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Namhla the Paid Wife

INTRODUCTION

Everyone has dreams, whether the dream is to becoming something or to achieve something, but what happens when those dreams stay as dreams for so longthat they forgotten. We all believe in something rightwell I mean whether it's a statue, ancestors or the christ that has supposedly sacrificed his life for us butwhat if everything that we believe in seems to befailing us and makes us question our own sanity or what if it's overcomed by darkness come to think of it what happens when something is supposedly meant to be butthe obstacles are just too much to handle not becausewe weak but because something is making us weak.It's funny how everyone has everything planned out forhimself then those plans go in vain because he ain't nomaker of plans but the follower of instructions and he just don't know it yet, I don't know if I'm making sensebut if I'm not I hope the events of my life tell youexactly how I had planned my life only to find out thatmy life is actually not mine but his who brought me toearth and who had a purpose with my life, just a shortversion of what I mean, well as a 6 year I had my life planned out, from graduating at a certain age to gettingmarried at a certain age but fate had other plans forme, where are my manners my name is Namhla MinenhleZulu, well apparently when I was born there was a heavyrain and as per saying a rain is a blessing so mybeautiful grandmother said Namhla iMin'enhle kwaZuluhence my names, bundle up let me take you through my journey of being someone I never had in mind..I just couldn't resist.NB: I'm sorry if I offended anyone with what I wrote,I respect every belief just give a clear.NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFE

INSERT ONE.NAMHLA.It's a dreadful Monday, August and it's lousy weatherain't helping a bit. I just came out of an interview andit was crappy, I mean what did I expect interviewingfor a reception job with only my matric. I dragged myfeets out of the offices, this is the hundreds ofrejections I have, first it was my baby daddy, then mymom then the job rejections followed, at least I'mhappy about something in life that is the love my dadalways showed me and my baby who is a female versionof her father, ubumenemene nje (hypocrisy). I don'tknow if it wasn't for my dad and grandma where wouldI, oh my grandmother may her soul rest in peace, livingin Soweto can be a disadvantage when you don't have the means of transport cause the taxi fare is so highbut my dad has always made I have the right amounteach time I go on this interviews even though I alwayscome back empty handed he never gives up on me. My phone rang disturbing me from my thoughts and it wasmy dad, I blinked a few times and swallowed the lump inmy throat before answering it, I can't baredisappointing him yet again but I have no choiceMe: Magebal could feel him smiling and it cut deep that I'm aboutto wipe that smile offHim: Ngelosi yoMageba kuhamba njani(Angel of theMagebas', how did it go)Me: I didn't get the job Baba, ngiyaxolisa(I'm sorry)I just teared up, I couldn't hold the tears. Him: Sukhala phela Ngelosi yam akusukuphela komhlaba, neyakho imini iyeza (don't cry my angel, this is not endof the world your day will come)Me: Mele ngihamba Baba (I have to go) I couldn't handle his voice so hang up, I just stood inone place like a mad person, tears steamed out, something told me to run and I started running mind you the place is a busy place people are walking, I wasrunning heading to the taxis, i bumped into someone back as i turned the corner of Carlton centerHim: Shit.. look where you going...He said as he turned his was very pissed from his tonecoffee had spilt over his suitMe: Oh I'm so sorryl said looking down as my phone was in pieces on the ground Him: It's okayHe said in a more polite manner guess he saw that hescared the shit out of me, he kneeled over picked thepieces

of what was my phoneHim: This isn't goodMe: Yeah, please excuse me I have to go. I am sorry formessing up your suitI said leaving him there still holding the pieces of myphone. I got inside the the taxi sat next some oldwomanHer: It's gonna be okay, this is the start of your journey don't lose faith, always remember that you are stronger than the circumstances llooked at her confused and she just smiled at me. Ican't wait to get home and forget about this day..PHAKAMANI.I don't know what happened yesterday but I opened myeyes a beautiful woman is sleeping next to me and I'mnot even at my place. I rolled out of bed with a motherof headaches from the massive hangover. I looked atthe time and it was seven thirty in the morningMe: FuckThis is why I hate Mondays I quickly wore my jeans andvest, took my sneakers by the hand tried tip toeing myway outVoice: Leaving already?Shit I got caughtMe: Morning, I didn't want to wake you since you wereso peaceful She nodded sitting up straightHer: You leaving without breakfastOf course I am ain't your boyfriend, I'm just some guywho fucked you from the clubMe: I really got to go I have a meeting in about an hourand I can't miss it, it was nice meeting youl wicked at her then left, huuu finally. I got to my carwent straight to the office, i couldn't go to my placecause it was late so I will just shower at work, I alwayshave a clean suit in my car so it's chilled. I quickly wentto the bathroom, whoever made this offices knew howMondays get really I mean who builds office withshowers anyway he did good. I was done in no time andwas ready to start my day. My PA came to tell thatthey are ready for me in the boardroom.I wouldn't bore with all the boardroom staff since itwas just a briefing session. I was back in my office theland line went offNoma: Boss your uncle is on the lineShe said when I picked it up

Me: Okay put him throughUncle: Phakamani, Ngempela wabanjani yini le engizwayoabout the taxis being searched(how are you really, what is it that I hear) Likhuluma ngani lekhehla(What is this old man talkingabout)Me: Babomncane...Him: Awaz angithi (you don't know right) who is incharge of those taxis?Me: Yimina Babomncane (it's me uncle)Him: Pho yindaba ungazi kwenzakani ngawo(So whydon't you know what's happening with them)Because I can't be in different places at onceMe: Uxolo Mangethe(I'm really sorry)Him: Fix this PhakamaniHe hang up after that, lekhehla (this old man) thinks mylife revolves around this businesses Ngiyabonga (Isee)... The office wasn't busy so I decided to go checkon the taxis since I was scold for them, I need to find out what's going on, I left my car in a safe parking lotthen walked to the taxis parking well I got myself somecoffee just so I could function. I stood next to Carltoncenter one of our drivers cameHim: Grootman ubekwayin la ngalesikhathi(what are youdoing here at this hour)I normally come at around two in the afternoonMe: Nsizwenye kwenzenjani(what's going on) I

got acall from ubabomncane saying the taxis were searchedHim: Eish nam angazi Grootman labokgata baghamukefrom nowhere (I also don't know those cops came fromnowhere) I think ilabafana bakwaMwelase(its thoseMwelase boys) they have it for us.I noddedMe: Okay itaxi igcwele buyela emsebenzini (the taxi isfull go back to work) patted his shoulder, as I was standing someonenumber into me in a very speedy way it was as if hisrunning I turned annoyed and ready to threw somefists, only to find a woman. She looked like she was crying I lost all the annoyed feeling I had soften up myface. To make matters worse her phone was scattered on ground it was in pieces. I wanted to offer her mineeven though it wasn't my fault but she just excusedherself and left me there. I threw the coffee cup and left. Can this day be over and done with. I'm sure youwondering who I am? Well I'm Phakamani Zwane, thefirst born of Agatha and Chris Zwane, I am a CEO inone of my dad's company since he can't do it himself, well that's the story of another day..ZANDILE.I just came back from my trip with my friends. I knowPhumlani might be angry for leaving without sayinganything but I needed this break. I got out of my carthen took out my bags and went inside...Me: Babe I'm homeSilenceMe: Babeee Him: Yey uyarasa (you making noise) if you home youknow how to tell me but when you leaving you can't sayanythingMe: It's not like that babe, I just needed the breakafter the miscarriage. He nodded wheeled my

suitcaseHim: Are you blaming me for the miscarriage?I froze then slowly turned to look at him, only then Irealized that he was holding a glass of whiskey, mind you he was leaning to the door that separates the livingroom and the kitchenMe: Of course not babe, I could never blame you forthat I mean you also hurting, it's not the first time welost a babyHim: And you blamed me for the first oneHe sipped on his glassMe: And I'm sorry for thatI went to him

Me: If I could take back the things I said I would IpromiseHe nodded and gulped on the glass againHim: Don't wait upHe took his car keys and left I sighed, well my name isZandile Monica Zwane the wife of Phumlani Zwane, myhusband wants a baby since we have been married forsix years he thinks it's a long time but for some reasoni always miscarry this is the third time but he doesn'tknow that he thinks it's the second time.NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT TWO.NAMHLA.The drive home was long as always, the old woman's words kept on playing on my head like a broken recordfinally my stop came and got off the taxi walked home.Before i could reach I saw Anomsa playing with otherkids she saw me and ran as fast as she couldHer: Mama ubuyile(you back)She excitedly said as I picked herMe: I'm back baby were you well behaved for Khulu.She nodded as fast as she canMe; That's my girll put her down giving a sweet, she had messed up mywhite blazer but that didn't matter as long as she washappy I was happyMe:

Uphi uKhulu?(where is granpa)...Her: Usesispaza sakhe(his at his shop)Yeah my dad owns a lil spaza shop that's how we get byMe: Okay, come earlier so you could bathHer: Okay mamaShe ran back to her friends

Me: Babamil said as I peeped through the small window that weuse to tradeHim: Ngelosi subuyile(Angel you are back)I love my dad you all, he treats me like I'm still five.Me: I'm back and you could go rest I will take overfrom hereHim: I know you tired so go rest or somethingMe: Dad come onHim: No we are not discussing this you go inside and IWill stay hereMe: AI usekhulumile uMageba(Mageba has spoken).I threw my hands in the air in surrender he justchuckled, I went inside and decided to take a relaxingbath before getting started with the pots.. Around sixI was done with the pots and I went out to call forAnomsa so she could bath, she was with dad at thespazaHer: But Ma it's cold

Me: You should have thought of that before playing tilllate, woza (come)AnomsaShe let go of the snacks she was packing and came tome sulkingMe: Buka ukuthi uncle njani (look at how dirty you are)We went inside and I bath her, after I was done with Idished since dad had closed the shop.Anomsa: I would like to say the graceMe: OkayHer: Father we thank you for the delicious food youprovide for us, thank you for the family you haveblessed me with, please bless mama with a good job soshe can take me to a better school amenMe&dad: AmenThe last part hit home I tell you, cause it was my wishto make our lives better. After dinner we all resorted to bed because of being tired, well our house is a fiveroom dad built while he was working as a driver but helost his sight for driving hence he now has a spaza shop, the house is consist of two bedrooms, a kitchen and a dinning room well and the bathroom we prayed and slept. Morning came and I woke up to prepare Anomsa forschool. My daughter is seven years and she's my wholeworld, I prepared breakfast while she was packing herbooksHer: Mama, don't forget they need the files by the endof this weekOh I forgot she said they files for filling project, nowI have to ask dad for money and that doesn't sit wellwith me but I have no choice.PHAKAMANI.Finally the day has ended and I'm at my place, well Ilive in Sandton alone, no wife no dog or cat just me. Mom has been a pest about me getting married apparently I'm getting old and she wants grandchildren, guess she already has a perfect wife for me whom Idon't even know, honestly I'm not into marriage well I once was but that changed after I found out that the woman I was ready to marry was pregnant with mybrother's baby, imagine well that was after shemiscarried mine funny right. I just finished showering and changing into comfortable clothes, preparing to dosome work my phone rang as I was dressing up it wasmy brother PhumlaniMe: BrazoHim:

Mangethe..Me: UMangethe ubab'wakho(Mangethe is your father)He chuckledHim: Listen Bafo, We going to visit the old man youcoming?Me: Wena noba?(you and who)He knows why I'm asking, I'm sure you have guessedtooHim: His not coming, his overseas... It's just the olderonesMe: I'm coming Well we are nine at home, I'm the first born then fiveother guys after me with four girls. Him: We will meet thereOur father Chris Zwane suffered a severe stroke, hisbeen living in machines for years now but we ain'tgiving, mom had pressured us to switch off themachines but we hearing none of it. Our motherdrastically changed after the birth of Mzwandile wedon't know what's going but that's when dad startedgetting sick then the stroke followed later on I had oneglass of whiskey before heading out. I drove to hospitalwhere my dad is kept, I found my brother's waiting formeMe: BoMangethePhumlani: Fuseg UMangethe uyihlo(Mangethe is yourfather)We laughedMuzi: Oksalayo Nani ningoZwane(But still you are theZwanes too)Funny how we all hate to be called by our clan name, not because we hate it but it just that it makes us feel oldMzwa: Yey iskhathi siyaphela nilibeleukuthemunda(Time is running out while you busytalking). We walked to the ward surrounded his bed just quietlylooking at himMzwa: Do you think he will ever wake up?Me: Umes'thanda uzovuka(if he loves us he will wakeup)Mzwa: He has to wake upMuzi: He really has to The doctor got in Me: Doc is there any change I

mean it's been years nowDoc: There is no change at all Mr Zwane isn'tresponding to any of the treatment given to himMe: That means you not doing your job properly then, you have been his doctor since day one you know hiscase more than anyone so why don't you research moreabout it?

I was now getting pissedMzwa: Awukahle PK uthusa lomlungu(stop it PK youscaring this white guy)The others laughed but I kept a straight face so hecouldn't read me, after thirty minutes we left sinceMuzi had something to take of... I drove back to myhouse and pour some whiskey went to my study but Ididn't get anything done cause I was tired.It was Tuesday morning already and I was still a bittired but not like Monday. I prepared myself for workand drove there, well I'm not a breakfast person earlyeating gives me heart burnNoma: Morning sir, i have an important meeting for youShe running next to meMe: Talk NomaHer: Mr Emirhan has shifted the dates of the meetingfrom one month time to a week's timeMe: What??Her: He is coming to SA next week Friday

Me: Shit okay Noma, please cancel all my meetings fortodayl said rushing to my office calling my brother PhumlaniMe: We have a problem...Him: Khuluma BafoMe: UEmirhan uyeza next week and you know what thatmeansHim: His expecting to meet Your wifeMe: Exactly and you know how he gets when hisdemands are not met, a lil bit of thing is an offence tohim... he will pull out the deal. The idiot just laughed at me....ZIYANDA.I thought Phumlani was joking when he said I mustn'twait up but now the time is 12am and his not back, Ifeel like my marriage is gonna end before we have kids. My husband loves kids very much and this is hurting him well me and him both but I don't know what's goingcause the doctors that I'm healthy and conceive at anygiven time. I couldn't sleep thinking about all this somel went to catch on work, well I am a human rightslawyer, I mostly work with social workers to the recentGBV casesMorning couldn't have come earlier, I dragged myselfout of bed and went to take a shower, I ended upsleeping at 3am, I prepared Phumlanis clothes whiletrying to also figure what to wear... He got in while Iwas lotioningHim: MorningMe: HeyHim: How are you? kept quiet for a minute, is he really gonna ask me that Me: My husband didn't sleep at our bed so I'm verygoodI said sarcastically soHim: Zandi don't start please it's still early, I'm reallynot in the mood He said heading straight to the showerMe: Wow, just wow so when I love you want me herebut when I'm here you not in the moodHim: What do you want me to do? Huh?He roaredHim: You wanted a break and you got it, I want it andit's wrong, Zandile ufunani Kim(what do you want fromme) blinked a couple of times Me: I'm sorry okay, I have apologized for losing ourbabies... I don't know why this is happening but I'msorry okay ... Him: Babe, pleaseHe came to stand Infront of and placed his hand on

myshouldersHim: I don't want us to fight okay, I just want us togrieve together that's all. I know that this is hard forboth of us that's why we have to deal with thistogether okay?

I nodded while teary, he just embraced me, I love myhusband y'all. After that heart warming moment weboth prepared for work and went our separate ways.NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT THREE.NAMHLA.The week went pretty fast, it was Sunday and I hadfinally had the courage to ask dad for money and hegave me enough for the groceries too, I sent a notenotifying the teacher that I will buy the files as soonas I can, while I was bathing I heard a knock on mydoorVoice: EnhleOh it's Nwabisa my friend, I won't say best friend cause I barely know her. See I'm 22 I had Anomsawhen I was 15 you already judging me I know, my thenbest friend turned on me and I was an outcast since Iwas only in grade 9.Me: Come inShe got in and she was very much herself the hyperselfHer: Aibo wena what's wrong with your phone i havebeen texting and calling you all day yesterday and earlier today! had forgotten about my phone, that's how boring mylife is. Me: Oh sorry I was tired yesterday I couldn't comeand tell you, it's broken.Her: Askies Mngani shame, so where are you goingMe: I'm on way to the mallHer: Oh good then we can go together, Lucky is coming to fetch me for shopping, it his birthday today wemeeting with his friends later on wanna join usMe: No thanks I said without hesitationHer: Come on Mngani,

you deserve to have some funMe: Yes but not that kind, you know I don't drink so Iwill passShe rolled her eyesHer: Okay your lossI finished bathing and I was ready to leave, told dadthat I'm leaving we left. Even though I was Hella boredbut at least I saved moneyNwabisa: Babe how about you leave us and I will call youwhen we doneThe boyfriend agreed and dropped us off. After thewhole shopping thing we went to McDs for some food.Her: So how is the job hunting going?Me: Hectic, I don't know what do really. I really needto get something and fast. My dad isn't gonna liveforever you know and me depending on him is justsomething that has to changeHer: Why don't you study some small course just start youl sighedMe: You know I didn't pass matric very well andbursaries demand good grades or I will have to pay formyselfShe nodded and our order was called as we werewalking I saw a familiar face and I think he saw me toocause approachedHim: LadiesMe&Nwa: HiHim: I see you not in such hurry today, you walking andnot runningMe: Yeah, about that I'm really sorry I hope the coffee didn't damage your suitHim: It's okay, can't say the same about your phoneAwkward silenceMe: We really need to go, I'm glad your suit is okay, henoddedHim: I'm PK by the way He offered me his handMe: I'm Namhlal said shaking his hand and quickly taking my hand back. Him: Good to meet you, can I please replace yourphone?Me: Uhm, there is no need I mean ... Him: Well the

problem is I'm a man who was taughtthat a woman is a very special gem she isn't suppose tocry so I really feel bad about how you were and I was in your way you ended up breaking your phonel didn't know how to respond, he just handed me aphone those small Samsung galaxy mobileHim: If you don't like it then we can revisit thereplacement issue on MondayHe gave me his cardVoice: Phakamani simengawe la(we waiting on you here)Him: Please call me I have to goHe leftNwabisa: And that?

She said excitedly soMe: It's a long storyHer: And You not gonna tell me?Me: NopeHer: Mxm, anyway that guy is the source really will youcall him?.Me: Of course notHer: Aii wena uyabhora(you boring) why the hell not?.Me: NwabisaHer: Okay okay I will shush but his still hotWe reach Lucky's car and he drove us back home. Theday ended very soon, and it was Monday morning, youknow the drill I wake up fix my daughter for schoolafter that I do the house chores, i cleaned and madesome porridge for dad. Nwabisa got in as I busy puttingsome clothes on the line.Her: Hey friendMe: Morning...Her: So?

Me: So?Her: Did you call the guy...Me: No and I'm not going toShe rolled her eyesHer: Anyway, this company is looking for generalworkers, you have to go there in person look forPhakamani Zwane his the one hiringMe: ReallyHer: Yep, now off you go I Will continue with this.I kissed her cheeked and left to prepare myself, youcould see the happiness in my face, dad was already at the spaza so I will tell him when I pass there...Fast forward I was already in the offices I told thereceptionist why I was here and she gave me someattitude saying they are not hiring, a beautiful ladycame to ask what was the problemMe: I'm here to see Mr Phakamani ZwaneHer: Oh Lucia I will take it from here come with meShe then directed me to the office. PHAKAMANI.My brother's and I have a tradition of exploring places, so today we in Soweto so I needed some cash I went towithdraw at the nearest ATM and the guys needed sofood so I went to McDonald's since it was the nearest. While I was waiting for my order I heard the voicethat I think I once heard I looked at who it was and itwas the girl that bumped me and caused me spill mycoffee, she was telling her friend just how badly sheneeded and all I saw an opportunity for myself too.Well after my order was called I rushed out looking forher and I saw them so I went to them practicallybegged her to call me, but Phumlani disturbed by callingmePhumlani: And that?.Me: I think I just found the perfect solution for myproblemHe looked at me confused Me: I'm not saying a word until I'm sure if my plan isgonna work or not. Muzi drove us to a car wash, well ashisanyama that we were here for...Mzwa: Bafethu I really don't want to spoil the fun, butI am really worried about ubaba. Its been years sincehis

like this don't you think it's time we got a second ption or opinion. This current doctor doesn't seem toknow what his doingMuzi: That's what I have been thinking since we lastvisited him.Me: Let's talk to ma and Babomncane firstMzwa: Mama doesn't care, how long has she wanted toturn off the machines but we foughtMe: I know Mzwandile but we need to first saysomething if they not hearing we do things our way.Phumlani: The hard way, plus I don't they are aware just what we capable of. He said as we were clicking our glasses I saw Namhlas friend with some dude, but Namhlawasn't here I wonder why, guess what she saw me too and made her way to our tableHer: The Mysterious PK, still waiting for my boringfriend's callShe laughedHer: Well forget it she won't call you because she'sboring, you will wait foreverShe said sitting on my lapMe: Get your flat ass off my lapHer: Oh feistyMe: Aii Fuseg wena suka(Voetsak move)She stood up I always didMe: Since you sure that she won't call me then makesure she comes to this place, tell her there is a job forher or somNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFE

INSERT FOUR.NAMHLA.The lady directed me to an office with a glass door, ithad PHAKAMANI ZWANE CEO printed on it my heartstarted beating so fast my nerves shot up. I slowlyopened the door and made my way in not even looking atwho was inside I only turned after closing the door, Igot a surprise for agesMe: YouI said without thinking he just looked at me

with astraight face. It now made sense why his PKMe: Sorry good morning sirHim: Morning Miss...Me: ZuluHim: Please have seat..Me: I am here about the gener..Him: There is no general worker job or any vacancy rightMe: What but... what's going on then?Him: I asked your friend to get you hereMe: Now it makes sense, I'm out of hereHim: Namhla sit...He said in a very serious tone, this guy is scary youguys, I slowly went back to sitHim: I'm sorry I tricked you but I had no choice. Ihave a business proposal for you, I know you need a jobwell more cash, and I can get you that Me: How?Him: I need a wife Me: I'm not ready for marriage so no thanksI stood up againHim: I'm also not ready, actually I don't wanna getmarried... Please sit downHis tone had changed again it was more scarierHim: I have a client who only wants to make a deal with a married person, I couldn't say no to him. Thing is hiscoming to Mzansi on Friday and he wants to meet mywife... I could have asked anyone but I came to you...Me: For how long and how much you offering? asked out of curiousityHim: Well if you agree you ask for anything you wantand we gonna have to spend some time together so wecan get to know each other, yes we will be pretendingbut it really has to look real...Me: Whatever I want?Him: Whatever you wantMe: It's tempting, really but I have factors to onsider. I seriously need to think about it. Him: I know, but you really need to think fast cause Iseriously don't

have timel just nodded, I was now scared to leaveHim: You can go if you don't have anything to say rightnow.I stood up

Him: Oh while you thinking about my proposal, also thinkabout getting rid of that lousy friend of yours. Me: Mhhh, are we already pretending?He just looked at me then opened his laptop, I just sawmy way out. I went back home full of thoughts..PHAKAMANI.For some reason I wasn't my always in control self in the meeting with Namhla, she's something else I tell you, if it wasn't that I needed her to play along I wouldhave fucked her right in this office. Phumlani: I just saw the girl from the mall walking outon my way here, who is she PK? What's going on? Or you in love?.Me: Ungazonginyela wena(don't bullshit me)I sighed stood up went to close the door since he left itopenMe: Well angithi uEmirhan uyeza(Emirhan is coming right) to meet my "wife" so I'm arranging that wifeHim: Oh now I see, but how did you meet that one?.Me: It's a long storyHim: I got timeMe: Yhoo uyin kanti wena(What are you really) are yousure uyalengisa (you have a penis). Him: Don't start with me...I laughed..Me: Well she bumped on me last week causes me to spillcoffee all over my suit. Him: Ahhh so she's paying for that.Me: No and I'm done talking about thisHe just laughedMe: What brings you this side NdodaHim: Well Mzwandile asked me to talk to about what we discussed yesterday, he wants to know if he can set itup for tonight?Me: I'm game, I mean why wait...

Him: Okay I will call uma then you call inkanyambaMe: Why me?Him: You the eldest and you know how to deal withhim... I'm out of here, oh we meeting at your placeMe: Why not yours cause Zandile can cook...Him: Yes she can for me not the society. He said leaving, wow, okay will have to call the chef.Later on it was knock off time, I drove back home.When I got home I took a shower and changed intocomfortable clothes and went to check how far thechef was with the cooking and setting of the table. The family finally arrived and we were seating andeating, well when we eat it becomes silent like youwould swear we don't know each other, after a fewminutes we were doneMe: Okay Madala nawe Ma(old man and you Ma) wecalled you here because we feel like it's about time weexplored other options with dad's case, I mean itseems like the current doctor isn't doing his jobThey looked at each other

Ma: Uchaza ukuthini Phakamani (what do you mean)Phumlani: Uchaza ukuthini sizomkhipha ubabakulebhedlela akuso simufake la azolululana khona(Hemeans we will take dad out of the current hospital andplace him where he could heal)Babomncane: Anizukuyenza leyo(You gonna do no such)Mzwa: Uchaza ukuthini BabomncaneHim: I.. I.. I don't think that will work, uChristopherhas been there for years...Muzi: Exactly and nothing happened now somethingmust happenMa: Yey Nina Ngubani othe senibadala seningasithathelaizinqumo ubab'wenu umyeni wami(Who said you oldenough to decisions for us, your father is my husband)I get to decide what happens with himMzwa: Like you have been doing right?, Ye mama whenlast have you visited him just to check if there aredevelopmentsMe: Exactly well us his sons have been there at leastonce a week I think that gives us the right to decide

Phumlani: We are handling dad case closed if you nothappy then tough, I am leaving my wife is waitingMa: While you at your leaving tell her I need grandkidsMe: MaHer: Yini(What)?I just kept quiet luckily for her Phumlani also just left,everyone left..AT THE ZWANE MANSION.Agatha and John came in looking rather pissedJohn: You said you will handle thisAgatha: Yes I did but I didn't think those brats wereplanning to remove him from Jonathan's care. We can'tallow thatJohn: You have to handle this since they are your"sons"Agatha gave him the evil eye

A little Zama walked in rushing to her grandmotherHer: grandmaAgatha faked a smileAgatha: Hey baby where is your motherZama: She's at the kitchen making me foodAgatha: Okay my angel, go check if she's not finished yetZama ran againJohn: I'm leaving, fix this KaMadonselaHe left after that... Agatha went to her room paced upand down..NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FIVE. NAMHLA.I didn't sleep a wink, i was turning and tossing all night. I really was conflicted and I still am I have been praying silently for guidance. I woke up to prepareAnomsa for schoolAnomsa: MamaMe: Yes babyHer: Uright?.Me: Yes my love why?Her: You very quiet this morning and you didn't sleep atnight, you kept turning aroundls she really seven years oldMe: I'm sorry baby I just had a headache but I'm okaynowShe nodded I dressed her up, she knows how to bathherself but I also need to check if she's perfect, hertransport came and she leftLater on I was watching TV, well let just say it was watching me dad walked inHim: Ngahlala(can I sit)?.I noddedHim: What's bothering you? Don't say nothing cause Iknow you Ngelosil sighed what am I going say, or how am I going to saywhat's bothering meMe: I don't know what to say Babami... Okay let justsay you had to make a decision and that decision maychange your whole future but it may come with consequences what will you do?. Him: Hmm that's a tricky one, well making a decision issomething we face everything it's more of having achoice my angel, you can never make a decision without a having a choice, it's up to whether it's a bad or goodchoice, but as long as you comfortable with that choiceit easier to make a decision...Me: Ngiyakuzwa Babami(I hear you)Him: Allow your gut and heart to lead you cause theycan never you leave you in the wilderness

Me: Maybe the guts but the heart I don't trust it toomuchI said smilingHim: That's because you allowing it to controleverything my angel, listen to it but don't give it fullcontrol, now can I have ingelosi yoMageba backI smiled and hugged himMe: Ngiyakuthanda babam(I love you)Him: Ngiyakuthanda nami Ngelosi yam (I love you toomy angel)He stood left me in my thoughtsMe: You have a choice to decline the offer or to acceptit what you gonna do Namhla?I said as I reached for my phoneMe: HmmmI said dialing Phakamanis' digits but his phone sent mestraight to voicemail.I decided to nap...DREAM

Voice: Take care of them.. they need you you just don'tknow it yetMe: But who are you? What are you talking about?Voice: You are my last hope, pray for themI tried to reach to where the voice was but it seemedto be fading awayDREAMS ENDSI was woken up by dad saying I'm mumbling things, andsaid my friend is here to see me I got up went outsidefound Nwabisa seating in the shadow of a treeHer: He really gave it to you for you to sleep at thistime?Me: What are you talking about?Her: You so dump, I mean PK...She said rolling her eyesMe: Ai sies wena you know I could never do thatHer: Argg what did I expect from a nun? I don't whatPK even bothered to go such a troublel looked at her what the fuck then I remembered

Phakamanis wordsMe: I need to prepare my daughter's food pleaseexcuse mel left her there after that, later on I made

dinner formy family and we resorted to bed, I dialed Phakamanis'number again but it went to voicemail again.PHAKAMANI.I woke up pretty early this morning since it's the lastday of the it's gonna be busy at work, well the companyspecializes in car parts well we buy second car partsand re-invest them bring them back to life, and so farwe doing good, me and my brothers have our own sidething of using the company to clean some guys moneybut I would rather not talk about that. I took a shower then I remembered that I'm stillwaiting for Namhla to decide and time isn't on my side, sigh. I got done with everything and decided to first gocheck on the taxis since I'm gonna be having a day from hell today. I drove to Carlton center found everythingin order except the fact that some drivers were fined for drunk driving mxm, I drove to the officeMe: Noma you here, I didn't expect to see you here soearlyHer: I know sir but you know how month ends get sohad start early preparing your dayMe: Well how does it lookHer: Very busy because you have the GM meeting andalso the site checking after that Me: I don't wish to be meShe laughed, I like Noma she's a professional and she'sgood at what she does, most of all she's loyal. The day went on and I was dead tired I was on my lastmeeting for the day my phone has off, that's how busyl am on month ends. I drove to Alaska restaurant formy meeting. I met with the potential investor whowants two percent of the company and we not

about togive anyone our shares really.Finally it's around seven in evening and my day has come to an end, I drove home got there put my phone in thecharger and poured myself a glass of whiskey sat onthe couch taking a long breath, this day sure feels likea Monday, I turned my phone on and tons of messagescame through from missed calls vmlite to texts. Inoticed an unsaved number and decided to call it backVoice: Phakamanilt's Namhla I frozeHer: HelloMe: Hey sorry about that, did I call at a bad time?She sounded sleepyHer: Not really..Me: Oh listen I'm sorry I missed your calls I just had along day, my phone has been offHer: It's okay, can we met Tomorrow?Me: Sure what time?Her: Around 12 if it's okayMe: Yeah it's okay...Her: Cool, Please bring whatever it is that I have to

sign...Me: What?.Her: I'm taking your offer if you want me to signanything we can do it tomorrow... I got to goShe hung up, I sighed in relief... Dialed PhumlaniHim: Bafo, I'm busy marnMe: She's inHim: Shit, oh that's good we will talk byeWhat just happened? Did he hung up on on me..AT THE HOSPITAL.Agatha walked in making her way to Dr Jonathan'soffice, she knocked and was told to come inAgatha: I hear we have a problem...Jonathan: Yes mam, the boys think I'm incapable ofdoing my job and they said they looking for a secondoption Agatha: So what can we do?.Jonathan: I'm not sure, I mean I have been doing mypart and making sure that no doctor comes near himAgatha: Good, now can I go see him just for the time Ithink of something...She went to Zwanes wardAgatha: Your sons are just like you, stubborn but don'tworry they will know their lane soon after I have takeneverything from you and them then you can wake up... Iam KaMadonsela and I am on mission which is about tounfold don't worry Agatha's love you will live just hangonShe swayed her hips out while smiling..MUZI."What do you mean we lost the baby doctor"Doc: I'm sorry Mr Zwane you fiancé had a raremiscarriage

Me: What cause it?Doc: We don't know cause everything was fine till now, we still running some testsMe: Can I see her?Him: Not now she needs to rest since she lost a lot ofbloodI sighed took my jacket and left. I drove to Phakamanishouse, got there knocked and got in before he could sayanythingMe: Is this how you felt?I said as tears steamed outHim: Muzikayise? Bafo yini? What's wrong?Me: She lost him Bafo... Thuli Lost our first son, ithurtsI said throwing myself at him he tightened his grip onme.Him: Ncese Mangethe (I'm sorry)Me: But everything was fine Bafo, do You think theancestors have turned on us?

Him: I don't know impela angazi Bafo but I promise wewill figure this outWe embraced each other until I was calm then we hadsome whiskey.

Good afternoon

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What could be the reason behind the miscarriages?NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT SIX.NAMHLA.I'm on way to meet with Phakamani, he called meearlier saying we will be meeting at his house and hesent me his address, I told dad I'm going on a follow up meeting, I can't tell him how I'm about to feed us hellno that has pride and I respect that. I had no choicebut to call a taxify so I won't get lost... On my way Iwas just thinking of the weird dreams I'm having, firstit was a voice saying then it was a woman approximately in late fifties crying. After that long but short drive Ifinally arrived rang the intercomHim: Come inI got in and he was already at the door waiting for meMe: HiHim: Good day, how are you ?I'm nervous and unsureMe: I'm good and youHim: I'm okay, can I offer you something to drink?Me: Just water pleaseHe nodded and disappeared to what I assumed was thekitchen and came back holding a tray with two glassesand a jug of water, he poured for meHim: I know you said I should bring anything that you should sign but I couldn't because I don't know youterms yetMe: Oh I understandSilenceHim: I'm waiting???Me: Oh as you said you know I need cash and you haveit, well I would like to first start by upgrading mymatric and also send my daughter to a good

school...Him: You have a daughter?Me: Yes...I thought since you know I need cash youknow what I needed it forHim: I thought I knew...Me: We are not there yetI cut him shortMe: Anyway, my dad and daughter are my whole world,I can only do this if you guarantee me their safety.Him: I understand and it will be my priority to do soMe: What exactly will I be doing?

Him: You just have to pretend to be my wife as I told youMe: For how long?Him: That's a tricky one cause I don't know when myclient is leaving the country and also the fact that wewill have to travel together for couple of monthsvisiting the client, which is why I suggest that we getlegally married but only on paperMe: Oh so I will be basically a paid wifeHim: You could say that?Me: And how will we live?Him: You can stay at home and only come when I needI noddedMe: Fine by me then we will talk when the papers areready, if this will be all I will see my way outHim: Actually there is one more thing, you gonna haveto change certain things about yourselfI looked at himMe: Like??.

Him: Your wardrobeOh hell noMe: Not happeningHim: Not entirely but it will have to suit the version of you as my wifeMe: I see, I have go tell me when everything is readyHim: I am on my way out, I can give you a rideMe: Nah I don't wanna intrudeHim: I insist plus it will give us an opportunity to get toknow each otherMe: FineHe disappeared again and came back holding car keysHim: After youl got out and he locked up, we walked to the car and heopened the passenger side for me then jogged to hisside.PHAKAMANI.After my call with Namhla, i had planned on going tobed but Muzi arrived looking like he was hit by a train,and turns out he suffered the Same as fate as Phumlaniand me. We got drunk I ended up telling him about thefake marriage thing and he thought I was blurffing it'smorning already we seating on the high chairs his havingbreakfastMe: How are you?Him: I don't know Bafo, I don't think I will be able toface Thuli.Me: You have to she needs you more than everHim: I know, anyway ain't you going to work?Me: I am working from home this week well I'm sortingout the wife thingHim: You were serious about thatMe: Yes I got no choiceHim: I thought you were kiddingMe: No I wasn't I don't joke about business

Him: Good luck I gotta go, I have to go change thisclothesMe: Okay BrazoHe left after I waited for Namhla and she finallyarrived we talked things through, it was time for her toleave and I told her I'm also heading out but I wasn't I just wanted to company herMe: So tell me about yourself...Her: You already know who I am so what do wannaknow?Me: Everything how was your childhood? anything...Her: Well I was raised by my grandmother and myfather since the age of 9, things were difficult butthey did their best. I got pregnant at the age of 15because I too naive to see the truth in front me. Mymother walked out on me while I was pregnant and gotmarried to her current without even looking back. Ibarely passed my matric because I was suffering from rejections from my mom.. Now I'm twenty twoMe: Hectic She just smiledHer: What about you?Me: You already know my name, was raised by bothparents I have eightHer eyes popped and I chuckledMe: We as follows I'm the first born, Phumlani, Muzi, Mzwandile, Nhlamulo, Sbongile, Aphiwe, Simphiwe and Londeka... My dad has been in a coma for years now butubabomncane took over his role.Her: And how old are you?I chuckledMe: 36Her: Wow thought you gonna say 26Me: Is that a complimentHer: In a wayl chuckled againHer: So why are you not ready for marriage?Me: I will rather not talk about that, and where is your baby daddy Her: Not in the pictureMe: I seeThen it became silent but comfortable silent.Her: You can drop me off here thanks for the rideShe said as had reached her location. It was far fromher home though..NAMHLA.I got of the car said thank you then walked home, youshould have seen the stares it was as I got caughtpracticing witchcraft I tell, as soon as I got to the gateNwabisa was waiting for meMe: Where did you come from?Her: Hello to you too friend, was that PK?Me: Where?Her: The car that dropped you hau don't play dump

Me: I thought I was dump...For some reason after what Phakamani said I'm nolonger comfortable around her, I don't know what shedid but I think I wanna know. I left her standing therewalked inside. I first checked on dad and he was good Iwent to get started on dinner..

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INSERT SEVEN.

NAMHLA.It's Thursday today, Phakamani and I are going tocourt to sign then we have a photoshoot, well he boughtthe rings you would swear we really getting married butwe all know it's fake. I told dad I got the job imagine,he thinks I'm working really. I hate lying to him, I justfinished bathing going to "work", im actually ready forto lead I am leaving early so dad won't ask too manyquestionsMe: Babami I'm leavingHim: Okay Ngelosi don't worry I will prepareeverything for AnomsaMe: Ngiyabonga Mageba (Thank You)Him: Hamba ke ungazoba late (leave then so you won'tbe late)I left, oh I forgot to mention that I am have a wholewardrobe at Phakamanis' place, a wardrobe that suitshis image, I called an Uber and dropped me off at hisplace. The gate opened before I could even ring the

intercom, I got in found him waiting me at doorMe: MorningHim: Sawubona Mageba(Hello)Me: Unjani (how are you)We were making our way to the kitchenHim: Aii kulunge konke(It's all good) would you likesome breakfast?Me: Uhmm sureHim: Aii ke uyalibona ikhabethe nako konke okuhlaukudla (well you can see the cupboard and everythingelse that food stay in)Helang Basadi washo gog' Lilian Dube in whatever thatshow was, is this man for real, I gave the really braeyesHim: Yin? Awukahle wengane ngindoda yomzulu minaangeke ngiphekele umfazi(what? Come on child I am aZulu man I won't cook for a woman) plus you have to getused to this kitchen cause some business dinners aregoing to be here Typical

Me: I'm not going to make you anythingHim: Of Course you are not cause angidli ibhrefesi(Idon't eat breakfast) I can only digest food after 11amand I think that's not really breakfastWowHim: Hurry, I'm going to prepare myself for the longdayHe went upstairs leaving me in my sandwich making andsome milkMinutes later he came downHim: You are done?He said with his hands in his pockets, Phakamani isn'tthat handsome but his has that thing that says respectme, he has an aura of his own, his a bit tall and his verydark but charming.Fast forward we have just came out of court, well wesigned wearing our clothes and we will find the weddinggarments at the photoshoot

Me: Do you think anyone who walks in your house willbelieve that we married?I suddenly askedHim: Why?Me: It just your house doesn't have any woman's touch you know it screams man cave..Him: And you only thinking of that now?Me: Well I am only asking?Him: There is no time to fox that now but thatsomething we should work on...Me: Okay....Him: So when are planning on rewriting your matricMe; I'm not sure, isn't it a bit late now I mean it's already trial time for matrics. Him: I'm sure I can pull a few stringsMe: Let's focus on your client for nowWe finally reached our when we got there he came toopen for me and went to the shooting were I got asurprise for the day his brothers were there well I saw them in some at his placeMe: Why didn't you tell me your brothers will be here! whispered, my nerves were taking over and I couldn'twalk properly because of nervesHim: I'm sorry I didn't think it was necessary, relaxthey don't bite.PHAKAMANI.My week has been busy and hectic really, I meanMonday it was the headache I got from mom, then itwas the month end rush now it's my wedding well fakewedding, we just arrived at the photoshoot venue whichis Mzwandiles' studio since he will the photographer.. you should have seen how nervous Namhla was I almostlaughed but that would embarrass herMe: Bafethu (my bros)I said as reach themPhumlani: Yebo Mkhwenyana(Hi groom).

Me: Fuseg wena slima(Voetsak you idiot)Muzi: Sawubona Nkosazana enhle (Hello beautiful lady)Her: Sawubona (Hello)I know she just didn't know how to respond so she saidthat with a smileMe: Majita this is Namhla, Namhla that's Phumlani,Muzi and our very photographer MzwandileThem: Muhle ufanelwe ukuthemunda Ngempela (she'sbeautiful she deserves to be taken seriously)I know they planned this and I'm so gonna get them,Zandile walked in I asked her to pretend as a maid ofhonourMe: And that's Phumlanis' wifeHer: I'm pleased to meet you allZandi: It's good to meet youShe hugged her, we changed into the garments and Mzwandile started doing his thing and said the pics will be ready tomorrow morning he will work through thenight. It was time for us go our separate ways and go rest for tomorrow cause it will also be a long day.NAMHLA.To say I'm tired would be an understatement, I wasvery exhausted and it was because of those damnedhills, listen I can rock whichever you gave me but Ihated them. Phakamani was gonna drop me off at home, I must say his brothers are exactly like him just that the age difference is visible a bit not in the face but in he actions even though. I have exchanged digits withZandile, she seemed coolMe: You could have warned me you know? I said as he was driving me back homeHim: I know I just didn't think you shy I'm sorryMe: Now you knowHim: Your walk was hilarious thoughMe: Your brothers were looking straight at me ahhhHim: So you changed steps?

Me: Yes I am a girl, when a bunch of guys are looking atme I'm bound too, you just don't know that feelingHim: Do you lack confidence?Me: Hell no, but its uncomfortableHim: I seeWe drove in silence after that.Me: Thanks for the rideHim: You welcomeMe: Go back safely, see you tomorrow...Him: Be safe as wellI smiled and walked home, you know the feeling you getwhen someone is watching you well that's how I felt andI knew it wasn't Phakamani cause he had left. I gothome and found my family watching TVMe: Hello familyDad: Ngelosi you backMe: Yes daddy, I'm so tired...Anomsa was rather quiet

Me: Baby What's wrong are you mad at Mama?Her: No mama, baby is just tired... I missed youShe hugged meMe: I missed you too babyHer: You have a job now?I noddedHer: Where?Me: In a big companyHer: Wow will you buy sweets from the mall? Not those that Khulu sells Me: I'm gonna buy everything you want, dad have youeatenHim: I bought chicken my angel there is bread in thecupboard... I went to make some food said a grace and ate. As Iwas eating a bank notification came through it was4grand From Phakamani.Me: Wow, first payment I see I smiled...NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT EIGHT.NAMHLA.After the dinner I went to bed and the dozed offimmediately but I was woken up by the dreams, again the woman was crying and she was wearing a bloodydress. I started praying since I thought maybe it'sbecause I haven't been to church in about to twoweeks, maybe it's those evil spirits. Morning came earlier than expected, and it was the dayl put my acting skills to test. I got out of bed went toprepare everything for Anomsa, then I prepared myselffor "Work".Dad: I'm proud of you know that I froze where is this coming from, I was now makinghim his

favourite porridgeHim: You have been trying so hard to find a job, neverdid you once give up. I know your mom would be soproud...Me: Dad please you know that woman is anything but amother and she had never been proud of me, Grandmawas more of a mother she ever was. You know that shehas never met Anomsa just because I disappointed her. Him: I know Ngelosi but that doesn't mean she neverloved you, she did love youMe: I don't think so Baba, if she loved me she wouldn'thave allowed me to fall in a trap, I mean mother's knowbest but not once did she tell me anything about thebees and the beds all she wanted was to marry me of, you porridge is ready I'm leaving took my bag and left, see my dad is a sweetheart healways tried to see my mother as someone who justmade a wrong decision at that time. Well here is whathappened, I grew up in a church I love God with my allheart, at my then church wma guy supposedly had a version that I was his wife mind you I was only 14, momsaid it's normal since I'm all grown my dad was againstit but because he is a sweetheart didn't put his footdown, the guy started calling me and whispering sweetthings I was taken and that's what led to me havingAnomsa. After I told the guy that I was pregnant hesaid the baby wasn't his, he actually humiliated me. Mom actually believed him, mind you she had alreadyleft home to be since then I had never seen herDriver: Mam we have arrivel didn't even realize thatMe: Sorry, thank youl got off, I always

find the gate already opened, Iguess the guards have been notified about my arrivingtime, I got to the door knocked but there was noresponse so I just got inMe: Phakamani, helloNo response, I just decided to make myself somethingto while singing, well more like trying to sing I lovegospel music so much that I sing everything

Voice: Umawam uyalithanda lelo culo(My mom lovesthat song)Where is he coming from?Me: Well she is a woman after...I said while turning shucks his topless...Him: Done drooling?Mxm cockyMe: Who said I was drooling?I turned back to where I was taking my sandwichMe: Where were you anyway? Been yelling your name?Him: Oh sorry I was in the gym down in the basementand the music was loudMe: Oh okayHim: I going to get dressed, we going to the salonMe: Oh okay, and thank you for the payment I got thenotificationHim: That wasn't a payment that was a thank you foragreeing to this madness... I know that you could have said no and never looked backI nodded as he made his upstairs, I continued to eat mysandwich. Few minutes later he came back all ready to leaveHim: Ready?Me: Yep, let's go.....Later on we were already well I was still getting makeup onGabi: Mr Zwane is ready for you he said you will findhim downstairsMe: Okay GabiThe make up artist did the final touch ups and I wasready I was beautiful, I made my way downstairsMe: I'm readyHe turned to look me together with Phumlani andZandilePhumlani: Ncoma ingane

ungalibele uyihlahleleamahle(Give the girl some compliments Don't just stare at her)Him: Voetsak mnqundu(asshole) can we leave ?Phumlani and Zandile led the way....Him: You look beautiful...Me: Thank you Sir you also clean up pretty well.We got to the car and Phumlani drove us to ourdestination..PHAKAMANI.I couldn't believe my eyes when I saw Namhla she wasbeautiful, Phumlani being himself cornered me intocomplimenting her, not that I wasn't going to but Ididn't want to say it in a way that will give her ideas.Namhla: Phumlani since you married why didn't you bethe one to handle the client?Phumlani: Because he wanted to deal with the both ofus, and he was ready to arrange a wife for PKHe laughed after that cause he knows I hate that topic

Me: And I told him I have a fiancé, we getting marriedin a few months time.She nodded, she does that a lot. I was kinda offendedthat she asked Phumlani instead of meWe drove to the restaurant where the meeting wouldbe taking place, got there made our way in, theEmirhans were already there we made our way to themMe: Adem It's good to see you againHim: Likewise Pakhaman... I mean PK... Your name stillgives me a hardWe laughedMe: You know my brother and his wife...Him: How could I forgetHe said in his own scent, you know those Russians orwhatever scents, they handshakedMe: And this is my wife Namhla.. babe this is AdemEmirhanHim: Good to meet his wifeHe took her hand kissed it as a good gesture Me: That is his wife CassandraCass: Pleased to meet youAdem: Please take a seat...We all sat down ordered some food and beverages.Cass: So how did you guys meet?Me: You don't wanna knowl said faking a laugh and the others joinedAdem: Actually I'm also curiousMe: Uhmm... ahh...Well babe why don't you tell them, Imean you a better storyteller than I amNamhla gave me an evil eyeMe: BabeeeHer: Oh well since you insist well, I just had a very badand I was in a hurry... In my hurrying (laughs) I bumpedin this tough guy causing him to spill his hot coffee allover his shirt and suits, but I didn't care until the nextday where we bumped into each other again in townwhen he actually asked me out... So it was love atsecond sight She made it seem so romantic like we were reallyinvolvedCass: NcooooohAdem: Don't cry babe I know youWe laughedCass: Love is just beautifulMe: See I told she's good at storytellingWe laughed again, then our food came. We dug in whileconversing, something that we only adapt to when wearound people, the dinner we really wellMe: It's getting late maybe you call your dadI whispered in Namhla's ear, she just giggled like I saidsomething funnyHer: Stop it, we have companyShe playfully slapped my arm, and nowCass: Hmmm still very much in love huh? She said with a smile, only then my mind came back towhat she's trying to do.

Her: Please excuse me, I need to use the bathroomThen she stood up leaving the tableNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT

EIGHTCONTINUATION.NAMHLA.I thought this dinner was gonna be one of those thatthe wife is a housewife that turns to be the husband'sbag, she goes wherever he goes but no it was good thatI didn't see that the time was running until Phakamanitold me to contact my dad. Knowing my dad his alreadyworried i got to the toilet dialed his numberHim: Namhla where are you?

Oh not Ngelosi...Me: Ngiyaxolisa Babami(I'm sorry) I am caught up atwork, there was just so much to doHe sighedHim: I thought something bad happened to youespecially how you left in the morningI totally forgot about thatMe: I'm sorry I had you worried, dad I have to goplease don't worry I'm okay, I might come back ekseni(in the morning), i might spend the night at a colleaguescause it's nearHim: Okay NgelosiMe: Please kiss Anomsa for meHim: Will doMe: I love you guysI was trying to make the call as short as possibleHim: We love you tooWe bid farewell and I fixed myself going back to theothers.

Finally the dinner was over and done with I was sosleepy I got excited when Phakamani said we leaving hewas like " the madam has to get her beauty, can we beexcused", mind you it was nine o'clock. Phumlani andZandile also said their goodnights we all left. They firstdropped us off.Phakamani: You used to sleeping earlyI nodded while yawning, he unlocked the door and wegot inHim: That went wellMe: I guessI yawned againHim: Come let me show the room you will usingI followed him, handing him his jacket that he hadplaced on my shouldersMe: ThanksHim: You welcomeHe showed me a beautiful room then said I should waitso he could give me something comfortable to sleep in and between us guys I love sleeping naked. He went outcame holding his bestHim: You can wear thisMe: Thank youHe went out saying goodnight, I took of the dress andplaced the vest near me got undercovers dozed offimmediately..PHAKAMANI.The went well dinner was good, now we waiting onEmirhan that tell us if the deal is ours or not, but Ithink after this I know his impressed. After makingsure that Namhla is comfortable I went to my officehad a glass of whiskey then I was off to bed.NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFE

INSERT NINE.AT THE ZWANE MANSION.Agatha was pacing up and down in her room trying tofigure out how to deal with the boys since they seem tobe getting to big for their own shoes, she decided toleave it all to someone who's capable. She got under hercovers smiling, she then slowly drifted to "lalaland".Morning came and it around 9 o'clock, Agatha hadn'twoken up as yet, John was having tea in the loungewaiting for her so they could discuss a way forward.Londeka went to her room out of worryLondeka: MamaSilenceLondeka: Mama is everything okay? Are you sick?Babomncane is here to see you.She continued talking but got no response she wentcloser to her shaking her but Agatha didn't, Londekastarted panicking so she screamed for help, John rushed together with Aphiwe as well as Thuli,Muzikayise's fiancéeJohn: Yin Londeka (What)?Londeka: Uma kavuki(mom isn't waking up) please callthe ambulanceJohn and Thuli looked at each otherThuli: Babomncane please take Ndeka out, John knewwhy so he just led Londeka out of the room. Thulistarted chanting some things, going to the drawertaking some white powder and placed it on bothAgatha's palms while still chanting. After that sheremoved the blankets on her left her thereThuli: I did some CPR on her, and she woke up but she'sstill weak since she was out of it for a whileLondeka: Is She okay?Thuli: she's okay don't just let her restLondeka nodded and went to her room. An hour laterAgatha walked inAgatha: Morning

John: Are you crazy KaMadonsela, why did you do thatfor?He half shouted while trying to whisperAgatha: Don't you dare talk to me like that, you wehave a problem so I had to go find us some solutionsJohn: And???Agatha: And the master isn't happy at all he saysPhakamani has brought us a problem, Thuli do you knowanything about that, have you seen something or heardsomethingThuli: No I haven'tAgatha: Then find out....NAMHLA.Morning couldn't have come earlier, yes I slept sobeautiful but I missed sleeping next to my daughter. Igot out of bed and went the ensuite bathroom washedmy face everything was there, I wore the vest that PK gave me to sleep in which was so big, i made the bedand sat on it dialing my dad's numberHim: NgelosiMe: Babami how are you?Him: Ngiyaphila unjan?(I'm good and you?)Me: I'm okay how's Ano? Is she behaving ?Him: You know she's a good kid, don't stress we allgoodMe: Where is she?Him: Uyamazi uthanda istradi (you know her she loves the street) Me: Okay dad, have you had breakfast yet?Him: Namhla I'm not a child for Pete's sakel laughedMe: Ncese Mageba hau ukuthi Ngiyakuthanda nje(Sorry Mageba just that I get worried that's all)We chatted a bit, surprisingly he didn't ask about whenim coming back home. I wanted to go make myself somefood but looking at I was wearing I wasn't leaving this room never. A knock came through and I knew it was PK I mean I'mat his houseHim: Namhla are you okay? Can I come in?I looked around for something I could cover myselfwith and eyes landed on a fleece blanket, I quicklycovered myselfMe: Yeah you may come inHe got inHim: And now why are you all wrapped up are sick?He put his hand on my foreheadMe: No whyl said removing itHim: The blanketMe: Oh it's just that I am not really decentHe looked at me confusedMe: Uhmm I... I... I'm not really comfortable in just this vest He chuckled Him: Oh, you could have called me at least not stay inhere like a prisonerMe: I guessHim: I asked Gabi to get you some clothes, she will behere at any moment...I noddedHim: You do that a lot don't you?Me: What?Him: The head nodMe: I never realisedHim: Well you do, let me leave

you to your awkwardnessof being wrapped in a blankiel laughed, Gabi came back with the clothes, I gotdressed and went downstairs mind it was 10am now andI haven't had breakfast yet. I went downstairs found anote on the fridge saying he gas gone out, family crisisand I should lock up when I leave and I can keep thekey since I would be here at lot I might need it, I made myself food then are, I decided to give myself somehouse tour after eating. I saw a picture of a beautifulwoman she looks like Phakamani, wait it's the woman lam dreaming of how's is this possible... I decided to go back home so I called an Uber then itdropped me off at the shop cause I needed airtime, Iwalked homeNwabisa: Sowuyalunda nah ntombi?(You sleeping outnow girl)Where she come from nowMe: What are talking about?.Her: The Uber, your clothes isn't it early to be dressedlike that? Plus I went to check up on you yesterday but you weren't home, your father said you were sleepingover at a friend's place.Me: Well you have your answer why ask me then?Her: Aibo I'm just kidding with you I know you amamfundisi you don't do suchShe laughed and I was Hella bored I couldn't even fakea smile. She continued to walk with me till I reached home, I noticed that the spaza was closedMe: Babami I'm homel said when I got insideHim: My angel welcome backHe was watching soccerMe: How are you? Where is Anomsa?Him: I'm okay, she's playingMe: Why is the shop closed?.Him: I wasn't feeling well

earlier so I came back inhouseMe: Dad why didn't you tell me I would have comesoonerHim: Aii Namhla, you can't always be busy andbabysitting me, you need a break too.PHAKAMANI.I woke up pretty early for some reason, I couldn't really sleep at some point I found myself wanting to gowake Namhla up but decided against since we had a longday. I was at my study trying to get some work done myphone rang it was PhumlaniMe: BrazoHim: Bafo, We got the deal...Me: Really? But it was already a done deal I'm glad wedidHim: Yes Emirhan wants us to sign on Monday at officeMe: Good I'm really glad this deal will open doors for usHim: I gotta go, wifey gone yet?Me: Fuseg PhumlaniHe laughed and hung up... Namhla hasn't woken up yetand I know she usually has breakfast at eight so it skinda strange, I decided to go check on her I knockedshe said i can come in 3 minutes, I found her wrapped infleece blanket, thought she was sick but no she is "notdecent", I almost laughed I wonder how long she wasgoing to stay if I didn't send Gabi to get clothes or Ididn't go to check up on her I went back to the study my phone disturbed me again, it was now LondekaMe: GcinoNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT TEN.NAMHLA. The weekend ended pretty fast, it was Monday and ihad no intentions of going anywhere especially since Ihave done my part in playing wife dad thinks it's my offday. Anomsa is already at school is the spaza, I decided to take a walk as I was getting out of the gate I

sawNwabisa rushing towards me holding a paper what is itthis timeHer: You sly you, why I wasn't I invited and where didhe propose? Wuu aii Namhla shame you...I cut her short

Me: What are you talking about?Her: She acts like she doesn't know, I'm talking aboutthisShe gave me the paperMe: Oh my GodI stood there reading, it was an article about themarriage or wedding people want to know who themystery lady is and where did she come from or was itan arranged marriage, there was a picture of us wearingthe wedding garments.Her: Is it true, you look surprised?Me: Of course not, I have to goI left her there and went to catch a taxi, still holdingthe paper. How could Phakamani do this, this isn't whatwe agreed on. I got into the taxi full thoughts, dad isgonna kill me if this doesn't kill him. After whatseemed like forever in the taxi I got of rushing toPhakamanis office's, I got in passing the receptionistNoma: Mam you can't go in his in a meetingThat was his PA trying to stop me

Me: Move out of my way Nomaswazi.I said annoyed as she was standing in front of meHer: I can't let you...I aggressively pushed aside and walked to PhakamanisofficeMe: What the hell is this?I threw the paper on his tableHim: Please excuse us MandlaWhoever the guy was he got up and leftHim: I'm sorry about all I don't know how it happened,I'm trying to fix itMe: Fix what huh? Do you have any idea what this coulddo to my father huh?Him: I'm sorry okay I know...Voice: Whats this Phakamani?He was cut short by someone entering the officeHim: Mom!!!Her: Don't mom me, yini le Phakamani (what is this)?

I wasn't looking at the woman but at PhakamaniHim: Mom I will explain everything to you just not nowplease...Her: I'm not going anywhere until you tell me who isthis gold digger?Only then did I turn to look at her, oh no it can't be, what's going on. It was the woman from my dreams whowas telling me some people need me, and who had abloody dress onMe: I.. I..Her: I'm not talking to you wena... In fact get out ofhereMe: I was just leaving, Fix thisI said going out of the office still angry and moreconfused about the woman. I started feeling dizzy, right outside the building and itwas lights out.PHAKAMANI.This is all messed up I don't how the media got hold of this pics really. I have never seen Namhla so mad butit's understandable right mom is also not helping shedemands answersMe: Agatha I said I will explain later right now I'mtrying to do some damage control. Noma ... I shoutedHer: SirShe came rushing... Me: Please see my mother outl said picking my phone up and dialing on it, she led herout and I put it back down sighing Me: What did you do?I said to myselfVoice: You look terribleThat was Phumlani making his in my officeMe: Thanks Him: What are you going to do?I sighedMe: I don't know Phumlani, you should have seen howangry Namhla was mfethu(bra) it actually hurts me...

Imean why did I drag her into this....Him: That's because you love herMe: Don't startHis been telling me to actually date NamhlaHim: Deny it all you want but you know the truthPhakamani, I mean you could have asked anyone to dothis for you but you choose her, we are not there, Ihave called Amos to handle the papers so you can chillMe: I wish I could chill but your mother was here and she spitting fire. Him: Isn't she always?Me: She called Namhla a gold digger...Him: Aii umawakho(your mother)... Do you know who didthis?Me: I have no Idea... If anything where to happen to Namhla or her family I won't forgive myself, I mean Ipromised her protection then thishappens on top of that she had to hear uma embizaigolddigger(She had to here mom calling her a golddigger). He smiled Me: Don't you dare say it... Him: I wasn't planning on saying anythingMe: I need a drink let's get out of hereHim: You said it...Me: Nomal said as we past her deskHer: BossMe: I'm leaving, cancel all my meetingsHer: Sure caseWe left and went to the nearest bar just to de-stress..AT THE ZWANE MANSION. Thuli and John just walked into the house straight to he study so the kids won't see them, they foundAgatha already waiting for them, as soon as they got inAgatha slapped Thuli soThuli: Aunty what was that for?.Agatha: What did I bring you here for?Thuli: To make sure that you know everything that guysare planning, and get closer to Muzi so he won't have achoice to marry me...Agatha:

What have you been doing so far?. Thuli: Muzi doesn't talk Aunty I told you Mzwandile wasa better choice but you didn't listen. Another slap landed on her faceJohn: That's enough KaMadonselaLondeka: KaMadonsela?She said getting inLondeka: Mama what's going on who is KaMadonselaJohn: Nothing is going on Lolo, I just said a name out of angerAgatha: What do you need sweetie?Londeka: Bhuti Phakamani is hereAgatha: Okay I will there nowLondeka left...Agatha: I'm not done with you...She said to Thuli they went to the Lounge wherePhakamani is.Agatha: Start talking Phakamani what nonsense wasthat. Phakamani: I had to do it for the business ma, if Ididn't we would have lost the biggest client we couldever findAgatha: So you decided to marry without our knowledgePhakamani: Yes,I mean I'm handling Zwane Holdings... Ican't always report every decision i makeAgatha: I'm your mother, I deserve to know what's going on in your lives... Did you get the deal?Phakamani: We did

Agatha: Then end the marriagePhakamani: I can'tAgatha: Why not? You wanted a business deal and yougot it now what's wrong?Phakamani: We still need her for the business tripswith the client ma, and I'm not explaining anymoreAgatha: You listen to me and listen good, I'm yourmother and I'm telling you to end this madnessPhakamani stood upPhakamani: Ma I love you and I respect you but I'msorry I won't do thatHe headed to the door and turned before reaching itPhakamani: What

happened to you? What changedmama, you were never like this?NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT ELEVEN

.NAMHLA.I woke up in a room I wasn't familiar with, i triedremoving my head from the but couldn't it was heavylike something hit me, the door openedVoice: Oh you are awake, Mama she's awakeShe shouted then turned to me with a smileHer: How are you feeling?Me: My head is heavyHer: Reasonably so, will ask Mama to give you somethingfor itThe door opened again an elderly woman got inHer: Welcome back DaliWait a minute this woman is the one that said things Icouldn't understand the day I met Phakamani, shesmiled at meMe: What's going on? I don't mean to be rude but whoare you guys?

They both smiled, the old lady came closer to meHer: Sorry for not introducing ourselves, I'mMaMkhize this is my daughter Asiphe, you passed outearlier and I brought you here.I noddedHer: I'm sure you remember me from the other dayand I'm sure you confusedI nodded cause I am reallyHer: I'm sure you hungry. Asiphe go make hersomething to eatAsiphe got outHer: Well we didn't meet by coincidence that day, wewere bound to meet and so did you and your husbandMe: What are you talking about?She smiled, Asiphe got in with a tray of foodHer: I know you know what I'm talking about darling,and I told you it was the start of your journey... I knowthat you having dreams of a woman, you have to find out who she is, and why she's visiting you. You have to

pray more than before and everything will slowly berevealed to youUthetha nganton lo mama (What is this woman talkingabout)Her: I know it's all confusing right now but I'm hereand I will guide you through it all, now finish up youhave to go home....I ate the bread and jam slowly then I remembered that haven't seen my phone. Me: My phone... Her: Under the pillowI reached for it, I had 3 missed calls from Nwabisa, 3from my dad, and a message from Nwabisa. I didn'twanna read it but something told me tooMe: Nkosiyam (my goodness) I said after reading the message, I stood upMaMkhize: What's wrong?Me: I... I have to go, where are my shoes?Tears were steaming down, dad can't die on me I still need him. Asiphe gave me my shoesMe: Thank you for everything took my phone on the bed and left, took a taxi to thementioned hospital. I have been saying a silent prayerever since I left that house asking God to spare myfather cause I still need him...Me: Thulani Zulu please I said to the receptionist who wasn't giving me anyattentionMe: Sisi we ngicela unginake(Sisters please give mesome attention)Voice: Namhla, where have you been?I turned found Nwabisa behind meMe: Nwabisa where is he? Where is Anomsa? Whathappened?Her: You dad collapsed after seeing the paper

luckily Iwas near by for Anomsa to reach me... The doctorsdon't wanna tell me anythingMe: Thanks for bringing him in

Her: Where were you?Me: Who is his doctor?Her: I don't know who... Oh there he isI half ran to himMe: Excuse me doctorHer: Yes can I help you?Me: My father was brought in here, unconscious Ibelieve his under your care, I wanna how is he andwhat's wrong with him?Her: And who is your father?Me: Zulu Thulani ZuluHer: Oh mam your father suffered a mild heartattack...Me: Oh my goodnessMy hands started shaking because of fearMe: Will he be alright?Her: We managed to stabilise him so I believe his willbe just fine, I must say you did good by bringing him in early...I nodded Me: Oh Namhla what did you do?Nwabisa: What do you mean?I didn't realize that I said that out loudMe: Nothing, where is AnomsaHer: She's with my mom... I have to go I have a dateI noddedMe: Thanks againNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FOURTEEN.NARRARED.

The Zwane boys were livid with what their mother hadsaid, each of them where in their houses but they hadsome reaction. Luckily for Phumlani he had someone tocalm him down, Muzi was a closed book and Thulile knewbetter not to confront him at the state he was in,Mzwandile is the Bachelor of the family and Phakamanieell as much as his married he wasnt really marriedbetter while with Namhla but now his anger had takenover, Phakamani decided to do a video conference callwith his brothersPhakamani: You know why I called right?The others: Yes/sure/yahMuzi: We gotta do something, unless you all have losthope tooPhakamani: If I had lost hope I won't be calling you atthis timePhumlani: What are we going to do?Mzwa: I have a planThe others: Khuluma phela/ talk alreadyMzwa: Since Agatha is planning on switching the

machines off, we have to be one step ahead of her...Here is the plan we gonna kidnap him, since we hadplanned to move him I looked for a place but I got notime to explainHe started narrating what he had mind to them.Phakamani: Okay but the hospital knows that ubaba isJonathan's patient how are gonna take him out...Mzwa: We pay whoever is in charge Bhuti, I thought you knew that there is nothing money can't buy thesedays, even people can be boughtPhakamani: Okay... We have an early morning so let'sget some sleep.Morning couldn't have come earlier to Zwane boys. Itwas 4:30 in the morning and they were already outsidethe hospital waiting for the helicopter to arrive.Phakamani: This guy is running lateMzwa: Relax Bhuti they have arriveMuzi: It's showtimePhakamani: Muzikayise we are not in a movie we here tosave our father

Muzi: I knowHe said in a very bored tone...Minutes later Phumlani and Muzikayise were disquisedas Paramedics and pushing Mzwandile as a patient. Theygot in and The hospital owner was already waiting forthemDoc Johnson: What do we have here?Mongezi(HO): Don't worry J I got this, it's my case...Gentlemen this way please hurryThey rushed to the wards were Zwane was and they gotto his room... Phakamani was already on the emergencyescape waiting for his brothers he got a call fromPhumIani so he could give the clear, and he did.. theyput their father in the stretcher and went to theemergency escape and Phakamani met them half way sothey could hurry, Mzwa stayed behind...Mzwa: Should I count on you about the securitysystem?Mongezi: I said I will take care of it Mzwandile, I can'trisk my job now leave

Mzwa: Don't be like that Mongezi you know why I hadto do this mfethuMongezi: How did you know I was in charge here?Mzwa: Internet....He left after that... Zwane was gently fled to a certainrehab..PHAKAMANI.I can't believe that we had to kidnap our own father just because our mother is now tired of him. I just gotback from our mission if I have to call it that. I gotinside the house and I tossed my car keys on thecounter then poured myself a glass of whiskey, I tookout my phone on my pocket scrolled down the thecontact for Namhla's digits but I stopped myself fromdialing herMe: Ahhh Phakamani what are gonna say to her at thistime?I threw the phone on the table. I couldn't go back to bed so I decided to get some work done... After somefew minutes or hours I went to shower and this timethe sun was shining bright so beautifully, I decided tocall NamhlaHer: HelloMe: Hey how are you? My heart was beating so fastHer: I'm okay how are you?Me: I'm good...Then silenceHer: Is everything okay?Me: Huh?Her: I mean is there something you need or do we havea business dinner I forgot about?Me: Oh no no, I just... I don't know.... Just to hear how you were doingHer: Oh thanks I guessMe: Can you go out with me tonight?

I just blurted that out, it just became quietHer: Huh?Me: Come on, I'm sure you heard meShe giggled that giggle of hers that smitten me, Ifound myself smilingHer: I did, but I wanna make sure I heard correctlyMe: Please don't make me repeatHer: Okay I have to go, but sure I will go out with youMe: Great, enjoy your day then I will see you at sixHer: Enjoy your day too see you at sixWe hung up after that, I took my briefcase and carkeys locked the house then left. I got to the officeheaded straight to mine after greeting everyone I metalong the way. I got disturbed by a knockMe: Come inMzwa: BafoMuzi: BrazoLani: Ekse

Me: What are you all doing here?Mzwa: Well our plan succeeded and I thought we couldgo out and celebrate later onMuzi: Well not before we see the face in our mother'sface when she realizes that she can't get her way thistimeMe: Well as much I would like to see her face andcelebrate, I can't I have plansI said grinningPhumlani: Khuluma (Talk)?Me: I have a date..Mzwa: Argga marn PK don't tell me you found anotherwhore to mess around with...Me: Of course not, I have a date with my wifePhumlani: Finally he has overcome his fear, gentlemenlet's give this man a bellsMe: Fuseg PhumlaniMzwa: You better not play her BafoMe: Kahle Bo I didn't say it's our anniversary I said it's a dateMuzi: OksalayoLater on they left and I prepared for my last meeting..NAMHLA.It's another morning and I'm preparing Ano for school,I finished serving her breakfast and I was cleaning upthe mess I made while trying to get her ready on time,my phone rang and I rushed to it, to my surprise it wasPhakamani I answeredMe: HelloNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FIFTEEN.

PHAKAMANI.Namhla got out of the house looking all sorts ofbeautiful, you know there is always a certain way awoman looks, she could hot, Beautiful, gorgeous andsexy... A hot woman who is hot is the one that raiseslust and the one I am looking at right now is making mefeel so many things and lust is one of them. I just wishto hold her, protect her and her little girl.Me: You look beautifull said as she finally reached me.Her: Thank you.. You not bad yourselfl opened the passenger door for herHer: Where are we going?Me: SomewhereShe giggledHer: Really?Me: Yes really, now buckle upl drove us to a beautiful restaurant where I had made a reservation, got there parked and got out of the car jogged to hers opened the door for her.Her: Thank you! took her hand gave the valet the car keys we walkedinsideHer: We alone?Me: I made reservationsHer: This is beautifulMe: All thanks to my sister in lawHer: Zandi?Me: YepZandi helped me with the advices since I know nothingabout about romance, I pulled a chair for her and gotseated tooMe: We have done the formalities of getting to knoweach other family wise, but I feel like that's notenoughHer: What do you mean?Me: I mean I wanna know know everything about you, Look I'm not really an emotions person but I know that I feel something for you. It's been years since lactually felt something for a woman cause I was oncehurt before but that's a story for another dayHer: What if I want that day to be right now? I sighed Me: Thought first dates are supposed to be glamorousl smiledHer: I'm not a glamour queen I'm just a Kasi girl who isas real as reality comes, and since I was bought beforeI was dined I deserve to know why?Me: Mhhhh okay, well if you put it that way I wasonce...My phone disturbed from finishing my sentenceMe: It's PhumlaniHer: Answer itMe: I can't do thatHer: PleaseMe: Okay... Phumlani yini(what is it?)

I said as I answeredHim: You gotta get here now, your mother is fumingMe: And how is that my problem?Him: She's asking for youMe: Okay I'm coming...I hung upMe: See why I didn't want to answer it, now we gottaleavel stood up and she also did we headed out, I placed my jacket on her shouldersMe: I'm mad at youHer: Hau what did I do ?Me: You forced me to answer the callShe just giggledThe valet brought back my car and I drove us straightto the hospital..AT THE HOSPITAL.Agatha was going

crazy on the staff and everyone. Agatha: What do there is no sign of anything strange? I mean someone must have came in here and took myhusband. Mongezi: Mam you have seen the footage and we haveasked everyone who was on duty today but no one sawanything. Phakamani got into Mongezi's officePhakamani: What is going on here?Agatha: What the is this gold digger doing here?. Phakamani: She's here for and with me so leave heralone, what's going on here?Agatha: Your father is missing...Phakamani: OhAgatha: What do you mean oh? I tell you your father ismissing and all you have to say is oh?Phakamani: Mama hours ago you didn't care about ouropinions because his your husband now we have to jump just because you want us too, are you serious? Agatha: What do you want me to do?Before they could exchange words Namhla startedcrying in pain holding her headPhakamani: Namhla... Babe...He said rushing to herAgatha: Babe!!!!?Phakamani: Not now Mama... Mumu... Babe...He held as she was about to collapsePhumlani: Why are you just standing there? DosomethingHe said looking at Mongezi who finally came back to hissenses and rushed to Namhla checking her pulse, theypicked her up placed in the bedMongezi: Everything seems fine...Phakamani: What do you mean everything seems fine?No being can just faint marn wena slima(you idiot)He said angrily

Mongezi: What do you want me to say Mr Zwane? Thatshe's dying huh? I don't see anything wrong, it mighthappen that she ate something that doesn't agree withher... please get out she needs rest ..They all went outAgatha: Didn't you say you were only married on paper?What is it that I hear? You calling her by Pat namesnowPhakamani: Ma I said not now, why are poking your nosein my business anyway? Ain't you supposed to beworried about ubaba?Agatha: Of course I am, John please drive me backhome.NAMHLA.We had to cut our date short because of Phakamanis'family matters. We drove to hospital and guess whathis whole family was there, his mother started makingher funny comments about me being a gold digger. As

they busy arguing I was looking at Phakamanis' motherand the woman's cries from my dreams right next toher she was looking at like she was about to saysomething then I heard MaMkhize's words in my ears,I looked at Phakamanis' mom then the woman I wasbasically looking at the same personMe: How, who are you?Voice: She killed meMy head started spinning so painful, I collapsed afterthat.Doc: You awake?Me: Yes what happened?Doc: I don't really know cause your vitals are just finebut I'm running some testsI noddedDoc: How are you feeling?are you in any kind of pain?Me: I'm good really I don't feel any painDoc: Okay, let me call your husband before he insultsme again Me: Huh?Doc: NevermindHe went out and shortly after that Phakamani and hisbrothers got in, Zandile followedPK: Thank God you awake, you scared me.. Whathappened?What happened? How do I explain what I saw and whatI heard...Me: Don't worry I'm okay, it was just low blood levelsthat's allPhumlani: Don't ever do that again or this hospital willbe left Doctor less and it will be your faultThey laughedMe: Why?Phumlani: Your husband would kill them all mumuMumu???PK: Piss off Phumlani, Zandi hold your dogZandi: Angizingeni (I'm not getting involved)

A beautiful girl got inHer: Muzi I'm leaving...Muzi: Okay babe will be with you shortly oh before yougo I would like to introduce you to Namhla, Namhla thisis my fianceé Thuli babe this Namhla Phakamanis'womanHer: Oh please to meet youMe: Like wiseShe looked at me in eyes of pity before leaving theroom, the doctor got inDoc: We can't find anything wrong so we will have todischarge youMe: GreatDoc: Not so fond of hospitals I seeMe: Hey I'm not the onlyPK: Mumu get up we have to get you home...He said that as if his proving a point, that mumu nameappeared againMe: Okay where are my shoe?

I asked getting out of the bedPK: Sit I will put your shoes onHe kneeled and put my shoes on, we left after that.We arrived my neighborhood and he parked a fewhouses away, we both got out of the car he came to myside and leaned to the carHim: I'm sorry our date was cut shortMe: It's okay... Why don't you seem worried about thefact that your father is missingHim: That's because I know where he isHe said pulling me closer to him.Me: Phakamani.... Your mom...Him: wanted to kill him... enough about that please can Ihave a kiss insteadHe said rubbing his lips into mine, we kissed for aboutfive minutes and I pulled outHim: Why do you always that MaZulu?I just blushed

Me: I'm sorry Mangethe but I have to go it's late, youknow my dad will have a fitHim: Wuu don't remind me about the last time.I laughed, I kissed him againMe: GoodnightHim: GoodnightI walked home after that... I got inside the yard, hewas still standing I waved my hand and he also did gotinside his car and left. I walked inside the house found he family watching TV.Me: Family I'm backAno: Mama you making noise we watching a movieMe: Oh I'm sorry...I went to my room changed clothes and I went back tothem..AT THE ZWANE MANSION. Agatha and John got in both fuming but Agatha wasworseAgatha: Can you believe the nerve of those bastards?John: Calm down KaMadonselaAgatha: Stop calling me like that, remember last Time...John: I'm sorryAgatha: What are you sorry about? That you a weakling you can't do anything if I don't tell you what to dohuh?John: Calm down okay, I won't have insult just because the new plan didn't work out okay...Agatha: We gotta find him.She said pacing up and downJohn: But how? Cause clearly "your son's" know wherehe

is?Agatha: Don't you think I know that?.. As if this is notenough Phakamani brought us another problem... Thatgirl needs to stay away from this family or else all thiswork will be for nothing

John: Make him divorce her....He shoutedAgatha: Why don't you?.She shouted backNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT SIXTEEN.PHAKAMANI.I got to my place took off my jacket, threw it in thecouch I also threw my car keys. I went upstairs to mystudy, just to process everything that has happenedtoday. I found myself thinking of Namhla and I decided to text her a good night text and she replied

TEXTS:Me: Goodnight MaZulu... Thank you for going out withme I'm honouredHer: Good night Mangethe thank you for asking me outI'm honouredTEXT ENDSI decided to call her immediatelyHer: Mangethel know I said I hate being called by my clan name butthe way she says it, my heart just smelt.Me: Ntomb'enhle usekahle(Beautiful woman you stillokay?)Her: Ngikahle wena unjani (I'm okay how are you?)Me: Aii ukhala akusizi(Complaining doesn't help), I'msorry what supposed to be our special day turned outthe way it didHer: I understand don't worry about itMe: Ngitshele ke wenzan (tell me then what are youdoing)?

Her: Already in bed and you?Me: Was trying to work but somebody decided tooccupy my mind?Her: Is that a bad thing?Me: It's a very bad thing cause I don't know whethershe suffers the same fate as meShe laughedHer: I think she does...Me: Where is the young MaZulu?Her: She's right next to meMe: Can I talk to her?Her: OkayI heard shufflingVoice: Uncle PKMe: Hey Nana how are you?Ano: I'm good and you?Me: I'm good, how was your day?

Ano: My day was good, I guess yours was even better..Me: No I missed my nana, but don't tell mamaShe giggled just like her motherHer: Your secret is safe with me Malume.Me: Now that I have spoken to you my day has becomevery much better, goodnight nana Malume loves youHer: I love Malume too, goodnight...Me: Give the phone to mamaI heard shuffling againNamhla: What did you say to her?Me: That's our business mumuHer: Is it?Me: Yes...I heard a bang on the doorMe: Mumu I have to go someone is trying to break mydoor...Her: Okay goodnight

Me: Who said we done talking? I'm still gonna call youafter... Geez I will call you soonI said as another bang came throughMe: Geeez are you trying to break my door? I'm comingokay...I said rushing off the stairs... I opened the door andmom just pushed me asideHer: Tell me you not serious about that girl? That allthat you did today was because you just wanted toannoy me for suggesting that we turn off themachines... I mean you can't be serious about thatJezebelMe: Ma, whether I'm serious about Namha or not it'snone of your business, and please stop calling her namesHer: Phakamani you can't expect me to welcome thattrash into our home...Me: I said stop calling her names okay... If you have aproblem with her then tough cause I am not divorcing, actually I'm planning on doing what's right which issending the uncles her family

Her: What?Me: You heard me, now leave cause you clearly havenothing to say I went to open the door for herHer: That girl is turning you against me and I don't likeitShe left after that, to say I was mad would be anunderstatement..NAMHLA.After watching a movie with my dad and daughter weresorted to bed, I'm just saying that I was watchingthe movie cause it was actually watching me. I wasoccupied with what Happened at the hospital. Mythoughts were disturbed by a text from Phakamani, Ireplied to and he called immediately I found myselfsmiling as I saw his name appearing on the screen. lanswered and talked for some few minutes and heasked to talk to Ano, and also had their minutes. He said he will call again cause someone was at the door. I waited till I fell asleep...Morning came earlier than expected, I was woken up bymy phone vibrating underneath my pillow.Me: HelloVoice: Mumul looked at the caller id and it was PK, I think I lovethis new nameMe: Mangethe...Him: Did I wake you?Me: I was about to wake up anywayl said as it was almost time for me to wake up and prepare Ano for school Him: I'm sorry about

yesterday I know I promised tocall again but something just ruined my whole mood Ididn't want to ruin yours tooMe: It's okay...Him: I just wanted to wish you a good morning and startmy day on a high note too

Me: That's sweetHim: I'm always sweetI laughedMe: Ngikuzwa ngawe loko mina angizwa ngawe(if yousay so cause I don't know that)Him: Mumu I have to go enjoy your dayMe: Enjoy your day tooWe hung up after thatI got out of bed and went wash my face, so I couldstart my day.Later on I was at the shop and dad was sitting under atree, a black Mercedes parked outside the gate and Isaw Phakamanis' mom getting out. My heart startedbeating so fast I quickly got of the shop walked towhere dad was cause she went to him firstMe: Sawubona ma (hello Ma).Her: Who's your mother? I'm Mrs Zwane to youMe: OhHer: What do you want from my son?

Me: Maa, i mean Mrs Zwane?Her: You heard me... Ufunani kumfana wam(what do youwant from my son?), is it money that you want?... Imean look at the place you call a homeShe said with an attitudeHer: How much do you want for you to getNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT SEVENTEEN.NAMHLA.I locked myself in my room until Ano time to come backfrom school came that's because I was avoiding herquestions. My daughter can talk shame and it wouldhave been something else if she found me locked up inthe room. She got in as Happy as alwaysHer: Hello mama

Me: Hey babyl said in a lowest voice everHer: Mama are you okay? Are you crying?Me: Say baby mama is okay... I'm not crying I just havefluHer: Oh my poor mommyShe said asking, I just smiled and hugged her back.Me: Change into normal clothes and mama will makesomething to eat okay?Her: I'm not hungry...My phone rang and it was Phakamani, I almost hung upbut he doesn't know anything so why would I punish himMe: HelloHim: Mumu, are you okay?Me: Yes I am and you?Him: I am okay, are sure you Okay?Me: Yes why?Him: Your voice sound funny it's husky

Me: I'm okay MangetheHim: Okay then I'm outsideWhat the heckMe: Huh?Him: You heard me Mumu ngilangaphandle(I'm outside).I thought Ano told youMe: No she didn't...Him: Okay woza kuMangethe ke ngoba his waiting (Come to Mangethe because his waiting)Me: Give me a few minutes...Him: Give Ano the phone in those few minutesI gave Ano the phoneAno: Malume?.Ano: I'm sorry Malume, I was about to tell herShe said laughing...

Ano: She has flu that's all...Okay that's enoughMe: Can I have my phone now?...She said her goodbyes and I took my phone headedout... I spotted His car and him outside it, he was busyon his phoneMe: Heyl greeted in the lowest voiceHim: Hey

bab... Have you been crying?Me: No, Ano told you I have flu njeHim: Flu? What kind of flu makes eyes so red, and leavetraces of tears in cheeks.. I wiped my face but I knew I just washed it beforecoming hereHim: Gotcha, there is nothing on your face but for the fact that you thought I was right means I am right, now out with it? Me: Don't worry it's nothing serious...Him: You are now starting to annoy me Namhla, what's going on with you?He said in a calm but yet scary toneMe: Your mom was here...Him: What? What did she want?.Me: To buy me out of your lifeHim: Wow... Why didn't you call me?Me: Because I didn't want you to get angry at her, Imean look at you right nowHim: I'm not angry Mumu...He pulled me towards himHim: I'm sorryMe: It's okayHim: Don't worry I will sort this out okay ... I nodded Him: Words Mumu I prefer words we ain't muteMe: I'm sorry, okayHim: Good, I love you

I frozeHim: You don't have to say it back but I just had to sayitMe: I love you tool said removing my head on his chest and kissing himand he pulled out this time, he just smiled.Him: I have to go...Me: Okay....I smiled... We kissed again then he got inside his carand stepped back, he drove off I walked back homeNwa: A way to a woman's heart is through her kid...She joining me in walkingMe: Hello to you too NwaHer: Do you think it's a good idea to let Ano be soattached to PK? I mean he doesn't strike me as a guywho sticks to one woman what will happen if he justdisappears like her fatherIs this girl for real?Me: Nwabisa, what's your problem huh?

Her: What do you mean?Me: Not once has said something good about me or thatconcerns me ever since we have me, all you do is try todrag me down and make me feel stupid why?Her: That's not what I wanted, but I just wanted youto live MnganiMe: Mngani? You not a friend wena, no friend wants tosee her friend down. You what we live in the sameneighborhood so I don't want any bad blood between soit's best we go our separate ways civically so!!I left her there after that, got home started withdinner.Dad: Don't let that woman get to you...Me: BabaDad: You locked yourself up all just because of herNgelosi, I didn't raise you to be a weakling and hideaway from your battles Mageba.Me: I know BabamHim: If you really love that boy you will to work hard toprove that not because you desperate but because you

want to.I nodded, then smiled at the thought of PK saying weain't mute just because I nodded.Later on I dished up for us and we had our dinner whilethe princess was telling us about her day and how UnclePK spoilt her at the mall after school, which explainswhy she came back full. We watched our favorite seriesafter that then resorted to bed. We prayed and off wewent to lalaland.DREAM:Voice: Help usI looked around and saw nothingVoice: Help me, help themI looked around saying where are you and this timethere was a bottle, you know the mayonnaise bottle butthis one it had some cloth underneath the lid, I mademy way to but something pushed me.DREAM ENDSI woke up panting and a bit wet because of sweat, What's happening to me and why do I always hear PKs mom voice asking for help because she seems to hateme. Ano: Mama are you okay?Me: Yes baby go back to sleep started praying again, while praying MaMkhize's voiceplayed in my ears, what she said that day. Me: No no what's going on? Could it be?.PHAKAMANI.After my call with Mumu, I prepared for work. I drovethere while some Maskandi, well I am a Zulu after all. Igot there parked and went straight to my office only tofind Phumlani thereMe: Ekuseni kangaka Bafo ubekwayini la(what are youdoing here so early bro)?Him: Ngila to tell you (I'm here to tell you) that Ademwants to on the fourth of OctoberMe: Oh? Why next month cause he will only start supplying us on the 1st of NovemberHim: Apparently he wants to start next month now, cause his equipment is overflowing Me: Well then we have to sort MaZulus' papers beforenext weekHim: Yep, unjani yena uMaZulu(How is she)?Me: She's very well thank you for askingHim: Heee oPK sebekwazi nokuncuma ngenxa ventombievodwa(PK can now smile because of one woman)Me: What can I say... But your mother aii somethingwent wrong with her head after giving birth toMzwandile I tell you... Can you believe she came into

myhouse to tell me to get rid of NamhlaHim: She you know she's always like that marn do giveit much thought...Me: I guess, so mtakababa how's our father?Him: Well since can't go there I called the doctor thatis in charge of his case and he said his still runningsome tests just to be sure what his dealing with

Me: Okay, that's at least somethingHim: Yeah, Bafo ngikubonile awuthi ngihambe(I haveseen you now let me leave)Me: Okay will talk Bafo...He left and I got started with my day.Things at the office were quiet so I decided to have ahalf day and while at that I decided to fetch Anomsaat school.Me: Noma you can knock off cause there is not much todo will actually see you on Monday when we have realworkNoma: Okay sir thank you... Enjoy your weekendI left, drove to my house first so I could changeclothes after that I drove to Ano's school. I waited atthe gate while still waiting, I let her transport driverknow that I will be taking her. The alarm went off andkids were rushing to the gate, I got out of the car. Isaw her talking to someone, a man in his 30s. I got outof the car going closer to them but the man left.Me: Ano...

I shoutedHer: MalumeShe ran to me just as before.Me: Hey Nana how are you?Her: I'm good and you?Me: I'm good, get in we going outNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT EIGHTEEN.PHAKAMANI.I was so livid when Namhla said mom came to buy heroff I even forgot to tell her that a man went to Ano'sschool claiming he is an old friend, i drove back to myhouse, I'm sure you all now know what I do when I get there first relieve myself from all the tight clothingthen pour myself some double whiskey, on the rocks. Ilaid on the couch thinking of my day today. I decided tohave an early night I think I deserve it Morning came earlier than usual, maybe it's because Ididn't quite have enough rest... I dragged myself out ofbed hitting the shower, after getting out of the showerl wrapped myself in a towel, dialed Namhla's numberand put her on speakerHer: MangetheMy heart smeltedMe: Hey Mumu, you feeling any better today?Her: A lot betterMe: That's good to hear babe, Listen you know yesterday I went to pick Ano up. I saw her with a manwho was in his early thirties who said he is an old friendof yours to herHer: What?Me: Yeah I couldn't tell you yesterday cause of what you said about mom... Do you perhaps know who it might be?Her: No Mangethe, I never had male friends before...Unless it's...She kept quietMe: Unless it's???Her: SboneloMe: Who is Sbonelo?I said with a serious face as if she can see meHer: It's my sperm donorMe: You mean her father?Her: Don't call him thatMe: Ngiyaxolisa Mumu(I'm sorry Mumu)...SilenceMe: Xola phela MaZulu wam bengaqondile ukukucasula(Forgive MaZulu I didn't mean to upset you)Her: I'm not madMe: Ngempela (Really)?

Her: NgempelaShe laughedMe: Good, Mumu that's not all the reason why I called...Phumlani came to my office yesterday saying Emirhanwants to meet on the first of OctoberHer: I thought we were only gonna meet themNovemberMe: I thought so too but he changed his mindHer: So how is this gonna work cause I don't have apassport?Me: Don't worry just give me your Id and I will handlethe restHer: Okay, will drop by at the office so I could give itto youMe: I'm actually not going to till Monday, you can comeover anytime you not busyHer: Okay, I got to go Ano is grumpy this morning so Ihave to check everything she doesI chuckled

Me: Okay, I love youHer: I love you tooWe hung up after that, I took my phone and headeddownstairs well I was already dressed since I was doingeverything while talking to Namhla. I checked thecupboard to see if there are snacks for when Namhla ishere, and what was there wasn't enough so I decided togo to the mall..AGATHA.I didn't sleep trying to figure out a way out of thismess. I still can't believe that Phakamani marriedThulani's child. If something were to happen to her Iwould be dead I know, Thulani didn't forgive me foraborting his first child that man made life a living hellfor some time, my name was tarnished I has to leavethe place and start over yet again, Luckily John lovedme so he welcomed me in his life and married meanyway we are not there but just know that I wasn'talways this evil and cruel the world changed me

John: You in a better mood today?He said coming in to the studyMe: You can say soJohn: Good found a way forward yetMe: Of course angithi I'm the man hereJohn: Guess I spoke too soon, So what's the plan?I just took my phone and dialed Phakamanis' numberMe: Phakamani mfan'wami (my boy), I'm sorry abouthow I handled the whole Marriage issue, can you pleaseget back to me when you get this message...John: What did you do?Me: I am doing what I think Agatha might have doneMy phone rang before he could respondMe: Phakamani son, how are you?Him: I got your missed call...Such disrespect nxxMe: I want to apologize to both you and Namhla, can you please come over for dinner tonight...

Him: I don't think Namhla will agree ma, you hurt herfeelingsMe: I know baby please help me fix itHim: I will try convincing but if she says no I won'tpressurise herMe: Okay I hope you do make itHe hung up without saying a thing.John: KaMadonsela are you crazy? Do you rememberwhat the master said? That girl will be the end of usMe: Of course I remember but I also remember thesaying that says we should we bring our enemies closerI said gulping on my glass of cognacHim: WowHe said gulping on his glass too..NAMHLA.I don't know what's going on with me lately really, seems like my life is no longer mine. The dreams aregetting worse, you know the last one left me with somuch thoughts so I decided to go to MaMkhize's justget some kind of sense, lucky enough I now rememberwhere she lives. My mind has been playing the dreamover and over again. I got out of bed and went to thebathroom, washed my face then went to the kitchen toprepare breakfast and polish Ano's school shoes, I thenwoke her up and she was grumpy. My phone rang and Irushed to it, it was the husband we talked for a fewminutes, it's funny how it feels like we have beentogether for years while it hasn't been a full month yet. Ano left for school and I went to dad's roomMe: BabamHim: NgelosiMe: Can we talk?Him: Yes baby what's wrong?Me: You know that my marriage to was a businessproposal?Him: Yes Ngelosi what wrong?

Me: Well Phakamani just called and said we have a tripon the 1st of October so I am on my way to him rightnow cause...Him: You don't have to explain any furtherHe said holding my handHim: I am old Namhla, I can see that you are smittenthat's why I told you to not hide but fight for him...You don't have to always ask for permission when itcomes to him but I just want him to do the right thingthat's allI nodded and hugged himMe: Ano has left and I'm leaving tooHim: Be safeNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT NINETEEN.

NAMHLA.I don't know how I feel about this dinner thing but I just have to do it. After watching my favorite show, somuch to Phakamanis' annoyance, we went to fetch Anofrom school.Me: What time is the dinner?PK: It's at six thirtyMe: So what should I wear?Him: Mumu, it's just dinner not a work function you canwear anything you are comfortable in.Me: Wouldn't your mother expect me to wear any doekand long skirtsHe laughedHim: You don't have to do anything to impress mymother, especially since she's the one who has actingcrazy. As a matter of she should be impressing youMe: Phakamani can you be serious just for a momentHim: Maar I am serious (but I am serious)

I chose to keep quietMe: AnoHer: Yes mamaMe: Are you okay my baby?She was awfully quietHer: YesMe: OkayI didn't want to be a pestHer: MamaMe: Yes babyHer: What is the name of my daddy?Phakamani and I looked at eachMe: Why do you ask?Her: There is a man who always visits me here at schoolhe said his my daddyI frozePK: And what did he say his name was my angel?

Her: SboneloTears just rolled out my mind just shut down. I couldn'tsay a wordPK: Is it the same man I saw you My Angel?Her: Yes uncleMe: I... I...I just didn't know what to say, I guess Phakamani sawthat cause he just took my hand squeezed itHim: Can we talk about this later My Angel...Her: OkayWe got to my neighborhood and he did what he alwaysdoes parking a few houses away from my house.Him: Nana please give me a few minutes with mamaHer: Okay bye MalumeHim: Bye Nana I love youHer: I love you tooShe left after thatMe: How could Sbonelo do this? I mean after all this years he resurfaces and go straight to my daughterHim: It's okay Mumu, don't cry we will fix this okay... Iwill fix thisHe hugged me so tight, in his arms I felt safe and lovedreally.Me: Thank you for what you did I just didn't know whatto sayHim: It's okay... We can cancel the dinner if you nolonger in the moodMe: No we will go... I have to go preparel kissed his cheek and left, I got inside the housefound dad getting himself a glass of waterMe: Hey DadHim: Ngelosi how are you?I just threw myself in his armsHim: Hey hey... What is it Mageba omuhle (beautifulMageba)Me: His back baba, ubuyile lo sathane(That devil is back)

Him: Ubani lowo(who is that)?Me: Sbonelo, he has been visiting u Ano at schoolHim: What? Since when?Me: I don't knowHim: Don't cry Ngelosi we will deal with him don'tworry, wipe those tears cause hel wiped my tears offHim: We will deal with this I promisel nodded and headed to my room. I found Another stillchanging into her clothes.Ano: Mama why are you crying? Is it because of me,I'm sorry mama I promise I won't make you cry everagain and I won't talk to that manMe: Hey hey, it's not because of you okay, you cannever make me cry you are my happinessI said hugging her, after that I went back to dad to lethim know that Phakamanis' mom invited me to dinner.Later on I was preparing myself for that dinner andZandile was helping me as always Me: How about this one?.Her: Babe all those dresses are beautiful so just makeup your mindMe: I can't just wear anything Zee I have to make astatementHer: And you will but seriously you don't have toMe: Why?Her: Agatha doesn't deserve any effort, you know I amPhumlani's wife but she still treats as a girlfriend. Sheisn't nothing that Phumlani said when we met.That's because, you know what let me just shush.Me: I Know heyI finally chose a dress and got done. Phakamani waswaiting for me at the gate..AT THE ZWANE MANSION.The chefs were preparing a feast as per MadamAgatha's wish. The family was now waiting for

Phakamani and his wife.Agatha: Mavis you will serve us today...Mavis: Ok mamSbongile: Are we hosting the late Kings memorialservice or what?Agatha: Ngizokuqhwaba ngempama wena phambikomnyeni wakho(I will slap the shit out of you right infront of your husband)A knock came throughAgatha: It must be them, hambovula Nhlamulo....Nhlamulo: Why me?...Agatha gave him an eye, he sighed and went to openNhlamulo: Hey guys you may come inNamhla: ThanksShe said with a smile while Phakamani just passed himlike he isn't thereAgatha: Oh you made itShe said with the most fake smile, she hugged Phakamani who was perplexed.Agatha: Makoti, welcome Let me introduce you to theZwane kidsShe shake Namhla's hand but quickly let it goAgatha: That's Nhlamulo and his wife Ayanda, that'sSbongile and her husband Smiso...She introduced everyone, Namhla hugged the siblingsbut Phakamani stopped her from hugging nor shakingboth Nhlamulo and Ayanda, and they went to take seatsin the table.Agatha: Namhla I would like to apologize for myreaction towards you my child, I was just being amotherNamhla: I understand ma...She said looking at Agatha straight in eyes, and thatmade Agatha uncomfortable so much that she excusedher self

NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT TWENTY.NAMHLA.It's a week later since the dinner, and since I sawSbonelo. Tomorrow it's the day of the trip to Istanbulfor the Emirhan deal, Zandile is taking me out forshopping. In terms of the dreams, well they keep onchanging if it's not the one where she's crying andbloody, it's the with the bottle and now there is onewhere she's surrounded by new born babies and they allcrying. I have been doing a lot of praying about I justneed guidance cause now I know she is, the problem isshe still hasn't spoken to me as much as I try tocommunicate with her it seems like something is holdingher back. Zandile is on her way to fetch me so we canto the mall...

Dad: Ngelosi can we talk?Me: Sure dad, what's wrong?Dad: These past weeks weren't really great, I washospitalized, that shows how unpredictable life is. Iknow I won't be around for long...Me: Baba...Him: Shhh listen... Life is really unpredictable a lotcould happen, I won't be around for long my age won'tallow me to stick around. I want you to be strong anddon't lose your faith nor values, always remember thatfamily isn't only by blood but loyalty. I'm not sayingsomething will happen to me but I'm saying I'm notgetting any younger and so are you, live your life makemistakes, you still young don't let your dreams die, never depend on anyone okay? As confused as I was I noddedMe: I love you Babami...Him: I love you too AngelI heard a car hoot outsideMe: That must be Zandile I took my bags, well I will be preparing myself at herplaceHim: Tell her she must enter next timeMe: I will, I will see you in week's timeI hugged himMe: Tell Ano I said I love her and she must behaveShe was out playing... I got out of the house after thatheading to Zandiles' carMe: Hey Makoti ka AgathaHer: Don't start tuu... Let's go get you dazzlingShe hit the engine and we left. Her: So have you dish it out?Me: What?Her: Ngikhuluma nge tlof tlof babe, has he tasted theforbidden fruit yet?(I'm talking about sex)I laughed..Me: No babe we haven't..Her: Then mugurl this trip is good for you.. you will get the chance to get as nasty as you wantMe: ZandileI said blushing, not that sex hasn't crossed my mindever since I met Phakamani but I didn't want to be theinitiating it you know.Her: What? I know you want it, it's been forever youneed to get laid my baby. I promise after that you willbe able to function more, I mean Phumlani and I

havesex almost daily it gives power face everything, fromwork to dealing with his motherWe laughedHer: Especially when he gets rough...Me: Too much info geez Zee...Her: Ah konje you shyShe said laughing, we got to the mall she looked for aparking spot and then finally the fun began. Afterhours of shopping and getting our selves pampered wehad lunch at WimpyMe: Finally huu!!! I'm so tired, can we go now!!

Her: We have one last shop babe then we doneMe: Oh my really?I said basically throwing my head on the tableHer: Really...She said laughing, my phone rang and it was Phakamani...Me: MangetheHim: Mumu... You done yet?.Me: I thought I was but your sister in law said we haveone more stopHim: Okay hurry our flight is in two hours timeMe: Okay.Him: I love youMe: Me tooHim: You too ini(what)?Me: I love you tool said laughing, after that we hung up. Zandi and Ifinished eating then she dragged me to wherever shesaid we going to.

Me: Really? A lingerie boutique Zeel said as we entered the shop and being met by lots oflingeriesHer: At least you know what this is which means youknow why we hereShe said laughingMe: No I don'tHer: Yes you do... We are getting you a sexy numberfor you to wear underneath the red we bought for theactual dinner with the EmirhansMe: No we notHer: Yes we areShe pulled me by hand and walked further inside theshopS. Assistant: Good day ladies.. can I help you withanything?Zee: No we will manage skatyShe smiled and left us alone..

PHAKAMANI.It's been a busy week since Namhla and I are leavingfor Istanbul, well Phumlani and Zandi are coming too. Ihave just got back from the office, I'm sure you nowknow what I do when I get home, it's like a routine. I just finished my glass of whiskey and now packing.Phumlani and I we will be driving together, we will meetwith the girls at the airport. I heard some noisedownstairs and I went downMe: You guys have to stop this, it's creepyl said as I found my brothers in my kitchenMzwa: We don't sneak we just enter.Me: StillMuzi: So you two are going on a vacation?Phumlani: It's for work you idiotMuzi: You still gonna have funMzwa: Yeah, I mean I can already imagine the beautifulgirls you gonna see

Me: Hey we marriedMzwa: But you still got eyesMuzi: Mzwa you also need to get settledMzwa: No I don't, I mean a man gets tired of oneflavor you know, I won't survive being stuck with oneflavorPhumlani: AmenI looked at the timeMe: I got to check on NamhlaThem: WhippedThey laughedMe: I'm not the onlyI went upstairs to call Namhla, and she said they onlyhave one more shop to go to then they will be done..

NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT TWENTY-ONE.

NAMHLA.I was woken up by Phakamani shakingHim: Mumu wake upMe: Huh... What time is it?Him: Half past three in the

morning, you had anightmareMe: Oh sorry I woke you upIt was not a nightmare but you already know. Mystomach rumbledMe: Damn I'm so hungryHe laughedHim: You have to, you have been sleeping since from thecar till nowMe: Wow

Him: Let's go get you feed upHe said pulling my hand, and I dragged myself off thebed. He piggy back me to the kitchen and placed me inthe counterHim: What would you like to haveMe: Anything that's availableHim: Anything coming right up...He said playfully and turning on me... it's good to himget playful because he can be a very intimidatingMe: Mangethel said after clearing my throatHim: Yes mumuMe: Tell me about your mother?Him: My mother?Me: Yes your mother....Him: Uhmm ok... She's a good mother, loving, caring and supporting well at least she was but she changed aftergiving birth to Mzwandile

Me: How so?Him: She became distant, she got upset over littlethings. She just became a whole different person.That's because she is a different personHim: Huh? ...Did I say that out loudMe: Huh... Nothing... I love the relationship between you and your brothers, are you that close with the girlsHim: Not really, me and the boys suffer the samefate...Me: How so?Him: Not having kids, I once lost a child, well Ayandamiscarried, Zandi has had two miscarriages and Thulimiscarried tooMe: I knew about Zandi but not yoursHim: We have never reached that when talking babeHe said turning back to me with a sandwichHim: Here we go...

Me: But your sisters have kidsHim: Yep, and Nhlamulo has one with AyandaMe: Strangel think it explains my dream of kids crying.Him: You a bit chatty this morningMe: Well maybe sleeping next to you helpsHim: In that case I have to do right by your fathersoonHe said kissing meMe: Ewww Mangethe I was still chowingHim: You my wife so!!Me: Aii sies marnHe just laughed at me Mxm. I finished eating mysandwich and we went back to bedHim: Good morning MumuMe: Good morning MangetheHe kissed my forehead and we drift back to sleep.

.PHAKAMANI.It's morning already and I just got back my morning jog, I found myself thinking about the talk I heard withNamhla, it was the first time we had a talk that deep. Igot inside the house found Phumlani, Zandi and Namhlahaving breakfastMe: MorningI kissed Namhla's cheekHer: Morning MangetheZandi: morning sbariPhumlani: SureZandi: What are doing today since these two will beworkingShe said looking at NamhlaMe: You can go shopping They all looked at me

Me: What? Isn't that what you women loveZandi: It's a good idea but I wasn't expecting it from youPhumlani: My thought exactly, she asked uMaZulu notwena (you)Me: Okay no need to gang up on me fellas, wena let'sget to workPhumlani: Angizi ukusebenza nawe unuka mina(I won'twork with you while you stink)Namhla: Hey my husband doesn't stinkMe: Mtshele wena Mumu(tell him)Her: Asambe sogeza(Let's go bath).She stood up and we went upstairs.ZANDI.After Namhla and PK went upstairs I cleaned thekitchen up then Phumlani and I also went upstairs

Phumlani: Wanna Join me in the shower?.Me: Of course as long as you promise me to behaveHim: How can I behave when my wife is such a turn onMe: Is it?Him: You know it's true, now come here maybe we might just make baby number...Me: Mxm, really?Him: Come on babe... We have to talk about this atsome pointMe: Yes at some point not now..Him: So you have given up?Me: No I haven't but I'm still mourning my babyPhumlani and I'm not ready for anotherdisappointment...Him: Babe...Me: No Phumlani, I won't be able to survive anothermiscarriage, I can't lose another baby... I have lostthree kids already...Him: What? What do you mean three kids?

Oh no I didn't Lord what have I just doneMe: I... I..Him: Don't you dare think of lying cause I know what Iheard...Me: I'm sorry okay, the second time it happened youwere here and I couldn't bare the hurt it will causeMangethe I'm sorryHim; Wow just wow so it's three miscarriages not twoMe: YesI said already in tears and he paced up and down alsotearing up. He then kneeled Infront of meHim: I'm sorryMe: It's not your faultHim: Still I wasn't thereMe: It's that I don't kids but we have to figure outwhat's going onHe nodded, we went to take a very long innocent showerthen we were done we went downstairs, found Namhlaand PK already in the lounge

PK: It's about time ndoda we late.They said their goodbyes and left.Namhla: Are you okay babeNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT TWENTY-TWO.PHAKAMANI.The meeting we just came out of was very longespecially since Phumlani was miles away from it, I hadto everything by myselfMe: Thank you Adem we will meet again tomorrow forthe dinner...Adem: Pleasure doing business with you PakamniMe: Just call me PK

I said laughing and he laughed tooHe left with his teamMe: What was that Phumlani? Do you realize that youalmost cost us this deal...Him: I'm sorryHe said taking his things and leaving me there. I foundhim in the carMe: Bafo, What's going on?Him: ZandiMe: What's wrong is she sick?Him: No, she didn't have two miscarriages but threeMe: What?Him: Yeah she didn't tell me about the second oneBafo, she had to go through it alone imagine how hardthat was for her.He got out of the car leaned on it , I got outMe: I'm sorry Mangethe, I promise we gonna get to thebottom this I promise

Him: You know I wanted us to try again but now I don'tknow maybe we just not destined for babiesMe: You can't lose hope BafoHim: I am not I'm just accepting fate.He got back in the car after that, I got in too thendrove us back home. We got home and found Namhlaand Zandi watching movies can you believe they were intearsMe: And nou(and now?), Are you watching movies or youbusy crying over the break ups these people go throughNamhla: Leave us aloneShe said sniffingMe: Yhoo I'm out of here.Phumlani was already out he greeted and left followedby Zandi, whom we didn't notice had leftHer: No you joining me...Me: Mumu I'm tiredHer: And you came back made Zandi leave now you joining me

Me: Okay fineBut this is bulling really,I took of my shoes and joinedher in the carpet, we watched whatever she waswatchingHer: MangetheMe: MhhhHer: Don't tell me you dozing off on meMe: No I'm not babeWell I was about to sleep not because I'm tired butbecause of the shit we watching.Later on we were all in the dinning table, it was a littlebit awkward because the other two were on their onworld... Finally we got done eating and we resorted toour beds.Me: MumuHer: Mangethel can't get used to how she calls me, it makes me feellike a kingMe: Ngiyakuthanda yezwa(I love you)

Her: Nami Ngiyakuthanda (I love you too)Me: I'm worried about PhumlaniHer: Don't worry they gonna be fine, they love eachotherI sighed and we slowly drifted to sleep..

ZANDINAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT TWENTY-

THREE.NAMHLA.We were all getting ready for the dinner and guess what, we were on a limo darlings, turns it won't just beus and the Emirhans but also other well known businessmoguls.PK: Mumu we getting late, please come down alreadyMe: No need to scream I'm herel said walking down the stairsHe whistledMe: Will you always do thatI said gigglingHim: Well I just can't help it, you are a healing sight tosore eyes MaZuluHe said pulling me closer to him, kissing me.Phumlani: Okay lovebirds we need to get going, we allgot out the limo was already waiting for us Phakamaniopened the door and we the ladies got in first and theyfollowed. We were driven to the venue, I felt like awhole miss South Africa you guys. We got in and theplace was gorgeous, PK saw someone he knew and wewalked to him so he could greet him... After the he alsospotted the Emirhans and we had to go to them

Him: Adem how are you? I must say the place lookswonderfulAdem: When you have a beautiful companion beautifulthings follow youPK: Cassandra it's good see you againCass: Like was PK.. Nmla it's good to see youShe said pulling me for a hug, then did all this kissingthe air thing then she went to Zandi they both did it,I'm not kissing any air when I have a giant man withsoft thick lips to kiss, I'm kidding it's just I'm notused to it bo ma-e.Me: Likewise you look stunning by the way that dresssuits youHer: Thanks darlingShe said with a smileThe night was pretty long with PK and Phumlani minglingand fishing for business. It was now time for us to getback home can you believe I instantly became nervous,why? Because I'm planning on having sex for the firsttime in seven years geez

Me: Mangethe I'm going to the bathroomZee: I was about to say thatWe walked to the bathroomZee: Babe are you okay?She asked as she saw me fanning myselfMe: I don't know..Her: What's going onMe: We going home, that's what's going on ZeeHer: You don't wanna go?This girl doesn't get itMe: Zee do you realize that I'm about to give someonethe cake which hasn't been eaten for seven years, Ibasically don't know anything about sexGuess what ... uMfazi ka Phumlani (Phumlani'swoman)just laughed at meHer: Babe relax it's really not a rocket science... You just try to relax and go with whatever flow his comingwith

Me: What if he rejects me?Her: Girl have you seen yourself? You flames, I'munderneath that dress it's more fire and he loves you, so you just relaxI looked at myself in the mirror then washed my hands, we went to the husbands.PK: Mumu, are you okay?He whispered in my ear and I nodded then rememberedthat he doesn't like that.Me: Yes lovel said smiling...PHAKAMANI.The dinner went well and I can safely say that we mightbe getting more business this side. We were biddingfarewell to the Emirhans since it was the last time wesee but we planning on spending the whole week just forfresh air, I noticed that Namhla was a bit off I asked

her if she was Okay and I let her be, we got out of thevenue and the limo was already waiting to cut it shortwe were driven back homeMe: What a dayI said as I took off my jacket as per usualLani: You can say that againHe said throwing himself in the couch just like I doMe: At Least we gaining something out of itHim: Which is?Me: More businessZandi: Ah guys please no more business talk aii, anywayI'm going to bedNamhla: I will be off to bed tooMe: I will be there in a minuteThey both looked at each other and left us there, afterI had had my glass of whiskey I also decided to go tobedMe: Aii Bafo isiyobonana (we will see you again)

Him: SharpI went upstairs, immediately when I got inside the roomI was met by an unusual but beautiful sightMe: WowWow was the only word that could come out of my bigmouth, Namhla was seating in the edge of the bedwearing the most sexiest black and red lingerie...Her: You like what you see?She stood up making her way to meMe: Fuck like is an understatement, I love you I meanwhat I seel said as I met her halfway and She giggled. I took offmy tie off and shirtthen I immediatelyy placed a kiss on her soft lips andshe wrapped her arms around my neck which caused meto pick her up having wrapped her legs around my waist, I gently placed her on the bed, I moved from her lipsto her neck I sucked on it causing her to moan. I placedmy hand on one nipple pinching, it was easy for me to doso cause the lingerie was now a bit loose for some reason she moaned yet again Me: Your nipple is hard I said pinching it again also breathing on her neck and as she was giggling her giggles turned into a moan. I went back to the lips and caress her skin with my hand until I reached her forbidden kingdom. I tore the lingerie so it could give me actual access to the kingdom, it's a kingdom because it's for Kings. Me: Juicy wet I said opening my eyes to look at her beautiful face, and she also looked at me for minute then shied away Me: Look at me Mumu She gave me back the eye contact and I slid in a firstfinger she clenched trying to look away again Me: Look at me She did I started slowly fingering her and sucking her neck, her moans escalated and she tried suppressing them Me: You can scream as you want, the room is sound proofed my love

I whispered in her ear while finger was doing the most inside causing her to hold on the sheets, when I I felt she was wet enough I took everything I was wearing under I put on the condom and positioned myself into her heaven Me: You ready She nodded Me: Words MumuNAMHLA:

THE PAID WIFEINSERT TWENTY-FOUR.

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don't wanna leave?He said wrapping his arm around my waistMe: Of course I don't, but I Miss Ano and dad so muchHim: We can stay for another weekMe: That would be awesome but we really need to getback

Him: We can always come backHe said turning me for a kissMe: You got to get out of bed...Him: Not before I get my morning GloryI laughed softly, He smiled at me and cupped her chin, bringing my face closer for a kiss again. His hands wereslowly travelling up to my boobs. He picked her up andwalked with her towards the bed. He gently got on topof me parting my legs, then he just looked atMe: Yini(What?)I asked with a smile..Him: Ubuhle bakho angibujwayeli(I can't get used to your beauty)He said smiling and I looked away, failing to control myblushes He just placed his lips to my neck and planted atrail of warm kisses from it. I was slowly getting wet.So my hands just made my way around his body. She satup from the bed and helping him of his boxer as we continued kissing... I could feel the heat of his bodytransferring to mine as we rolled in the bed and I was now on top of him.... I planted kisses from his neck tohis jaw line then right down, my heart started poundingas I reached his member, I swallowed hard. I placed itin my hand gently massaged it. My eyes were on his ashis were on mine the whole time. I massaged his member a couple of minutes beforeslowly taking the head into my mouth, mind you it wasmy first time doing all this but with Zandile as

theMastermind I know I was spot on cause shut his eyesclosed. I did that I tasted his precum. I swirled mytongue around the glans while massaging his two kidsand he hissed. I licked his shaft from the bottom up, with smile occupying on my face because of hisreaction, i took all of it in as she shook her hand topave the way for it on through her throat. I placed myhands on his thighs for balance, I made gagging soundsbefore pulling off his shaft, and almost choked on it, my saliva was now mixed with his liquid dripping off inmy chin. Him: MaZulu, shitttHe shot out with his head thrown back as he couldn'ttake it anymore. He felt himself about to come and pulled me up. He threw me on the bed right next to himand He got ontop of me and attacked on my lips whilegrabbing and caressing both her round babies. He left atrail of wet kisses on almost each part of my lowerbody. He got off the bed and pulled her by the legs, spreading my legs widely before diving into myforbidden kingdom as he called itMe: Mangethe haaaaaA moan left my lips, hr sucked on the clit and slowlyreleased it from the grip of his lips. He placed twofingers on it and watched as lubricous and transparent juices just made their way down slowly from my canal. He lapped them all up before sticking his tongue inthere. I wasn't ready for any of that but damn it wasgood. Minutes later I was shaking like I was havingseizureMe: GeeezThe moans just kept on coming, I found

myself holdingthe back of his head The crown of a real and experienced pxssy eater. Him: Yes Mumu?

He responded without even looking at me but at mykingdom. I just continued to moanHe got up and let himself inside my thighs. Hepositioned himself while kissing my neck. Ivwas pantingat these neck kisses as he rubbed the head of his dxckon my clitMe: Ahhh Phak....I didn't even finish that, He just his thing inside meMe: God!!! literally screamed, if the room was not soundproofedI'm sure the neighborhood would have heard. He started thrusting. Very, very slowly. Patiently.Lovingly. I couldn't keep still, this love making wasdifferent. Every thrust was sending a message and leas slowly starting to losing it, my finger dug in his hard yet soft skin. He changed positions after came and laidon his back. He pulled me to sit on the edge of the bed, he bent so he could reach me as he inserted himself yetagain my legs were on his shoulders, he pounded me likenobodies business. He groaned as I moaned, minuteslater I was on my knees with him pounding from behind as he had my hands on him.... After what seemed to bean hour we both collapsed on the bedHim: That was amazing MumuHe kissed the top of my head as I laid on his chest. Me: We got to prepare for our flight said leaving the bed with a duvet covering myself andhe followed. We heard an innocent shower, awoa youguys my kingdom was on fire. After we took a showerwe went downstairsUs:

MorningZandi: You guys are always happy this days is the

sexthat goodNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT TWENTY-SIX THREE MONTHS LATER.NAMHLA.This past three months have been amazing, well I amtraditionally Mrs Zwane. After we came back fromIstanbul dad received a later from the Zwane familyand he was thrilled cause they we're finally showing himsome respect, I now go as I please from Phakamanis' tomy dad's. In terms of dreams, after coming back fromIstanbul I went to MaMkhize's home to tell hereverything I understand and she started speaking inriddles but what thing she assured me is that things re gonna be okay and that the time to tell everyone isnear but I won't even know it, imagine. I have spenttime with Phakamanis' sisters and I must say I reallylove Londeka, she's different from the others. Inother news today is my first rewriting day and I'mexcited, I have been studying for this exams for thepast two months. Me: Dad I'm leaving I shouted as I was already on my way, I was runninglateHim: Okay Ngelosi good luckHe shouted back From his room, Ano was still sleepingsince her schools are done writing I mean it'sDecember. As per my husbands orders I am bannedfrom using taxis, so it's Uber and taxify all the way me. I was dropped at academy's gate and I rushed inside as I was on the rush I bumped into this girl and her booksfellMe: Oh my I'm so sorryHer: It's okay I can see you in a rush where to?She asked as I handed her books overMe: I'm rewriting mathematics

paper 1Her: Oh it's in that hall over, it's only starts in an hourShe said looking at her watchMe: What??Her: You thought you were late?Me: Yeah,geez I'm so relieved...

Her: Well good my name is Zubenathi Ntshangase by the wayShe gave me her hand to shakeMe: I'm Namhla Zulu-ZwaneShe looked so confusedMe: I'm marriedHer: OhhShe laughedMe: You attend hereHer: No, I just came to submit some forms for my dad, he owns this building...Me: Wow okayHer: I really have to go, mind giving me your digitsMe: Of course notWe exchanged digits and she left I headed to the hall. I received a text from the husband saying good luck just before I could switch off my phone, I smiled thenswitched it off. The exam was hell difficult but I'msure I did my best. I got of the exam switched my phone back on and messages came in flowing, Phakamanisaid his waiting at the gate so I went to him. I also gota message from Zubenathi saying she would like tomeet sometimeMe: How did you know I was finished? I asked PK when I found him leaning on his carHim: Well we knew you won't be writing all day so wethought why not surprise youMe: WeHim: Me and our little princessAno got out of the car, news flash Ano now calls Babamiimagine. Ano: Hey maMe: Hey babyl kissed her cheekPK: We going out for lunchMe: You mean breakfast for youHim: come on Mumu Ano laughed, he opened the door for me then for Ano, we drove to the mall.ZUBENATHI.My day was just plain

boring so I decided to go watch amovie alone well I hoped Namhla would join but I guessnot after watching a movie I drove myself homeDad: Mnqobi where is your brother?Aya: Here I am, and I'm not his brother I only have onesibling the other died with my mother 18 years backDad: Ngizomura Ayabongwa engathi uyakhohlwa ukuthiukukhula nobani(I will penal beat you, cause it seemslike you forgetting who you speaking to)Aya: Chill will you, I'm sorryI heard all this as I was passing the lounge, well this issomething I deal with almost every day. My motherpassed on when we were kids, she died while givingbirth to Mnqobi and that made Ayabongwa angry, heblames Mnqobi for mom's death. My Name is Zubenathi

Ntshangase the daughter of Langelihle and LungileNtshangase. My mom passed on while giving birth to mylittle brother Mnqobi and that took a toll on everyone. Iwas two years when she died but I could notice some ofthe things that didn't make sense anymore, like how myaunt was the one taking care of us instead of my mom,how dad suddenly changed from a loving father to adistant father. Anyway I was in my room when I hearda door being slammed I just knew it's Mnqobi. I got outof my room to hisMe: Mnqobi it's meI said knocking, Silence I decided to just let myself inMe: Mnqobi no, not this againHe was cutting his wrist, so I just took the razorHim: Come on ZuzuMe: You can't keep hurting yourself just because ofAyaHim: He hates me, I'm just a reminder of mom's deathMe: No he doesn't hate, his just being childish andwants someone to blame.

Him: And I am to blame, mom died giving birth to me ifshe wasn't pregnant she would still be here. I causedher death...Me: You are not the cause of her death... God had aplan and no one could stop his planHim: It hurts sis, I have never met her vet I was in herwomb.Me: I'm sorry but never blame yourself okayI hugged him so tight.... I love my siblings so much, ithurts to see them like thisNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT TWENTY-SEVEN.NARRATED.It's been a while since Agatha, or should I sayNosiphiwe got some real rest. The sacrifice has beencalled out and it doesn't give her rest. Agatha: John, I can't do this no never...John: But it's been can we cannot run from itAgatha: Don't you think I know that huh? We have tofind a way...John: Well we can always confess NosiphiweThey heard something fall from outside the roomJohn: Ukuzwile loko(Did you hear that)? Agatha: Of course I did... Go checkJohn went out looking at the corridor but saw no oneJohn: There is no oneAgatha: What do you mean we should confess?John: Just that let's confessAgatha: Uyanya, I'm not losing all this after we havegone through to get all of it

John: Then we do the sacrificeAgatha: No, not my grandkids John. Sbongile is alreadyexpecting another child we can't let her experiencethatJohn: Then we can make an offer,Since Sbongile ismarried we can offer Londeka's virgin bloodAgatha: That could work, woza siyoshweleza(let's gomake a plea).They disappeared to the secret room and started theirchantingMaster: Your offer isn't welcomedAgatha: But master the offering...Master: The blood you want to offer isn't pure, that'sdisrespectfulJohn: What do you mean?Master: Just that now it's either you give me thesacrifice or you suffer the consequences. You havebeen warned a couple of times but you chose to dinewith the enemy, and I'm sure you felt that girl'spresence wasn't pleasant but you still welcomed her

Agatha: It was only for easy access masterMaster: You are dismissedHe disappeared, Agatha and John left the room lividJohn: What did he mean that Londeka's blood isn'tpure...Agatha: How the hell should I know??? LondekaShe shouted going straight to Londeka's room and she just barged inAgatha: Londeka usulala nabafana wena(you sleepingwith boys now/ you now having sex)She said aggressively pulling her leg as Londeka wassleepingLondeka: Maaa, what the heck?Agatha: You now having sex huh? Who's the boy yousleeping with? Ngitshele (tell me)?Londeka: What are you talking about?A slap landed on her faceAgatha: Ngubani lomfana olala naye(who's the boy yousleeping with)? Londeka: I'm not sleeping with any b...Another slap followedLondeka: I'm lesbian maAgatha frozeAgatha: What did you say? Utheni, ngazengavelelwaboMntimandeLondeka: Mntimande??Agatha: Voetsak wena...She said leaving the room more livid..NAMHLA.After Phakamanis' proposal we drove home, I mean hisplace he said we had to celebrate.Ano: Mama will I be your flower girl?She's been asking questions since we left the mallMe: Yes baby you will

Her: Awesome, Angela is gonna be so jealousPK laughedHim: You guys are sleeping over right? Ano: Mom we sleeping at Babamis house? Please say yesI really miss my roomMe: Seems like the little miss has decided for us so yesHim: It was nonnegotiable anyway... Remind me why westill leave separately again?I really had no answer for thatHim: We need to talk about that...Me: I knowl know that I have to move in with him but I think I'mscared of leaving my dad alone. We got to his place and guess what his brothers where already there Me: Hey guysl greeted...Them: Makoti/ Sis NThe Makoti came from Lani and Muzi the sis N it's obvious, the attention was actually on Ano. These guysare obsessed about herZee: CongratulationsShe came running to meMe: What are you talking about?Her: Your engagement sillyMe: Oh thanks babe but I'm already marriedI said jokinglyHer: But you it's still the first time you got engagedWe laughed...The day went on, basically we were celebrating theengagement. Everyone left and Ano was asleep

sinceshe was bored.PK: Mumu?Me: MangetheHim: Why are we still leaving separately?I was not facing him since I was doing the dishesMe: Uhmm maybe because you never asked me too

Him: But I thought me paying Lobola was me asking...I sighed and turned to look at him while placing myhands on the sinkMe: I know, it's just I have separated from my dad.It's kinda worries me to leave him aloneHe sighed too and cupped my faceHim: I understand Mumu but I also need you hereMe: I will talk to dad tomorrow...Just before I could finish my sentence, I felt the urgeto vomit then I ran to the nearest bathroom.PHAKAMANI.Namhla just left me standing there and ran to thenearest bathroom, I followed concernedMe: Mumu Uright(you okay)?Her: I don't know what's going it's the third time thishappens...

Me: Then we have to go see a doctor?Her: It's probably nothing, maybe it's because Ihaven't been really eating well.Me: Or it could be food poisoning...Her: Now you exaggerating MangetheMe: It's your health so I have to...I said pulling her for a kissHer: What are you doing?Me: Kissing my wifeHer: Who just vomitedMe: Well, marriage is a better for worse kinda thingShe giggled, we got out of the bathroom and we went toour bedroom... Namhla let his dad know that theyspending the night here.NAMHLA.Morning came and I had a very unpleasant way of waking up. I had this urge to vomit again.Voice: Vomiting againIt was PK leaning to door frame, I just nodded notfeeling like talkingHim: That's it then we going to the doctor todayMe: I have an exam in two hours Mangethe.Him: But you gonna finish writing...Me: I guess sol took a shower and got ready for my day.Him: You taking a cab?...Me: YesI wasn't really in a mood to talk really...Him: You should learn to drive soon, we have two unusedcars so you can take oneMe: Well for now I have an Uber to catchI kissed his cheekMe: Kiss Ano for me

I left after that, my phone had a missed call fromZubenathi, I'm sure girl thinks I don't wanna befriends. I made it a mental note to call after I finishwriting. Did I mention I had a dream of PKs mom placinga baby in my arms..ZUBENATHINAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT TWERTY-EIGHT.NAMHLA.I am on my way home I mean my dad's house cause Ineed to discuss with him the moving issue. Phakamanisaid he still wants to spend time with Ano so he will bring her later on. I got home and found him in theshopsMe: BabamiHim: Ngelosi you are back, how the paper?Me: It was okay I'm just glad I'm writing my last onetomorrow.Him: I'm proud of you Ngelosi yamI smiled nervously knowing that I'm about to break hisheart, I watched as he packed his stockMe: BabamiI said clearing my throatHim: Yes NgelosiHe continued packing his stockMe: Can we talk?Him: Of course, is everything okay?Only then I got his attentionMe: Uhmm Phakamani.. well we were wondering when canI move in him...

I said looking downHim: And?Me: Well I wanted to first ask permission from you, Imean I know you still need me...I said so fast I even couldn't hear myselfHim: Easy Minenhle slow downI breathe outHim: Ngelosi yam, I'm a father to a beautiful daughter.It's a father's misfortune to always have to acceptthat at a certain age his little is gonna leave andbecome somebody's wife. I completely understand and you don't need permission from me to do your wifelyduties.Me: I...I couldn't finish my sentence tears just rolled and dad just hugged meMe: Thank you fatherHim: You welcome my angel, speaking of angels where ismy grandkid?

Me: Phakamani said he will bring her later onl looked at the timeMe: Shucks, Babami I have to go meet up with a friendl kissed his cheek then left, my phone rang as I aboutto catch a taxiZuu: Babe where you at? Do you need me to fetch you?Me: Sure I will send you the locationOh saves me the Time plus Phakamani would flip hearingI took a taxi. Minutes later she arrived in her miniCooperMe: Nice carl said entering and closing the doorHer: thanks babe... So where too?Me: We can go to the mall, I could use some shoppingHer: Aw lady after my heartMe: So Tell me about Zubenathi?Her: Wuu I feel like I'm on a first dateWe laughed Her: I am Zubenathi as you already know, got twobrothers an older one and a younger one, was raised by a single dad cause mom died while giving birth to my younger.brother... Oh I'm 20And she has a car, talking about nice life problemsMe: Wow that's hecticHer: And you?Me: Where do I begin?Her: At the beginningWe laughedMe: Well I'm Namhla, I'm 22 years, the only daughter of Thulani Zulu. I have 7 years old daughter too, andI'm married...Her: Damn girl I was sure that we the same age...We got to the mall and we did some shopping whileconversing, it felt like I was young really withoutproblems which are the dreams. After a whole lot of shopping we resorted to mugg abd bean for brunch. ZUBENATHI. Being with Namhla is so refreshing and I can feel thatI'm a 20 year old. We are now at Wimpy getting aretummies fed. Me: So how come you married?Her: Huu That's a story for another day...Me: Arranged?Her: No way my dad won't...Before she could finish her sentence, she started closing her eyes and opening them again like was in somekind of painMe: Namhla babe... Are you okay? I asked running to her side, holding her arm andrubbing her backHer: Your mother is not at peaceMe: Huh??

I let go of herHer: She needs peace... Your brothers... You gotta bringpeace to them so she can have peace.How did she know about my brothers beef.... After shesaid that she closed her eyes while holding her head asif it's painfulMe: Can we please get a glass of water?The waiter came running with the water, she gulped onitHer: What Happened?What? she doesn't rememberMe: You don't remember what you just said?Her: Did I say something?Me: Yeah you were talking about something so personalabout me and I never you about, you said my momwasn't at peace don't you don't remember?Her: No... Wait Really?Me: YesHer: This is getting too much, it felt like... Listen I have to go...She took her bag and ran out.NAMHLA.I can't believe that happened, to mean it felt like I wasin a whole new place. I took a taxi to MaMkhize's gotthere knocked and Asiphe openedHer: Sis Namhla hi...She said with a smileMe: Hey Siphe, is your mom in?Her: Yeah sure come on in...I got in found MaMkhize sipping on her coffeeHer: I was expecting youI took a seatMe: Ma something very strange is happened...Her: And it was the not the last time, as long he is inthere you gonna see things

Me: What? What are you talking who is in where?She smiled and came to touch my tummyHer: You carrying a gifted soulMe: What?Her: You pregnant hence the vomiting, for someonewho's been pregnant you so slowMe: Oh myl said touching my stomach, how can I be so careless yet again.Me: I'm pregnantI said still holding my tummyHer: You are...Me: That means my baby is in danger ma, Nosiphiwe...The sacrificeHer: You got to protect him, and trust me he willprotect you too.. it's not gonna an easy road but you gotto have faith pray harder... They know you know, theyworking to stop you....Okay this is getting too much

Her: Hang in there okayMe: Ma...Her: We all have purposes my girl, yours is being strongfor the others...Me: I have to gol took my bag and left walked to the nearest phamacyto buy a pregnancy test after that I walked to thetaxis not caring whether they snitch on me or not, I gotto a taxi home, my mind was far away. I was thinking ofways to protect my baby. How come didn't I notice that I'm pregnant, I just remembered that I last saw myperiods on the fifteenth of October. I got home founddad still at the shop, I just passed it went straight thehouse drank lots of water then lied on the bed, minutesI felt the urge to pee I quickly got off the searchedfor pregnancy test in my bag.Me: Gotchal ran to the bathroom, locked and did the test, it reallycame back negative and it's already 12 weeks. Me: Great, another evidence that I'm having sex again... I touched my stomach, I really didn't know whether tobe Happy or sad.PHAKAMANI.I had fun with my little princess but it was time for usto part. I am parked at gate, pecks of paying Lobola. We both got out and I opened the gate for her then Ifollowed behind. Ano: MamaShe shouted running to the house, Namhla opened thedoorHer: Hey babyHer eyes were puffy like she was cryingMe: Nana get inside...She walked passed NamhlaMe: Mumu are you okay? Have you been crying?

Do you think she answered me cause she just passed megoing straight to the car, I followedMe: Mumu what's going on?She took out something out of jacket, and handed it tomeMe: And this?Her: I'm pregnantMe: Huh?Only then I took a closer look of what she gave me itwas a pregnancy testMe: Wow, so I'm gonna be a father?I said excitedlyHer: YeahShe said in a Lowest toneMe: Why does it seem like you not happy?Her: He leaves his sperms inside me, a visible evidenceof having sex then he thinks I have to be happy...Me: Huh??

Her: Phakamani I have just started school, which is onestep at achieving my dreams.Me: I get that Mumu but please don't considerabortion...Her: What? I am not getting rid of my baby even if Iwas begged... I am just mad at you for making mepregnant without even asking meWhat? How did I know that we were gonna get it on inIstanbul.Me: That's because I didn't plan to Mumu...Her: Mxm...Me: It says here you are 12 weeks pregnant, which itwas on our first days maybelt must be the next morning cause I don't rememberus using protection..NARRATED.Agatha: John I have a plan?

John: What plan now KaMadonsela?Agatha: To make a more reasonable sacrifice, not mygrandkids... You see that little skank is pregnant, andthe master said the baby is powerful. That meanssacrificing him will be a great deal for usJohn: How the hell do you plan on doing that?Agatha: Leave all that to meShe gave him a wicked smileNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT TWENTY-NINE.NAMHLA.It's been two weeks since I found out that I'mpregnant and had my last paper, now anxiously waitingfor the results. Today it's the 16th of December andwe going to Phakamanis' family house, which is

Nosiphiwe's or Agatha's house. Well me and Ano havemoved in with PK and it's been wonderful but thenthere is this issue of me having to deal with Agatha.Me: Mangethe do we really have to be in that party...Him: Yes Mumu we do...Me: Ah that's a bummer, was hoping that maybe (Isaid seductively taking my gown) we (I pushing him tothe bed) could spend (I put my leg over to him)...maybe the day herdI attacked him with a kiss but a slow passionate oneHim: Mumu you very naughty you know that, but asmuch as this sounds so tempting we still need to goMe: Arg fineI said getting off him causing him to laughHim: I love you too sthandwa SamiMe: Okay... Since you are insisting that you wanna gothat means you ready to reconcile with NhlamuloHim: Not this again...He said attempting to leave the room

Me: Yes we are having this conversation again, you claimto have healed from the past but you still don't wannaforgiveHim: MumuMe: No Mangethe, it's day of reconciliation so why notreunite with your brother so that the new year canreally be a new year. The poor guy has been trying toout without Vail.Him: Fine I will talk to himMe: GoodI said heading to the showerHim: Now can I join you?Me: No you wait till I'm done angithi you wanna leaveand go outHim: But babe look what you didHe said pointing to his visible erectionMe: I love you tooI took a shower after it I went downstairs to makesomething to eat, while Phakamani was taking a shower

Ano: Mama when are visiting Khulu?Me: Tomorrow my love...Her: AwesomeShe said excitedly, my phone beeped and it Zubenathiinviting for dinner on Saturday since today is Thursdayand she was wishing me and my family a greatreconciliation day, I replied confirming that I will bethere.Finally it was time for to go the witch's house.Me: Can we pray first?Him: That's a first but okayAgatha always acts so loving and caring in front ofpeople but I know that she's just hiding the fact thatshe's the Reason behind these guys pain. I startedpraying then after I said amen we left.When we got there The others were already there,basically we were the last ones to arriveLondeka: Sis Namhla you here, it's good to see youMe: It's good to see you too my baby, how are you?

Her: I'm good and you?Me: I'm good?Me: So how is the girlfriend?She blushedHer: She is good...I greeted everyone hugging them, when it was time forme to greet the queen of the house I didn't knowwhether to hug her or shake her hand, I just resortedto a hand shake which was super awkward cause she just barely touched my fingers and let go as fast as shecould.Phumlani: Makoti you look beautiful as alwaysMe: Thank you Bhuti Sbaril said jokinglyMzwa: Is there such a thing??He said laughing, I just shruggled my shoulders smilingPhumlani: I wonderZandi: Babe, it's been a minute...

We huggedMe: Angithi awusangithandi(that's because you nolonger love me)Her: You know that's not true, I just have been so busyat the firmMe: I know my lovePK: Hey I thought I was the love...He said coming back from greeting his uncle, who wasreally avoiding me.Phakamani: Nhlamulo can we talk??I heard him say suddenly, I don't even know where wasNhlamulo cause I was busy conversing with Zandile.Me: Let's go sleep in the kitchen...Her: We gonna do no such a thing, well I am I won't if you wanna help you go ahead sesi. I won't play theperfect Makoti to that monster in lawMe: Zandi!!Her: Yini if ufuna ukudlala Umakoti go ahead (what? If you wanna play Makoti)

I didn't wanna go but I am a makoti like it or not, Istood up went to the kitchen asked if there is anythingI could help with Sbongile said I could peel somepotatoes and I did that. Sbongile is married but youwould swear she's not cause she's forever at hermom's house. I haven't seen Muzi and Thuli maybe theyon their way.. Ano was playing with the

kids....PHAKAMANI.Namhla and Ano have finally moved in with

me, and it'samazing. After she got mad at me for knocking her outwe booked a doctor's appointment, and everything wasokay it's still is but I'm not at ease. Today we having afamily dinner, you can call it a party it's actuallytradition that we kept going just so we could have thatbound, in the years that dad was still healthy it wasalways amazing but now it seems like we just doing itfor just nje. We chatting with Phumlani and Mzwa, Isaw Nhlamulo walk in with AyandaMe: Gents ngiyabuya manje(I'm coming now now)

I stood up went themMe: Nhlamulo can we talk?We were past the greeting whatsoever aiiHim: Sure....We moved away from the crowd, head to dad's studywhich now Mom'sMe: Ngilalele(I'm listening)Him: Huh?Me: You always wanted a chance to "explain" this is itHim: Oh... I.. I... Well I also don't know what happenedthat day...Me: OhHim: Ngempela (really) Bhuti, one moment I was havinga glass of whiskey then the next it was whatever thatwas happening...Me: Do you really expect Me to believe thatHim: Yes cause it's the truth...Me: Mxm.. you think I'm stupid huh?

Him: No Bhuti, I know you not.. yes I ended up marryingher but it was because she was pregnant and mom toldme too or she won't provideNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT THIRTY.NAMHLA.When we got inside the house, PK put Ano in bed and llocked up then went up.Him: I'm listeningMe: What are you listening?Him: What are you so angry about? What danger couldour unborn be in?

Me: I told I wanted you to talk to me first and youknow that not everyone cherish your happiness with youand people tend to practice witchcraftHim: So you mean to tell me that someone in MY familycan bewitch us just out of spiteMe: ExactlyHim: Wow...He took a pillow and went to sleep in the couchMe: Mangethe what are you doing?Him: Sleeping, Goodnight Namhla...Wow okay, then I have to break all the news to him,how the hell will he believe me.Morning came and I woke to my lonely bed, PK wasn't inthe couch so I thought he went jogging.I went downstairs to make breakfast after washing myface, minutes later he got inHim: HiThen he opened the fridge for some bottled waterMe: Morning...

Silence, silence and silenceMe: MangetheSilenceMe: I'm sorry about what I said, I didn't mean the wayit soundedHim: OkayMe: Please forgive meHim: OkayYhooMe: Ano and I are going to visit my dad later on, andZubenathi asked me to join her family for dinner so..Him: I would be spending the day with my brothersOkay, Namhla shut up.NKANYEZI.After separating the beautiful Zubenathi I walked tomy car where my friends were

Musa: You have been gone for decadesMe: Fuseg wena says who??Him: Says me duhhHe said rolling his eyesMe: Dude

that's so gayishHim: Maybe I am, plus I have had my eyes on you since the day we met my love Me: Aii Voetsak marnSphiwo: We might think his playing but the heart wantswhat it wants..He said laughingMusa: Aii wena I'm not a moffieSphiwo: If you say soMe: Well I'm very much straight ngithanda ingquzamina mfethu ayi imbobo yokuhuda(I love pu**y bra nota hole for pooping) I said hitting the engine.. you must be wondering who Iam well I am Nkanyezi Luthuli aged 25, I am the son of Nomfundo Jacobs and Brian Luthuli, well as you can see they are not married but that's not important. Thedrive to Alberton was long cause I was bit tired, wecoming from a great party in Heidelberg...Musa: I'm crashing at your place tonight heard him but I didn't hear him, I mean my mind wasoccupied with Zubenathi, I know I saw her for a secondbut she's beautiful.Musa: Ngikhuluma nawe NK(I'm talking to you NK)Me: What?Him: I said I'm crushing at your place tonightMe: Oh okay akunajaivi(there is no problem) as long as you will stay away from my buttsLaugher escalatedFinally we got to my flat well after dropping Sphiwooff.Me: You take the couch ain't giving up my bedMusa: It's cooll went to my room took a shower then got into my PJs.I browsed through Facebook checking highlights, then it me that Zubenathi told me her surname too so Isearched her...Me: FinallyI said after about 10 minutes of searching, I looked ather beautiful pictures... My phone rang as scrollingthroughNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT

THIRTY-ONE.ZUBENATHI.The day went on pretty fast and it was now dinner time.The door bell rangMe: Aya you behave yourselfI said going to open the door for Namhla cause I knew it was her.Me: Babe, how are you?... Please come on inHer: I'm okay and you babe...We hugged after she got inside the houseMe: N meet my dad Langelihle, my little brother Mnqobiand that is Ayabongwa the first born... Everyone thismy friend Namhla Zulu-ZwaneShe greeted everyone and when Aya Shaked her handit lasted longer than expected because of my idioticbroHim: It's pleasure to meet you MaZuluMe: AyaHim: Huh?He said not letting Namhla's hand go, my poor friendwas so uncomfortableMe: You can let go of her hand nowHim: Ohhhh sorryNamhla: It's okay

She said smilingDad: Siyakwamukela kwaNtshangase khululeka njeMaZulu (We welcome you in the Ntshangase householdfeel free MaZulu)Her: Ngiyabonga baba(Thank you)Me: Dinner is ready, we can all be seatedThey all came to the table and we sat down.Aya: So you really Zuzu's friend??Her: Yes I amMe: Yes she is, she is my so married friendHim: I heard that beforeHe said boredDad: Ain't you too young to be married?Me: Dad!!Her: No it's okay, I think I am but It something I hasto do babaDad noddedHer: Mnqobi I hear you in matric... What subject do you do?Mnqobi: Physical science and pure mathsHer: Way to goShe said offering him a high fiveWhich Mnqobi gladly responded too while smiling, it wasgood to see smile.Her: You...Before she said anything else she started holding herhead like she's in painMe: Babe are you okay?Her: Yes I amAya: Are you sure?She nodded but her nod was cut by a scream and it wasvisible to me that what happened that day washappening again cause she closed her eyes and openedthem againHer: You need to let go of the anger...She said looking at Aya

Her: Your mother is not at peace..Aya: Aii yini manje Zubenathi, why ungazange ushoukuthi umngani wakho uno1 (what now Zubenathi? Whydidn't you say that your friend is crazy)Me: She's not crazy, she just seems things...We were whisperingHer: Ulaka lwakho ulibhekise kumuntu owrong(You haveplaced your anger in the wrong person)... Your motherwasn't killed by anyone, she had served her purpose....Him: Why is she busy talking about my mother as if sheknows her...Dad: Shut up AyabongwaHe said angrilyHer: There is no peace in this house... Your wife isdisappointed in you Baba, she is disappointed in the way you have let this go as if you also believe that you littleboy is to blame...My dad looked down not knowing what to say, I went tothe kitchen to fetch her some water since she startedsaying things we didn't understand

Me: Have some waterI said helping drink some water, but it became worseHer: Phakamani... Phakamani...She kept calling her husband's name.Aya: Who is Phakamani now?Me: Her husbandI think I saw him rolling his eyesMe: you want me to call himShe didn't say anything but kept calling his name, untilshe passed out. I took a wet cloth and placed it on herforeheadDad: I'm going to bedHe left us thereMnqobi/Aya: Is she Okay?Me: I think so!!!Minutes later she finally woke upHer: Oww ouch She held her head Me: FinallyHer: What happened?Me: Uhmm you passed outHer: ReallyMe: Yeah...Aya: You got us worried there for a second...Her: I'm sorry...Me: I'm just glad you okayShe looked at her watchHer: I gotta get homeMe: Sure I will drive...Aya: I will drive youMe: No I will...Aya: No dad said you can't drive at night rememberMe: But she's my friend not yours...Aya: I'm allowed to drive anytime and you not

Me: Mxm, Is it okay Babe?Her: Yeah it's coolShe took her jacket and bag, and bid farewell toMnqobi.Her: It was good seeing you babe, I'm sorry I didn'tfinish the food but it was amazingMe: It's okay my love, be safe okayHer: I'm sure your brother will make sure of thatShe said laughing...Me: Mxm don't tell me about that one...She left after that I sighed, does dad blame Mnqobitoo seriously....PHAKAMANI.Phumlani: An't you going homeMe: Well I will just not now...

NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT THIRTY-ONE

(P2).ZUBENATHI.Things have been a bit sour this past two days. Mnqobidemands to know whether Namhla was telling the truthMnqobi: Is it true dad do you also blame?Dad: What? No...Mnqobi: Why would sis Namhla say all things, I'm sureas hell that Zuzu didn't say anything toHis tone wasn't pleasantDad: Don't raise your voice at me NsizwaMnqobi: Ngiyaxolisa kodwa ngidinga ukwazi iqiniso (iapologize but I need to know the truth), Do you blameme?

Dad: I BLAME MYSELFHe yelledDad: Your mother didn't want to have another child butl insisted okay so I blame myselfMnqobi: AND I AM THE CHILD YOU INSISTEDRIGHT?Dad: MNQOBI STOP IT...They were both shouting at each otherMe: Can You Just Shut It... The both of you assembliefThey both looked at me and Mnqobi ran to his roomMe: Really BabaHim: Don't Nkosazana...He gave a hand, I just went upstairs to check onMnqobi. I got to his room and knocked but he didn'trespond.Me: Mnqobi can I come in?SilenceMe: Mnqobi...

Silence, I just got in and there he was lying in his bedand a bottle of pills next to himMe: No no no Mnqobi, Baba... Mnqobi what did you do?I screamed as tears made their way out he camerushing followed by AyaAya: What the hell? Mnqobi ..He rushed to himMe: Move away from him, this is your faultI said through my tearsMe: Dad don't just stand there do something...Aya: Zuzu we gotta try draining the pills ourselves firstHe said rushing to the jug with water and made himdrink them since he still had a pulse then carried him tothe bathroom and slapped his back so he could vomitthe pills. When Mnqobi started coughing Aya carriedhim to car, dad drove us to hospitalMe: How could you do this to me Mnqobi?I brushed his headAya: His gonna be fine

Me: This all your fault...We got to hospital and Mnqobi was attended toLater on the doctor came to notify us that the pillswere successfully drained out of his system and that hewill have to stay over night.Me: Can we see him?Doc: He needs to rest so I suggest you guys go homeand rest tool noddedWe drove back home in silence. When we got there Iput my phone on the kitchen counter sat on in highchair trying to digest what just happened..NARRATED.Zubenathi forgot her phone on the kitchen counter, andwent to her room. Aya got in and noticed it and took itwith him upstairs on his way he got a thought he openedit went to contacts and searched for Namhla's digits,

After that he went to knock on Zubenathi's doorAya: Can I come in?Zuzu: Leave me alone Ayabongwa...Aya: You forgot your phone downstairs sis, I'm here togive it toZuzu sighed and went to openZuzu: Thank youShe said snatching it from his hand and tried to closethe door but Aya put his feetAya: I'm sorryZuzu: You apologizing to the wrong person.She going back to her bed and Aya got inAya: And I will apologize to him too but for now youhereZuzu: Apology accepted now leave my room.Aya: Sis, I'm sorry hle... I know I was a jerk. I know itwasn't his fault, i don't know maybe it was my way ofgrieving

Zuzu: Way of grieving? Have you ever took a second tothink how Mnqobi was suffering huh? I mean you wereprivileged enough to see her, to feel her touch and hedidn't. He only knows her from how we describe herand her pics Don't you think that is torture for him?Aya: I know that...Zuzu: No You don't cause you an ass Phuma enkamerenlam Ayabongwa (get out of my room)Aya sighed and got out....NAMHLA.I received a text from a number I don't know I don'tknow and also one from Zubenathi telling me thatMnqobi was in hospital he overdoze on pillsNumber: You not gonna greet me backIt was another text on WhatsApp, I saved it out ofcuriousity and viewed the profile picture and it was AyaMe: Aya hi

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the end then his head hit the corner of a stair, he just laid there on his pool of bloodAgatha ran down the stairs while in tears.Agatha: See what you made me doShe touched his wrist to feel his pulse but there wasnoneAgatha ran upstairs to fetch her phone, while in tearsshe dialed a certain numberAgatha: Get here now...She hung up after that, a knock came through the door.She rushedSpina: Sengikhona Ndlovukazi(I'm here)Agatha: We don't have much time, I need you to helpme get rid of this right nowSpina: Ndlovukazi uyacava ukuthi ngisebenza kanjanimocAgatha: Nkanyiso there is no time for games right now,my daughter is on her way from and she can't see thisI promise I will pay you back every cent after

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Me: Until I get the courage to face her...Him: It's been a month already ndodaMe: Your point?Him: The poor girl has been receiving nothing butflowers from a "stranger" you should stop acting like apussy and show her who the flowers come from.Me: I don't know man, maybe it's best to leave her inpeace. Mom has met MandyYes she did and she liked her.Him: So? Don't tell me you date to please I oleydi lakhomanje(your mom/ old lady now)Me: Of course not but what if things don't work outbetween us, what if she rejects meHim: Then you take it as a man dude...He started laughingMe: What's so funny?Him: Just that I never thought I will see the day where you a whole you being afraid to ask a girl outMe: Mxm you an idiot I threw a pillow at himHim: Show yourself dudeMy phone disturbed me from responding and it was mymomMe: MamaHer: Hey baby How are you?Me: Mama I'm not a baby anymore...Her: But you are my baby wena Nkanyezi don't getsmart with... So how is my daughter in law?See what I meant... I'm sure she's already planning ourwedding dayMe: She's fine maHer: When are visiting me wena ngane(child)?Me: I'm coming tomorrow mamaHer: Good cause I miss you and your uncle misses youtooMe: Well I will see you guys tomorrow, I have to go nowbye

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Ifound myself smiling thinking of Nkanyezi.Him: Who is it from?Me: None of your business big brol took everything the box, the Lays and the card headupstair, got to my room and immediately called Namhlathen Zandi for a conference call, well I met Zandithrough Namhla and she's so coolMe: I think I know who my admirer is?I said just after Zandi picked upZandi: Who???She asked loudly being herselfNamhla: Talk ntomboShe said laughingMe: NkanyeziThem: No way?Zandi: What? What happened? Has he contacted you yet?

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injected me with something and I became unconscious.NARRATED.Everyone was surprised about what just happened,Phakamani just walked to his room. Agatha smiled asEverything played out as she wanted toHer: And checkmateShe picked her phone up and dialed a numberHer: Hijack that ambulance... Don't hurt the girl justtake her somewhere...Spina: Yizo boss ladyThey hung up after that....ZUBENATHI.Me: Where did you know where I live?Him: i asked a friend to find out, honestly I had been

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I put my bag on table near the door and made my wayto kitchenHer: You home finally my baby oh i missed youShe hugging me and pinching my cheekMe: Ma I'm not a kid anymore, you can do that to JJThat would be my eleven years old brotherHer: Don't test me NkanyeziMe: How am I testing you?Her: You know you will also be a baby to me even if youhundred years oldMe: I know but you should stop doing all this weirdthings to me they kill my VibeHer: Nyil my nywab se foot marnI laughed taking my bag upstairsHer: Your uncle will be here in a minute together with your fatherMe: Okayl went upstairs, my real father I call him dad and James is Father. I got to my room put my bag on top of the bed and went to shower after showering I gotdressed for my date with Zubenathi, I went backdownstairs but that's because I'm heading outMe: Hey guys by guys said as I found my uncle and James in the loungeUncle: Hey hang on when did you get here?Me: 30 minutes agoJames: Yet you already heading outMe: I will see you guys when I get back I really have togoUncle Vumani: Uya esketini ke wena ujahe so(You goingto

a girl that's why you so in hurry)I just laughed and left, an hour later I was parked fewhouses away from Zubenathi's house, I had asked myfriend to make a delivery when I left the house so Isaw a delivery guy going inside her yard... After a fewminutes he got out which meant Zubenathi was to followat any moment. Minutes later she appeared lookingaround and I waved my hand at her to show her that's me..ZUBENATHI.Me: The note said lunch and it's way past lunch now,what if his not comingNamhla: Don't be silly, his coming it's still early hauZandile: Drink a chill pill babe his coming...Just after she said, well we were on a conference videocall, a knock came throughMe: There is a knock on the doorZee: Go checkMe: Don't hung up you guysI went to open the door and found a delivery guyMe: Hi, I said looking aroundHim: Hey, Miss Z NtshangaseMe: That's me

Him: Please sign here for mel signed and he left, it was another bunch of flowers. Iopened the card...Me: He's here he'sI screamed I heard my bitvhes laugh, I went back tomy laptopZee: We told you his comingMe: How do I look?I said busy fixing myself Infront of the laptop, theylaughedZee: Uyababa girl(you hot)Namhla: You know you beautiful my love now go beforehe thinks you not coming out and leaveMe: Yho bye guys... I love you mcwwaWe hung up after that... I took my bag and went out. Ilooked around searching for him and I saw him wave atme, I walked towards himMe: Hil greeted when I reached him

Him: Hey, you look beautifulMe: Thank you , you not bad yourselfHim: Shall weMe: Yeah sureHe opened the passenger door for me then jogged tohis side got inHim: I can't believe you agreed, what If I was a serialkiller?Me: I knew it was youHe chuckledHim: How?Me: The laysHim: I'm sorry my approach was a bit creepyNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFE

INSERT THIRTY-FIVE.PHAKAMANI.Mzwa: Phakamani needs come out his room, we have totalk about what happened with sis NMe: We have a lot of things to do, our uncle is dead andwaiting to be buried, any other shit that has happenedwill dealt with after. IMom: I'm going to sort out catering for tomorrowMe: Ma, can we talk?Her: Not now baby I'm in a hurry, will talk when I comebackShe smiled and leftPhumlani: uRyt ndoda(Are you okay man)?Me: Yeah I'm fineHim: Really?.Me: Phumlani Zwane ngithe ngilungile manje ongigexa

sketi(I said I'm fine now leave me alone)I took my glass of whiskey went to my roomI don't know how I am, I just sent my pregnant wifewho has turned aggressively crazy in a looney bin and Idon't know whether my mother will ever forgive her.NAMHLA.I woke up in a very dark room, the first thing I did wasto touch my tummy. I felt a sense of relief since it wasstill there.Me: NurseI shouted, the door opened and a man got inHim: Uyarasa (you making noiseHe turned on the light, there is no way in hell this is ahospital.Me: Where am I?Voice: You in a lions den That was definitely that witchMe: YouHer: Yes darling meMe: What do you want from me?She laughedHer: Well for one I want you to shut up, two I wantthat thing you carryingMe: You witch, you promised that master of yours mybabyHer: You are smart after allMe: Do you think Phakamani won't notice that I'm notat the hospital?Her: Are you talking about the same Phakamani thatthinks you have gone crazy. The same that didn'tbelieve you when you said I wasn't his mother...Me: Nosiphiwe please... I need to drink my vitamins..She laughedHer: Vitamins?? You mean the pills I have been feeding you.

Me: What are you talking about?Her: Well darling, how do you explain your certainchanges of behaviour. You think it's just "hormones".No darling I knew who you were right from the startthat were bringing me problems so I had to act...Me: You witchI said charging to her since she was far from me, guesswhat she quickly got out.I must have fallen asleep cause i was woken up by a loudbang of the door openingGuy: Dinner is served...He said putting a tray of food in front of meMe: I'm not hungryHim: Yes I'm sure you not but the cargo you carrying ishungryMy stomach started growlingHim: See I told youI started taking small bites, this creepy fucker was just watching me Him: You beautifulMe: Thanks...He moved next to me and tried brushing my cheekMe: What the hell?Him: Feisty tooHe brought his face close to mine, he actually tried tokiss me...Me: Dude what's up?I said pushing him but he came with full force pinningme to the bed, this can't be actually happening, am Igetting raped?Me: Please don't...I said in a shaky voice...Him: Don't worry I won't do something you are notused to He was right on top of me I couldn't move, heunbuckled his belt and took out very much blackuncircumcised ugly thing and pulled my skirt, well I wasa skirt because of the funeral. Tears steamed out but I had no voice to scream, I started saying a very silentprayer. Voice: What the hell do you think you doing? He quickly got of meHim: Spina Joe...He didn't finish his sentence I heard a gunshot andfell, the Spina guy came closer to him hit with two morebullets I think. I was a wailing mess and my eyes were closed, it became silent and I opened my eyes only tobe met by a lifeless body in a pool of bloodMe: God why did you allow me to be kidnapped? I started wailing over again, four guys got in twowrapped the body and took it out, one startedcleaning...Spina: Ugrand?He asked as if gives a two shits about me, I justnodded.Cuddling myself, the food was scattered on the floor.

ZUBENATHI.Me: I can't believe she actually slapped herZandi: Trust me that I believe cause I also have beenwanting to do it, what I don't believe is Phakamanis'reaction, to send her in a loony bin was just plainextreme. I know that Namhla hasn't been herself thisdays but that doesn't mean she's crazy.Me: Yhoo babe, so when are we going to see her?Her: I don't know babe, I'm a bit swamped because ofthe funeral tomorrow and work but we have to go seeher soon, she needs our support..Me: Yeah you right... She has been so supportive, I oweher so muchWell we were on a call, I had called to give them updateon my date but Zandi dropped a bombshell on me...Her: Any way how was your date with the mysteriousNkanyezi?She said excitedly so, knowing her I just know shemaking dramatic faces

Me: Well, it was perfect my friend... Nkanyezi is sosweetHer: Did you perhaps do something interesting?I know what she meansMe; What no Zee but we definitely kissed...I said blushingHer: Uuhh at least that's something.... Is he a goodkisser?Me: His goood my friend, the way he took control on itwas such a turn onShe laughed so hardHer: Wuu usemathandweni my love(you in love)I blushed...Her: Babe I have to go we will talk...Me: Okay my loveWe hung up...Me: Poor Namhlal said sighing Voice: What's wrong with Namhla?Me: Geez dude do you ever knock?Aya: No now what's wrong with Namhla?Me: Nothing you should worry yourself about...Him: Come on Zuzu...Me: No Ayabongwa, You promised to stay away fromherHim: And I am, I'm just asking...Me: Okay.. and I answered you.Well my brother here wanted Namhla and Namhla toldhim off, and she also told me to tell him to back off..NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFE

INSERT THIRTY-SIX.NARRATED.It's been week since the funeral took place, and sinceAgatha took Namhla. Zandile and Zubenathi just left tovisit her in hospitalZandi: So how are things between you and bae?Zubenathi: Oh friend they are just awesome. I reallymiss him you knowZandile: But he has only been gone for three daysZubenathi: I know but I really miss himZubenathi's phone rang and it was NkanyeziZubenathi: Speak of an Angel... Hey babeZandi: Last time I checked it was of the devilMeanwhile Phumlani is at Phakamanis' place trying totalk some sense into his stubborn mind and heart. Phumlani: The funeral passed a week ago Phakamani, you gotta go check up on your wife. Zibuke (look at yourself)Phakamani: Phuma Kimi Phumlani(leave me alonePhumlani) "look at yourself" For what? How are I am?Phumlani: You a mess Bafo, You drink a lot...Phumlani phone rang before he could finish his sentencePhumlani: MamaZandile: Babe, we are in the psychiatric hospital wereNamhla is supposed to be but she is not herePhumlani: What do you mean she's not thereZandile: Maybe we at the wrong place, please askPhakamani for me, just to be sure...She hung up after that...Phakamani: Is everything okay?Phumlani: Which hospital did you call for Namhla?Phakamani: The Joburg Psychiatric Hospital, Mzizi isthe Superintendent there... Why do you ask? What'sgoing on?Phumlani: Well Zandile and Zubenathi are there and.

Namhla is not there...Phakamani: What do you mean she's not there? Did sheescape? Where is she?Phumlani: I didn't ask...Phakamani: Then call her back and find outPhumlani took his phone and dialed Zandiles' numberZandile: BabePhumlani: Mama... Are you sure you in The JoburgPsychiatric Hospital?Zandile: Yes love, and they said they never had suchpatient. Well there was a booking but she never cameso they thought everything was in checkPhumlani: What?Phakamani: What is it? What is she saying?Phumlani: Sthandwa Sami we will talk...Phakamani: What's going on Phumlani?He asked already panicking cause he could see it wasn'tgood from Phumlani's face.

Phakamani: Phumlani???Phumlani: Namhla never reached the hospital....Phakamani: What?Phumlani: The receptionist told them that she wasnever there...Phakamani: WHAT? Phumlani Tell me you joking?Phumlani: I wish I was Bafo, You do realise what thatmeans?Phakamani: OF COURSE I DO... SHE MIGHT BE INDANGER AND IT'S ALL MY FAULTPhumlani: Don't shout at me I'm not Ano or the littlechamp that's coming...Phakamani: What have I done? Phumlani??He said sinking down on the floor.Phumlani: We got to go to the hospital and find outwhat happened to the doctor and the paramedics....NAMHLA I have been in this hell hole for a week now and Ihaven't slept through out. I have been seeing thatguy's lifeless body and him on top of me. Ever prayedand felt like your prayer isn't going anywhere. The dooropened and Spina, he has been serving me himself sincethe almost rape thing.Him: Good morningMe: What's good about when I'm still stuck in here...Spina: It's good because you still alive. Here is yourfoodI swallowed hardMe: ThanksI started eatingMe: Tomorrow is my doctor's appointment...Him: So??Me: Can I at least go there, you can take me just see ifI behave...Him; Nice try ain't gonna happen...

I sighedMe: Please just let me go I promise I say anything toanyone...Him: I'm sorry I can'tMe: You can't or you won't?Him: Both... Bona Lana sphalaphala ngiyakena ukuthiusejayvini kodwa ke(look here beautiful I know that you in trouble but then) I can't help youMe: I'm begging you, I have a daughter who is turning 8 years in a few days please i need to get out of hereAgatha: How cute you think you can get out of here,well darling you not going anywhere until I get what IwantMe: God why have you forsaken me, please father helpme...Her: Shut upMe: I need your guidance LordHer: I SAID SHUT UPShe was scratching herself... Spina was kinda surprised

to what was going.NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT SPONSOR: ASHLEY MKHUBANEINSERT THIRTY-SEVEN.NKANYEZI.I was finally parked few houses away from Zubenathi'shouse and I called her to come out, finally I saw hermaking her way to meHer: Really? You drove all this way because I'm sniffingMe: No I drove all this way because I love you and youare not okayWe were hugging, my Muntuza was really not okayMe: So tell me happened?

She started narrating what happened and damn it reallydidn't sit well, I just wonder what kind of husband isthe friend's husband, how can you not check up on yourwife for a whole week.Me: Fuck that's hecticHer: Yeah I know, I'm scared NK what if somethingbad has happened to herMe: Don't say that, I'm sure she's okay wherever sheis.I hugged her so tightMe: Let's get inside the car before someone see's us.Not because I'm hiding her but we in herneighbourhood who knows who might just pass by, Imean I'm not ready to die. We stayed in the carcuddling and chating, well I was trying to cheer her up.Me: Muntuza I have to go now it's late and I have to goto work in the morning... But if you want me to stay Iwill...Her: No it's okay, thank you for being here it reallymade a difference

She said sitting up straightMe: Just call if you need anything...Her: I willWe shared a kiss after it I opened the door for her,she got out and I also did, I watched her walk. I reallyneed to end things with Mandy..NARRATED.Everyone was busy trying to figure out what happenedto Namhla in Zwane mansion. Agatha has just arrivedfrom the place where she's holding Namhla captive.Agatha: What's going on?She asked as she noticed the somber mood in thehouse.Mzwa: Namhla is missing...Agatha: What? How? Isn't she at the hospital?She acted so surprised

Mzwa: She didn't make it to the hospital. Phakamani islosing his mind ma.Agatha: Oh my poor baby... Where is he?Mzwa: At your study...Agatha Walked upstairs to the studyAgatha: Oh my son...She said opening her arms for him and Phakamani threwhimself in themPhakamani: What if something happened to her mama?Agatha: Don't say that baby, you gotta believe thatshe's coming back and unharmed. Now tell what do youhave at the moment..Phakamani: We just know that she never made it to thehospital, and that the paramedics are also missingAgatha: I'm sure something else will come to ourknowledge soonAfter that fake pity and support Agatha went to herroom, she found Thuli sitting on her bedThuli: You are behind this ain't you?....

Agatha: How's that any of your business?Thuli: It's not but I know you aunty...Agatha: That's the problem you Think you know melittle girl, you think you have me where you want me but you forgot one thing you my little dearest Thulile youhave been in this since the beginning, how do you thinkMuzikayise is gonna react if he finds out that his littleinnocent fiancée is not so innocent huh?Thulile swallowed hardAgatha: I thought as much, so make sure you keep that little mouth of yours shut or else I will take you downwith me.. Now get the hell out of my room...Thuli stood up shaked her ass out but she was a bitembarrassed and shaken since she knows that Muzicould kill her if he finds out that she was skimmingbehind his back. Right after she got out Londeka got inLondeka: Are you behind this mama?Agatha: What?Londeka: IS THIS ONE OF YOUR ACCIDENTS? Agatha: Ungalinge ungiphakamisele iphimbo ngisese unyoko(don't you dare raise your voice at me I'm still your mother) and to answer your question no I hadnothing to do with thisLondeka: I really hope so mamaShe went out after that, Agatha took a deep sigh andreleased. After an hour or so she got out of her roomand head out again.AYABONGWA.Me: Sure mjita I need your help...Him: That can't good...Me: Nkululeko ndoda I don't have time for games...Him: Ohhhkay what's up?Me: I'm sending you a picture right now and I want youto help me find that person...Him: Okay, send all the details..Me: Thanks Ntwana

I hung up after that, no I'm not involved in a gang orsomething but me and my friends know a thing or aboutthe works of the underground world..NAMHLA.Me: You working for someone but you don't know herSpina: Imali Imali queen(money is money queen)Me: Do you know why I'm here?Him: Because the queen mother wants a random from your husbandMe: Wow, is that what she told you?Him: Is there other reason...Me: She wants to sacrifice my baby for wealth...His eyes popped, his phone rang and he ignored it but itrang againHim: Queen mother...

Him: Akuyona into besivumelene leyo(that isn't whatwe agreed on)...Him: Sure ngiyeza(I'm coming)He stood up and left after that.PHAKAMANI.A knock came through and it Namhla's dadMe: Baba please come on inHim: Where is my daughter?He asked so calmly but yet scaryMe: We still looking for her BabaHim: Where are you looking for her cause here you areright in front of mel didn't know how to respondHim: I trusted you with my precious cargo and you lostit Zwane...

Me: And I will find her Baba, Where is Ano?..Him: Umsaphi ufuna ukumlahla naye (What you gonnado with her, you want to lose her too)Yhoo, well Ano Thinks her mom is really sick and in ahospital.Him: She's with Zubenathil noddedA helper came to give him a drink.Mzwa: PK we gotta talk...Me: What is it?Mzwa: It's about dad, but it can waitNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT THIRTY-EIGHT.NARRATED

Ayabongwa has just arrived at the Zwane mansion. Heknocked on the door Sbongile openedAyabongwa: I'm here for Phakamani...Sbongile: And you are?Ayabongwa: That's none of your business Sesi IsPhakamani here or not?Phakamani: And who are you?He said as he came downstairsAyabongwa: Ayabongwa Ntshangase is the name, I'mhere about Namhla. I think I know where she isPhakamani: And who are you to know about my wife'swhereaboutsAyabongwa: Listen Ndoda if I had time to chit chat Iwould have asked for coffee and sat down but I reallydon't have that time... So Mr my wife do wanna find heror not?, I'm not here because I need you but I knowthat you worriedPhakamani: Fine, where is she?

Ayabongwa: We have to go now cause I'm not surewhat's going onPhakamani: PhumlaniHe shouted, and the brothers appeared from theloungePhumlani: And who is this?Phakamani: There is no time for intros but he claims toknow where Namhla is so we need to get going.Phumlani: Well we readyThe brothers andAyabongwa head out and got inside a taxi, and drove towhere Ayabongwa directed them. After a while ofdriving Mzwandile was finally parked in an abundantbuildingMzwa: Is this the place?Ayabongwa: As far as I know... Let's get this over anddone with...They all got out of the taxiMzwa: Ubani wena vele(Who are you really?)

Ayabongwa: Somebody who cares about NamhlaHe said leading the way to the inside of the building.Phumlani looked at Phakamani who was annoyed by thosewords.The guys got in, looking around for somethingsuspicious. As they were about to search the wholeplaceMzwa: Seems like someone was hereHe said picking up a very fresh eaten appleAya: Or Someone is here...Before he could even swallow his word the was a gunshot and they all looked for places to hideAya: ShitHe said touching his shoulder...Spina: Nifunani yii(What are you here)?Phakamani: Where is my wife wena sinayi(you idiot)?Spina: Uringa ngani (What are you talking about?)Aya: Ukena kahle ukuthi siringa ngani wena

mambovumani(you know exactly what we talkingabout)...Gun shots started yet again, bullets were flying untilthey heard Spina crying in agony. They got out of theirhiding places and went to him.Phakamani: WHERE IS MY WIFE?Spina couldn't answer cause he was choking from hisblood,he had three bullet holes on his chest.Aya: She's clearly here so let's start searching...He said finishing Spina offAya: That's for the scratch you put on my shoulderHe then spit on him..The guys continued to search the building with nohassles this timePhakamani: What's that?He said pointing to something that looked like a garagedoorAya: There is one way to find outHe got closer to the door and tried to pull it up.

.PHAKAMANI.Me: What the hell???I said as I saw Namhla surrounded by candles, I ran toherMe: Namhla baby..I held her head up, her eyes were closed but she wastalking, shes just hallucinatingHer: Lord protect my son, fire... Nosiphiwe you won'tget away with this.Me: Babe, what are you talking about?Her: You might have killed the other babies and theirgrandmother but you are not killing my son.I tried to pick her up but she was so heavyAyabongwa: Let me help youMe: Don't you have done enough, but you can call of mybrothers for me Ayabongwa smiled and went out... The brothers cameMzwa: And now?He said kicking the candles.Muzi: This shit looks like cult or whatsoeverHe said looking around and he spotted a black scarf onthe floor since he was using his phone for more lightMe: Can one of you at least help me here....Phumlani: SureWe both lifted Namhla up headed to the taxi.Ayabongwa: Found anyone else in there?.Muzi: No but I found this...He showed him the scarf.Mzwa: I think I have seen that before...Muzi: Where?Mzwa: I don't know...Me: Can we discuss that some other time right nowNamhla needs Medical attention

Mzwa: Sure Phumlani you driveAya: I don't mind drivingPhumlani: You heard him...Mzwa tossed the keys to Aya and Aya smiled, he got tothe driver's seat after that he hit the engine off wewentMzwa: Geez marn are trying to get us killed, this is ataxi not a sports carAya: Relax we almost thereHe said so chilled....NARRATED.Agatha: Dammit!!! I almost had that babyMaster: You don't listen code 11, I told you that childwas protected but you never listen do you. Do you knowthe consequences of all this huh?Agatha: Master we can still pull this through Master: Shut up... You never listen and now I will alsohave to sufferAgatha: Wena ophezulu what do you mean?Master: You don't get it do you, when you go down lalso go down. You think just because I'm above you I'mabove the entire oparation well I'm not... You need tofix this I don't know how because you at the end rightnow but find a way.ARRIVING AT THE HOSPITAL.The guys arrived at the hospital and they screamed forhelp, the nurse came with a wheelchair.Nurse: What's wrong?Phakamani: We also don't know she's pregnant and shehas been talking to herselfNamhla was attended to by the doctors.Ayabongwa: Will she be okay?They were all pacing up and down, Phakamani looked at

himPhakamani: We thank you for help but your presence isno needed hereAya just smiledAya: I'm not going anywhere without knowing thatNamhla is okay so Mr "my wife" you can save yourBreath.The others chuckled at the Mr "my wife" thing.Phakamani went to stand right in front of Aya and theyplayed a staring contentPhumlani: Easy guys....He pulled Aya away from PhakamaniPhumlani: Siyabonga ndoda(Thank you man) for helpingus but this is all awkward you know, we have never met you then boom you rescue our Makoti....Aya: I'm Ayabongwa Ntshangase, You know Zubenathi?Phumlani noddedAya: Isuster Iam(she's my sister)Phumlani: Ohhhh you could have said that before Aya: There was no time, speaking of Zuzu i have to tellher what's going on...He took out his phone and excused himself then wentto make a callAs Phakamani was seating in the benches an old womanapproached him and joinedWoman: She doesn't need western medicinePhakamani: Excuse meWoman: The battle she's fighting doesn't needhospitals.After that she left, the doctor appearedPhakamani: Doc whats going on with my wife?.Doc: Your wife is stable, she was fighting so we had tostabilise herMe: Is that okay for the baby!?Doc: We promise that we won't do anything to harm thebaby...He left after that.

ZUBENATHI.Me: Are you sure she's okay Aya?Him: Sis we found and we in a hospital not just anyother Hospital but one of the best.To Be Continued#SincereApologizeNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT THIRTY-EIGHTCONTINUATION.ZUBENATHI

.Me: Are you sure she's okay Aya?Him: Sis we found and we in a hospital not just anyother Hospital but one of the bestMe: Can come and see herHim: That would a waste sis cause Phakamani was justwith the doctor and they already leaving so I guess thedoctor advised them to leave.Me: Okay, are you guys okay though?Him: Yeah we are good... I have to go before they leaveme behindMe: Okay will talk when you get here...Him: SureWe hung up after that...Zandi: What did he say?She asked with lots of concernMe: They found her and they on their way back nowHer: Thank goodness She said quite relievedHer: Why Phumlani hasn't called me?Me: I don't know babe but Aya said they all okayHer: That's good babe I have to go I want Phumlani tofind me homeMe: Okay babe will talk over the phone...I walked her out and we hugged. I went toNAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FORTY.NARRATED.Mzwa: Well I... i.. had left with it the other day...He responded to Agatha about the scarf

Agatha: Oh you should have told me...Phumlani's phone rang and it was ZandiPhumlani: NkosikaziZandi: Mangethe, can you talk? I mean is there aprivate spot you can stand in...Phumlani looked around and moved away from theothers,

curiouslyPhumlani: I am alone now MaZwane kwenzenjani(what'swrong)?Zandi: Zuzu and I decided to visit Namhla, but when wegot there we saw Phakamani discharging her and he saidI must tell you guys to be careful around your mombetter yet leave the mansionPhumlani: What? Why?Zandi: He didn't say, he just said he will explain laterPhumlani: Okay mama I heard you, I'm sure he has agood reason.They spoke for a while and said their good byes.Phumlani stood there for a minute trying to make sense

of what's going on, he thought about the scarf ordealand then what Zee said, he sighed going back to theothers. He sent his brothers texts that they need toget out of there right now. Muzi looked at him,Phumlani just shruggled his shouldersPhumlani: Mzwa, Muzi we have to do that thing wespoke about earlier..Muzi: Oh yeah that thing..Mzwa: I.. almost forgot about itPhumlani: Ma we have to goAgatha: Okay my son will talk againShe hugged them and they left as soon as they canMuzi: And now?He asked as they were already outsidePhumlani: I don't know but Phakamani told Zandi thatwe need to get out of the house ASAP... He said he willexplain later...They got inside the car and drove to Muzis..

PHAKAMANI.Upon my arrival at the Mkhize household, MaMkhizetold me to place Namhla on the bed then told to wait inkitchen or lounge. I heard them pray I mean her andAsiphe. My phone rang and I just ignored it.An hour passed and they were still praying and I heardheard a cough. I ran back to the bedroom Namhla wasmoving.MaMkhize: The worst is over...She said smiling at after she said amenHer: She needs to rest so you can leave her here.Me: Thank you mal was so relievedHer: I know that all this is too much for you and youneed to vent or something but make sure that you notputting MaZulu in harm's way. Nosiphiwe is not themastermind and those above her can be very dangerous,the evil spirits works very unfair especially when thingsare like this.

Me: What do I have to do to protect my wife and kid?She smiled, she does that a lot...Her: Right now she just needs your

support her that'sall, and don't confront Nosiphiwe cause you will placing yourself in harm's way.I noddedHer: Your brothers are worried about you, you have togo and talk to themShe walked me outMe: Thanks again mal hugged her and I got Inside my car drove off.My phone rang again again.Me: PhumlaniHim: Ndoda what's going on?Me: I will explain everything when I see you guys,where are you guys? Did you leave the mansion?Him: Yes we did, we at Muzis where are you?Me: I am in Zilali squatter camp, but I'm heading there

right now.NARRATED.Phakamani has just arrived at Muzis place. He found hisbrothers, Zandile and Thulile already waiting for him.Mzwa: Finally you here, now what the hell is going?Phakamani: Mom is not not mom, she's actually auntyNosi...Thulile choked on her juicePhumlani: What do you mean?Phakamani: I mean Namhla was telling the truth, mompassed giving birth to Mzwandile. Aunty used somevoodoos to take over her body hence we see her asmom...All this was making Thuli uneasy so she excused her,Phumlani stood up not believing his ears. He rubbed hisface with his hands while turning his back on everyone...Phakamani: And...

Phumlani: Wait there is more?He turned to face them againPhakamani: The miscarriages were not reallymiscarriages they were sacrifices...Zandi: WHAT?Phakamani: Apparently mamomncane sacrificed themfor more wealth....Muzi: But can Namhla be still pregnant?Phakamani: Because our mother chose her to protectus, this is mom fighting for herself and us. The baby isalso protecting Namhla, don't ask me how cause I'malso confusedPhumIani: This doesn't make any sense...Muzi: Tell me about it?Mzwa: Why are we discussing this here and not outthere, making that witch confess her crazy sinsPhakamani: Because we would be placing ourselves inharm's way and also Namhla is supposed to deal withher us confronting her won't work.

Phumlani: WowZandi: So I lost my babies because of wealth?She said trying to make sense of everything and tears just made their way outPhumlani sat next to her trying to calm her downPhumlani: I think she's responsible for the kidnappingPhakamani: I know she isMzwa: Of course she is, I mean the scarf is hersPhakamani: What scarf?Muzi: The one I found at the scene...Mzwa: Guys...do you think she's also responsible fordad's coma?.Phakamani: Maybe, but why?Mzwa: Obvious to be with her real bitch... I'm sureBabomncane knewMuzis phone beepedMuzi: It's the lawyer, he sent the list of people thatshould be present at reading of the will tomorrow.

Phakamani: John's willMuzi noddedMzwa: Are we going to be there?.Phakamani: We have to else Nosiphiwe will be

suspiciousunless she already knows that we know. Who knows howthis voodoos of her work...I can't believe I sent my woman in a loony because ofher...Phumlani: This is frustrating nxxHe kicked the table, in the meantime Thuli was packingher clothes while debating whether to warn Nosiphiweor not...NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FORTY-ONE.NAMHLA

.My body felt a bit light like something has beenremoved from me. It also felt like I was in a deep sleepMe: Maal said as I opened my eyes and they landed to herHer: Hey nanaShe said smilingMe: How long have I been out?Her: Just a few daysShe said smilingMe: WowHer: Your husband knows everything nowMy eyes poppedMe: But he didn't believe me...Her: Well that was before he found you hallucinatingsurrounded by candlesEverything came back to me, anger built in. I was angryat Phakamani for not believing me, he just had to be

Thomas. I had to be in danger first for him to believe that I was telling the truthMe: Ma that means his in dangerI said quickly sitting up straightHer: And not when you can Help him.ZUBENATHI.I just got home and I found my brother watching TV, I just threw myself in the couchHim: You look shittyMe: Thanks big broHim: It can't be school that has you mopping like thisso talkMe: I feel useless with the whole Namhla situation...Him: What? Why? Has anything happen to her?Me: No nothing has happened man, just that we were atthe hospital, Zandi and I, we found PK discharging her

Him: What is he crazy? Last time I checked she wasstill unconscious, and yesterday I saw no differenceHe blabbed outMe: What do you mean yesterday?Him: What? Did I say that?Me: You sneaky fucker, you have been visiting herI said throwing a pillow at himHim: I'm sorry sis but I just can't stay awayMy phone disturbed me from saying anything...Me: This conversation is not overI said hiding the caller id and leaving the room since itwas NK callingHim: Who is that?Me: None of your business...I shouted heading upstairs.PHAKAMANI

.The day of the reading of the will is here bury mealready. My brothers and I have decided to attendcause have we no choice. Nhlamulo will join us on Skypesince his in the USPhumlani: So we have to sit there, in the same roomwith our mom's murdererMe: We got no choice Bafo...Mzwa: We have one, we could just Skype tooMe: Then she winsMuzi: this is Bull mxmHe said fixing his belt as we were on our way outalready, we drove there and parked in the drive way.Everyone was already seated and we were the last oneto arriveMe: Sorry we are lateMr Moloi: It's okay shall we beginMom/Aunty: Please sirMzwa looked at me clearly annoyed

Mr M: And I read"This serves as the last and authorized will of I John Zwane, any other formerwritten nor verbal agreement

may not be considered...First I would like to apologize for I had lived my daysas a sinful man, I have done things I'm not proud offand I hope that my apologies can reach forgivinghearts... My worth is something I should be proud ofbut I feel ashamed.NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FORTY-TWO.NARRATED.Nosiphiwe was scratching herself and moving like asnake on the floor. Londeka was watching with tearsthinking that this woman killed her father

Namhla: ConfessNosiphiwe: NeverShe said moving with her stomach on the floor. Hervoice had changed a bit to someone else's voice. Sbongile: i can't watch this, I'm leaving my baby needsmeNamhla: No one is leaving until everything is in theopen... Close that doorNamhla: I command you to confess and tell us who youare in the name of Jesus. She continued to pray asking God for guidance and thestrength. The weather started changing outside thewas lightning and heavy rain all of the sudden.Nosiphiwe: I'm sorry I will talk stop burning me...She said moving around the floor, that made Namhla topray moreNamhla: Who are you?Nosiphiwe: I'm Nosiphiwe Madonsela-ZwaneNamhla: Where is Agatha? How did you end up with her body? I command you to answer me in Jesus nameNosiphiwe: Agatha is no more she could never comeback, I sacrificed her so I could gain access to herbody. I needed her body to get close to her husbandSbongile: Oh my God...She said not believing a wordNamhla: Stand up and look at

me...Nosiphiwe: No your eyes are fire I can't look at you...Namhla didn't press on that cause she knew if burnsmore, they won't get the whole truthNamhla: Where did you keep Agatha's soul cause she'snot resting, she needs to rest in peaceNosiphiwe laughed evilly soNosiphiwe: I can't tell you...Namhla: Okay... in the name of Jesus Christ, I command you to talk... I call upon the fire that cause you Lordare the fireShe touched Nosiphiwes stomach causing her flinchNosiphiwe: Her soul is kept in a bottle so her body could not die Mzwa: You witchHe said charging to Nosiphiwe but Phakamani stoppedhim before he could reach herNamhla: Who is your master?Nosiphiwe: He who is greater than me, He who can't beseen in light...Namhla: Call him?Nosiphiwe: I rather dieShe said laughing evilly again.Namhla: Who were your accomplice?Nosiphiwe: My husband and My niece ThulileEveryone's eyes popped.Namhla continued to pray out the truth out of Nosiphiwe were the others were watching helplessly.Namhla was no longer herself too since the weatherhad turned, the baby had taken over the power fromher. After all the truths came out Namhla collapseafter saying a last prayer. Phakamani: Namhla, Mumu...

He said rushing to her... Even though Nosiphiwe hadn'tgiven the master up, she said all the valuable truths.Phakamani: Muzi call a number saved as MaMkhizeexplain to her what's going on...Muzi did as he was told... After the instructions fromMaMkhize to let her be in that floor, she was slowlycoming back and the weather was becoming normalagain. Nosiphiwe was also lying there seemingly lifeless.PHAKAMANI.All this felt like I was in a horror movie really...Muzi: I'm going to kill herHe said out of the blue, hitting the table I guesshearing that Thuli is actually an accomplice just sunk inMzwa: The only person I wanna kill is that robbed me ofmy mother. He looking at NosiphiweMe: I won't let you become a murderer because of that evil creature, we will deal with her accordinglyLondeka: She killed himMuzi: Who killed who?Londeka: Ma I mean Nosiphiwe killed uncle JohnMe: Now I have heard it all said throwing my hands in the airMzwa: Did you actually see her do it? Why didn't yousay anything?Londeka: Because she said if she gets arrested I willalso get arrested BhutiMe: Lo Mfazi unjani Ngempela (What kind of woman isshe really)?Mzwa: The one that has no consciousl have never seen my brother like this really. I hadNamhla cough I quickly stood up.Me: Mumu are you okay?Her: I'm fineShe said with an attitude, I gave her my hand she just

looked at it, and Phumlani came to help.NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FORTY-THREE.NARRATED.As everyone was conversing in a yet awkwardconversation, Nosiphiwe gained consciousness and sneakup stairs. Everyone noticed later on that she was nolonger there. They all decided to call it a day. Muzi wasthe first to leave rushing to Thulile.Muzi: ThulileHe shouted as he got inside the house slamming thedoorMuzi: ThulileHe called out for her as he went upstairs. He searchedfor her in all the rooms with no luck. He went to open

her side of the wardrobeMuzi: Damn you, ThulileHe said finding but a piece of paper well an envelopewritten his name.. He sat next to the bed and startedreading" My love, By the time you read this I would be longgone. I know you may hate me right but I had no choice, yes I knew everything. I could have told you but Iwould have lost my life, I know you may have manyquestions I wish I could answer them but because I amcoward of a woman. I always lived to survive than tolove and build a future, that's how living as my auntsshadow was. You may have doubts about me but neverhave doubts about my love for you. Please continue tobe the loving man you are. Don't look mel love you"He just threw the paper away after reading andscreamed in tears. After all that he got inside his cardrove to the nearest bar..

NAMHLA.After everything that happened, well Nosiphiwevanished while we still talking. It was time for us toseparate.Phakamani: MumuSilence is all he got, we were in a car driving to ourplaceHim: I'm so sorry I didn't believe you, I'm so sorrythat I called you crazySilence my Lord silence is the only answer he will getfrom me really.Him: Please say something... I know I was so stupid, lotof things were off but still I didn't believe youHe parked in front of the garage and I quickly got outof the car and went to unlock the house, minutes laterhe followed.Him: Mumu Ngiyaxolisa (I'm sorry)Me: I heard that Ayabongwa is the one who found...

Him: Uhmm yes, he helped...Me: How come did you only notice a week later that Iwas missing?... Oh let guess you thought I was safe andsound in a loony bin right?, Do you know the shit I havebeen through. I watched a man die right in front of me,a man who nearly raped me.His eyes popped outMe: To think that's worse, my baby was nearlysacrificed for WHAT? BLOODY WEALTH?. You nevergave me a chance to explain you just concluded thatI'm crazy...Him: Because you have been acting up for these pastmonths MaZuluMe: You never thought that maybe, just maybe I wasstressed, you sent me into a loony bin without thinkingtwice Phakamani.We heard lightning outside and I just started to shakeHim: Namhla,baby are you okay?He rushed to me but I was okay before he even got tome

Me: Don't you dare come near me, as a matter of factthis is overI said taking my engagement ring off, placing it on thetableHim: Hell no I refuse....I left him there went upstairs to what supposed to beour room took my nighties then went to a guest room. Idon't have a phone, I know dad is worried about memaybe I should go back home..PHAKAMANI.What did Namhla mean? Was she talking about theengagement or everything as in we are over. Well if shethinks she's leaving she has another thing coming, sheis not leaving me ever. My phone disturbed me from mythoughts and it's was her fatherMe: Great just greatl ignored it once and he called again

Me: Magebal answered after talking a long breathHim: Iphi ingan'yami wena mfana (where is my child)?Me: Uhmm I was about to call you to explain baba...Him: Oh Ngempela (really) okay explain?He was so chilled and it was scaryMe: Thing is a lot has happened baba... Namhla is finallyawake but we have been dealing some issue hence wehadn't reached out to youHim: So your issues are way important than me knowingthat my daughter is finally awake?Yhoo this guyMe: Cha Baba(no sir)Him: Uphi(Where is she)?Me: She's already in bed Baba, I will make sure shecalls you as soon as she wakes up.Him: GoodMe: Baba... Uhmm is Ano near by?

Him: Yes...NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FORTY-FOUR.PHAKAMANI.Namhla: What's going on?Ahh She still cares, she was following me aroundMe: Muzi is in hospital...Her: What? What happened?Me: I don't know...Her: You shower, I will prepare some clothes for youI took a quick shower while Namhla was preparing my clothes. Fast forward I was now driving to the hospital, Namhlastayed behind. I got to the hospital in no time or so Ithink.Me: Muzikayise ZwaneI said to the receptionist, who directed me to his wardand rushed there. I was met by a crying Mzwandile anda seemingly defeated PhumlaniMe: Guys how is he? What happened?No body answered meMe: Phumlani??Him: His no moreHe said rubbing his face with his hands and standing upHim: His dead Phakamani, our little brother is ..He couldn't finish his sentence he started holding hischest and struggling to breath. He held on the wallMe: Lani please breath... HelpI said rushing to him... A doctor came attended to hedid breathing exercises with him. I don't know where

Mzwandile disappeared too...Me: Doctor what happened to my brother?Well his our doctor so I had to ask him, so I asked assoon as Phumlani was calmerHim: Uhmm, Muzi drove straight into an old buildingswall, the damage on car was too much it seemed like hedid that a multiple of times. A sharp metal reached hisvitals causing them to failMe: Oh my God...Why would Muzi do this shit...Namhla: PhakamaniWhen did she get hereHer: I couldn't just sit and wait, how is he?.I couldn't answer words couldn't come out. I saw heropen her arms and I just ran into themHer: I'm so sorry Mangethe...Me: We have to start the funeral arrangements, thefamily still don't know what's going on with Ma I meanNosiphiwe. How am I going to deal with all I said pulling out of the hug.Her: We gonna get through this together I promise...She wiped my tears, I went Doctor Molois officeMe: I need to see himDoc: That could be arranged...We went to the Morgue and there he was lying there sopeacefully.Me: Kodwa Mangethe (But Mangethe) why would you dosuch a thing?I said touching his cheek... I just couldn't believe thathe was gone. Tears made their way out.NAMHLA.My poor husband is shuttered, I don't know how thehell his gonna deal with this. We left the hospital, itwas total silence in the car. Phumlani was with us,Mzwandile is no where to be seen.PK: Bafo Can we drop you off at your place first? I

wanna go see AnoPhumlani: No problem...He said that not even looking at PK but outside thewindowMe: We can fetch her after the funeral...Him: I promised her we will come today so I can'tbreak that promise or at least I can try not to breakIt.We dropped Lani off but I was worried about him.Me: Lani, why don't you join us in visiting Ano?Him: I know you worried Makoti but i will be fine I justneed to be alone just until Zandi comes home.I nodded and closed the window, PK drove off. My manwas not okay and that hurt, look at me talking as if Iwasn't planning on leaving hours ago. Well honestly I'mangry at PK but leaving him ain't an option cause I lovethis man. We got out of the car after he parked in myfather's gate. We went inside the houseMe: Babami Ano came rushing causing me to laughHer: MamaMe: Babyl hugged herHer: I missed you, and you too BabamiShe moved to himPK: Just the person I wanted to seeShe smiledMe: Where is Khulu?Dad: I'm hereHe said appearing from outsideMe: My kingl said hugging him for the longest time. We headed to the lounge.Dad: Guess you have come to fetch the little one.Me: As much as we want to we can't something hascome up.

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FIVE.PHAKAMANI.After spending time with Ano, Namhla and I left. Wegot home around 7pm and I remembered thatMzwandile is no where to be seen.Namhla: What would you like to eat?Me: I'm not hungryHer: You may not be hungry but you have to eatMangethe.Me: Okay, I will have anything you cook then.Her: His okay, he just need time to digest everything

Me: Mhhh...Her: It's gonna be okay I promiseShe kissed my cheek and left me in the lounge, Will weever gain peace?That question rang in my mind as I tried making calls tothe family members.Later on we were dinning and I couldn't evenconcentrate I kept checking my phone, my mind wasreally not there. I just lost my brother and the other isAWOL...Namhla: His okay Mangethe...Me: I'm sorry I'm just worriedHer: I know, you just lost Muzi so you are a bit scaredbut his okay.I noddedNamhla: Have you called the elders yet?Me: I tried to, but I couldn't...She noddedHer: I understand, we could do it tomorrow...

She said holding my hand, I took hers and kissed it withtears in my eyes.She just came and sat on my lap. I just became weakand wailed like a baby. I cried for my mother, I criedfor almost losing my wife and I cried for my brother, Imean I cried for everythingHer: Let it allShe was rubbing my back as I held her waist. Westayed in that position for about half an hour, then wewent to bed..ZUBENATHI.Me: Guys I'm going outI said coming downstairs after showering.Aya: Where to?Me: I'm going to see Namhla, show my support you knowI said taking my phone from the counterHim: I'm coming with

He said quickly standing up.Me: No you not...Him: Yes I am... Unless you want me to tell baba about your little boyfriend..Me: Uhmm... What.. What boyfriend?I said clearing my throatHim: "Oh that's good to hear babe, I miss you already.Come back soon ha ha ha I love you too NK"He said imitating my voice, Mnqobi laughedMe: You listening to my calls now..Him: Don't flatter yourself... The ear doesn't have atub so I heard when I was passing. Are we leaving ornot?Me: Fine Asambeni(Let's go) mxm.....Aya: So??Me: So what??Aya: Tell me about the douchebag that's lying to my little sister?Me: What?Aya: I mean your little so called boyfriend "NK"I felt myself blushing, we were in the car and he wasdriving.Me: His not lying to meHim: His a dude so I Know his probably lying aboutsomething to smitten you.Me: MxmHim: Anyway who is he?Me: Just a guy I met last yearHim: I'm sure that's not all..Me: His name is Nkanyezi Luthuli his currently locatedat Alberton, but his mom is here... His dad is in the USwhere is currently visiting. His an intern in a dealershipcompany.Him: Mhh...Silence

Him: I wanna meet himHe said out of the blueMe: Huh?Him: You heard me.Me: No way Aya ha.anaHim: Oh yes, it's either that or I Tell on youMe: Arg okay fine...Him: Good we were now close to Namhlas place..NARRATED.Phakamani has finally gain courage to call some of the family members, some already knew from the televisionsince they were the ones blowing up his phone. Zandiand Phumlani had just arrived, Phumlani had red eyes itwas visible that he didn't get enough sleep. Theydecided that the funeral will take place at Phakamanishouse since his the elder son, and they did feel like themansion was their home anymore, since the whole witchcraft saga. Phumlani: Has any of you heard from Mzwandile?He asked Phakamani and Namhla, who shook their headsnoPhumlani: Where could he be?Mzwa: I'm here relax now will you, don't worry I didn'tkill myself I'm not a coward.Phakamani: Where have you been Mzwandile? We wereworried sick about you.Mzwa: I'm here now no need to worry about me I'mfine I just needed a breather okay...He looked really tired, like he didn't get any sleep. Hewent upstairs

to the room he uses when his here.Finally Zuzu and Aya also arrived.Zuzu: Our deepest sincere condolences to you all pleasefind comfort in the LordShe said hugging Namhla who was nodding on hershoulder...

NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FORTY- SIX.NARRATED.The week went on pretty fast. It was Thursday todayand it was actually the day of the funeral. The Zwanefamily decided to have an intimate ceremony. It was 7o'clock in the morning and the aunts and the Zwanebrides where already upAunt 1: Uphi u Agatha? Kulele indodana yakhe kodwa yena akabonwa(Where is Agatha? It's her son that'shas passed on but she's no Where to be seen..) Did yousee Phakamanis wife acting like everything is okay,nothing happenedAunt 2: Bengicabanga ukuthi uPhakamani usehlukenenalehlanya lomfazi but here she is(I thought Phakamaniwas done with that crazy woman)

Phakamani cleared his throatAunt 2: Phakamani where did you come from...Phakamani: Why are you here Aunty?He asked so seriousAunt 2: For the funeral of course...Phakamani: Then act like you here for a funeral ratherthan gossiping about my wife, who happens to be everything you not. I mean that's why still a Zwane at yourage no man wants to marry you.Aunt 1: Aibo Phakamani!!!Phakamani: Muzis body can now be seen..He said leaving them thereAunt 2: I have never been so disrespected...The family went to the tent to see the body, after thatthe Pastor got started with funeral program...An hour later it was Time to go to the cemetery. Whenthey got there the Pastor said the words. All thishappened when Thulile was watching while in disguise, crying her eyes out. Mzwa spotted her

Mzwa: You got to be kidding meHe said as the pastor was still doing the talkingPhakamani: What?Mzwa: What is she doing here?Phumlani: Who??He said looking around thinking about NosiphiweMzwa stood up walked straight to Thulile without hernoticing that she was bustedMzwa: What the hell are you doing here?He whispered in her ear in a very scary tone, Thulilegot startledThulile: I just wanted to pay my last respects Mzwanothing more...Mzwa: Voetsak wena, my brother is dead because of you and your evil aunt.. Now you wanna talk aboutrespectHe aggressively turned her aroundMzwa: Unesibindi mfazi ndini(You very brave bloodywoman)

Phakamani: Leave Thulile you not needed hereHe said so calmlyThuli: I'm sorry...Mzwa: THIS IS NOT THE TIME FOR YOUR...They noticed that everyone was now looking at them.Mzwa: This is not the time for your sorries wenaSatan... Leave... NOWThuli got scared so she just left without saying more..PHAKAMANI.I have never seen Mzwa so mad and broken. We justcame back from the cemetery and his spitting fire.Mzwa: How dare she shows up at my brother's funeralafter all the witchcraft she and her evil aunt have donehuh?Me: She has some nerve...Him: No she's plain evil nje...

Bheki: Isn't she Muzis fianceeMzwa: No she's not, that was all a lie to her...Thulile: No it wasn't I loved Muzi...Mzwa: The Gods are really testing mePhumlani: Ufunani la Thulile?(What are you doing here)Her: I just want to explain...Mzwa: Isn't that too late... Why didn't you explainimmediately after my brother asked you to marry himoh let me guess it was all part of your plan rightHe said walking closer to herHer: It wasn't my plan okay, it was aunty Nosiphiwes...I was just a pawn in her gameBhekis mom: Nosiphiwe?What's going on Kahle Kahle(really)? Phakamani?Being the eldest can be hell I tell you, she said walkingstraight to us as we sitting in the garageMe: I'm sure Thulile will explain... You know what maybeit's time for the whole family to know what's going on...Nhlamulo: Yeah I think so too...

Where did he come from... We called everyone aroundreal quick we all sitting waiting for Thulile to starttalking...Her: It all started when uncle John's shop wasn't doingwell in rurals... Aunty couldn't take it anymore, she hadbeen poor all her life so she didn't want to die poor.One morning I got a call from her telling me she hasfound an answer to her problems and I had to be partof her plans since I also need money, I agreed. Wevisited a certain sangoma and the sangoma took Auntyto the lake, she came back a complete new person notscared of anything I don't know what happened in thatlake. I later found out what she was planning andwanted out but she said she will kill me,my mother andmy then boyfriend... I had no choice but to support her.NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FORTY-SEVEN

.NAMHLA.People may not believe it but Thuli loved Muzi, if shedidn't she won't have come to set the record straight.She started coughing and held her neck like somethingwas choking, something told me to start praying and Idid, with my eyes opened thoughMe: Show yourself, I command you to show yourself inJesus name...In the mention of Jesus she started moving like a snakeand bounced up downAunt 1: Aibo imihloloEveryone's eyes had popped out.Bhekis mom: Aibo Phakamani what's going on?She asked with her face written shock, I couldn'tfocus on them too much cause I had some praying todo..Me: Leave Thuli to talk, I command you in Jesus name

Voice: Never, she has to dieMe: Who are you?Aunt 2: Where did that come from?These people were clearly scaredVoice: I'm the one who can't be seen by naked eye..Me: Only my God can't be seen so show yourself Icommand you in the name of Jesus.. I command the holyfire to burn youVoice: Ahhh shut up you hurting me, you burning mel walked closer to Thuli touched her stomach and it wasas if I was touch what ever I was talking to causingstarted bouncing up and down again...Voice: She's burning us awwwThuli continued to move like a snake and I kept prayingcalling Jesus name, I was still praying and I heard somescreams but something told me to concentrate onpraying moreMe: We trust you Lord cause you our savior, I call upon he name of Jesus Christ right now. I command all evil to surrender in Jesus nameAunt 1: Izinyoka yeJesu(Snakes oh Jesus)I prayed until words couldn't anymore, only tears cameout my eyes had involuntary closed and I opened them Iwas met by 3 snakes about a metre long right next toThulile. I was abit weak since my tummy was abit heavy.PHAKAMANI.I noticed that Namhla was losing her balance so Irushed to her, I held so she won't fall.Her: I have to finish this so let me sit down next toThulile...Me: kodwa Mumu(but)...Her: Phakamani please...She cut me shortl helped her downHer: Thulile??

Thuli: mhh??She mumbled as she was out of itNamhla: Where is Agatha's soul?Thuli: It's in a bottle, inside the mansion in a secretroom.Namhla: Where is the secret room?Thuli: In my aunt's bedroomLondeka: Angikholwa ukuthi ngempela lomfazi umawam(Istill can't believe that this woman is really my mother)Mzwandile: Well you better believe it... Umamakho(she's your mother)and she killed mineNhlamulo: I still can't believe that we not all siblings...Aii umama nayeNamhla: We need to find that bottle, Ma Agatha needsto be freed, she needs to rest in peace...She had closed her eyes, she tried standing up butfailed since she's pregnant so I helped her... She led usupstairs, the elders were so shocked especially afterseeing the snakes. When we got upstairs we noticed a

door that we never knew existed... Namhla went to itand openedHer: Please stay out...She said making an uneasy body language, indeed wewaited outside.NARRATED.As Soon as Namhla got inside the room, her haircringed her body felt uneasy hence she didn't allow thefamily to get inside with her. As weak as she felt shestarted walking around the room while silently praying.The room had a mirror, and it shelves with human partsall different human parts.Namhla: Oh God, what kind of a woman Nosiphiwe is?She said looking at everything, she finally saw thebottle on its own shelfNamhla: This is it...

NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FORTY-NINE.PHAKAMANI.We just finished watching the USB that Thulile left,Nosiphiwe is really something else. That video wastraumatizing I can't believe that Londeka weakness anyof that.Mzwa: Is this woman really human?Phumlani: If she wasn't Nhlamulo won't have been hereNhlamulo: Voetsak Phumlani...I chuckled... It's now around 8pm in the evening and wehaving dinner, Namhla had an early night though. Myphone vibrated and I attended to it..Me: Phakamani ZwaneVoice: Good evening Mr Zwane I'm Lucia calling fromArmsworth hospital... Sir, I was sent by Dr Moloi to tell you that Mr Zwane senior is awake his asking for hisson'sMe: What? Are being for real right now?Her: I'm being for real real...Me: Wow thank you for such good news mamHer: My pleasureShe hang up after thatMe: Dad is awake and his asking for usI just blurted that out immediately after hanging upMzwa: No kidding?Me: Trust me I'm notPhumlani: Finally some good news in the Zwane mansionMe: This house is haunted I tell youMzwa: I believe youMe: We need to rebuild a new home for us really.ZUBENATHI

Me: Why are not answering your phone it has beenringing none stopNK: I don't want to, it's momWe lying on our backs on the floor well on a warmcarpet.Me: It's clearly important Nkanyezil vibrated againHim: Hello...Him: Don't wait up...Him: I will spend the night at a hotel...Him: Because i want to bye will talk in the morning...Him: I don't wanna fight with you

He was so serious and the way he was I just felt his notbeing honest when he said it is his motherHim: MuntuzaMe: Huh?Him: Where did you just go right now?Me: No where babe I'm hereI said faking a smile, he signedHim: That wasn't my motherMe: Ohh who was it?I acted surprisedHim: I know you might picked that, it's my ex girlfriendfrom the USHe sighed and sat up straight rubbing his face with hishandsHim: She's in my mother's house right nowMe: What??Him: Yeah my mom is fond of her, she had promisedmom that she will visit her this weekend but I didn't I didn't think she would come after our Break up.. But Iswear me and her Done, I am done with her babeMe: But clearly she's not done with you or else shewon't be calling you right now. How long have you guysbroken up?Him: Uhmm we broke up a week agoMe: WHAT? So you had a girl while persuading me?.NKANYEZI.Me: Yes but I promise I wasn't, I am not playing youfor a ride I love you MuntuzaHer: Wow!! You are unbelievable Nkanyezi... How could you not tell me all this?Me: It doesn't matter sthandwa Sami, well I thought Ididn't...Her: Well Clearly is matters since she's at y

NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FIFTY-THREE.NAMHLA.It's a week after I went to see MaMkhize she said Imust never turn my back on the Lord, and I told her Iwasn't planning to. She isn't well and that worries mereally. Today I'm not feeling too well and I haven'tgotten out of bedPK: Babe you don't look to good maybe we should go tosee a doctorMe: No I'm fine, you go to work my love..Him: I'm not leaving you in this state in fact I'm callingin an emergencyHe took out his And dialed whoever, after he took offhis shoes and joined me back in bed..

NKANYEZI.Me: Ma!!Her: I told you I don't want any gold digger in my houseMe: Zubenathi is not a gold digger ma, your problem is that want to dictate my love life and it won't bepossible. I am a grown ass man maMa: A grown ass man who let a beautiful girl go justbecause he tasted a rotten...James: What the hell is going on here?He semi yelled as he got in from work..Me: Father, please talk to your wife cause I can'tdeal....James: Is this about Us meeting the new girlfriend?Me: Yes..James: Nono I thought we talked about this...Her: No we didn't...Him: Yes we did, Nkanyezi you can bring her over for dinner tonightHe had a half day at work lucky for meMa: Wow, okay fine but don't expect me to all loveydovey with herMe: Thank you Father JI ran upstairs to my room, the reason why I wantZubenathi to meet my family is because I want to showher that I'm serious about her and mom is making it difficult that woman is stubborn. I got to my dialedZuzus numberHer: Munt'wamiMe: MuntuzaHer: How are you?Me: Hey I'm the one who can I ask the how are you'sfirst...She giggled that smelted my heartMe: Now how are you?Her: I'm good my love and youMe: I'm good, listen it's happening tonight..

Her: What's happening tonight?Me: Dinner at my place...Her: No way! could hear her panickingMe: Relax Muntuza, yes it is you get ready and I comefetchShe sighedHer: Okay I love you byeTu tu tu, wow she hang up.ZUBENATHI.I texted Zandile and Namhla that I have a 911situation, and only Zandile came through. Namhla hasbeen offline since eleven pm yesterday, I hope she'sokayMe: How do I look?Zandile: You look beautiful as always my friend, listen

don't stress yourself about the mother. You have yourman right?..Me: Right...There was a car hooterMe: That must be himHer: If doesn't like you then tell her to go fetchMandisa and marry her herself cause you ain't goingnowhere.I laughed and walked out, dad and Aya where having aboys night out. I walked to where he isHim: Muntuza you look beautifull blushedMe: Thank youHim: Shall weHe said opening the car door, I got in and he half ran tothe carHim: And we hereThe drive was rather short but maybe it was because Iwas too nervous, I slowly got out of the car

Me: How do I lookHim: Like you did few minutes ago Muntuza, you lookbeautifull sighedHim: Relax will you...I updated Ayabongwa about my whereabouts...NAMHLA: THE PAID WIFEINSERT FIFTY-FOUR.NARRATED.James got in the bedroom, took off his clothes and gotinside the covers facing the other way.

Nomfundo: Now you mad at me, why?James: I'm just disappointed cause I thought Imarried a woman not a girl that's allNomfundo turned to his sideNomfundo: What do you mean?James: Just that, good night Nomfundo.He fixed his pillow and closed his eyes.Zubenathi got inside her room, after arriving at home.She dialed Zandiles number who picked up after thesecond ringZandile: Babe...Zubenathi just sniffedZandile: I take it the didn't go so well...Zubenathi: She hates me ZeeZandile: Oh you poor thing, should I come over?Zubenathi: No I will be fine... Have spoken to Namhla?She was still sniffingZandile: No but I did call PK to find out if she's okay

and he said she's not feeling so wellZubenathi: Oh then we got to check up on her in themorning...Zandile: Yes babe listen don't let that old hag get to you okay...Zubenathi: Okay good night I love you...Zandile: I love you too my cry babyZubenathi giggledNkanyezi parked in the driveway debating whether togo inside his mother's house or not. He decided to gosleep at a hotel..NAMHLA.The pains were escalating as I tried to sleep.PK: That's it we going to the hospital like it or not.He quickly got out of bed and got dressed as quickly ashe can then he came to my side to help me out of bed.

We left after that, Phakamani was driving like a maniacin the road.PK: HelpHe shouted as he help me out of the after we hadarrived. We got attended by a nurseHer: What's wrong?PK: As you see she's pregnant, she suffers from severepains in her abdomenI was seated on a wheelchair and I was rushed to award where a doctor attended mePK: Doc what's wrong?He was panicking,the doctor smiledDoc: Calm down Mr. Zwane, your wife is okay and so isthe baby. The baby was turning, I mean changing positions and that was the cause pains nothing hecticit was after he checked me upPK: That's a reliefDoc: Let me give you guys some privacy, Relax Mr.Zwane

He took the file and went outMe: Our baby is not going anywhere, please relax.I smiled, I could see he thought history was repeatingitself. Well I had to spend the night for observation..NKANYEZII.Morning couldn't have come any earlier. I rolled out ofbed prepared myself for driving back home..Fast forward, I arrived at home got out of the carafter parking it then head inside the houseMom: Of course I'm over him, What do you take mefor?James: If you are then why do you have a problem withthat girl?Mom: Do you really want me to answer that?James: I won't have asked if I didn't expect an answeror you can't give me one Cause You Know That It Ain'tAbout Her But Your Own Damn Feelings...

Mom: James...She saw me as I passed the loungeHer: Nkanyezi baby...I just looked at her walked straight to my room. I'mstill mad at her for her behavior last night, I wonderwhat they are arguing about. I decided to break mythoughts by calling my beautiful girlfriendHer: ThambolamiMy lips just automatically wildened with a smile.Me: Thembalami unjani umuntuza(how are youmuntuza)?Her: I'm okay and you?Me: I miss you Mama wezingan'zamHer: I miss you tooShe said giggling, that warmed my heart. I thought ofhow my mother acted that annoyed me.Her: Babe you still there?My mind just wondered off for a few minutes...

Me: Yes baby, I'm here...I sighedMe: I'm sorry about yesterdayHer: It's not your fault and your mom is just lookingout for you.Me: Still, that doesn't give her any right to be rude to you...Her: Babe it's okay, as long as you love me then I'mokayMe: And I promise nothing will change that, not eventhe underworld cabinetShe genuinely laughed, we continued to talk until mylittle brother badged into my room demanding we little brother badged into my room demanding we play FIFA.

.....The End.....

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