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Raygan POV

Raygan took a call from Karsyn, not that long after she'd seated herself in her father's chair after breakfast. Had been smiling to herself, the seat, it seemed, was going to be hers after all. Clearly, somethings still had to be worked out. Zac and Demi were going to be completely pissed off about this turn of events when they came out of that room.

She had stopped smiling when she'd heard that Karsyn had taken his father down, but he had searched him completely now and no bite was found. So that was a good thing, the man wasn't going to turn Rabid and infect others. Though that didn't solve the problem, he'd thought about his father seemingly going insane.

Karsyn had also informed his father that she and he were Goddess Gifted Mates and then told her the man had completely lost it. Tried to attack him at just hearing it. That his father's own unit had to stop him, and that he'd tranquilised the man and sent him to the pack's hospital for a full medical investigation.

She'd sighed heavily, not that she wanted the man to have a rabid bite, but it would have made sense of his behavior. Now Karsyn was back to square one, where the man's insanity, or seemingly insanity, came from. He was not having a good day over there.

"Did you mention the pup?" she asked curiously.

"No, didn't have time. Wouldn't have anyway, not at this point. He's got enough issues," she heard him sigh on the heavy side, "His paranoia is not with the Wintering Moon...it's with you Raygan." he murmured, sounding sad to her ear.

"Not much I can do about that," she stated simply, and there wasn't.

"I don't think he is ever going to be happy about you and I." Karsyn muttered.

"Doesn't sound like it. What are you going to do?" it was all on him.

"I'm not giving you up, Raygan," he stated firmly, as though trying to reassure her of that.

She smiled now, "Like I'd let you."

Heard him chuckle softly at her words and knew she'd lifted his spirits, that was good, "Dinner?" he asked, and she could hear the smile in his voice.

"Tonight, Gina will send an invite, I imagine. She and father are crazy, already baby shopping." she shook her head.

"So, your end went down well?"

"Yes, father was all smiles, as were his Alpha Unit. Hugged me. The only thing he was unhappy about was his new son was not with me for breakfast. The man is crazy."

"No, he's not. He's just really happy for you Gorgeous. Your father can see passed the past. Just like you can. Mine not so much." he sighed heavily again.

She didn't really like him all unhappy and pensive, Raygan realised, he was always so annoyingly happy with her, even when she was annoyed, he could smile at her, tell her he wanted her. "There could be a reason for your father's behaviour yet." She offered up.

"Like what?" she heard him run a hand through his hair and smile. She could actually envisage in her mind's eye, all those muscles rippling and the way his bicep bulged as he did that. She shook her head to try and clear it. That wasn't the first time she thought about him and his muscles today.

Got snorted at by Avalon, 'You want our Mate.'

"I don't know, but there has to be a reason behind it. He wasn't like this before, right?"

"No. Was, logical and methodical actually; it's why I can't understand him."

"Perhaps the doctor will find something, Kar. Just give it time. Run blood tests, brain scans, do whatever it takes to figure it out."

"Yeah, that's what I am doing. Got him cuffed with Silver so when he wakes up, can be managed easily as well."

"He's not going to like that,"and she knew he was not, he was the Alpha and his own Heir had forced his hand, "are you in charge right this minute?"

"I am the current Alpha. Though not the way I wanted it," he murmured.

"Hmm, you're going to hand it back to him then? once you find out what is wrong with him."

"If there is actually something wrong with him, and he can be helped. If there is nothing, I can't hand it back Raygan. He'll just continue to try and rage war with you."

"Even with Renee's oath."

"Yes, even his own unit foresee that. It's not good over here."

"Perhaps, Karsyn, you should just take over and have that pack swear allegiance to you. Solve the issue of him trying to start that war. I will respond in kind."

"I know, I'll actually be on your side of it. I told him as much the other day."

"This is turning into a nightmare for you."

"Yes, it is. Oh hey, why I have you, I told his unit what we suspect is going on over there. They were shocked. I showed them that picture of Demi and Zac. They don't really understand but are going to keep it from father for now. They think he'd just find a way to turn that photo around to make it out that Demi is still being hurt. Was forcibly marked and mated by Zac."

"So, what you're really saying is his own Unit doesn't even trust their Alpha's judgement anymore."

"Correct. They'll not say anything. I've told them she's in heat and that we'll get the proof of just how happy she is when she comes out of that room. They seemed to be okay with this."

"Have you told Renee?"

"No, she'd not be able to keep that from father, I don't think. She's also in the hospital right now, waiting on

him to wake up. Was unhappy with my actions, but once she saw me and that you and I had Marked and Mated, understood after hearing he attacked me over it."

"Your grandmother?"

"Smiling merrily to herself. Happy with the turn of events, it seems, she took one look at me, giggled like a schoolgirl and said, 'I wondered how long it would take.' then just walked off a bounce in her step."

"Odd?"

"Not if she picked it. Harvey told me my behaviour and attitude towards you around any insult would have given it away and outed our bond. I'd say grandmother put it together. That's why she put us in a room with that mating alliance. I don't think it was because she actually expected you or I to agree to it. Just wanted to see us interact with each other."

"Not so dumb."

"No. Makes me wonder though, if she was the one to organise the alliance meeting, did she tell your father what she suspected?"

Now that got Raygan's full attention, her father had been very quick to jump on the band wagon, so to speak. Even gone so far as to walk into her room and tell her if she didn't get her ass downstairs, he'd send Karsyn up there himself. "Bloody bastard knew. Played along with Mika. Yes, she told him what she suspected, and they both would have wanted to put us in a room together to see us interact. I thought he came around awfully fast." She muttered. "Bloody threatened to send you up to my room. I thought that was really weird."

Heard Karsyn chuckle now "Well, we'd likely not have come out of there."

"It's why I got my ass out of bed."

"Out of bed! What were you doing in bed at that hour?"

"Napping, not that I realised I was till father woke me."

"Ah, our little pup is making you tired already."

"Hmm, can't bloody have coffee either. Very bloody annoying."

She heard him chuckle now, fully amused, it seemed, "So do we know what we're having yet? Has Avalon figured it out?"

"Not as far as I'm aware."

"What does your beast look like?"

"She's pretty." Raygan smiled. Knew that neither of them had seen Avalon, that Karsyn had voiced on more than one occasion he'd wanted them to let their beasts out and get to know each other.

"Is that all you're going to say?"

"Yes. I guess Crush will just have to wait on seeing his Mate. Teach him a lesson."

"A lesson? Why does he need a lesson? What's he ever done to you?"

"Let you knot me, when I was not your Mate."

Heard Karsyn laugh now, a good hearty laugh "Well what can I say, we were really worked up that morning."

"How many others have you knotted?" She half muttered. If he'd knotted her it was possible that he could have others out there, she didn't know.

"None, I assure you. It only happened because of something we'd both been thinking prior to you waking up."

"Really, and what would that be?"

"Both Crush and I were watching you sleep. Even Crush was looking at you, interested in you. He'd never been interested in anyone before, kind of just turned a blind eye to me out there, you know..."

"Yes, I know, Avalon was the same, not their Mate didn't care."

"Correct but that morning we were both staring at you, wondering if you were our Mate and we just needed to wait on the full moon. Then, when I got mind-linked that father was calling me, I knew he was going to be calling me home. That I was going to be leaving you and well..."

"Well?"

"I didn't bloody want to. So, mate the hell out of you, got so riled up in it that, Crush and I just...got lost in mating you, the pleasure side of it, the wanton need to have you for ourselves. Likely, talked ourselves into thinking you were ours."

"Likely?"

"Mm didn't really get much time to think about it. To busy trying to contain you and Avalon a moment later. "

"Could you expect anything less from us?"

"No." he stated simply.

Her eyes moved to the office door and found Gina walking in. She smiled at her. "Ah there you are Ray, do you know how many are coming for dinner yet?"

She shook her head "No, what time Gina, I have Karsyn on the line."

"Oh," she smiled, "six is good. I'll set up the private dining."

"Karsyn?" she asked, knowing his hearing would have picked up her conversation with Gina.

"Hmm, at least 5, I'll bring Mika along with my unit. Danny is back off to Alpha College in like an hour."

"Five Gina, Karsyn his unit and Luna Mika."

"Excellent." Gina smiled and went off out of the office.

"Guess I will see you tonight," Raygan stated.

"You will. I'll wear something nice," she could hear the smirk in his voice.

"I might not." she smiled.

"Come naked, I would like that," he laughed, "wear whatever you like." he said a moment later, "I gotta go, organise Danny's escort."

She put the phone down and sighed, dinner at six with Karsyn and his unit. She'd not been formally introduced to any of them yet. Had seen them all, but nothing official. Stood up and wandered off to find Gina; she wanted to look nice for her Mate. That woman also liked shopping and had offered to take her and she was in the mood for company.

She could have words with her traitorous father when she got back about his and Mika's plotting. She found Gina and the smile that touched her lips said it all, she was more than happy to go shopping with her.

"We can look at Luna gowns. While we're out," she clutched at Raygan.

"I'm not the Luna type, Gina. Will be keeping my Alpha Title I think."

"That is all good, but still a beautiful dress is required for the day. And you're so tall and willowy, anything will look good on you. But we have to be back by three." They were strolling out of the packhouse a few minutes later.

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