she's annoyed about the alliance mating."

'No, she's not', he thought, something else was going on here and he knew it. Crush was prowling around in his mind, still of the opinion something was off. Had settled with her out of the room, but once she got in their car, they felt that something was different about their Mate, they just couldn't put their finger on it.

She came back with Danny, didn't even have a hand on him, he walked right next to her and smiled at him and their grandmother "Kar. Grandmother!" he exclaimed excitedly, and ran over to them.

Karsyn clapped the boy on the back as their grandmother hugged him. "It's good to see you." he smiled down at him "Though you going off to war, we need to discuss that."

"Am I going home?" Danny asked right away.

"No." it was Raygan. "Just an amicable sighting to prove I've not harmed you."

He looked sad to not be going home. "Hopefully it won't be long, Danny." Mika told him. "I'm working on an alliance with the Wintering Moon. Which will see you be returned home."

"Oh, that's good. Alpha Raygan's not all that scary, like father always made her out to be. But I see why she's the War General."

"How's that?" Karsyn asked casually.

"Made me starve myself." Danny shook his head. "Even deprived myself of water. She didn't have to touch me, to torture me."

"Enough," Raygan stated. "Are you satisfied he's fine?"

"I am." He nodded, knew he could get all the details once they were actually Mated to each other. "Sorry Danny, but you'll have to stay here for a little bit longer." He told his little brother.

He shrugged "I get it."

"When you get home, you're in so much trouble young man." Their grandmother smiled at him and hugged him once more. "I'll tell your mother you're okay."

"Raygan, would you be open to me taking a picture of Danny and our grandmother for proof."

She nodded and let him though the boy had to be near the car, no pictures of where the cells were located in the pack, he thought.

"You can go." Raygan looked right at him, "Follow the road back to the main road and turn right, that'll take you to the pack gate."

He frowned at her. "Raygan, we do need to talk, you know."

"Not going to be right now." She stated flatly "Go home Karsyn." Then she simply took hold of Danny's arm and led the boy away from he and his grandmother. His eyes followed her, as did Crush's, for that matter.

"Come on Kar, let's not tick off your future Luna." His grandmother stated with a chuckle, and hopped into his car.

It was a quiet drive home for the two of them. "How are you going to get round father?" he asked as they drove into their pack.

"Leave that until Demi is returned or her actual location is found, then I'll need your help with him. But I have a feeling, grandson, you won't need much persuading on the matter." She was still smiling, happy with herself it seemed, with the way things had gone down. Were obviously to her liking.

He helped her out of his car and left her to her own devices, and she walked off into the packhouse and headed upstairs to her suite, he guessed. They'd come to the agreement that while they waited on Raygan to calm down and think about it, that it was acceptable in her father's eyes that they get to know each other.

Date, so to speak, it had been his idea. He wanted a way to spend more time with her, whether it be inside her pack, couldn't be in the Cold Moon, his father would pitch a fit and a half. Or they could go into the human world. Hell, they could just stroll out in the woods in wolf form between the two packs and let their beasts bond. Crush liked that idea the most.

Mostly because he wanted to see what Avalon looked like, she'd not told him at all. He'd seen them growl

and snarl, had seen Avalon on the surface just once in Germany. But they'd not been face to face with her at all. It would be good to see her wolf. It would be good for both their wolves to spend time together. Maybe go on a little hunt together, nap together. 'Mate.' Crush piped up.

Karsyn chuckled softly 'That's all you want.'

'You to'. Crush snorted right back, he couldn't even argue with his beast on that one, he did want to pull her into his arms and mate the hell out of her. Every time he saw her. Even had her dad's blessing, well, kind of anyway.

He'd not gotten a single text from her since they left. She was, it seemed, still mad about the mentioning of her previous allied Mating that had not been upheld. It bothered him a little, but not all that much. He was her Goddess Gifted and she wanted him. That was really all that mattered to him. He didn't even know if she and Isaac had been together or not.

Only heard that Isaac had claimed another without so much as a thought to the allied mating agreement he'd already signed with the Wintering Moon. Walked into his father's office to find Renee asleep on the lounge. He looked at his father and the man's entire unit.

They all looked at him, as he stepped over to Renee. "Don't wake her son, she's not slept well these few nights."

"I understand but I have news of Danny." He hunkered down and touched her gently "Renee."

Her eyes flickered open, and she looked up at him, "Kar, anything?"

He nodded and watched her sit up, reach out and grab his hand. "I saw Danny today, got to actually see him in person. He's doing well."

"Really?" she gasped, squeezing his hand. "He's, okay? You really mean that?"

"Yes, Alpha Raygan brought him right to my car. I wasn't the only one to see him, Luna Mika as well. She got to hug him and all. He's doing well. I got two photos." he smiled at her gently and then showed them to her. Saw tears well in her eyes. "Thank you."

"Son, you were at the Wintering Moon Pack?" his father sounded unhappy about the turn of events.

"No, I was inside the Wintering Moon Pack, grandmother contacted Alpha Grant personally and we went for a meeting inside their pack. I did not see Demi there." He stated before he could be asked "I did not scent her there either. There was also no issue with seeing Danny, Alpha Grant approved it without hesitation and Alpha Raygan took us there herself." he laid it all out for his father, with Renee right there and his unit. So that they could all see that the Wintering Moon was co-operating with him.

He saw his father frowning now. "That pack, father, is not filled with monsters, as you believe. They were more than civilised; we had a brunch and everything, a good sit-down chat. Your mother even gets along with Alpha Raygan and her father. Surprised me quite a bit considering we took war to them 50 years ago."

There was just silence from his father, though he did watch the man's eyes glaze over, likely was talking to his own mother on what she had gone off and done without his permission.