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### Chapter 450

“Not sure. We can ask them when we get inside.” Alec got out

We were going to be on major lock down from here on out. “Warriors.” I mind-linked everyone. “Stage five lockdown!”

I was met with a collective, ‘yes alpha’ and the alarm instantly went off. It meant that everyone is to stay in our territory. No one is to come and go but you can travel freely within the territory.

Walking up the stairs, there was this suffocating heaviness that appeared in my chest. I wasn’t accustomed to this emotion but I knew what it was. Fear. Fear of losing my family.

As soon as we walked into the office, my eyes immediately went to Penny. She was sitting in my chair, smiling at something someone said. All eyes looked at Alec and I as I closed the door.

“This isn’t good.” Ice said. She tried to stand up but Alec got to her first and made her stay in her seat.

“Penny. We had a deal.” Walking up to her, I got on my knees in front of her and took her hands. “I told you I wouldn’t keep anything that had to deal with you, from you. What I have to tell everyone has everything to do with you. Do you want to stay here for this or do you want to go to your own space?”

Penny looked at my face, read my sincerity and absorbed it. I knew everyone was looking at us but I didn’t give a flying fuck. I watched as Penny accepted that this wasn’t going to be good news. “I don’t know.”

“It’s your choice but you would have to remain calm. Any stress on the babies isn’t good for you or them.”

“Maybe I should go get a snack.” Penny looked at me with tears in her eyes.

"I think that is a good idea." Pulling her against me, her scent filled me, calming me. I should be calming her but it was her smell that calmed me. Being away from her was difficult and today made it much worse. I could even start to smell my pups. They were starting to have their own unique smells and if I wasn't already kneeling, I would have fallen. My family.

"Come on, Penny. I'll walk with you." Sherry was standing up, holding her hand out for Penny.

"Take a guard with you at all times and never leave them." I said to Penny.

Penny nodded as I stood up. "Okay." She said when she was finally on her feet.

"Grant. Luna Penny is going to the kitchen for a snack. Are you not to leave her for any reason, understood?" Mind-linking a very talented warrior, he was quick to respond.

"Yes, Alpha." As Sherry and Penny walked out, I heard his voice down the hall greet them.

"What's going on?" Ice asked. Jasper closed the door and I hit the secure button. Within seconds, the windows and doors were sealed shut. Nobody was leaving and nothing was getting in.

"I don't..." Shaking my head, I just ran my fingers through my hair. My stress was coming out and there was no hiding it.

"Colt..." Ice's voice was one she saved for when she was scared. Looking at her, her eyes mirrored my worry.

"I can tell them." Alec offered.

"No." Taking a deep breath, I started in. "Vin has an uncle. Sir Joe Gambino."

"Isn't that the mafia due?" Jacob asked.

"He's in Italy." Jasper agreed with Jacob.

"...and human." Jacob followed up.

"All wrong." Interrupting them, both of their heads snapped to me. "He is now in the U.S. He is the head of the mafia family in Italy but he is here and he is Vin's uncle. Vin has called on his mafia connection to assist in his... business."

"The mafia doesn't deal with human trafficking." Ice stated. "Do they?"

Shaking my head at her, we made eye contact. "Vin isn't trafficking girls. Vin has created a potion that turns humans into werewolves. Their human part is gone but they are werewolves. The issue is, the potion needs werewolf blood. The higher the ranking wolf, the stronger the blood."

"He made a werewolf?" Jasper was trying to absorb this information.

"Correct."

"You saw this?" Jasper continued. He looked at Alec as if to ask if I was lying or not. "Seriously?"

Alec nodded. "We watched him do it."