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I cradled my baby softly, his sister lay in the cradle beside us, I was finally able to put her to sleep after so long, honestly my entire body ached at this point.

"Where do you think your father is at now?" I cooed at my baby, playing with him. I was in our room, dressed in oversized tees, my hair up in a messy bun, my boy stared at me with silver eyes, surprisingly he had inherited my eyes, while his sister inherited Eros's mismatched ones.

Frankly it was a beautiful sight, I rocked him in my arms, now humming a soft lullaby to him.

The door creaked open, "Aella, what's wrong? You haven't slept a wink?" I had the familiar voice of my mate.

"That sounds weird" I chuckled, "Your son has refused to sleep" I muttered, yawning.

Suddenly a strange wave of tiredness hit me, I looked down at my baby, it was staring at me intently, wide awake, like he was trying to

tell me something.

"What is weird?" Eros asked.

"I've never heard you call me by my name." I said absent mindedly, " I guess hearing it now felt off."

"Sorry baby," a sigh left his lips. "I must have forgotten" he chuckled. "Hand the baby over love, get some rest. You look like a wreck."

I finally turned to face him, there he stood, cladded in his signature colour, his gaze fixed on my arms, a weird smile spread across his face, "I can manage" I shook my head. Something felt off,

I kept trying to place my hands on it but just couldn't

"You need to rest Ael- baby" he insisted, his voice devoid of the warmth I was accustomed to. "Give me the baby" his voice rose slightly.

My pupils dilated, "Why are you making a big deal out of this? I can't sleep anyways. So I might as well put my son to sleep. Get some rest yourself, you're acting strangely."

I looked down at the little figure wrapped in my arms, his lips pink and pouty, nose like

his father's. Strangely just looking at him got rid of the tiredness I felt earlier.

Eros' face darkened, he took a sharp intake of breath like he was trying to control himself, "Baby girl just give me the baby, you're really getting me worried. Aside from the fact that you look like a train ran over you, you haven't slept a wink since you gave birth to them."

I could see the worry in his eyes, but strangely I didn't feel anything about it, not the familiar fluttering of my heart or the way it raced whenever he looked at me so lovingly.

"I haven't slept a wink since I gave birth?" I wondered, weird. "Why can't I remember giving birth?"

He remained composed, still standing at the edge of the door, "That's normal. The doctor said it tends to happen with new mother's. The stress is getting to you, you need to hand me the kid."

Knock.

The knob turned and Lily entered, she stood by the door just like Eros, "Luna it's time for your nap, I have your pills with me too. You need to recover your strength, the babies are draining you too much"

I looked at my daughter sleeping peacefully just beside the bed, then back at the two familiar yet strange figures I knew, Lily's eyes glittered under the light. "Since when did you begin to address me as Luna?" I asked.

Something flickered past her eyes, so fast that I almost missed it, but she remained composed, "What are you talking about? I've always addressed you as Luna" she said, voice steady.

Either my brain was playing tricks on me or something really weird was going on here, "Alpha," she began, "Did you remind Luna to sleep? She's acting up again" she said to Eros,

voice polite and chill, her eyes calmer than the sea but they remained fixated on my arms, same as Eros.

"I did, she just needs to give me the baby and get some sleep" Eros said in a sickly sweet tone that sent chills down my spine,

They both raised their heads simultaneously, eyes peering into mine, "Bring the baby Luna, let us rid you of your burdens. You need to get some rest" Lily said in an eerie voice

"Listen to her baby, let us in. Don't you

want to rest, after such a stressful labor? You need to let go, relax a bit"

Their voices sounded sweet, my body began to relax under it, the thought of letting go and getting at least a day's worth of sleep sounded appealing.

I could feel it, my arms felt tired, my eyes heavy, something weighed on my chest.

My feet moved on their own accord, approaching them slowly. All I could think of was the prospect of closing my eyes. Besides, it was just going to be for a few hours, what could go wrong?

The closer i got to them, the hotter my body felt, suddenly my baby that was sleeping soundly unfazed by all the noise going around her began wailing loudly, I paused in my tracks,

"Don't stop now, you're almost here baby, let her cry, she'll soon stop. Just let us in to help" they urged.

I resumed my journey, just as I got closer to where they stood, my son's eyes opened, the silver shade was dimming, like they were trying to communicate with me.

"What's his name?" I suddenly asked, feeling a strange sensation go through my body

"What?" they both asked, frustration was beginning to set on their faces.

"What. Is. His. Name." I asked again, this time my voice was firmer,

"You're so close to getting your rest. Why did you stop, give him to us first then we'll tell you his name" Lily said with a sweet smile

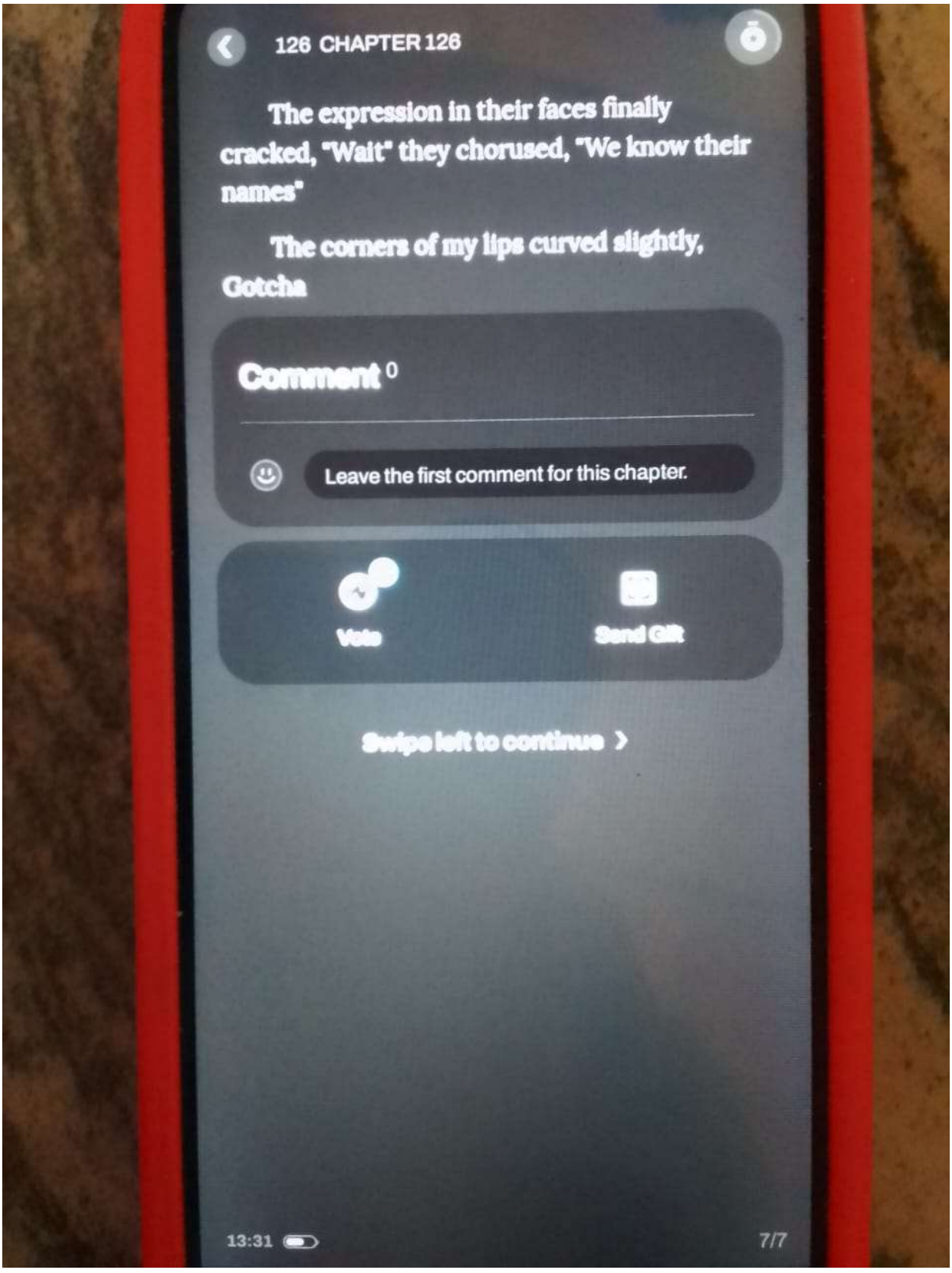
"Either answer me or come get him yourself" I scoffed, "How can you not know the name of your future Alpha? How can I trust you to take care of him later, you disappoint me Lily"

"And you," I turned to Eros, "How can you not know the name of our children? Do you even know your daughter's name? And you dare call yourself their father" my voice rose the more i spoke

"In fact, get out. Both of you, come back when you know their names" i said firmly, retreating deeper into the room to where my daughter lay,

Surprisingly she was fast asleep now, I placed my son beside her, "Let mummy handle this"

I turned to the two figures in my room, "I asked you to leave" I glared at them


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The expression in their faces finally cracked, "Wait" they chorused, "We know their names"
The corners of my lips curved slightly, Gotcha
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