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Raygan POV

No, there was no way she was walking with Karsyn from his car down the path to her cells. At some point they'd be out of view of his grandmother and that man was going to try and put his hands on her. She'd seen the smile he'd had when she'd stepped out of the packhouse. All charm.

Had forgotten it seemed that they were still supposed to be playing at being amicable, not that they were actual Mates and hot for each other. It likely didn't help that Luna Mika was all for mating her grandson off to her. That he'd bloody agreed to it, and so didn't really have to hide that he liked her from his grandmother.

Though he should still be acting reserved, he was not. Annoyed her just a bit, didn't trust him not to put his hands on her. They'd be out of sight of his grandmother and not insight of the cells for a minute or two during the walk along the path, which would give him the moment to pin her to a tree or just pull her into his arms and kiss the hell out of her.

Didn't think she could say no to it either, the s*x the other night had been way better than in the Inn, before they had been gifted to each other. Likely wouldn't take much to sway her into wanting him. Didn't need her guards smelling him on her, or Luna Mika smelling her on Karsyn. One of them had to try and keep their heads on straight. Seems it was going to have to be her.

Danny had been a little shocked when she'd strolled in and opened the cell door, told him "Come on pip squeak, you got visitors."

He'd stared at her for a moment, looked at his cuff hopefully. "That stays on for now." She'd told him.

He'd walked out passed her "As long as you don't try anything stupid, like running off or trying to fight your way out. I'll let you walk unchained."

He nodded in agreement, and he'd not attempted anything at all. Seemed some trust was going on there, guess it came from her letting him actually speak to his family that one time. And the fact that she was feeding him now three meals a day, couldn't very well starve the soon-to-be brother-in-law now could she, might annoy her Mate.

He'd been happy to see Karsyn and his grandmother, and she'd not interfered in their moment. There was no real harm in letting him hug them, or getting a few photos as long as it wasn't facing the cells, she didn't care.

She could see Karsyn wanted to talk to her, but honestly, she was just annoyed and a wee bit on the cranky side today. He likely had many questions after that brunch meeting and what he'd learned about her and Isaac. He could ask, she'd not lie, there was actually nothing to tell.

Heard Luna Mika state "Come on Kar, let's not tick off your future Luna." Chuckle even, and nearly snarled out loud. Saw Danny's eyes move right to her. They were very wide now, he likely understood the meaning behind it, considering what his grandmother had said about working on an alliance that would see him return home.

His hearing had picked it up as well. They were not so far away when she'd said it. Raygan wondered if

that was aimed at her, more than Karsyn himself. She didn't think it was for Danny, he knew nothing about what had gone on in that private dining room.

"If you say it, I'll likely punch you one." She muttered.

Saw that boy's mouth snap shut, and he just nodded and continued to walk in silence. She escorted him all the way back into the cells and shut the door. He stood staring at her. "An allied mating to get me back?" he asked now he was safely behind those bars once more.

"Not to get you back." She shook her head "To stop the war your father still wants to rage. If I just hand you over. What's to stop him starting it all over again?" She motioned for him to come to the bar. "Let's get that cuff off you."

"Don't want to tick off your future Alpha, huh?" he snorted, seemed amused by the thought.

Raygan stared right at him. "You're asking for me to come in there you know, I did pick you up one handed, your wolf included...Do you really want me in there, pip squeak?"

Saw him shake his head 'No.' crooked her finger at him and removed that cuff of his "Keep your wolf under control, hopefully you'll be able to go home in a week, maybe two."

"Did they find my sister?"

"Demi" she smiled at him, letting him know she now knew the girl's name. "Yes, I have, still working on that one. Not that your father would believe me."

"You're nothing like he says you are, you know."

"I can be." She stared right at him "Be good, you'll get fed like normal."

"Couldn't see yourself getting me a burger, fries and chocolate milkshake now, could you...Sis." He grinned right at her now.

She raised an eyebrow at him and banged out of the cell to his chuckle. The boy was asking for a beating. But yes, she supposed she could see that he could eat what he wanted. Raygan rubbed a hand over her face and left the cells to go back to her room. Mind-linked to the chef to have them send down what he wanted for lunch.

Hell, ordered burger fries and milkshakes for the guards down there as well. Just so it wouldn't look too suspicious. Though the moment it was released that they were in talks of a Mating alliance she could send whatever she wanted. The whole pack knew that she had the second Heir to the Cold Moon in the cells.

That if they were in talks with the Cold Moon for an alliance. There would be no starving that boy, he might still be in the cells, but he would be treated differently because you didn't harm your own or your allied. At least she'd kept herself off of Karsyn's wolfs radar.

Her father was standing waiting for her by the packhouse front door. "I don't think Kars so bad, Raygan. A nice-looking young man too. Pure-blooded, nice and tall and good and strong, I bet. Don't you think?" He was smiling right at her now.

"Yes, father, he is all of that." She agreed, wasn't going to deny it, her Mate was all of that.

"He likes you too. I saw the way he looked at you, I was watching from the packhouse, watched that boy lean right off that car of his, and smile right at you. I think he likes very much what he sees."

She raised an eyebrow right at him, "Yay." She muttered and her father burst out laughing.

"He likes that attitude of yours. Got to give him one point for that Raygan." He smiled even bigger.

"Father, stop it, I have enough to deal with. I don't need you playing matchmaker, along with Luna Mika."

"Hmm, too late. I've agreed to the two of you dating, the alliance mating I also agree to." He told her and turned and walked off with a happy little bounce in his step.

She wondered what would happen if she strangled that man and killed him before he could announce Zac as the future Heir. Would she suddenly inherit the pack? Sighed to herself at his retreating back. She'd never do it, couldn't, loved that old stubborn bastard too much. Bloody man was loveable most of the time, the whole pack did like him.

She shook her head and went back to her office only to find Yule sitting in there all stretched out on her couch, his eyes closed, raised an eyebrow at him as she closed the door. "Come on Ray, you can't put s**t past me, We're away together way too much." He didn't even open his eyes.

"Why are you in my office?"

"Because I saw what is going on." He spoke with a lazy little smirk.

"And that would be?" she asked in a bored tone, walking over to her desk.

"The way that Alpha Karsyn's eyes were on you, the way he looked you up and down. That man enjoys looking at you, the way I enjoy...looking at my Mate. The eyes linger longer than they should."

"Not my problem."

"Hmm." He finally sat up and turned to look at her. "You want to know what else I saw."

"Not particularly." She muttered, but knew the man well enough to know he wasn't done yet and, being the current Delta, couldn't really kick out of her office without real cause to. Technically was that one rank above her in the pack's leadership.

"You didn't drink anything. You always drink Raygan, you don't care if its breakfast time or dinner time, if a drink is offered you take it."

"Not that p***y s**t. I like my liquor hard."

"Like your men." He snorted. "I'm willing to bet that boy gets *real* hard over you."

Her eyes met his as he sat himself right across from her in the chair on the other side of her desk now. He was clearly amused with himself. "Am I right?"

"Get to the point, Yule."

"You're no fun today."

"Am I fun ever?" she stared right at him pointedly.

"You can be," he chuckled. "Your father was annoyed today, said he found you sleeping. That ain't normal either for you."

"Yule." She snapped.

He laughed heartily. "So, you got yourself a Mate, Goddess Gifted I'm betting on, by the way that boy reacts to you and are pregnant to boot. Why have you not told your father? He would be over the moon."

She was staring right at him now. How the hell did he get all that from just one visit? "How would it look? I suddenly get my Mate within just days of Zac getting his so-called Mate. Would look like I went and chose someone, desperate for the Alpha chair."

He was staring at her now. "You don't think Zac and Dee are Goddess Gifted?"

"No, and you will keep your mouth shut as well. I need to figure out what is going on as well."

"What do you mean?" he was all business now, no more annoying her with his knowledge.

She stared at him, could she trust him not to go to her father, his friend of over 200 years? He was the pack Delta and treasonous acts needed to be reported. Closed her eyes, it would be good to have another set of eyes seeing as her pup was starting to take a toll on her.

"Alright Yule, I am with pup. Karsyn is the father, conceived before we knew what we were to each other."

"What, when?"

"On my vacation, he was there. We agreed to a weekend of no names or pack talk, didn't know who we were."

"Holy s**t, you got your first ever satisfactory s*x with that boy, didn't you?"

"Shut it."

"Come on Ray, you know I'm on your side." He was grinning at her. "I'm happy for you. You know, freaking over the moon."

"Calm down. I can't just go telling father."

"Why not?"

"Zac and Dee are why not. Dee is actually Demi, Alpha Steffen's missing daughter."

"What?" she could see his brain ticking now.

"Mm, there is more unfortunately. But I need proof for Alpha Steffen to believe she is not here being used and abused by this pack. He has footage of her beaten up and broken. Video footage of her being taken too."

She watched Yule sit all the way up now, his brain was really ticking, trying to piece it all together. "I don't understand it fully, myself." She stated.

"Okay, one thing at a time. You and Karsyn? When? And where?"

"On the last full moon, you know me." She shrugged "I don't care about meetings on the full moon. More

than a shock to find my bed buddy from Germany was my enemy, especially considering the weekend we had." She shook her head.

"A whole weekend? Man, that boy must have really rocked your world." He snorted now.

Raygan stared at him but said nothing, which only made Yule laugh even more. "Told you it would happen. "

"I kind of took a shot at him, after the shock we both got at seeing each other that night. You know about keeping him from finding his Mate. Like I would give a s**t. You know me." She shrugged.

Yule nodded, "How'd it go down? Scenting out your Mate, who was your best s*x ever and the enemy?"

"Shut it."

"You didn't reject him, I see."

"I did not." She nodded. "Neither did he."

"Oh, I know that. The way he looks at you says it all, he's not about to either." He smirked. "So, the pup?"

"Conceived on our weekend of..." she left it unsaid.

"He doesn't know yet?"

"No. I'd like to keep it that way as well."

"Why, if you're going to claim each other." He was frowning now.

"Because Yule, what do you think he will do the minute he knows?"

Yule snorted "Ah, a pure-blooded Alpha wolf." He nodded "Sink his fangs into you in less than a second."

"Yes, I agree."

"So, your just what? Hoping he won't figure it out."

"For now, I know I can't hide it forever, hoping to have figured out what is going on with Zac and Demi by then. So, it won't be such an issue."

"I'll help you," he nodded.

"Keep a lid on it. Don't tell father. Karsyn is in the know. We don't know why they started the war. What would be the point of it? I need to figure that out."

Watched Yule nod in agreement "I'll keep a lid on it." he told her "Tell me the plan so far."

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