



Sassy As Ever

Love & Lust

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PROLOGUE

Andile

Lizel walks in , and she's in one short black dress

I can't take my eyes off her , locks the door and walks towards my desk
Me : baby !

Lizel : tell me you have a minute to spare

Me : for you , I have all the minutes you can need

She smiles , turning and her back facing me.
I waste no time unzipping her dress

She has no bra on , just a lace panty . And just in my
favourite colour red

She knows exactly what I love and like , and she always
delivers

Me : you never disappoint

She giggles bending over , my dick reacts
Lizel : make it fast

Say no more , I just lower the zip of my pants

And take my dick out , positioning it inbetween her ass cheeks

She slides her panty to the side , showingme off her pink cookie lips

Me : fuck !

I slide my dick inside , and she lets out amoan . I thrust in , holding her waist

She balances herself with my desk , themore I pound in her moans increase

And this office is not sound proofed ,
anyone passing can hear

The last thing I want , is talks that the boss is fucking in the
office

Me : shhhh

Lizel : fuck ! It feelsso good

She muffles her moans with her one hand ,
but it's still the same

Me : baby , people will hear I groan

Lizel : your tie ...ohhhh shit yes baby

I don't bother slowing my pace , as I feel that I'm near the edge

Lizel : your tie

I roughly take my tie off with one hand , she turns back and grabs it

She rolls it into a ball , and put it inside her mouth

Her moans are better now , I thrust in deeper . After a few thrusts , her legs shake a bit

I slap her ass a few times , I know pains
does get her off

And with just that she cums all over mydick, as I
continue thrusting in her

My dick tightening , and I take it out . Stroking it for a few
seconds , and I cum allover her ass

We're both breathing high , and panting .
She slowly turns facing me

And we kiss , for quite a few minutes that leven get hard again

Me : I love you

I say pulling out of the kissLizel : I love

you more

Me : thank you for that's , here go spoil
yourself

I hand her my platinum cardLizel : baby !

Me : you deserve it

Lizel : and I deserve you more

I chuckle

Me : of course , I'll see you laterLizel : I can't

wait

She slowly takes her panty off Lizel : you keep

that , until later on

She hands it to me , I gladly take it .

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Shaka

We're having lunch , I've just arrived like an hour ago

It feels good being back home , although I hate the sole purpose I'm back

But what can I do ? My father is sick , and I
have to step up to the plate

They're thinking of leaving with mom ,
going to Texas

That idea doesn't even make sense to me at all , but then it's
them and not me

But I know the old man wants to move backto KZN

Now that's the one sensible thing , that's
home to us all

Not some foreign land , we don't even
know . That's just insaneDad : are

you ready ?

I look at him and nod , Thulani chucklesannoyed

I side eye him , and his stare is ugly lookingat me.

Dad : please don't start with your nonsenseThulani : nonsense

baba ? Nonsense ? (Dad)Mom : Thulani !

Thulani : no ! I have been here since day one , I did business something I hated . But because I wanted to grow this legacy , I did .I gave that company my everything , even to this day . But no , the favourite son arrives and he takes over ?

Dad : Shaka studied business as well , and he holds a higher qualification than yours .Not to mention the experience that he is

Thulani : don't justify it dadDad : I'm

justifying nothing

Thulani : then be fair , give us all a chance .Why just pick him out ?

Dad : because I want my own son to lead my company , even if I were to choose someone from the company . It wouldn't be you

Thulani : what ?

Boy doesn't believe what he's just heard

Dad : Qondisile holds a higher qualification than you , she would be applicable taking over not you

He gets up

Thulani : of course , you do love that bitch
like she's your own daughter

Mom : Thulani you will not utter such nonsense in this
table

Thulani : ngiyaxolisa ma (I'm sorry mom)Lies ! He's not
sorry

Dad : and I expect you to be at that meetingThulani : why
bother ?

Dad : that's my company , do not forget
yourself . I give you a pay check , I say be

there you be there . Or find another in your
chair and office tomorrow

Thulani : you wouldn't !

Dad : who will stop me ? You maybe , son
you're not irreplaceable

He clenches his jaw and walks out

Mom : must it always be about business in this house ?

Dad says nothing , and Njabulo still has his head bowed down

Like he wasn't even here when all of that erupted

Dad : I hope you're ready , because you already have an opponent

Me : I'm not fighting for anything with anyone , your son better stay out of my way

The look my mother gives me , but they need to know I wonder be entertaining Thulani . Not even one bit

Me : what time is the meeting again ?Dad : in two hours

Me : alright

I get up

Me : lunch was great MaDube , thank you

She smiles , I walk up to my room . And this means I need to get a place as soon as possible

I won't live in the same house as my parents , especially with Thulani still living here

And there's Njabulo with his baby mama ,
fuck no ways

Thulani is the first born , I'm in the middle
and Njabulo is the last one

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Qondisile

I've been taking these damn pills ,
throughout the day

But this headache is still pondering , I feel like my head will
split in half

An hour to knocking off , and all I could use is my bed and a
massage

The door opens and Sbahle walks in , I
thought she's left by now Me :

you're still here ?

The PA's , secretaries and other workers do knock off an hour
before us

Sbahle : yes , I just need your signature on
this

She hands me the file , I page through it .And all is well , I
sign

Sbahle : thank you Me :

please go homeShe laughs

Sbahle : Mr Dube has called an emergency meeting , in 30
minutes with all the executives

Me : you lie !

What does that man want ?

Sbahle : notification came through , on myway here

I sigh , I hope nothing is wrong . The last thing we need , is
him breathing down ournecks

Sbahle : still have the headache ?

Me : it's bad

Sbahle : maybe I should run to the chemist
fast and...

Me : you're my PA , and not my errand lady.I'll be sure to pass
by the chemist when I leave

She smiles Sbahle :

alright

Me : anything maybe I should prepare myself for ?

Sbahle : nothing was specified

Now that's worrying in a way

Me : okay , see you tomorrow Sbahle :

bright and early , byeMe : bye

She takes the file she came with and leaves

Maybe I'm stressing myself for nothing , Mr
Dube is a nice man

Just that he's ruthless when it comes to
business

I haven't spoken to him in a week , since the last time he told me he's resigning as CEO

But then I'm sure one of his son's will take over , although I don't think they have whatit takes

I don't want the job myself , I'm very much happy being an MD

And I love my job , just that his son's lack focus and the drive

Maybe that's what the meeting is about , totell everyone he's leaving

Because he only told me in passing , and the man takes me like his daughter

It'll be very sad seeing him leave , but I guess it's time

I hope whoever takes after him , doesn't run this company to the ground

My phone beeps , it's a message from my husband . I smile opening it . But that smiles soon fades , as I read what he's saying

He will be late tonight , I shouldn't wait for him . He will miss dinner , and that he loves me . I guess I can forget that message , his lateness is always one of a kind

I just reply with okay , and that I love him
too .

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Qondisile

Qondisile



It's time for the meeting , but my mood is
so down

And this headache is not going away , but I have to go

So I get up , taking just my iPad . Walking out the door , I
stumble on Mr Dube

I hope I'm not late , and he wasn't coming to fetch me now .
That would be embarrassing

He smiles , I return the smile . We shake hands

Mr Dube : are you well ?

Me : I am well sir , how are you ?Mr Dube : you

don't look well Me : just a slight headache

The concern on his face cannot be missedMr Dube : did you

take any meds ?

Me : I did , so I believe that it'll pass

Mr Dube : you can miss this meeting , I
don't want you getting worse

I slightly laugh

Me : it's nothing major

He chuckles

Mr Dube : and being in that room with myson's , it'll need
you going to see a doctor .Let me save you that trouble ,
you'll be filled in tomorrow

Me : sir are you sure ?

I take my job very seriously , and I don't want it to be seen like I'm favoured

Mr Dube : yes , I'm just appointing Shaka as the new CEO . Nothing you didn't know about , since I already told you this a while back

Who is Shaka now ? I'm surprised he's bringing in someone from outside

I thought he'll choose between his son's , and my money was on Thulani the headache

The guy is arrogant for days , he feels so entitled like the world owes him anything

Mr Dube : go home , and get some rest

Me : thank you

We say goodbye to each other , he heads tothe boardroom

I go back into my office taking my things , I have to pass by
the chemist for real

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Shaka

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My father walks in , and he's alone .

I'm surprised , because he said he's going to check on someone

Thulani : where is the cold goddess ? We don't have the whole afternoon for her

There's some slight chuckles here and there

I guess this person has an office nickname ,and everyone is well accustomed with it

Dad : Mrs Nzimande is gone home , she will get acquainted with Shaka tomorrow

Mrs ? Interesting , don't ask why

Thulani : as always , she gets the first treatment . The rest of us , just have to follow orders

Dad : Thulani , I will suggest you don't forget yourself . Unless you want to find yourself , without a job

He swallows hard , imagine ! Father resigning , firing his son

He doesn't even bother sitting down , I guess he'll address on his feet

Dad : thank you all for coming , as I've said
Mrs Nzimande has gone home . On my orders , upon seeing
that she wasn't feeling well

I haven't forgotten that remark , Thulani
made during lunch

That dad loves her like she's his daughter , I guess I'll see
what's so special about her

When I finally get to meet her myself

Dad : due to some health issues , I can't continue running
this company to my full ability . Which is why , I have come
to this decision to resign

Now that comes as a shock , as there's few gasps

Dad : this will always be my company , I'm not selling and nor am I changing anything .Except appointing a new CEO

Thulani looks like he's about to burst right now

Dad : someone you all don't know , but I hope for the best interest of this company you will work well with . My second born son Shaka Dube , he's the one who will be taking over me

Some look at me , others are shocked of
course

Maybe they all thought Thulani will takeover , as Njabulo
doesn't even look interested in any of this

Dad : this is not my goodbyeHe looks at
me

Dad : would you like to something ?

Me : I'll prefer they're fresh tomorrow ,
they look all worn out right one

Thulani : great

He gets on his feet and walks out , I see how my father is hurt by this

But I'll get Thulani in line , he better lose that attitude with me

If he thinks he'll act out , and disobey me .
Then he has another thing coming

And I hope none of these people , think they'll follow suit in his footsteps

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Andile

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Arriving at home , it's already late . My wife
is asleep

And there's like 3 containers of medication ,
on her night stand

Some guilt strikes me , she's not well and I wasn't here for
her

I didn't even call her at all today , I just sent
that lousy text

And went to have dinner with Lizel , and ofcourse ending at
her place having sex

I lean down and kiss her cheek , she's really
worn out she doesn't even move an inchMe : I'm sorry

I sigh , heading to the spare room . I don't
want to bother her

I take a shower first , before getting intobed

I know she won't like this , but I'll rather not
disturb her peaceful sleep

My phone beeps and it's Lizel , I don't knowwhat she's doing
texting me

Knowing very well that I'm home now , but I
check her text anyways

And she's asking if my wife is on my case , I
decide to call herLizel :

baby ?

Me : Hey Lizel

: so ?I sigh

Me : she's asleep , I'm sleeping in the spare
room

She laughs

Lizel : you left me for a spare room! chuckle

Me : don't be like that , I'll rather be here
and avoid drama

That's even lies , Qondi doesn't have anydrama . It's just
my guilt eating me

Lizel : well , let me leave you

Me : and it's cold

Lizel : you can always come back

And risk ! Hell no

Me : rather we sleep , and I'll see you
tomorrow in the officeLizel :

goodnight

Me : I love you

Lizel : I love you too

We hang up , I sigh laying back down on thepillow

This thing with Lizel , wasn't supposed to go anywhere

But it's been over a year now , and I'm slowly falling for her

If I'm honest , I've developed feelings for her

This was supposed to be just some office romance , but it went far . We're still careful though , she's a receptionist at my company

She knows I'm married , she knows my wife.
She knew all this even before we started

But she didn't mind , but now she's started
being a bit clingy

I guess being the other woman isn't always
so nice after all

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Qondisile

I wake up feeling better , the headache is gone

I guess Sbahle was right , about going to the chemist

The meds helped , and I'm ready for my
day. Not knowing what awaits me at work

I take my green olive slim fit formal dress ,
it's just beneath my knee

With olive green red bottoms , just accessorizing
with a necklace

I take my handbag , and laptop bag .

Walking downstairs

And the smell of a full English breakfastwelcomes me

I smile putting my bags on the high chairs ,he looks at me

Andile : Mrs Nzimande

Me : can your family not come back andrequest their
cows back

He laughs , walking towards me

Andile : I messed up last night , and well I
feel bad

He's used to this thing of his , honestly I'm
not stupid nor naïve

But it is what is it , and he'll hang himself .Then again he's a
CEO

He always has work excuses all the time , in 7 years of marriage
. Let's just say I only felt 3 of those , and slowly things changed

Work is no excuse , I'm a career woman .Yet I know I'm a
wife

And I make sure I do my wifely duties ,
without fail

Andile : please forgive me.Me : work ?

He looks down for a few seconds

Andile : you know how it is , we just got anew contract so

I nod

Me : I understand

We share a brief kiss

Andile : please eat

He pulls a chair for me , it sit down . Heserves me

Me : thank you

Andile : what did the doctor say ? What waswrong ?

Me : just a headache , and I went to thechemist

Andile : why didn't you call me babe ?

Me : I thought it'll pass , and then I got your message . I figured I shouldn't worry you

He takes my left hand and kisses the back of it

Andile : I'm your husband , you're ought to worry me . Don't do that again please

Me : okay

Andile : even if a mosquito bites you , you have to tell me

I laugh

Andile : and there's that smile

I shake my head

Me : let me eat , so I can leave

Andile : enjoy , because I hate that I didn't
even sleep with you

Me : why didn't you ?.

Andile : I didn't want to disturb you babe ,
and I felt bad

Me : it's okay , but the spare room

Andile : I'm sorry , it won't happen again
right ? I'll rather take the couch

Me : please

We laugh and continue eating

Andile : wasn't work stressful though ? I
think maybe you should take a few days off

Me : no I'm fine , just that Mr Dube
resigned

Andile : he did ?Me :

yeah

Andile : wow ! I never thought that man will ever leave his company . And who took hisplace ?

Me : some guy named Shaka

Andile : not his son's ?

I shake my head

Me : no , and I was surprised . But I guessmaybe he didn't want to be accused of nepotism or whatever

Andile : I'm sure they're not happy about that

Me : especially Thulani

He laughs

Andile : give the guy a break , he'll calm
down and adjust Me :

let's hope so

Andile : the old man should have just appointed you

Me : hell no ! I'm fine where I am , and I don't want any
positions whatsoever

Andile : sometimes it's good for one to get out of their comfort zone

Me : I love and prefer stability over anything and everything , so best believe I'm not bothered

I get up

Me : thank you , breakfast was nice . I should get going now

Andile : you're leaving me ?

I laugh

Me : you're the boss , and I'm an employee

Andile : you don't want to be boss

Me : still not my company

I give him a peck , and take my bags

Me : please tell me you fixed the room , I don't want
MaMavis realising you slept inthere

MaMavis is our helper

Andile : it's fixed babe

Me : okay , I'll see you later

Andile : have a productive day , I love you babe

Me : I love you too

He smiles , I grab my car keys walking out .

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Shaka

I don't like this office one bit , it's too crowded for my liking

And I don't like such spaces , I like and
prefer open spaces

I will suffocate in here , day in and out .
Fuck no ! I can't

I need to have it changed as soon as possible

In the meantime , I'll go work in the boardroom .
It's very much opened

Tina walks in , I've learnt she's my PA . And I
will soon replace her

I don't like women this close to me , I'll hire
a men PA

Me : can I help you ?

Tina : uhm Sir , the meeting will begin in 15minutes

Me : I called it , so I know

Tina : oh okay ! Is there anything I can dofor you ?

Me : starting off by putting out a post for aPA

Tina : a PA ?

Me : yes

Tina : for who ?

Me : me who else ?

Her eyes wander around

Tina : but I'm... I'm your PA

Me : you were Mr Dube's PA not mine ,
now get on with it please

Tina : please....don't fire me I need this job

Me : I didn't say I'm firing you , we'll find something for you to do . Now go advertise a male PA post

Tina : you want a man ?

It's the way she asks me that annoys me Me : we've spoken

enough , and we're not
even acquainted like that .

She walks out , looking like she wants to cry.
But I don't care

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Qondisile

It's the smell of fresh chocolate muffins ,
hitting my nostrils

I smile as she slightly knocks and walks in ,and she even has a
latte in hand

Sbahle : good morning

Me : it's a very good morning indeed

She places them on my desk Sbahle : your

dose for the dayMe : thank you mam

She laughs

Me : how's my day looking like ?

Sbahle : Mr Keith called , he's asking to meet with you as soon as possible . And there's a boardroom meeting in exactly 12minutes , so that's how long you have to finish eating .

I start eating right away , but my mind hungup on the Keith issue

Me : did Keith mention why he wants to seeme ?

She sighs , and that can only mean trouble

Sbahle : he feels his account has beenneglected

That's not even my job

Me : okay , please get me his file . And I'll
give him a call Sbahle

: alright

She walks out , I wipe my hands calling
Keith . I'm thankful he answers

Me : Mr Keith , it's Mrs Nzimande here

Keith : Mrs Nzimande , I'm very happy to
receive your call

Me : yes , I got your message

Keith : I'm glad you responded back ,
because I really do need to see you

Me : please at least don't tell me you're not
pulling the plug on us

He sighs , and damnit that he's means
considering it

Without his account , we will lose millionsof rands

Not to mention , they're our biggest client
we have

I don't understand how such a big account
can be so neglected

Me : please , let's meet tomorrow morning .
And maybe we can work something out

Keith : only because it's you

Me : thank you for very much

Keith : I hope you'll convince me enough , to stay with your
company . Even though I don't see reason to

Shit ! Such incompetent people we be working with

Dube hasn't even left for a week , and such
a mess occurs

I wonder how he didn't see this as well , but
I guess now it's my responsibility

Sbahle walks back in , and she has the file lasked for

Me : thank you

Sbahle : you have to go now
Me : alright

I get up , taking the progress report files I'll need

I don't know why this man called the meeting , but he's CEO

And he's new , so we have to indulge him . I walk out heading to the boardroom

And I know everyone here , so I guess he hasn't arrived

Surely he's the one I wouldn't recognise , since I don't know him

I sit down and greet , and there's only a few replies . But I'm not bothered

I'm used to the cold treatment here ,because apparently I'm also cold

Sbahle is the only person I talk to her , and Iliterally mean that

Such intense energy , and I turn back oureyes lock he ignores that and walks in

Taking his seat , I don't know what's wrong with me right now

I literally stare at him , but I'm not looking
at him . Yes my eyes are at his direction

But I'm not focused on him , I'm so lost in
thought

That I'm startled when he bangs the table ,
and I move back a bit

I turn and face him , everyone is looking at him

Shaka : the name is Shake Dube , the CEO of this company
you're costing money every second you're sitting there fucking
me with your eyes

Thulani is first to laugh , and they all follow suit while he's just serious

Me : what ?

Shaka : you heard me

I chuckle , and I won't stand for this nonsense .

Shaka : we're waiting on you , or you can just do us all a favour . The door is opened

I get up , handing over the files to all of them and I walk out

And I head to that opened door straight ,
going to my office

So he's a Dube , he must be Mr Dube's son. How come I don't
know him ?

But it doesn't matter right now , because
this day is done for me

I will go work at home , while figuring out
how to save the Keith's account

I pack my things , and he just budes in like this is his house

Shaka : who the hell do you think you are ?

I ignore him , and continue with what I'm doing

Then I head for the door , he's standing in my way

Shaka : I don't care who you think you are ,but don't you dare turn your back away from me again when I'm talking to you

Me : noted !

I go around him , and turn my back on him still

The fuck he thinks he is , walking down on
the elevator the eyes on me

I'm sure I'm already fired to them , by the way they're just
looking at me

I'll be the talk as soon as I'm out , but I don't care

I head to my car , as I get in Sbahle knockson my window . I
open the door

Sbahle : what happened ? They say MrDube told you to
leave

What did I say ?

Me : I walked out

Sbahle : you still work here right ?

I don't know about that , the guy seems like he's just Thulani 7 times

I don't know if I'll be patient enough to ensure his bullshit

Me : if I leave , worry not . I'll still pay you , until I can find someone who can take you

She's disappointed I can see it in her eyes

Me : I'll send you an email , I want you
coming with when I meet Keith tomorrow
Sbahle : okay

Me : you might as well go home , take the day off

She nods going back inside , and I drive off heading home

There's nothing that annoys me like
egomaniac men

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Shaka

I'm left working in the boardroom ,
throughout the whole day

It's almost knock off time now , and we
have dinner with the family

Mom called to let us know , I don't even
know why they do this

They can just leave , and let us be . Now it's like they're making
memories

As if dad will wake you dead tomorrow ,
isn't it enough I came back home for this

Thulani walks in laughing , and he's just to
annoy me worse

Thulani : you really did a number on the cold goddess

He claps his hands

Thulani : but that was a wrong move
brother . You might just find yourself without a job ,
as of tomorrow

Me : what do you want ?

Thulani : your father doesn't take well , to her being
mistreated . Wait until he hears what you did , and he will
finally see the mistake he made . That job is mine , and
you've just helped me get it . How nice ?

Me : very nice indeed , now fuck off He frowns

Thulani : don't say I didn't warn you

He says as rudely as ever and walks out

I will get to understand what's the big deal with that woman ,
I know Dube will spit it out

She's not to be messed with , she doesn't
back down

And fuck ! That's one confidence in a
woman in the co-operate world

I'm surprised she's really married , got to
see the ring myself

I guess the husband must be someone in power

Because women like her , don't usually have men . Men are intimidated by such women

And she seemed like she can hold herself , she's intriguing I must say

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Lizel

Lizel



Andile bored me to the core today , we
made plans and agreed to go out

Last minute he ditches me , for that coldwife of his

He will pay for this , a whole shopping spree at Sun City that's
what will get him to have my cookie again

I've called my friend over , since I have
nothing to do

Sne : where is your man ? We hardly see you these days

I take a sip of my wine

Me : with his wife

She chokes on her wine , I sigh rolling myeyes

She doesn't know I'm dating my boss , shethinks it's just
some rich guy

I never told her who he is , but I can't keep
this secret anymore

We have to hide at work , even with ourfriends as well

All because he's married , but I knew what I was getting myself into
Sne : you

said wife ?

Me : yes , don't judge okay

Sne : so you know the man has a wife ?
I nod

Sne : but....

Me : it's Andile Nzimande

She moves back on her chair , looking all defeated

Me : like I said , don't judge okay . He's the married one here , so if anyone is to be judged it's him

I've always had a crush on him, ever since I started working at his company

He slowly showed interest in me , and well I gave him

One thing led to another , here we are today after a whole year

It was just a crush , but when we started .
He was a boyfriend , and giving me money .

Now that's why I can't leave him , the
money . There's nothing he doesn't do for me , I'd be a fool to
let him slip through my fingers

Sne : I don't know what to say

Well she's just a depression right now , she
might just as well leave

If we can't have wine , cheese and snacks and gossip about
my affair . She's a bore

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Shaka

We're having dinner , and Thulani keeps
looking at me

I'm sure he's just dying to tell his father ,
what I did

This one is an idiot , I don't even know what
to call him really Me : just

spit it out

He laughs , everyone looks at us

Dad : what's going on ? I hope you two are
not giving each other trouble already

Thulani : oh me ? No ways , just your son
embarrassed your daughterHe looks at

me

Dad : what is he talking about ?Me : ask him

I take a bite of my food

Dad : I want you and Qondisile working
hand in hand and....

Thulani : oh there's no working together ,
she left

Dad : what ?

Thulani laughs , I have a good mind to juststrangle him right now

Dad : what do you mean she left ?.Me : he means

exactly that

He gets up , and he doesn't look good

Dad : lets go talk

Mom : dinner is not done , can't we just eat in peace in this house ?

Dad : Shaka now !

Okay ! I get up , he's the one ignoring his wife . We walk to his study and he locks the door

Dad : take a seat I sit

down

Dad : what happened ?

Me : she zoned out during a meeting , and well I wasn't nice she walked out

Dad : walked out of the meeting or the company ?Me :

both

He shakes his head

Dad : Shaka I could have chosen Thulani or Njabulo , but no I chose you . Your brothersare weaklings , and they'll ruin my company. You have a good head on your shoulders , but you need Qondisile on yourside

Me : what's your deal with that woman ?

He sighs

Me : besides her business mind , surely
there's more to that

Dad : that company it is what it is because of her

Me : dad !

He looks at me and says nothing , but he's
mistaken because I want the truth

Dad : you have to bring her back to the company , buy her
flowers go apologize .Just do whatever you have to do

I won't ask again, and I'm not going to beg
that woman

Dad : okay fine ! But this stays between us
Me : okay

He pours himself a glass of whiskey

Dad : when I started that company I wasn't alone

That's new

Dad : a friend of mine , Smanga Cele and I started it together

Me : Smanga Cele ? The name doesn't ring a bell

Dad : that's because he's dead

Me : oh

Dad : he was Qondisile's father

He downs his glass , this seems hard for him

Dad : Cele and I we were both owners , at 50/50 share . After Njabulo was born , we had some financial issues due to his health . Things were tough , and we were barely surviving . And I took money from the

company , more like I stole it . Because Cele didn't even know , but when things got tough in the company he found out . And he wanted to get rid of me , now I wasn't willing to back down without a fight . Now I'm not proud of what I did , but I framed him for the fraud of the same money I took. He was arrested and sent to prison for 17 years , his daughter was still young then . Thulani was 6 and you were only 3 , with Njabulo only a few months old . I had someone watch him inside , and one night a letter was found with him . Writing and detailing everything that happened , he was telling all this to his daughter . I couldn't take chances , yes the letter was destroyed . But he was going to get out , and come for revenge . So I....I had him killed

Shit ! I look at him clearly , and he even has tears streaming down his face

I've never seen my father cry , I don't know this must be really hitting him hard

His guilt is , taking a father away from his daughter and taking his legacy

Dad : I....I took his shares , that's how I got to be the sole owner of the company . I guess his wife didn't know much , because never questioned anything . I paid for his funeral , took Qondisile to school . I made sure to take care of them , but it doesn't erase what I did

Me : that was selfish of you , couldn't you at least let her have her father's shares ?

Dad : it eats me day and night , I can't just give her shares without a reason . That's why I need her in that company , so that someday I can give her the shares back . Asif it's a thank you job well done , for her dedication

This man has defeated me

Me : fine , that's your guilt . Leave me out of it , just call her or whatever . Bring her back yourself , I won't beg her

I get up

Dad : you can't keep pushing her to leave ,
Qondisile doesn't take shit from anyone

Me : right !

I head to the door unlocking and walking out

I'm bump into Thulani walking out of his
room

Thulani : fired already ?

I ignore him , he really is an idiot

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Andile

I tried calling Lizel this morning , she ignored my calls

Something just tells me she ignored them ,because of what happened last night

But after fucking up the other day , I didn't want to fuck up again

Yesterday when I called my wife , and she
said she's working home

I just knew something must have happened at work , and I
didn't want to be the ignorant husband

I decided to come home , so I can be with her and cheer her
up

Me : I have an early meeting in Fourways ,
I'll see you later

Qondisile : okay

She's dressed , so I'm guessing she's going back to work today

I didn't even ask what happened , she didn't say either

Maybe it's with the new CEO , but knowing Qondi she will deal with him Qondisile :

please Uber me Me : why ?

Qondisile : I'm low on fuel , I didn't realise

Me : you can fill up

Qondisile : I have a meeting , I won't have
time to pass by the garage

Me : babe....

She sighs

Qondisile : Never mind , don't do itMe : I didn't

say I won't

Qondisile : Andile leave it , and I'm seriousMe : but babe ...

She turns her head , and that's her way to
get me to stop talking to he

Me : I'm sorry

I'm just shocked , Qondisile is too
independent

She's never asked me for anything , and I
mean nothing at all

I walk to her and give her a kiss , which of
course she doesn't bother returning

Me : please let me get you the uber

The eye she gives me , and I don't want to
push any further

I take my things and leave , I uber the car anyways .
Strangest thing I've ever had todo

Driving off to Lizel's house , we can't go to
the office with tension

She welcomes me , and she's also ready toleave . I give her a
kiss , and she kisses me back

At least she's welcoming , after a few
minutes we pull out

Me : baby I'm sorry

Lizel : I don't see you being sorry

I sigh

Lizel : you're making me feel like I'm competing now

Me : you can never , you do know that

I take out my phone , and send her R5000Lizel : baby

She squeals giving me one tight hug
laughing

Me : am I forgiven ?Lizel :

very much so

Me : think you can take care of me beforewe go to work ?

Lizel : definitely

She doesn't waste time going down ,
getting on her knees . Unbuckling my pants

And taking my dick out , she opens her mouth . And I can't wait , just for her tongue to grace me

She slowly strokes my dick , and takes it inside her mouth

I let out a groan , as the warmth of her tongue comes in contact with my dick

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Qondisile

I can't believe that dick head , he cries over
a fucking Uber fee

As if I can't afford it myself , Andile is a dick
and he takes first place

I asked him deliberately for the Uber , because I noticed
his platinum card isn'twith him

He doesn't even know how to cover his tracks , but that's fine

It works very well for me , I could give shit what he does

I take my phone and make a call , on the first ring he answers

Him : hello ?

Me : how far are you ?

Him : we just need to pass a few walls , but last night went well

Me : how much ?

Him : 1.2 million

Me : that's not enough

Him : I know , we'll get through Me : I need

you to do something Him : I'm listening

The gate monitor alerts there's someone at the gate , I check and it's Sbahle

I'm puzzled what she's doing here

Me : listen I'll send you an email with all the details

Him : I'll be waiting

Me : get cracking with thatHim : right

away

I drop the call , opening the gate for Sbahle .I wait by the door , and welcome her

Me : bright and early

I'm taken by the muffins and latte

Sbahle : good morning , this is yours

I let out a smile , taking them from her . I see she has her laptop bag as well

Me : what's going on ?

We walk inside , sitting on the kitchen barstools

Sbahle : I'm reporting for duty

Me : what ?

I open the muffins and take one eating , this woman is my life saver

Sbahle : yes , if you're working from home then I'll work home with you . You're my boss after all

Me : kodwa MaCele (but)

Yes we share the same surname , I'm a Cele from home . She's a Cele from marriage

Me : give it to me , besides the meeting with Keith . Do I have anything ?

Sbahle : just Mr Dube asking to talk to you
today , if possible Me :

which Dube ?She laughs

Sbahle : Snr

Me : alright , remind me after we meet withKeith

Sbahle : I'll make a note of that

Me : alright , let me get done so we canleave

I take my phone remembering I have to
send my guy the details

I send them to him , and get back to eating .
He alerts me back that he's gotten them

I finish eating , and head to put on my shoes

I take nude 8 inch stilettos , matching with my nude slim fit
formal suit

We leave taking Sbahle's car , I lied to
Andile that I'm low in fuel so I can't take my
car

As she drives out , he sends a message that
the Uber has arrived

As we pass the car , I chuckle . And call him

Andile : baby please don't be upsetHe's trying to

act all sorry

Me : I took a taxi Andile :

what ! No

Me : it's not a big deal , thank you anyways

Andile : but baby I'm sorry

I could roll my eyes right now

Me : it's okay really

Andile : okay , okay I love youMe : I love

you too

I drop the call , looking at Sbahle

Me : ask me nothing , and I shall not lie toyou

She laughs

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Andile

My wife is something else , she really must have taken
offence from what happened

So much that she ignored the Uber , so I
had to pay for it for nothing

It's not money anyone can cry about I know
that , but that was rude of her

Any other woman would have took theUber either way

But she tells me she took a taxi , that
doesn't even suit her one bit

I call Lizel , on the reception callLizel : hey you

Me : are you alone ?

Lizel : yes , I won't risk calling you anyhow
with anyone around

Me : okay , I just had to check Lizel : you want

me to come up ?

She asks with one seductive sexy voice , likehow she answered
the call

She'll be disappointed I know , but she'll get
over it

Me : order a bouquet of lilies , have them delivered to my wife's office

I don't even know if she's in her office or where

Lizel goes quite , but I can hear her breathing

Me : did you get that ?

Lizel : you must be fucking with me Andile ,I must order flowers for you wife !

She's angry ,but who does she expect I send?

Me : not just any flowers , Lillie's and whitenot pink . Please
don't make a mistake

I drop the call , I know she won't be happy .
But she needs to know still

I'm a married man , and at times we can't ignore nor avoid
the fact that I do have a wife

And a wife that she knows for that matter

Her anger is nothing that money won't
make you for

And a whole lot of sex , so she'll be over it .
And I remember she still has my platinum card

I hope my wife hasn't realised that it's not
with me

But she's not the kind of a wife that goes
through my things

I just have to get it back , and I haven't seen any notifications .
But I haven't checked

One thing I know is that Lizel has used it ,
there's no way that she hasn't

But I'm not complaining , I did give her the card to use

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Qondisile

We sit down , and I order a glass of lemonade

Getting my file ready , and the presentation. I
hope Keith buys in

Loosing a client like him , will cost us . And I
can't have that happen

He finally arrives , we exchange greetingshe sits down .
Unbuttoning his suit jacket

Keith : Mrs Nzimande

Me : Mr Keith , thank you for coming . Eventhough I this was
your request

He nods

Me : allow me to apologize on behalf ofDube Enterprise

Keith : I must say I'm very disappointed

Me : I understand , and with reason ofcourse

Keith : I don't even remember when it wasthe last time , that my account got recognition

Me : I must say and admit that I wasn't paying any attention to the account , itwasn't in my hands

Keith : and I must say as well , I only cameto your company because of you

That much I know

Me : I know

Keith : and you've let me down

Me : please allow me to redeem myself

Keith : let's hear what you have

I hand him the file , and he takes his gooddamn time
looking at it

I can even see that Sbahle is getting a bitfearful

He finally sighs , closing the file

Keith : and you can pull this off ?

Me : you trusted me with your account for areason , I think that alone speaks for itself

Keith : considering what happened

Me : I'll personally handle this account myself

He looks at me for a while , thinking hardKeith : a month

Me : a month ?

He sighs again

Keith : Mrs Nzimande , you have only a month to put this vision to life . And get myaccount out there

He's crazy , I'm no miracle worker . But I want his money , so I'll do it

How ? I don't know , but I'll have to make it work . For the sake of the company
Me : a month it

is

He looks at me like he doesn't believe I've just agreed

Sbahle looks at me like I've just gone mad

Keith : are you sure ?

Even he doesn't believe in his own time frame Me :

yes

Keith : and I thought you'll ask for more time

Me : you're the client , and when you say a month . I'll just have to work my ass off and deliver

He chuckles

Keith : now , I remember why I liked you in the first place

He holds his hand out , we shake hands Keith : you have

two months , I believe

that's enough . And you'll be able to execute your vision to perfection

Now that wasn't so bad was it ?

Me : thank you

He looks at his wrist watch

Keith : you're a busy woman I know , so I do appreciate this time

Me : I appreciate yours moreHe nods

getting up

Keith : until next timeMe : go

well

He leaves , I finally breath

Sbahle : wow !Me :

what ?

She smiles

Sbahle : I don't know how you do this , butdamn woman
you're good

I chuckle

Sbahle : you should be CEO

Me : no thank you , I'm fine where I am

I call the waiter over , and we order food

Sbahle : don't forget Mr Dube Snr

Oh that ! I take my phone out and call him Me : thank you

She nods , he answers Mr Dube :

Mrs Nzimande Me : sir , how are you

?

He laughs

Mr Dube : I'm no longer your boss you
know

Me : well , I believe I have a pay check allthanks to you

Mr Dube : I can never win , but then I'm not
well

Me : oh ?

Mr Dube : I heard what happened with myson

The son I didn't even know he had

Me : well , such happens

Mr Dube : please tell me you haven't left us?

Me : that company is home to me , I just figured a breather wouldn't hurt

He release a sigh of relief , along with Sbahle . I guess she really thought , I'll leaveand she'll be without a job

Mr Dube : thank you , and I do apologize onbehalf of my son

Me : if men like him shook me , I wouldn't
be where I amHe

chuckles

Mr Dube : true that , but he shouldn't get
used to this

I actually don't care , because I won't back
down

Mr Dube : please , join us for dinner tomorrow night with
your husband if you can . I know it's short notice

Me : we would love to

Mr Dube : I'll see you tomorrow

Me : tomorrow sir

Mr Dube : thank you for your time
Me : likewise

I drop the call , I am so not for that dinner

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Lizel

Andile is full of shit , asking me to send hiswife flowers

Why couldn't he ask his PA , or anyone of his employees ? It just had to be me , the one who fucks with . He clearly doesn't seeme with shit

I know not ordering them , will make melook somehow

I swallow my anger up , taking the call and
calling the florist

I don't even bother , going for anyone
expensive

Me : hi , I would like to order a bouquet of pink lilies

He can go fuck himself for all I care , as long as I ordered them

I give the lady the address to be sent to , and with no
message whatsoever

It's not like he gave me one , so why should I ? He clearly doesn't love his wife enough

And well that's not my issue

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Andile

It's almost afternoon , and I've been waiting
for maybe a call from my wife

But nothing , she should have long gotten the flowers now

And knowing her , she wouldn't keep quiet
for no reason

So I pick up my phone and call her , I need
to know we're okay before I go home

Qondisile : hello

Me : baby are you still angry with me ?

Qondisile : was I ever angry ?

Now I'm the idiot

Me : but you didn't even say anything about the flowers

Qondisile : what flowers?

Lizel had better not fucked with me

Me : you didn't get any flowers ?

Qondisile : no , was I supposed to ?

She knows how to make me look and feel like an idiot

Me : babe come on , would I ask if you weren't supposed to get any ? Qondisile :

well I didn't

Me : okay , I'll check maybe they didn't get your office number

Qondisile : you sent flowers to the office ? Me : yes

Qondisile : I'm working from home.

What the hell ?

Me : come on now ! Didn't you say you took a taxi this morning ?.

Qondisile : I said I have a meeting , so I had my meeting and came back home

Shit I feel like a fool to be honest , my wife is something else

Me : okay , I'm sorry my bad

Qondisile : it's okay , anyway I was going to call

Me : oh ?

Qondisile : Mr Dube invited us for dinnertomorrow

Me : which Dube ?

Qondisile : the father who else ?

Me : well there's a lot of them , I don't even know how you address the new one

Qondisile : I didn't tell you anything about him

I've screwed myself

Me : I...I hear something

Qondisile : okay , will you make it ?Me : of course

babe

Qondisile : alright thank you Me : no need , I

love you okay ?Qondisile : I love you

Me : I'll see you soon

Qondisile : alright

My other phone beeps and it's a bank notification , I cannot believe my eyeMe : what the

fuck !

Qondisile : what ?

Me : babe , I'll have toI'll see you later

Qondisile : oh , is everything okay ?I sweat same

time

Me : yes , we'll talk . I love you bye

I drop the call , and I look again at this
notification

750 000 , all gone . And that's the amount I
had in that platinum card

I call reception , Lizel is fucking with meright now

If she's angry about the flowers , she hasjust taken it too
far

She could have just not sent them , if theydrove her insane

She answers , I don't even wait to hear anything from her

Me : my office right now

I drop the call , getting off my chair . I pace around like crazy

She walks in , and closes the door

Lizel : I've had it with you today like....

Me : WHAT THE FUCK !

She moves back , clearly scared . But I don't care right now

Me : who gave you the right to clean out my account ? Are you so fucking angry overmere Lillie's

Lizel : please calm down , and don't talk tome like I'm your child

I walk closer to her

Me : I will say this once , return back that750 000 you took

Lizel : what are you talking about ?

She's really acting all confused right now , like she has no idea what I'm talking about

I take my phone and show it to her , her jaw drops

I swear I could even believe her right now , the way she's so shocked

Lizel : I didn't take any money , I haven't used your card

Me : then explain that

Lizel : I don't know , but it wasn't me.

Me : my card is with you damnit

Lizel : and I have been here , the whole time. When did I go withdraw that money ?

Beats me as well , but there's no logic explanation for this

Me : give me my card back

Lizel : it's in my bag

Me : go fucking fetch it

She runs out , with tears streaming downher face

Me : fuck !

I messed up , I really messed up . I should
be glad , we're not joined together on that
account with Qondi

How in the hell was I going to explain that ?
That's a lot of money

And I just risked with it , over a fucking pussy . Lizel went
too far this time around

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Qondisile

He couldn't pay for an Uber ride , but he
can afford flowers

Pathetic !

That's what they must be teaching him out there , that you
fuck up and apologize withflowers

I don't even remember when was it the last
time he got me any

I got the urge to go to the office , just to get
some files

I think I'll be home for a while , or rather
that was the plan

But now with Keith giving us a chance , I'm
not so sure anymore

Maybe I should just go back , and have myhaters talking
again

I walk in the elevator , and it's almost
knocking off time

So most of them have left , just the few
minor staff

They're usually the last one , after we have left and everyone
else

Except those that leave before us , I get to my office

And I frown at the pink lilies on my desk , like what the hell
?

These are the fucking flowers ? And I hate
pink Lillies , I prefer white ones Me : ah

Andile Nzimande

I take them , and throw them in the bin . I
look for the file I want , and walk out

Getting in the elevator , there's the rude
Shaka . He looks at me and I get in

He's mistaken if he thinks I won't because he's inside

I'm not intimidated by any man , not even
by his sexy self Oh shit !

Lord no

Shaka : hello to you too

Me : you have the courtesy ?

He just turns looking at me , and he's way
too close

That he looks down on me a bit , even with
these heels . He's still slightly taller than me
Shaka : you're rude

Me : takes one to know one
Shaka :

mhm

Damn ! His cologne is doing things to me ,
like I'm obsessed with men who smell good

It's the cologne for me , I think it's just
completes everything

Me : get....

Does he not lean down , our lips touch I quiver a bit . But lands a
slap on his cheek

He doesn't even move an inch , his
expression is still the same

I tell you he didn't feel that slap , at all . Instead my palm
is the one that's feelingpain

Me : do that again , and I'll have you for
sexual harassmentShaka :

go ahead

What the He grabs the back of my head
and just captures my lips into his

For a slight second , and he just teases me .His one hand goes
to grab on my ass

And he's damn grabbing , I feel it . Our
bodies touch

I lean in for a kiss , the elevator pings . He moves back like
nothing happened

I'm annoyed , but at the same time feeling like shit . I was damn going to kiss him

A few employees walk inside , and I'm glad I'm still fixed so fine

Except for my breath , that's slightly higher . But I get it under control

He's first to get out , as the elevator stops . I follow after everyone is out

Heading to my car , and I still cannot believe what I've just almost done That's

cheating right ?

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Qondisile

I'm getting ready for bed , and he's
nowhere to be found

I won't even bother myself calling him , he's
just getting used to this

So he wants freedom , that's what I'll give him . 70 percent of
the time , he acts like abachelor

So why should I keep nagging him ? He knew what he was
doing getting married

But now it seems like he has bit more than
he can chew

And I won't be that bit he spits out , he has
got another thing coming

My phone rings , I'm quick to answer

Me : yes ?

My tone and voice is low as ever

Him : we got it , sorry for the late response
Me : how much ?

Him : 750 000 , everything that was in the account

Lucky whore , she's given a card that has over half a million randMust be

really nice

Me : okay , he might try to find out whathappened

Him : nothing will trace back , nor link youanyhow

Me : I wouldn't expect any less , now you need to get on with those walls . He might just try to tighten the security around

Him : okay

Voice : what's wrong with security ?

Shit !

Me : let me call you tomorrow

I drop the call , and turn back facing him .
He looks like shit , I'm sure he feels worse

Me : what ?

Andile : I asked what security ?

I stare at him

Andile : I'm not upgrading any security ,there's nothing wrong with the securitycompany we have . I really don't have money , to be wasting on unnecessary things

Me : okay sorry , my bad

He just passes by , going into the bathroom.I clear my call history , and the caller ID backup

Placing my phone on the night stand , and I
get in bed

I hear the shower running , poor thing . It must be very hard
for him today

And I'm sure the side is angry at him , or he's angry at her

Either way , someone is angry at another .
That's why he's this grumpy

All because of that money , I should buy myself a new car

Fuck ! I think that's deserved .

Andile

I have never been so frustrated my entire life , and not knowing what to do

Lizel denied having took that money , which doesn't make sense at all

How did that money just disappear , just like that ?

While she had the card on her , I initiated to go to the bank today

I could have started there , but my PA called and said it's just chaotic at work

And I arrive , finding Lizel is not at work . I don't know what she's trying to prove

But she's just testing me , to the core . Maybe it's me she wants to ruin , for having a wife

I call her , for the fifth time this morning .
And she finally feels like answering

Me : what is wrong with you ? Don't you
value your job anymore ?

Lizel : please....just give me a day off

Me : I cannot afford to give out days off , I need you here

Lizel : please

She's crying , as angry and frustrated as I am I can't help
but feel for her

Me : babe

Lizel : I swear I didn't take your money , I didn't

I shake my head , rubbing my forehead .
This doesn't make sense at all

Me : okay

Lizel : please believe me

Me : okay , okay I believe you . Look it's rough here , so I need
to get busy . Take the day off , I'll come see you later on

Lizel : okay

Me : uhm , please don't cry yourself the whole day . I'll find out what happened with the money

Lizel : please do , because I know I didn't take your money . The only thing I'm guilty of , is sending your wife wrong flowers
Me : what ?

Lizel : I was angry Andile , and I sent pink Lillie's instead of white

Women are crazy as fuck , Qondisile won't
be happy about this

Now I'll have to apologize for sending her wrong flowers , as if
I don't know she hates them

Lizel : I swear that's all , I know nothing
about the money

Me : alright , let me get back to work Lizel : okay bye

Me : I love you babe

Lizel : I love you too

Me : I'll see you later

Lizel : okay

I drop the call , and now I'll have to go see
her

If she's this hurt , then it means she really didn't take the
money

But then who did ? That's my question right
now

And I need to go make things right with her,
I need her tomorrow

I can't be attending a function all alone

I take my phone and send my wife a text ,
that I won't make it to the dinner

She responds with okay , I'm just glad she's
not being dramatic

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Qondisile

Some women are very lucky , you'll date someone's
husband and yet take first priority

I have no doubt , Andile ditched me for dinner for his
side thing

But it's okay , the way he's so busy he clearly knows
what he's doing

And I shouldn't stand in his way , he can do
whatever he wants

What is ours in this marriage long died , thesecond he started
being busy outside

I knock and I'm welcomed by Njabulo

Njabulo : Qondi

He smiles letting me in , I'm polite as ever
returning the smile

Njabulo : everyone is this side

He leads me to the dinning room , and I
don't know maybe it's just me

But Mrs Dube went all out , and I'm slightlylate . Traffic wasn't
on my side

I greet , they greet back . Even the rudeShaka

Njabulo pulls a chair for me I sit down ,thanking him

Mr Dube : I'm glad you came

Me : apologies though , my husband
couldn't make it . He's really caught up

Mr Dube : yes , must be the business function for tomorrow . Since it'll be taking place at his office , of which I want you to attend . My bad for the bad timing , I should have known he will be busy

Right now I'm so shocked , he said Andile has a business function tomorrow

And mind you , I know nothing about that . So I'm really shocked

Thulani : I can always attend

Mr Dube : no , Shaka and Qondi will

And him !

Shaka : must we ?

Mr Dube : that's a networking platform , we need someone honouring the invitation for us . And it'll be them , unless of course your husband has asked you to accompany him . But either way , please be there for us on a business capacity

Some husband I have , I'm sure he has someone he's taking

And that someone is clearly not me , since I knew nothing about this

Me : of course

Mr Dube : I can always rely on you , and mkami forgive us .
We know this is not the time for business (my wife)

She smiles

Mrs Dube : I'm starting to give up , fighting
this business talk during dining time

With a husband like Dube , I can only imagine

Dinner goes great , with mostly Mr Dube being the one
engaging us

I don't even bother taking my attention to Shaka , honestly after what almost happened

I get crazy shivers when I look his way , and that is not good for me at all

Me : ma thank you , dinner was really lovely. Thank you for having me over

Mrs Dube : you're like a child in this home

I smile , getting up to clear the table

Mrs Dube : oh please , don't worry yourself about that

Me : it's the least I can do

Mrs Dube : okay , if only you don't mindAsiphe helps me ,

she's Njabulo's baby

mama

Me : it's okay , I'll do the dishes myselfAsiphe : alright ,

I'm not a fan anyways

She laughs walking out , the girl is lazy . You just look at her ,
and it's written all over her face

I'm almost done , when I feel his presence
behind me

My heart pounds , I close my eyes for a brief moment

And he walks closer , so much that he just stands behind me

With his crotch resting right on my ass , and I can damn feel it

He leans down his face to the side of my face , I open my
eyes

His cold breath hits my neck , I'm slowly just
getting weak

Shaka : you smell so nice He says

inhaling my scent inMe :

you're...crowding me Shaka : am I ?

I take a deep breathMe :

move back

Shaka : make me

What a comprising position this is , what if anyone was to walk in here ?

I slowly turn only he pins me against the counter , wasting no time taking my lips into his

There's no hesitation whatsoever , or any holding back as I return the kiss

My whole body vibrates to his touch , as he trails down his hands to my ass grabbing it with both hands

I let out a moan in his mouth , his crotch
resting slightly on my lower stomach

I get so lost in the moment , that I even forget where we
are

After a few minutes , we slowly pull out catching our
breaths

I'm slightly panting , and feeling so damp
down there

I slowly move back from him , his one hand trails tummy waist

There's just something about his touch ,
something that even I cannot explain

Shaka : come meet me in my room , thirddoor on your left

He pecks my lips and walks away , I'm left
having to gather myself

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Shaka

I'm finishing this proposal , but my mind is
not even here

It's with her soft lips , they even tasted like
strawberries

Fuck she can kiss , and she does it so flawless and
effortlessly

Our lips just moved in sync , without too much dedication
put into the kiss

Like it was just bound to happen , and well
it happened

I was disappointed the husband didn't
come , I so wanted to meet him

I don't even want to google him , I want to
meet him face to face

I just want to see the man , that got a forceto be reckoned
with of a wife like MaCele

For the mere fact that Nzimande is her
marital surname , I'll never address her with
it

I might be going crazy , but her presence hit me from where I am

I chuckle to myself getting up , I open the door and I guess I'm not crazy Me : will you

just stand there ?She sighs

Qondisile : I don't know what point you were trying to prove , well maybe that I'llcrumble in your hands . I did , now pleaseget over it . And leave me alone

Me : you're not coming in ?

Qondisile : did you not hear anything I said?

Me : welll

shrug

Qondisile : bye Shaka , I won't cheat on my husband with you or anyone else for that matter . I'm a married woman , I respect myself and my marriage enough

I stare at her , and she walks away . I can't fucking help myself , starring at her ass

This woman is figured , and soon I'll explore all of that

I don't give a fuck about that marriage of hers , it's not my business . And therefore has nothing to do with me

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Lizel

He really came , and I didn't think he would

Considering how angry and upset he was with me
yesterday

Even now I'm still puzzled and asking
myself, what happened with the money ?

I had only planned to go use the card , but I
don't get to it

So who did , and how did they take everything out
of there ?

I still can't believe , and it has hit me hard .
Now Andile will never trust me again

Unless he finds out what happened with his
card

Andile : is your dress ready ?Me : yes

Andile : okay good

Me : I can't believe you're not taking your
wife

Andile : I want to take you

I wonder if this won't attract eyes to us ,
especially because there'll be other
business men and women there

And this is happening at our company ,
we're the honest to everyone there

Me : was the invitation from DubeEnterprise
accepted ?

Andile : maybe , but I don't know

Me : okay , let's hope it's people who won't know you're her
husband . The last thing we want is drama

Andile : I doubt ,I don't remember seeing anything from them . So worry not , andbeside you're my colleague . And that isacceptable

Me : okay

I move my head from his chest , I can see he's still bothered

Me : babe what are you going to do ? Because I want you to know I didn't doanything

Andile : I don't know

Me : maybe the bank can help

Andile : I doubt , usually when large amounts of money disappear from bankaccounts . These banks hardly take any accountability

Me : but it's worth a try , that was a lot of money . And I hate what it's doing to us

He nods

Andile : I was angry babe , I was angry and upset

Me : you scared me , and at some point I
thought you were going to hit meHe takes my

hand into his

Andile : I will never lay my hand on you , nomatter what

I nod

Andile : we'll figure this out , and.... We'll be
fine

I snuggle closer hugging his wait , placingmy head back to
his chest

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Lizel

This place is beautifully decorated and all , it looks amazing

And so is everyone around , but we sure made to match
with my man

And I know that's a slight stupid on our side, considering some
people know he's married

And he's not here with his wife , but I loved how he just made
talks

And it was just life , she was held up or
caught with something

And so she couldn't be here , I work here sol'm by his side

Andile : are you okay ? Me : I need

the bathroomAndile : let me take

you

I smile , he takes my hand and we get in the lift

Andile : we should take the stairs

Me : why ?

Andile : I just feel proud having your hand in mine

Me : baby

Andile : I'm sorry about what happened

Me : it's okay , just find out what happened so we can move from this

He nods

Andile : but I might have lost that money ,
and I won't get it back

Me : I'm really sorry , I don't know how this happened

Andile : it's a tough one , but it's okay my love . I'll access my offshore accounts , and take some money from there

We walk out , heading to the bathrooms

Me : so your wife hasn't noticed anything ? Andile : no , we

don't hate accounts . Why do you think I can give you my card just like that ?

Me : well , hopefully she never finds out

Andile : go in , do your business and I'll wait

He gives me a peck , I walk inside leaving him at the door

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Qondisile

We're late , all thanks to Shaka who had an outfit coming for me

I don't even know why he bothered , but damn I love this dress

It suits me perfectly , and well what do you know ? It's my colour red

The man went all out , making sure that I look stunning

From head to toe , one would swear he's some dedicated husband

And we're going there to make a statement,
because we sure do look like it

He's so not the rude Shaka , he opens the
door for me

I don't know what I'm feeling , when he
lands his hand on my waistMe : my

husband is here Shaka : with you ?

Ouch !

Shaka : does he know you're coming ?

Me : no

I won't discuss Andile with him , because he even lied and said he's working late

He didn't say anything about the function ,and I didn't ask him anything

We walk inside , and there's stares okay .
Not to mention the press

But Shaka handles the media just fine , and indeed we are here for Dube Enterprise

We do converse with a few business potentials

Shaka : look to your left

We're standing with a fee business me , and
I side eye to my right

I feel my insides turning , it's Andile with his
receptionist Lizel

He doesn't even have his ring on , and
they're wearing matching outfits like some
power couple Me :

excuse me

I walk away from them , before they evensee me

Getting myself a shot of scotch , downing it
in one go

I don't even care about his cheating ,
because I knew he was

But it's with his fucking receptionist

Andile doesn't see me with shit , and I'll
fucking ruin him to the core

And the bitch will know never to toy with any married man
ever again

I never even suspected her , because I hardly come
here

Shaka

I look at her , and the two didn't even see her . The way they're so occupied with each other

I walk to her , she's far from the crowd .
And I've never seen a woman handle such strong alcohol like this

I take the glass away from her , she clenches
her jaw

Honestly , if that fool was someone I gave a damn about

I would warn him , Qondisile strikes me as a dangerous woman

She can kill anyone in cold blood , and go on about her life

Me : that's enough

She shakes her head slowly

Me : are you really going to sulk over his cheating ass ?

She looks too smart , to have not noticed anything

Qondisile : I need to go

Me : wait....

She passes me and walks away , I'm slightly annoyed by that

But I soon chuckle , as she makes sure hespots her

And he looks like his eyes will fall off ,
clearly he wasn't expecting her at all

That's why he's even flaunting his side in front of everyone

This just makes things a whole lot easier forme , and for her too

She won't fucking have to feel any guilty
about whatever happens

He started it , and I'm sure she l'll fucking
finish it

He's intimidated , that's why he went and
cheated on her with his Insarbonatesomeone way
below him

She just passes , while he's gobsmacked .
And you can see it all over his face

He moves away from his side , but she's so
fucking clingy she takes his hand

That was lovely to see , you can see he's
dying to follow his wife

But dude is scared

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Andile

My heart almost stopped , how in the hellam I going to explain this to her ?

Bloody Lizel , not wanting to let go of me

Me : let go , my wife is here and she saw us

She quickly moves , I follow the direction she took

And I find her , having a snack by the snack table

I'm so scared , my palms are sweating like
crazy

My heart pounding so hard and loud , I gather myself

Me : baby ?

She slowly turns , and I cannot read her expression

Me : you....you look beautiful

She smiles , I don't know what this means

And which one do I start to explain first ?Lying to her about going to work

Or being seen with Lizel like that , wearingmatching outfits with her

Me : I can explain this

Qondisile : what's there to explain ? You said you're working late , well this a business function

Me : but....I should have just said it the way it is

Qondisile : yes you should have , but I also didn't tell you I'm coming . It's fine
Me : you're not

angry ?

She laughs

Qondisile : no

I can relax a bit , but there's still the Lizel issue

Me : forgive me , and I just took Lizel thereceptionist . You still remember her ?

Qondisile : oh yeah it's fine , I'm here with Shaka

Me : who's that ?

I ask annoyed

Qondisile : now calm down dear husband , you're matching with your receptionist for

your company . And I'm here with Shaka ,
for our company

Me : babe , there's nothing to the outfits Qondisile : I know that

, come meet my bossI don't have much choice here , so I follow
her

And I must say , I'm intimidated as we
approach this guy

Just for the mere fact that he came herewith my wife

Qondisile : Shaka , meet my husband .

Andile Nzimande

He looks at me straight in the eye , and he's
intimidating

Shaka : the man behind Nzimande legacy

He has a glass in hand , he doesn't even bother holding
his hand out for a hand shake

Me : I see you're occupied , so no hand
shake . But pleasure meeting you He chuckles

Qondisile : I'm calling it a night

Me : so soon ?

Qondisile : oh ! I arrived hours and hours ago

Me : okay , I'll see you at home

She just smiles and walks away

Shaka : I don't shake hands with pricks

Me : what ?

He puts the glass down

Shaka : I don't stutter

He walks past me , I'm left fuelling . I don't even know , is it because of what he said

Or the fact that I think I'm caught , but my wife is acting all fine

My guilt is just eating me up right now , if it was another woman she would have caused chaos

Voice : plead don't tell me she saw us , why didn't you tell me she was coming ?

I face her , and she looks scared . But her
fear is not my business

I walk away from her , I think I'll play from
her tonight

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Shaka

I follow her into the elevator , and there's a slight sniff

I get closer to her , and doesn't even move an inch

Me : he's not worth your tears

She chuckles

Qondisile : fucking 7 years of marriage , and only 3 of those he cared about

She wipes the one tear that falls off

Me : I won't comfort you crying for another
man

Qondisile : Shaka what do you want ?Me : you know

She flaps her lashes , I pin her against the elevator wall

She gasps quivering a bit , I move my hand back pressing the
elevator and it stops

I go in for a kiss , she gladly welcomes and returns with the same passion

I can't help myself , but grab on her ass . I deepen the kiss

She lets out moans in my mouth , I move my hands down to her hips

And in the process lifting her dress up , she doesn't stop me . And that gives me access to her coochie

I rub my hand over it , she trails her one hand to my dick

She strokes over it , I let out a deep groan . I
go down slowly taking her lace panty off

We're locking eyes , I slowly part her legs
dipping my head in between her thighsQondisile :

Ohhhh my god !

She balances herself with the elevator wallson both hands

As I eat on her coochie , sweetest thing I've
ever tasted

She moves her hips , and I can tell she's close just by how she can't control her moans

I move back , getting up . I go back to her lips , she unbuckles my pants

I lower them slightly , she takes my dickstroking it

I place her one leg begin her , and balance itwith my one hand

She lets go of my dick , and rubs her handson my head

I take my dick and slightly rub against her
clit , and slowly pushing it down to her open

She welcomes me , the warmth and moistin there

I fucking lose all senses , and my dick is already tight and
hard as fuck

She struggles a bit to accommodate me ,
but that doesn't stop us

She's first to start moving , and I take her
pace meeting her thrusts

She holds her hand on to my waist for dear
life , as I thrust in and out of her coochie

I go in Slightly a bit deeper , she pulls my lower lip a bit

Qondisile : oh god ! That feels so good

She runs her leg over my leg , she explodes her cum all over
my dick

Throwing her head back , I kiss her just to muffle her moans

As she lets the feeling of pleasure take all over her body

Just seeing her orgasm , gets me off . She's
one fucking sight

Her moans evoke things inside of me , I
didn't even know existed

I could pull out and cum outside , but fuck
no ! I won't deprive us of such pleasure

After a minute or so of high breaths and panting , we calm
down

We lock eyes , and I don't see any regret in her eyes . I know I
don't feel any

I pull out slowly , letting her dress fall back
down

Me : are you okay ?

She nods , I pull my pants fixing myself up Qondisile : I want

to go

Me : you want to go , then we're going

I press the elevator back , with her red lacepanty still in my
hand

I lean in for a kiss , she welcomes it .

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Qondisile

I see by that we're not going to my house ,
and he knows where it is

Because that's where he picked me , so
what is he doing ?

I have no regrets whatsoever about what happened at all

Sure for the first time ever , I cheated on my husband

But well , who started it ? And well I'll finish
it for him

I'm not aiming for anything with Shaka , he probably has a girlfriend or a fiancé somewhere

And that's the only thing that's a worry ,because I don't want to be that woman

The woman that sleeps with someone's else's man

I look at him , and he's so focused on the road

Me : do you have a girlfriend ? Shaka : no

He's not lying , his face says it all . Unless
he's lying , but I can read faces very well

Shaka : are you territorial ?

Me : you're not mine , I just don't want to screw another
woman's man

He chuckles

Shaka : screw ? Don't bruise me like that

He did not say that

Me : where are we going ?

Shaka : home

Me : not my home , that much I can see
Shaka : Cleary

And I'm shaken when he turns to his family
home

Me : no ways

He just looks at me

Me : you cannot be walking in your father's
home with me

Shaka : I can , and I am

I shake my head , he says nothing going in

Shaka : I'm not sneaking in a girlfriend , it's late the people are sleeping

We get off the car , and walk inside . Shaka : need a drink ?

Water to be precise Me : water ?

Shaka : you took two shots of scotch

Me : I can handle myself

He takes my hand , and we walk to his room. He locks the door

So I'm sleeping out for the first time ever ,and with a man I just had sex with in an elevator

While I'm still lost in my thoughts , he just smashes his lips on mine

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Shaka

I slowly pull her closer to the edge of the bed

We're now both naked , with clothes all
over the floor

We lock eyes , as I slowly slide my dick inside of her

warmth

I swear , I will never let go of such a
coochie. Only an idiot would

She locks her legs behind my thighs , I slowly remove
them

Still locking eyes , I don't want to fuck . I
want to make love to her

I lock her legs down on the bed with my arms , taking
slow deep thrusts

She cups her boobs , rubbing on her nipples with her thumbs

I move my hands to her waist , holding her
on both sides

Bringing her closer , she lifts her ass up letting go of her
boobs

Balancing her lower back with her hands , as she slowly
meets my thrusts

I let her be in control , she's not some little
girl to be handled . She's a fucking woman

And she's proving that right now , and I appreciate how
she's not holding back

I let out a slight groan as I cum , and she
doesn't stop

I calm down , and turn her over . Laying her on her stomach

I part her legs , and slide my dick inside hercoochie

She grabs on the sheets welcoming me , I pick up my slow
pace a bit

Placing my hands on her ass , and this is afucking sight

A few deep strokes thrusting , her cum
graces my dick

And I slowly pull out , just admiring the sight . Crouching down
, burying my face inbetween her thighs

Nibbling on her clit , and my tongue gracingher coochie

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Lizel

The way Andile just dumped me last night ,just like that

He didn't even bother coming back , to tell
me what his wife was doing there

Or what she said , because clearly she saw us

He wouldn't have reacted the way he did , if she hadn't

I was hurt no lies , and I still am even right
now . I don't even know where he is

I tried calling , because I was left stranded at a function

I had to ask a lift from one of the guys we work with

That was such an embarrassment to be honest

And Andile must just know , I'm not happy
with him

He could have at least had some common sense , and called an Uber for me

But no , he just disappeared just like that

I'm glad it's a weekend , and I won't have to face him at work

Because I know , I would just loose myself .Just cause drama and all

I take my phone and call Sne , she answersSne : this early ?

She groans

Me : I know , but do you have any plans ?

Sne : like I said , it's early

Me : that's why I'm calling this early ,
because I want us to go out today

Sne : call me in an hour , seriously you need a man or
something

What the hell !

Me : for your information I have a man Sne : your boss

that's married , he's not

yours

She just drops the call on me , I'm left
stunned

Like what's changed now and what was that
all about ?

What does she care that I'm dating a
married man ? That's none of her business

And she's my friend , she's supposed to be
on my side

Not just judging meNxn !

She's really ruined my mood right now

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Qondisile

I turn facing him , and he doesn't loosen his grip on my waist

His wise away , just has his eyes closed . But I can tell he's not asleep

Me : I have to go

He leans closer , our lips touchMe : morning

breath

He chuckles

Shaka : keep white people's things away from me

He brings me closer with his hand behind
my head

And I just give him , we kiss for a quote a few minutes

That I even get aroused , but the fatigue that I have

Damn !

There's no way , I'm opening my things for
him now

He deprived me of sleep , throughout the whole night

We only got to shut eyes an hour or two ago , that wasn't a lot

We pull out , and his crotch is poking mylower stomach

Me : I have to go

Shaka : you're not going to work

Me : I feel like shit

Shaka : you're not a cheater

Me : what do you call what I've just done ?

Shaka : you don't want to hear , you'll think
I'm rooting for your marriage downfall

I sit up straight slowlyMe :

downfall ?

He sighs

Shaka : don't depress me , it's still way too
early

Me : it's 06:30 , your family might be awake. I can't risk
having them see meleave

Shaka : why exactly are you leaving now ?

Me : I need to bath , and change . I have to go to the office

Shaka : I have a bath too , so you can bath here

I laugh

Me : I know you have a bath He chuckles

Shaka : let's save water

Me : I'll be smelling all masculine like you all day

Shaka : you're enticed by my scent

Me : on you yes , not on myself

I get up , and pick his shirt from the floor . I put it on

Shaka : why the sour face ?

Me : I'm sure Andile must be home worried sick

He laughs , and lord ! Can he always laugh ,
it's so contagious I can't help but laugh as
well

Shaka : no he's not Me : no

he's not

We both say at the same time , I think I'm
failing this

Don't get it twisted , I don't care what I did .I don't even feel
bad

I just want to act like I feel bad , to Shaka .
So he doesn't get any ideas

That I'm now his toy thing , or that I'm
enjoying what happened

This is all for show for him , I don't give a
rats ass about Andile

He can go fuck himself for all I care

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Andile

I couldn't even go home , I couldn't go with
Lizel

Guilt and fear , had me by the balls lastnight

I ended up going to the club , and got wasted . Only to
land in bed with some strange lady

But now I'm ready to leave the hotel , and
go home

Qondisile is scaring me , the way she was last night

I thought she would act out , and not be calm as she was

As for Lizel , I know she's furious with me .
But she needs to put herself in my shoes

I didn't expect what happened last night ,
and I was taken by shock

And the last thing I want , is drama
occurring with my wife especially because of my cheating
ways

Talking about that , I need to call my bankers so I can access
funds from the offshore account

Before she even realises what happened with the card

She's been one of a kind woman , and has
stuck with me through the years

I'm not cheating because of maybe things are cold , or that
maybe she's not wife enough or anything like that

It's just lust and nothing else , just with Lizel
things got so complicated

And now look where we are , and I haven't had any braveness
to break things off with her

I don't know if I'll even do that , unless push
comes to shove

Because when it does , I'll choose my wife
over Lizel

The pressure in the marriage , is just always wanting to prove
myself

Because of the kind of a woman she is ,
she's so independent that she doesn't seem
to need me

She's not vulnerable , and that's what
caused me to have an eye outside

Stupid I know , because if it was another man they would
actually appreciate a woman who can stand on her own

I guess I'm just not that man , I just want her to need me

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Andile

I arrive home , and seems like she's going
out

She's dressed for the office that's for sure , I
cannot miss it

I'm so scared , I don't even know what to
utter

Me : babe

I close the door , she stood packing her laptop bag and
she looks at me.

Me : I'm sorry I didn't sleep home

She just looks at me , I'm sure she's angry .
And awaiting an explanation

Me : I.....I'm really sorry about everything that happened
last night

Qondisile : Andile really , I don't mind you not inviting me to
your work function . Like I said , I went there and I didn't tell you
as well . Please let it be

This is what's scaring me , why is she not
fighting ?

Me : you're not angry ?

Qondisile : I really don't understand what
do I have to be angry about! sigh

Me : and....and the matching outfits thing ?.

She laughs

Qondisile : you went to a function together, sure you wanted to
make a statement

I put my car keys on the coffee table , and walk closer to her

Keeping some distance , so she doesn't
smell the scent of the woman on me

Me : babe , you're really scaring me . Pleasetell me you're not
leaving me ?

Qondisile : leave you ? Come on, you're
really paranoid right nowLet's hope

I am

Me : and I slept at the hotel , because I wasashamed to come
home

Qondisile : you poor thing , now please letthis go . And I
have to get to the office

Me : okay , I promise I'll change

She just smiles taking her bags Qondisile :

bye

I nod , and she leaves . I sit down , and this is exactly why I look out there

If it was another woman , she would demand explanation after explanation

But no , not my wife . It's hard being a husband , to a woman that has it all

What does she need me for ? Honestly it
has knocked me down

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Qondisile

He has never bored me like he did , and
having to apologize for sleeping out

Because he thinks I slept at home , that took the cup

I could have told him , that I didn't even realise because I
didn't sleep here

But I was like fuck no ! Let him sweat ,
because it's his pathetic whoering ways

And he even had a lipstick stain on the
collar of his shirt , I'm sure he didn't even
realise it

I'm done working , juts catching up on some accounts I didn't attend to last week

And since I'm all alone in the office , I can work better in peace

Right now I'm busy looking at Lizel , and I'm so disappointed

Like couldn't Andile find a better woman to degrade me with ?

It has to be some woman who has an apartment because of an ex

And she doesn't even have more than
R50 000 in her bank account Like really ?

What does she do with all the money she gets from him ?

Because I know for a fact she gets money from him , and so
she has access to his backcards

Wouldn't it be nice , she just wakes up and
realise that she has nothing ?

I smile to myself , going on my app and
accessing her account

I take out the whole 48 659 out , and good thing the
apartment owner's number is here on her information

I take it , and make a call . While moving the mere cents I took
from her , into any Italian account

It's so intractable , it'll definitely look like she's the one who
used her card and took the money out

Daniels : hello ?

Me : Mr Daniels , you're talking to Raven
Riley

Daniels : Ms Riley , what can I do for you ?

Me : oh yes , I see you have a block of apartments in
Pretoria South

Daniels : true yes

Me : I want to buy them , all of them He goes quite

for a while

Me : name your price , give your tenants a
week's notice . And they should move out

Daniels : Ms Riley I am not selling

Me : oh but you are

I get off my chair , and stand by the window. Looking at the beautiful sight ofCenturion

Me : see , either you sell me the whole apartment block .
Or you just sell me oneapartment in particular

Daniels : which one ?

Me : the one accompanied by Lizel , LizelChris

Daniels : may I please ask what this is all about ?

Me : how does 12 billion dollars sounds ?He gasps , I smile

Me : that's a lot of money

Daniels : are you sure it's not a mistake. ?Me : I don't make mistakes

Daniels : you have the block

Me : send me the paper work , my guy will get in touch with you . Don't even think about fucking me over

Daniels : I will never do that , this is you giving me a new start at this life . It's like the universe felt it , and brought you my way

Me : perfect , remember give them a week to move out

Daniels : a week it is

I drop the call , and in just 5 minutes he has sent the agreement paperwork

Bloody fool , he was selling just that he was lying to me

He really must be going through shit , because there's no way that he made a sale agreement paperwork in just 5 minutes

Me : oh Lizel , let's see what your manwhore will take care of you with

I know , she will run to him first

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Lizel

Even though I didn't feel like going out with
Sne anymore

When she came over , I just gave in .Because I was
bored

So it wouldn't have been wise , to just say no when I'm the one who started her

We've done some shopping , that's always
therapeutic for me

Now we're done having lunch , and I'm glad
we did this

Because I feel so much better , with no
stress that Andile hasn't called me

He hasn't texted , so I don't know what's
going on

Me : let me pay the bill so we can go

Sne : alright babe , and my man is awaitingme

I laugh , calling the waiter over . He comes I
take my card out

Since I used the cash I had on me for shopping

Waiter : it's declining

Me : what ?

The look she gives me

Me : you must be mistaken , there's money
in that card . Try again

He tries again, and goes for the third time
again and still the same thingMe :

impossible

Sne : girl.....

Me : stop

I raise my voice a bit , I take out my phoneand I cannot
believe my eyes

There's a bank notification , all the money
has been taken out . Like all out it

Me : no....no...no this can't be happening

I go on the app , and it's not a lie . There's
no money in my account

I don't know what shock this is , but I feel
my chest closing up

I'm having difficulty breathing , I can't seem
to utter anything out

My vision gets all blurry from my tears , sounds are
slowly fading

As I just catch a glimpse of Sne getting off her chair coming to
my aid I think . But myeyes fail me , and everything goes all
blank

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Qondisile

My guy checked out the forms , and well everything is legit

So yeah the apartment blocks are mine now, and I want everyone out

All because I'll renovate them , and create a hotel

I just want Lizel out of there , I can kick her out alone and leave others

But fuck no ! She'll think she's the shit , and I'm bitter because of her

I'm not even there , I'm just teaching her a
life lesson she'll never forget

I'm done getting ready for work , in just one simple tight body
hugging below the knee maroon dress

With 8 inch black stilettos , accessorizing with just a
bracelet

Andile : you look beautiful smile

Me : thank you

Andile : was thinking we can do breakfast ?.

Me : duty calls , I have an early meetingHe sighs

Andile : okay , dinner ?

Me : we can do dinner , if you'll be able to
fit me in your busy scheduleHe looks at

me inquisitive

Me : I'll see you later , do confirm if I'll have
your time or not

I grab my handbag

Andile : babe ?I look

at him

Andile : my love are we okay ?

Me : we couldn't be better

I walk out , just leaving him there

I guess he doesn't know what happened to
his whore , that she lost all her money

Otherwise he would have been sour this morning

And not trying to kiss my ass , with stupidbreakfast or dinner

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Andile

I'm left alone , I can be able to call my
banker even before I get to the office

I sit down taking my phone and calling him

It's time to face the music today , having to
see Lizel

And I know she's not happy with me , so I'll
have to have money so I can appease her

It's the only way she'll forgive me I know
that , so I have to spend moneySteve : Mr

Nzimande

Me : hi Steve , how are you ?

Steve : I'm very well and yourself ?

Me : barely surviving

Steve : what's wrong ? anything I can help
with ?

Me : yes , I need to access my offshore accounts and have some money transferred into my account

Steve : that shouldn't be a problem at all , just know that the money will take a few days . A week the latest

Me : great , thank you so much Steve : not a problem

Me : thank you for your time Steve : anything

Me : bye

I drop the call , and now I can finally breathe

I just need to keep my wife occupied this week , just until the money is in

For someone we don't even share any accounts with , nor does she know my worth

I'm really scared and worried about her , finding out I lost money in my account

My phone rings and it's Lizel , couldn't she just wait for me to get to work ?

She's being too much right now , I ignore the call

I'll see her at work , she just just give me a break .

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Lizel

I have a feeling that he's ignoring me , just
not answering my call deliberately

That time I'm stuck in a public hospital ,
sharing a ward with over 10 sick people

It even smells funny in here , I don't even
get me started on the noise and all

I just want to be out of here , and nothingelse

But there's no one to rely on , without
Andile and Sne I have no one

Except an ex , who fell out of love and ended up
leaving me his apartment

Because he felt bad , that things ended just like that between
us

And it was his fault , so even to this day he still pays for that
apartment

It's his , in his name and all . But the
landlord does know I'm the one occupying
it

I don't want to run back to him , how
desperate will I look ?

And for the fact that , I still can't stand formyself even to
this day it's just a shame

But I can't be seen anyhow , it's not my
fault that my money is stolen

I called the bank , and they said my cardwas used to
withdraw the money

And I think I got scammed where I last usedit to swipe ,
because that's the location it shows the money was withdrawn
from

Andile finally calls , it's two hours later . And
I'm sure he's calling because he's at work and I'm not there

Me : in your own damn time

Andile : lose that attitude , and tell me if you still want this
job or not

I sigh

Me : seriously ? I'm going through the most right now , and
you're threatening the one thing I have going on

Andile : why are you not at work Lizel , if you so value this job of yours ?.

Me : I'm in hospital , I collapsed yesterday . My bank account cleaned completely , and I think I've been scammed

Andile : baby what ?

He sounds so concerned right now

Me : I....

My phone beeps and is a text messageMe : give me a

sec

I put the phone on loud speaker , while I
read the message

And how bad can things go from here ?Tears stream
down my face

On top of being broke , now I'm homeless .
Like what the fuck !Andile :

babe ?

Me : the landlord is kicking us out , and weonly have a week
to move out . Because he's sold the building to someone else

Andile : okay , this is shit . Send me your location I'm coming

I can't even say nothing back , the tears are just doing the most Andile : I love

you okay ?

I nod , and realise he can't see me Me : I...love

you

I think he drops the call , I send him a message telling him where I am

I swear I feel like I'm being dealt with , is it because I crept my way into someone else's marriage ?

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Qondisile

Sbahle walks in with my daily dose , and
now this is what I calm breakfast

And right after this , my day can start . I'll be
myself then

Sbahle : Mr Dube is asking to see youls he out of his
mind

Me : tell him I'm busy

She smiles , I take a bite of my muffinclosing my eyes
in the process

Nothing feels better than the taste of fresh muffins , I swear

Sbahle : you're serious ?

Me : yes , come back in 20 minutes . So we can go over my day

Sbahle : alright

Me : you're a darling

She laughs going out , and it's like a minute later he walks in

He looks sharp , in one dark grey slim fit
suit. With black formal shoes Shaka : and this is

you being busy ?

I swear Sbahle didn't even get to his office ,
he just got here way to quickMe : yes ,

next time knock Shaka : you're stunning

His eyes bore right through me , honestly I feel exposed

Me : what can I do for you ?

Shaka : nothing really

I squint my eyes , he walks to my side and sit on my desk just a few inches away fromme

It's the way he's just looking at me

Me : what ?

Shaka : I missed you

He has one maintained stare

Me : I...if you think you're going to bang me in my office , on my desk . You're mistaken

He side smiles , showing off his perfect white teeth

Don't ask why I'm even looking at him , to that extent

Shaka : we can always go to mine

Me : hell no ! We're not some casual fuck thing , I don't even believe I let you fuck me in an elevator . At my husband's company , lord what if they saw us on camera ?

I'm trying to exaggerate right now , but it seems like this won't work at all

Shaka : that idiot doesn't have a single camera there , but it was going to be fine . They would get to enjoy the show , and just see how important sex in an elevator is

It's no reason to make me laugh but yeah Me : please leave

My phone rings , and I cannot ignore it . Even with Shaka here , and he doesn't look like he wants to leave

Me : yes ?

Him : we just hit

Me : mhm

I cannot believe this , I figured they would still need a few more days

He has his offshore accounts really protected , they've been struggling a bit

Him : he accessed the accounts today , and as soon as they were opened we managed to get in

Me : how much ? Him :

3.8 billion

Fucking sucker ! I need that car right now

Me : that was everything ?

Him : everything , he only managed to get 50K into his platinum account

Andile is something else , so he was accessing those accounts

To transfer money into the platinum , so that I'm being fooled Serves his

damn ass right Me : good work

I drop the call , I'm coming for his company .
He won't know what hit him

And now I need to be one perfect wife , because I need him
being vulnerable to me

When he's going through all this loss , and watching his
company slipping through his fingers

Me : let me work Shaka : give

me a kiss

I gasps , not believing he just out said it .What does he
think we are

I open my mouth to say something , but
nothing comes out

He leans over , tilting my chin with his fingers . We lock
eyes

Shaka : you're beautiful

Our lips touch , he brushes his over mine .His one hand
behind my head

I fist my hands on his suit jacket , as we kiss slowly getting lost
in the moment

Our lips moving in sync , I can appreciate the level of
intimacy this man has

A slight knock is what disturbs us , and he slowly pulls out of the kiss as the door opens

And it's Sbahle , her eyes land on us . And Shaka is only a few inches away from me

Sbahle : I ...can come back later

I just look at her , not knowing what to say .But her eyes say she has an idea of what she walked in on

Shaka : no , I'm leaving

After locking eyes for a few seconds , he
gets up and walks out

I'm just left so awkward , not even knowing
what to say to Sbahle

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Andile

Such a filthy place , yet it's supposed to be a
healthcare for sick people

I don't even want to be here to be honest ,
what if I contact some deadly disease ?

I sit down anyways , and she looks fine tome

We might as well leave , why keep someoneadmitted just
because she fainted

It doesn't even make sense to me , sheshould have
been discharged from yesterday

Me : hi

Lizel : baby I'm so happy you came

Me : well what's going on exactly ?

Lizel : look , I was scammed I swear . I didn't withdraw all that money , but the bank says it was used to withdraw the money out .

Doesn't make sense because I had it with me , it only declined when I was to pay for the food bill . And that's when I saw the notification

What exactly is happening here ? The same thing that happened to me , can't happen to her

Lizel : and that's not it Me :

what ?

Lizel : check the last message to come through

I read it , and finish off with a sigh

Lizel : babe I don't know what to do , I have no idea what am I going to do
Me : so you have nothing ?.

Lizel : I don't have anything

I rub my eyes , honestly when I fucked with her . I wasn't signing up to be her cater

Sure I did it , because I didn't mind doing so.
But now she's just going to feel like some
burden

Me : I....this is a mess

Lizel : babe you will have to help me outI knew this was
coming

Me : help you with what ?

Lizel : I'm homeless Andile , I have no money . You can come
through for me withthat

Me : I can't afford to get you accommodation , unless it's something small and affordable .

Lizel : so I must degrade myself ?.

Me : you can't afford yourself , please don't expect me to

My phone beeps , I take it out

Me : I'm still recovering from the money Ilost and....

I look clearly at this notification , and whatthe hell ?

Lizel : but I need you right now

I waste no time calling my banker back , and he answers

Steve : Nzimande

Me : what the hell is this you have sent ? We agree on one million not 50 thousands

I fume

Steve : that's not possible

Me : what do you mean that's not possible? I've just received a notification right now

Steve : please , give me a minute to check
this

I fear the worst , and I will not be able to handle such news

What will I tell my wife ? Who the hell is doing this to me
and why ?

Steve : I don't know what to tell you , but it says here you
accessed the whole 3.8 billion in your account .

Shit ! Nono this cannot be happening . Who is this person ,
and how are they doing this ?

Me : you.....I

Lizel : Andile sit down

I take a deep breath , and it's not working

Steve : it says the funds , all of it weretransferred to
your platinum card

He's still talking ? And that fucks me over , I
throw the phone against the wall

And it scatters around , causing the peoplewho scream

Lizel : Andile !

I just look at her , as I feel my chest closing I
just head for the door

I walk out of the hospital , feeling like losing mind

That's my money , all of it gone . I just let out a loud scream
as I reach the hospital gate

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Qondisile

He sure must be licking his wounds where he is , especially after that stupid hospitalvideo

And the press don't waste time , having a field day

Business Mogul Andile Nzimande , seem tohave a metal breakdown . As he screams outside a hospital gate

oAndile have no shame yazi , and he's a
fucking liar (you know)

He went to see that Lizel there , after seeingthat video

I just had to find out why he was there inthe first place

And it's because that Lizel is there , maybe
she fainted after finding her cents gone

Shame man poor thing , pity for her I haveno mercy

I don't even know what that is , so I couldn't even possibly feel it for her . Or anyone elsewho fucks me over in anyway

I've already gotten a contractor , to go suss the place out

And well won't I have my Bentley in just afew days , I just couldn't wait

I've always loved having my own money , not depending on anyone

But damn ! It feels so good spending someone else's money

I don't know , it's just giving me vibes and well I'm loving them

Sbahle walks in , I'm packing about to leave.
Finally this day has come to an end
Sbahle : just

brought this for you

I take the file from her , putting it inside my laptop bag

Me : uhm , about earlier on

Sbahle : Mr Dube scares me , next time I'll just knock and wait for you to say come in .His presence is just too dominant for me

Oh ! Well this is where we leave it at

Me : let's go MaCele

She laughs , I take my things and we walkout together

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Shaka

I'm pleased with the office , a lot of things have been taken out

I just left , a table and a couch as well as the desk only

There's no need for all that furniture , that was in there

It's late I'm supposed to leave now , I was just finishing up a proposal

Things will be better this week , because my
new PA will be starting

I make a mental note , that I need to see anestate agent this
week

I need to buy myself a house , I won't stayat home like my
brother's

We're so fucken old for all that shit

I take my things , and I'm the last one to
leave today

I drive home , and I almost missed dinnertime

Mom : can you just say when you're working late ?.

That's the greeting I get , as I sit downMe : sawubona

ma (evening mom) She laughs and sits down

Dad : tell who ? Because we're leaving in a few days

And then there's that of course

Thulani : leaving us here all alone , are you not afraid that we'll kill each other ?

This fucking dick head

Me : don't worry I'll be out of your hair

He laughs

Dad : Shaka when did you decide that ? Me : the second I

landed in South Africa He doesn't look happy about that

Me : you're moving to the states , you clearly don't expect an old man like myself to still be living under your roof . Sell this house , do us all a favour

Thulani : speak for yourself , sell this house
for what ?

Me : umdala ndoda , go find your home
(you're old man) He

clenches in jawsMe : just

try

Dad : enough you two , Shaka I'm glad you're feeling to
be responsible . Your
mother and I haven't thought of selling this
place

Mom : this is your home Shaka , how can we sell it ?

Me : we are old , we'll go find or make our own homes .
Anyways I seem to be the onlyone , seeing that we're old

I get

Mom : this is not how I saw our last days here .

I won't stand to hear her going on , about how there's no peace in this house

I go to my room

Qondisile

It's the next day , and Andile didn't come
back last night

Not that I care , so he totally forgot about this stupid dinner
invitation

I'm done getting ready for work , and I asked Sbahle to send me my schedule

I see I'll be in the office the whole day , meaning I'll just be cooped up in work

I'm on call with my guy , I never address him with his name . Because I don't fucking even know it

I doubt if he even has one , look I tried finding him but nothing came up

Now I don't always need to rely on him , but I'm just not that interested

Sitting in front of a computer , and ruining
people

Fuck no ! I want to do it in reality have you stare in my eyes
while I stare in yours

So that's why I have him , and right now I want us to find a
way to break into Nzimande legacy

When I'm done with Andile , I want him to
be out and down with nothing

He thought he was protecting himself when we got married

And he wanted a prenuptial agreement ,
but little did he know . In the end it'll
benefit me

I don't even want him to have a single
place, where he can run out

I will run his company to the ground , to a point of no return

Someone might say I'm taking it far , but fuck no ! There's
nothing I hate like being used

I gave this man 7 years of my love , not counting the 2
we were dating

Him : what do you think ?

Me : I want his reputation down the drain
Him : and how do

we do that ?

Me : hack their system , make sure you're
not seen not even detected one bit
Him : okay ?

Me : ruin any orders they have , fuck up their plans . I want
those clients he has to leave one by one , bit by bit . Leave a
mess that can never be fixed

Him : alright

Me : get on with it , I'm tired living with that
fool

Him : understood

A shadow passes behind him , and I smile when he shows
his face on the screen

He lets out a slight side smile Sebastian :

Raven

Me : Sebastian

We have a moment of silence , and he says
nothing just walking away I sigh

Me : keep in touch

The guy nods , I close my laptop . Shit I owe myself a spa day

Sbahle should join me , that woman makes my life so much
easier

I don't mind to thank her once in a while , because I do
appreciate her very much at that

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A FEW DAYS LATER

Qondisile

Andile has been so weird , I haven't evenbothered to ask him what's eating him

That's his business and not mine , I'm
picking up my Bentley today

Fuck ! I'm excited , it's like I'm getting my
first car ever

The plans are to be underway soon at the apartment block

I want one hell of an astonishing hotel there
, it's not my money I'll be spending

I'm not holding back on anything , I want to
go all out

I walk in the kitchen and find him eating
cereal

I don't cook no more , as much as I want
him vulnerable to me

I won't make myself his helper , he can go
eat out there where he fucksMe : good

morning

He nods

I take an appleMe :

bye

Andile : babe wait

I look at him

Andile : can we talk ?

Me : are you ready to talk about what's eating you ?

Andile : it's just business , I'll deal with it

Me : oh okay , while you're at it . Please get a hold of yourself , I don't want to be harassed by journalist . Knowing my association with you , I don't want to find

myself compromised or caught in your things

Andile : really ? Association , babe we're married

Me : just get what I'm saying Andile Andile : okay

fine , let's talk

I sit down Me :

okay

Andile : how come we never had a joint account ?

He must be fucking insane , his ass is broke now . He fucking wants to chow my money

Me : because we have our own money , that's why we didn't see the need to have our money joined

Andile : but babeit's like we don't trust each other or something like that! sigh

Me : remember when we got married , you came up with prenuptial agreement . That I didn't even know about , you threw that in my face . On our wedding day , a sane woman wouldn't have married you .

Because what you did , screamed that you thought I was marrying you for money . But I went ahead and signed it , and I married you . Now in this marriage , we know where we stand . What's yours is yours , and what's mine is mine . There's no such things as ours , and that's why we don't have a joint account

He takes my hand into his

And I : but babe , I didn't even know that's how you felt . If you told me , I wouldn't have brought up the agreement . And we would have gotten married with it

This idiot , he thinks I don't see what he's doing

Me : no it's fine that you did , I was just making you see reason

Andile : okay , but can't we start all over again ?

In his dreams Me : with

what ?

Andile : maybe we can start with that jointaccount , and we can each place 50K in

The only 50K he's left with , so he wants to
loot mine

Me : 50K ? I thought you'll say maybe a
million Andile :

hah! laugh

Me : what ? It's not like you don't have that
money

Andile : babe what do you say ?

Me : no , it's not happening . Let's keep our marriage as it has

He sighs retracting his hand backMe : bye , I

have to get to work Andile : bye

I leave , he can stay there have his cereal .
And try to figure out where he'll find money

Because he's not getting mine

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Lizel

I didn't go to work today , because I have to
pack my things and leave

I don't even know where I'm going , I'll just have to crash with
Sne

That's if she'll welcome me , it's only a week
before month end

So I'll have to use my salary , to find a place. I don't even know
where

Because since that day , I haven't seen Andile and he
hasn't been to work

Worse , his phone is always off . No one knows where he
is

Right after he pulled that crazy stunt , and
left . I've never seen him again

He said he would help , with an affordable place . But right now , he's nowhere to be found

And I have to be out of here today , most of the tenants have left . Only three of us remain behind

But now we know , we have to leave today .So we have no choice but to leave

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Shaka

Kyle walks in , I place the file down . He sits down on the opposite chair to mine

He's good , he keeps to himself . And says minimal things

That's why I think he's perfect for being myPA , I didn't even run a thorough interview with him

At just first sight , I knew he won't annoy
me . And we'll get well just fine Me : cancel my

afternoon meeting Kyle : the one with Cruza ?

Me : yeah Kyle

: okay

I have to go see the house , the agent only got back to me
today

And the way I so want to be out of that
house , I can't miss going to check the place

Andile

I had to switch my phone off , because ofLizel

Fuck ! That woman is on my case , and I have my own shit
going on

And I can't afford to get her anything right now , not a place or an allowance

Just until she's back on her feet , like I have nothing

And worse , the police are not helping with anything

Because apparently I'm the one who accessed my accounts , and transferred the money

That's the report from the bank , so they're not doing anything about that

I don't even know where to begin telling my wife all this

Honestly this morning , it was just me trying to get some money out of her

But she wasn't budging , and I don't know how I'll get her to change her mind

And slacking at work won't help me either , because I need to make money

I had to get myself to work , and I see the temp is holding in

Where could Lizel be ? This woman likes taking chances

All just because she's fucking me , I take my office phone and call herLizel : hello

?.

Me : get your flat ass to work right now , ifyou know what's good for you. And you want fucking want that pay check end of the week

I drop the call , with not knowing what's happening in my life

Not knowing who could be targeting me
right now , this company is the only thing I have going on

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Lizel

Isn't it crazy that he's been ignoring me ? All
this time

But suddenly he wants me at work , and he can get a hold of
me

Andile is full of shit , and he needs to be told where to get
off

I called Sne and asked her to place her , on her couch or
something

And she said she wasn't around , but then she'll see me later

I got her spare key , under the carpet . She
told me where it is

I was busy unpacking , when Andile called .And I just had to
drop everything

Arriving at work , I go straight to his office .
He needs to know I'm not his child

He can't talk to me like that , when he
himself has been missing work for days now

And I've been here , all of those days thathe wasn't

I just get in his office , and he's on the phone . He doesn't look very much okay

I wait for him until he's done , and he gets up

Me : where do you get off , talking to melike that . After you ditched me for day ?

He walks closer and I just hope he doesn't slap me

That's why I dike when her raises his hand , only he grabs the back of my head

Me : Andile.....

He just smashes his lips on mine , I can't help but kiss him back

Until we run out of breath , and we both pull out of the kiss

Andile : I'm sorry , I'm going through shit . I lost a lot of money , all of my bank accounts are empty . There's nothing , please give me a chance to fix this . I don't know who's doing this , targeting me like this

Me : wait....wait what do you mean there's nothing ?

Andile : exactly that , babe I only have about 52K

What ?

Now this I cannot believe , and I don't even know what to say

Andile : I know you need me right now , I'll send you 20K . You'll just have to see how you get through with that , just until I figuresomething out and get our life back

I'm defeated , and I don't even know what to say

What if he's lying ? Just so I don't bother him about money ?

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Qondisile

I'm standing by the window watching outside , I must say this is the most amazing part about my office

This view , it always feel like the first time every time I see it

My father used to say , nature is just one
mysterious creature on its own

This is mostly , the high trees . Just the different shapes and sizes
of it . The flowers on them

It's not much about the high buildings and
all , the city lights whatsoever
Voice :

beautiful isn't it ?

I lift my eyes and see his reflection on the window

How come I didn't hear him open the door ,
and coming in . I know for a fact that he
didn't knock .

And he has the door closed , I guess I was really lost in
thought

Me : what can I do for you ?

He walks closer as stands behind me ,placing his arms
on my waist

He hugs me from behind , I close my eyes for a brief
moment

He places soft kisses on my neck , and I
slightly tilt it

I place my arms over his on my waist , I feel his crotch pressing
hard on my ass

My phone rings , I'm the one who frowns I
move away from him and attend to it

I sigh seeing that it's Andile , I answer anyways

Me : hello

Andile : babe I'm at the office , and...

Me : you're working late , you won't be
home it's fine

Shaka walks over to me , he lifts my skirt
Andile : actually

no

Me : oh ?

Shaka slowly places me on my desk , does he not move
smoothly unbuckling his pants

And exposing his dick , I can't help but bit
my lower lip

Just looking at him , stroking it . He parts my legs , sliding my panty to the side

I'm throbbing for his crouch , just to grace me.

Andile : let's have dinner

This is the umpteenth dinner , we're having and he never makes it home.

Me : okay...okay dinner it is . I'll see you at home

I drop the call , placing my feet on the table.I pull Shaka closer

His eyes feast on my exposed coochie , he
curses under his breath

I slowly taking his dick , sliding it slowly inside of me

He doesn't waste time ponding in , and fuck I'm feeling him

He's hitting to the core , he's not having fun with me he's not
making love

He's fucking me , and well I'm loving every
second of it

I pull his neck down , our lips meet and we
kiss

I so badly want to pull out , and just moanin peace

But this is our work place , he's first to pull
out of the kiss

And he brings me to my feet , turning mearound . I place
my hands on the desk

He takes it from behind , not reducing hispace . Taking in
deep thrusts

My stomach is burning , I feel like my
insides are turning

He lets out a grunt , I legs shake a bit . Buthe has a firm hold
on me

I orgasm , he slowly takes his crotch out . And I feel the
wetness running down my leg

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Qondisile

For the first time , in I don't know how long
he's actually here

He really is here for a dinner that he suggested

Shaka wanted to go shag me at his father's house

I turned him down , he wasn't happy . Hedidn't even hide that

But he's a big man , so he'll get over it . It'snot even like we're a thing

And I hope he knows that we're not , andwe'll never be

Because I don't know what we are , and I don't intend for us to be anything

Andile : so ?Me :

what ?

We've been quite this whole time

Andile : I'm guessing your thoughts are still the same as this morningMe : yes

He nods

Me : let it go , it won't happen

Andile : okay babe I get it

Me : are you in some kind of trouble ?Andile : trouble

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Me : yes , you seem to kind of be in somefinancial issues

Andile : no , why would you think that ?

Me : because of this sudden joint accountthing

Andile : it's nothing love , please let it go

Me : okay He

gets up

Andile : I'll go take a shower , since you took yours alone

Did he want to shower with me , while I had
Shaka's semen on my panty ? Me : okay ,

I'll clear up here

He just goes up , as soon as he's out of sight
I take my phone and make a call

Him : Raven ?

Me : I want you on his company tomorrow

Him : I can sleep with it down , he'll wake
up to a mess tomorrow

Me : just hit him with 5 , I still want him to squirm a bit

Him : 5 is fine
Me :

good

I drop the call , and clear up the table .
Dinner was good I won't lie

Would have been amazing , if this was still
some romantic marriage

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Andile

I walk out of the shower , with a towel
wrapped around my waist

And she's already in bed , I take the towel off and get in bed

I snuggle closer to her , placing my arm on her waist

Qondisile : I have an early morning sigh , placing

a kiss on her back

Me : babe we haven't had sex in months

Qondisile : well

Me : babe please look at me

Qondisile : Andile , I am not having sex withyou tonight . I need to sleep

And she moves further away , I turn myback against hers

I know it's been my fault , that we haven't had sex

But what reason does she have denying metonight ?

Especially after such a long time ? I mean I've been getting sex around

But what about her ? And this thought
freaks me out

Could it be possible that she's cheating on
me ? But with who ?

Fuck ! Damn no , not my wife . She wouldnever do that

I need to stop having these thoughts , or
else I'll go crazy . And lose my mind

I can't go insane

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Lizel

I'm to leave for work now , and Sne is
around

It's so awkward , it's like we're not even
friends

I don't know if I should start believing , the
phrase that

When days are dark , friends a few .
Because right now , it seems like it

But she has no problem whatsoever , when I was the one
spending on her

Me : I just want to say , thank you for letting me crash here

Sne : right ! What happened to your boyfriend ?

We're there , and you can't miss just how
vindictive her voice is

Me : I don't think it's wise enough for me ,
to be depending to on someone's husband
right nowSne :

right

Me : Sne do you have a problem with me ?Because since the
last time I told you who I'm acting , you've just been dissing
me

Sne : girl , you're crashing at my place . Bestbelieve , if I had a
problem with you . You wouldn't be here

I nod

Me : okay

I take my handbag

Me : once again thank you , but please don't judge me
before you understand my reasons

Sne : like I said , it's all good

I walk out , clearly I won't get anywhere
with her

I really need to make a plan and move out of here

Andile has to send that 20K he said he'll give me.

Because I still believe he might even belying to me , that his money just disappeared

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Qondisile

Just felt like rocking pants today , formal as always

I don't slack when it comes to work , especially because I know those people gossip about me.

So I never want to give them any rest , I left Andile still in bed

I don't care if he's going to work or what , but either way he'll just have to go and put out fires

I knock at his office , I'm a few seconds I just
walk in

He lifts his head and looks at me , I swear
he's stunned

Surely he was ready to get on the person's
throat , who just walked in his officeShaka : MaCele

What the hell ? But I'm sure his father told
him , or maybe he just googled me

He gets up from his desk , and walks aroundcoming my way . I
walk closer to him

We stand a few inches away from each other ,

Shaka : to what do I owe this pleasure ?

Me : I figured that since you just walk in and out as you like , in my office. I should just offer you the same courtesy

He smiles biting his lip

Me : like this office , space is perfect
Shaka : damn

sure is

Fuck no ! I laugh

Me : get your mind out of the gutter sir

He places his hand on my waist

Fuck this man is too affectionate , I can never be close to him and he doesn't touch me

Shaka : you came for what ?

Me : I said I'm just giving you some of your own courtesy

Shaka : I only come to your office , to kissyou or to fuck you

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He grabs my ass cheek , now we're so pressed against each other . There's no space in between

Shaka : unless you came here for one of those , then you have no reason being in myoffice

I slowly move back , but he pulls me backcloser leading to his desk

He sits down on it , I get in between his legs. His one hand on my ass , and another on my waist

Shaka : it wasn't for nothing

I slightly shake my head

Me : you okay ?.He

chuckles

Shaka : don't tell me you care nowMe : don't

even entertain that

Shaka : well , what can I say ? You ditchedme for your
fucking cheating husband

I look down

Shaka : divorce him

Okay ! Now that's a shock , I did not expect
nor see coming

Shaka : the way you're not falling apart , it tells me you've
always known . Or rather suspected , so why are you still with
him ? I don't even want to know what was his lie , when you
confronted him

Me : I didn't

He lifts my chin , I look at him and we lockeyes

Shaka : why are you still with him ?

Me : it's complicated

Shaka : that's bullshit , and you know that

Me : I should go

He just brings my face closer to him , and
I'm first to initiate the kiss

He welcomes it , we have one full blownkiss

The door opens , and I get away from him .
And it's not even a big enough space

I fix my suit jacket

Voice : Mrs Nzimande

I don't know the voice , I turn back and it's some guy I don't know

I look at him confused , clearly he knows me

Shaka : that's Kyle , my PA

I'm shocked , but I think Sbahle once mentioned something like this

It's just strange , for a man to want a guy PA and fire the female one

Me : oh , okay . Nice to meet you Kyle

Kyle : likewise , this is for the meeting withCruza

Shaka takes the file from himMe : bye

He chuckles , and I walk out . That wasawkward

This whole office business , needs to cometo an end

Seriously we'll get caught , and yesterday
he was busy in there

And he didn't even lock my office door , he
just closed it

Imagine if anyone had walked in on us

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Andile

I got called , by the company CFO . And I just had to rush in to work

I didn't expect to find things this chaotic ,
it's crazy

And everyone is on their feet , running around

It's crazy , and I just don't get how any of
this happened

I swear , someone is really out for me . And whoever it is has
just pulled the final nail in the coffin

5 of my top clients , threatening to leave . Their company
information all out there

Their bank accounts hacked , and well it seems like my company is the oneresponsible

I already know that nonsense , there's no way we would steal money from our veryown clients

Me : gentlemen please , give me a chanceto work on this . I swear I'll get to the bottom of him

I've been at this for an hour , and they're not hearing anything

They don't want to hear anything , and they want out

The four gets up , I sigh defeated . Honestly
I'm going to go nuts

Mazwi : I don't know about the rest , but I'm suing

Me : Mazwi wait , you know me . You've been with us for
years and

Mazwi : and you screwed me

Me : please , the money seems to be in our accounts . Let us
access them , and I'll make sure they're back to your account by
end of business today

Mazwi : are you stupid ?

Me : no need for insults

Mazwi : you'll hear from my lawyer He gets up , I'm

left banging the table

This is a mess , it's a fucking finish to my
end . How do I come up from this ?

How do I fix this ? Where will I even begin .The door opens
Lizel walks in

Lizel : you need to see this

Me : if it's more bad news , fucking get
away from meLizel :

well

She places the tablet on the table , I look at it

Me : fuck ! This is the last thing I need

I slam the table with my fists , hurting myself in the
process

Lizel : calm down

Me : don't tell me to fucking calm down ,
I'm loosing my company

Clients are pulling away , the shit that happened is all
over the news right now

How did it even get out ? it beats me

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Lizel

I have never seen Andile like that , and he's been in the boardroom.

It's been hours now , while the rest of everyone is just shocked and stunned

And well right now everyone is scared for their jobs

There's words of lawsuits in the papers ,and well clients have made statements pulling out

Most of us are just down here , with
nothing to do

We don't know what to do , we're
frustrated and all

Not knowing what's going to happen to us
now , we could lose our jobs

And I'm the last person to be in such a risk ,I can't afford to be
without a job

Especially with my current situation rightnow

He walks out of the elevator , and he looks bad . Like very bad

Andile : all that money that's in our account, from the 5 clients we lost . I want it sent back , with immediate effect

The guys from finance , waste no time getting on their laptops

I don't know what this fixes , but maybe he's working on a plan

It gets all tense when they look defeated , shaking heads and heaving sighs

Andile : what ?

They say nothing , he walks to one and takes his laptop

He just smashes it down , as it shatters into pieces

There's just screams , honestly this man is
looking himself

But who wouldn't ? I don't even wish to get
any close to him right now

Not when he's looking like this , he's ready
to kill

After the breakdown of his , he walks out .
And the whispers start

That's when I overhear that the money is
gone , all of it

Like the clients money is gone , as there's nothing in the
company's account

Someone has it had out there for Andile ,and whoever that
is must be feared

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Qondisile

I'm in my office , standing by the view . It
has some kind of an effect on me

And in a way it calms me down , from everything and
anything

Just got news that things have gone south at Nzimande
legacy

It's all over the news , and the internet
didn't waste time breaking all the juices

I didn't think leaking clients information , and taking their
money would cause suchhavoc

But I guess I underestimated myself , in a
day he's lost

And now he has nothing , I'll fucking kick
him to the curve right where he belongs

Without clients , the reputation he has rightnow . And well the
money his company apparently stole from their clients

He stands jail time , he has law suits . He
really has lost , all in a day's work

I feel his presence , before I lift my eyes and look at him

He has his hands tucked in his pants pockets

I slowly turn and look at him , he has this look I cannot
comprehend

Me : what ?

Shaka : I'm not here to comfort you , for whatever shit
he's going through

I smile

Me : then why are you here ?

He holds his hand out , I walk closer to him and I take his hand

Shaka : let's go , it's been a long day
Me : let's ?

Shaka : yes

Me : I'm not going with you , to your father's house

Shaka : I'm taking you to my house

Me : your house ?He says

nothing

Me : I have to pass somewhere

Shaka : I'll take you

I pull away taking my bag , and we walk outShaka : where is

your car ?

Me : I have to go pick it up

He looks at me confused , but we leave
anyways . Going to his carl direct him

, and he goes

Shaka : I thought you said you're picking it
up

Me : yeah , come with

We get off , and we're met by the guy who
called me over

He takes us to where my car is at , fuck ! This blue colour even
suits it better than myred or black

Shaka : Damn woman !

I laugh , this is one genuine laugh I've everhad in....I don't even remember how long

Me : my baby

I'm in love good people , like I'm so gonna enjoy this one Me : shall

we go ?

Shaka : you're seriously going to make me now drive alone ?

Me : don't be such a baby

He laughs b

Shaka : you drive before me.

Fine by me , the confidence hits to the roofas I get inside my baby

Me : this is 4 years of suffering in a shittymarriage , fuck life is good

Good for us , those who have to fight theirway through everything and anything

The cheater is going to jail , the whore willbe left destitute and with nothing

Anyone who hurts me , or touches what's
mine will get to feel my rage

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Qondisile

I turn facing his side , and he's not in bed . I
lay on my back ,for a few seconds

Before getting up , I pick his shirt from the floor and put it on

I didn't even get to see this beautiful house
last night

We got here , and the only thing we know best after
business is sex

So yeah , we were all over this place . I swear at some
point I didn't even think we'll get to the bedroom

But we did , I got carried here . Because my
feet couldn't

So I'm admiring as I walk downstairs , and now I'm shocked
seeing he even has an elevator

Talk about levels in a simple looking house
like this

I've realised now , he doesn't like messy
things

He prefers his spaces clean and too open ,
he doesn't like things crowding each other

I find him in the kitchen , he's busy on his laptop

I don't understand how he's working , when I'm this tired I
don't even want to do anything

Shaka : you're up ?

He stops what he's doing and looks at me , I
walk closer to him

He turns facing me , I get in between hislegs . I place my
hands behind his back

While he holds my waist with both hands , we lock eyes
before we kiss for quite a fewminutes

Me : the bed was cold without you

Shaka : I had to finish this , and I didn't want
to work while in bed with you

Me : we don't do that ?

Shaka : no we don't

I smile

Me : okay notedHe

pecks my lips

Me : do you have coffee ?

Shaka : mhm there's fresh coffee in the pot

I move away from him , he just lets me beas I look for a cup
and sugar

He doesn't even bother telling me , where
the things are at

But it's fine , because I find them and I pour
myself a cup

Shaka : come sit here

He points to the kitchen counter of the barstools

Me : I...

Shaka : please

I sigh going to sit next to him , even though
he's seated on the chair

I have my coffee , while he continues working . And his one
hand is bushing theinsides of my thighs

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Andile

I want to say , and to believe that it really is for the first time
this has happened

I want to believe that my wife has never slept outside of
our home

I've been an absent husband that much I know , but fuck ! I
wouldn't survive her cheating on me

Men cheat for different reasons , and only 2 percent of those
can be love

It's mostly lust , and boost that we cheat

But women cheat for love , every single thing she lacks or
lacked from her man

It's what she cheats for , and that alone
crushes me

I haven't been loving her right , I haven't been loyal nor
have I been giving her attention

Just thinking she could be cheating on me , and getting all of
those things from another man

That alone gives me chest pains , I've been
calling her since last night

My calls are not going through , I don't know what's the
meaning of this

I wanted to leave , when I saw she wasn't
coming home

But I slept anyways , it's morning now and still she's nowhere
to be seen

My calls are still not going through

At a time when I'm going through shit , and
I need my wife she does this

But I hope for her sake , she as better
reason why she didn't sleep at home

I know it's selfish of me , to now expect her
to support me

But she doesn't know what I've been doing ,
and she has no reason to act out on me

I'm even trying to stay away from socialmedia , and the
internet

But I can't , and things are bad for me .There's no
coming back from this

My phone rings and I'm quick to answer ,
thinking that it's my wife

Me : Babe ?

Lizel : why do you sound so relived ?

And I'm back to being how I was a few
seconds ago

Me : what do you want?

Lizel : that a change of tone now , whathappened ?

Me : Lizel what do you want ?

Lizel : it's....I'm sorry to be a bother . But it's about the money you said you'll give me

I laugh annoyed

Me : why am I not surprised ? Women I married a woman , that as a net worth that's why above mine . And I cheat with one , that probably even doesn't have a networth . What does that tell you ? I spend nothing on my wife , and I spend everything and more on the side . Come on ! Leave me the fuck alone , I'm going through shit right now . And you're only thinking about the money I said I'm going to give you , well I have no money . You saw my life crumble in front of my eyes yesterday , and yet you still depend on me . Cut it sweetheart

I drop the call , I'm just waiting for anything
to happen to me right now

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Qondisile

I find him outside , I don't even know whathe's doing outside

But the shock in his eyes , when he layseyes on my new baby

I smile to myself getting off the car , and he doesn't love an inch

Me : hi

I say passing him

Andile : I don't know what do you think youare , but you sleep out . And the only thing

you say is hi , driving a car I don't even know

Me : that's my car , I bought it . And what else was I supposed to say ?

Andile : where did you sleep Qondisile ?Me : out

obviously Andile

And I face him directly seeing that he wantsto slap me

And he does , and I let him . I just look downright after he lands that slap on my cheek

Andile : I will not have a whore of a wife ,
you will not disrespect me like that . You will know your
place in this marriage , and you'll sleep at home with your
husband . Ifucking married you

I guess this makes him feel like a man ,
something he hasn't felt in forever

I was planning to go to work a bit later ,
already yes I'm late

But I guess I'll just go now , before I end up
killing Andile in this house

I've already showered at Shaka's place ,problem I can't
use his lotions

I'm a bit dry right now , that's why I take a quick shower just before I lotion

I take out a royal blue tight body hugging formal below the knee dress

With royal blue red bottoms

I sit by my dressing table , and this idiot left a mark on my cheek

Now I have to apply more make up , to actually hide it

I do my level best , and it's covered I get up packing my bags

He walks it , just as I'm headed for the door

Andile : baby please , I'm really sorry . I...I am really sorry , I shouldn't have laid my hands on you . That was a mistake I was justangry , I got caught in the moment . It doesn't excuse me , I know babe . But you know me , and I've never laid a hand on youever . Please forgive me babe

I just walk past him , I won't even indulge him with an answer

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Lizel

We're just lost , with not knowing if we
should go to work or not

The things on the news are scary , and theygive us no hope
whatsoever

We know the accounts are empty , so we
are not getting pain

Basically I have nothing , not even a single cent

Because Andile has just taken a turn , and without that mine
of his

I really do have nothing , now how do I move out of here
?

What will I find a place with ? How am I going to survive ?

Sne : what is your man saying about all this?

Is it even true

She's watching TV , and well there's

Nzimande legacy on national TV

All the dirty secrets , or whatever they are . They're just being aired for the whole world to see

Me : I don't know

Sne : you should call , and ask because all this is a mess

Me : it doesn't matter really , he's the least
of my worries and problems Sne : what

do you mean ?

Me : Sne , I have no money . There's nowhere to go , I have no
place . And now it looks like we won't even get paid

Sne : well

She shakes her head

Sne : you can't crash here forever , so you
better woman up and come up with a plan .

A week is seriously the time I was willing to
give you

Wow ! I don't even have words after this

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Qondisile

I'm so lost in thought , I'm actually having
trouble just focusing on my work

And I have a client coming in like two hours

Sbahle is busy working out my schedule for today

I don't think I can work the full day , I don't know what's going on with me

But I damn know it's not about that slap , I've fought men and that was nothing

I'm no weakling of a woman , I can hold my own

And I could have fought back , if I wanted to. But he just wasn't worth it

Sbahle : I think this will do , I've cut a few out and left....

Not Shaka cutting her off , by just walking in my office

Shaka : I need you to sign this

Isn't he rude ? No greetings no nothing , j reach for the file from him

He eyes bore into mine , and he doesn't take his stare off Shaka :

excuse us

He says to Sbahle but not even looking at her

Me : we're busy

Poor Sbahle , who did say she's scared of this man

She gets up

Sbahle : I'll come back

She walks out , he walks to my side and holds my chin

Shaka : that fool laid his hand on you ?

Me : it was a mistake

Now I sound like some victim of abuse ,protecting her perpetrator

It's just for Shaka , some stupid show I haveto put

Me : I didn't sleep home , I'm a married woman what did I expect

The lines on his forehead are visible , he lets go

Me : please leave this

He takes his file and walks out

Shit ! I don't feel okay at all , and my heart
is in pain for some reason

What's going on ?

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Andile

I can't afford to have my face shown in
public

Not with my name all over the news like this , they can
crucify me all they want

I won't go out there , and give them the
pleasure to see me miserable

I've been trying to call Qondisile , she's not
taking my calls

She doesn't even decline them , she just
let's the call ring until it goes to voicemail

I feel like shit , for slapping her like that . I had no right

And honestly , if she leaves me after that I
won't even blame her

I was just angry , and the thought that she could have been
with another man out there

It just rubbed me the other way around , I
just couldn't hold myself

And she just wanted to walk past me ,
without even an apology or an explanation

That come across as rude , and disrespectful towards me

I'm in the lounge watching TV , or rather the
TV is watching me

When the door just bursts open , a door that I had locked

I get up terrified , looking towards the door
and it's the Dube boy walking in

He has some crazy scary veins on his face

Me : what the he.....

He just charges to me , wasting to timebeating me up

I can't even fight him off , because I don't
have the strength to fight him

He's too powerful , and he's doing the most
with me

Eventually I bleed through my mouth , I swear there's parts of
my body that he hasbroken

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Shaka

I leave him a pool of blood on his loungefloor

Getting into my car driving out , only I'm
met by 6 police cars

Just a few houses away from their place ,
and they seem to be driving to his house

I stop my car , just to see what's happening. I have his blood all
over my shirt and my hands

And they go in , I don't drive off . I doubt
anyone called cops on me

There's no way anyone could have seen nor
heard what happened

My phone rings and it's Kyle , it fucking
better be important

Me : what ?

Kyle : it's Nzimande , he's getting arrested
at his home right now Me : you

know this how ?

Kyle : it's all over the news

Me : mhm

I drop the call , so these guys are so heartless to bring by
journalist while they arrest him

I drive off , I guess I got my answer . I'm not even going back to the office

I drive to my house , and I have to go see my father tomorrow

They're leaving in two days , and I haven't seen them in a while

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Lizel

This is like a dream , but I know for certain
that it's not a dream

And that it's really happening

This is just bad , for all of us Nzimande
legacy . Now we're left without nothing

We're watching the news , as Andile is
getting arrested

And it's running in live , he looks so badly
beaten . Like he was beaten just a fewminutes before
getting arrested

He can't even walk by himself

Sne : you're seriously crying over that man ?

I quickly wipe my tears off

Sne : really wonders never cease to amazeMe : Sne please

not now

Sne : you must really be an idiot , or you didlove him after all

Me : you have no idea what you're talking about

Sne : yet here you are , crying for him . Do you see his wife anywhere ? She's not even mentioned in one story

Now that she mentions that , I start to wonder . Like where is she ?

When her husband is going through all this , and she's nowhere mentioned

Shouldn't she be by his side right now , supporting him through this whole thing ?

Like a wife is supposed to be

She : please let it be you're crying for your meal ticket , not because you're giving yourself burdens that are not yours

She gets up and walks into the kitchen

I don't know what's to become of me right now , without a job . A house and no money

I should start drafting my CV , I can't sit around and do nothing

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Qondisile

After seeing that mess at my house , I hadno desire to go there

I drove around , and not knowing where togo

I found myself in my father's grave , I've
been crying since I got here

I have so much hurt , and anger built up inside of me

And I am not even keen to let go , not until
I've completely understood why

Me : I miss you so bad , things have never been the same
without you . Mom slowly lost herself , and eventually was
admitted into a mental institute . She's a danger to herself ,
and everyone around her . She's confined day and night ,
I'm not even allowed to see her . I'm all alone , with no one .
I'm sure you probably don't even

notice me anymore . Forgive me for
changing so much , but if I had to do it again I would . Losing
you taught me , that this world is no place for the weak .

I slowly get up , and dust myself

Me : I promise , from now on I'll keep
visiting . I won't away again , I was weak before to come
here . But now I think I'm okay , and I'll avenge you . Don't
stand in my way , I don't share the same feelings
you shared . I am not you , you might not be proud . But you're
beyond the grave , you have no power . I'm still here and alive ,
I make these choices and decisions

I have a brief moment , and head back to
my car

I still don't want to go home , my heart feels
much better now

I drive around , and still I have no ideawhere to go

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Shaka

I can't fall asleep , I'm wide awake it's been
hours now

And there's nothing that's bothering me , so
I don't understand why I can't fall asleep

I reach for my phone , I'm even on the
couch . I have no idea why I'm not in bed

Maybe that's why I can't even fall asleep ,
the couch is not really comfortable

I call her , and her phone rings for a while before she
answers

Qondisile : hello

She doesn't sound sleepy

Me : where are you ?

Qondisile : Fourways

I look at the time , and it's really late . What
could she be doing there so late ? Me : come

over

She goes quite for a bit Qondisile :

open for me Me : just walk in

Qondisile : okay

I drop the call , she doesn't sound like herself

I just hope it's not about Andile , I'll definitely be so fucking annoyed

He doesn't even deserve her to feel anything for him

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Qondisile

He didn't lock the door , I just open and get inside

He's sleeping on the couch , and it doesn't look like he even went to bed

I close the door locking , and I take my heelsoff

My feet are a bit painful , I've been in heels
all day

Just driving around , and I just ended up inFourways doing
absolutely nothing

I didn't even feel like going anywhere , I just
sat in my car thereMe :

Shaka

He slowly turns and opens his eyesShaka : come

here

I place my keys and phone on the table , I
walk closer to him

He faces up , and holds his hand out . I get on top of him and
he holds me

He places kisses on my forehead , his hand having a grip on
my waist

Shaka : what were you doing in Fourways all the way from
Centurion ?

Me : I don't know

Shaka : have you eaten ?

I shake my head

Me : I I think I last ate in the morning
Shaka : there's

drive through like 15

minutes away , let me go get you something
to eat Me :

no

Shaka : we're not arguing about this , you
need to eat

I say nothing , I don't want to move here on
top of him

Shaka : let me go , I'll be quick

Me : you're leaving me alone

He chuckles

Shaka : let's go

Me : I don't want to

Shaka : you're not starving yourself , let's go

Who goes to a drive through this late , and why can't we just sleep and we'll eat tomorrow ?

Lizel

I can't believe I went there , but I just couldn't find
peace

I just wanted to come and see him , eventhough I had to
beg and all

And still , I couldn't see him . They said he's not allowed any visitors

Because he has to appear in front of the judge on Monday

So he's going to spend the whole weekend in jail

I don't even know if there's anything he needs in there

Not that there's anything I can do for him right now

Because even I myself , needs to be saved .
But seeing him would have been fine

Sne : you're back ?

She says as I walk through the doorMe : yeah

I'm shocked as I see my bags all packed ,
and placed by the passage

Me : what's going on ?

Some guy comes behind her , and he just goes to the
kitchen

He looks scary , like some kind of a low life
thug

But you can see he has his life togetherMe : Sne ?

Sne : my boyfriend doesn't appreciate you
being here Me :

what ?

Sne : Sis , he pays the rent here . And fromtime to time he
comes around , now you just saw him he's shirtless

Me : is this about the whole Andile issue ?
You now think I'll take him or sleep with
your boyfriend ?She

laughs

Sne : believe me , I would rip your pussy to
shreds girl . I'm not even worried about you, he's the one
who doesn't want you around

Me : but , Sne I have nowhere to go

Sne : not my problem , you got thousands and thousands of
money from your lover .

You had an income , let it not be my
problem now that you're down and out

Me : Sne

The guy walks over again , and just passesto the bedroom

Sne : please leave , I did give you a roof overyour head for a week

Me : please give me until tomorrow then , I can try and find something today

Sne : you have an hour to find something

She walks to her bedroom leaving me , andmy bags

What have I been degraded to ?

All because I was careless with money , and didn't think of saving

But I had money the bit that I had , and now I'm suffering because it was stolen from me

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Qondisile

I'm feeling so much better , right now than I was the whole of yesterday

Shaka got me breakfast , I've realised he doesn't eat in the morning

I've never seen him eat , so I take it he's not a breakfast person

Shaka : what are you going to do ?

I think I know what he's asking about

Me : I don't want to be involved in any of that

Shaka : so you're divorcing him ?

That would make him happy I guess , but it doesn't mean I'll jump to him

Me : I don't know.

The look he gives me , I sure am playing allnaïve to him

Me : he might just deny to give me the divorce

Shaka : then you fight him

Me : I don't have the strength for that Shaka : or maybe

you just don't want to He gets off the couch

Shaka : then I don't even know what the hell we're doing

He walks to the bathroom , I'm left shaking my head

This man has it bad , but I don't think he's
ready for what he wants

I get off the bed , heading down to get myphone

I just send a text , and hopefully he can pullthrough for me

I can't make a call , I doubt Shaka is like
Andile

I'm sure he has cameras in his house , I can't risk him
knowing things that havenothing to do with him

I go back to the bedroom , and go into the shower

He has his back against the door , he doesn't even move

I just hug him from behind , I don't even know why I care about his feels

Me : I'll file for divorceShaka :

don't

Me : but....

Shaka : don't pity me , I am not desperate .

Don't force yourself to do something you don't want to do

Me : please look at me

He doesn't , so I turn around and face him Me : don't

I cup his face Me :

please

Shaka : I don't know what you want from me , and quite frankly I don't think you

know what you want as well . Maybe I'm
just to leave you alone while you find yourself

He pulls back , and walks out

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Shaka

I didn't like how things ended between us in
the morning

But Qondisile is fucking with my feelings ,
and she knows what she's doing

So I'll leave her to okay that game of hers ,
away from me

I had to come to the office , I left her at myhouse

But I know she left , like two hours after I
left .

There isn't many of us in the office today ,I'll be done soon
and go see my parents

I'm distracted when the door opens , and
she walks in

I guess she went to her house , because she has a clean change
of clothes

And for once she's dressing just casual ,
nothing like hectic formal clothes

Qondisile : please don't walk away from me
again , and don't tell me to leave

Me : MaCele what do you want ?

I get up and walks around the table , I sitdown she gets in
between my legs

Me : so ?

Qondisile : I.....let me do this first we'll talk

She just places her lips against mine , well I left without kissing
her

So I do give in and kiss her back , we're
disturbed by the knock at the door She moves

back , just a few inches Me : come in

My father walks in , and Qondisile gets
uncomfortable it's all over her face

Dad : well , am I disturbing something here? Qondisile : no , I

was just leaving

Was she ? But I won't even go there with
her

Dad : don't leave on my account

Qondisile : no....I'm not

Dad : okay , I'm sorry about what happened. How are you holding up ?She just shakes

her head

Dad : I understand , but just know that whatever you need . Doesn't matter what ,I'm always here for you

Qondisile : thank you sir

Dad : I'm leaving tomorrow , but I'll always
be just a phone call away

Qondisile : please , let retirement do you well

Dad : it definitely will

They briefly hug , and she leaves . I guess we really are
done here

Me : what brings you by ?.

I turn around and go back to my chair

Dad : just us to talk , you haven't been home in a while . Tomorrow we're leaving

Me : I was planning to come today

Dad : okay , I'm here now

He sits down opposite me

Dad : I'm glad to see you're getting well with Qondisile

Me : well , considering what you told meHe sighs

If only he knows I could care less about his
guilt , because I'm going through my own
shit right now

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FIVE MONTHS LATER

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Qondisile

Shaka is avoiding me , I don't know if it's
because of how things were between us

The last time we saw each other or what , I
haven't seen him

Like we see each other , the way we used to. Spend time with
each other and all that

Like we just see each other at work , and
that's it

We hardly even spend a second looking at each other

And you won't believe when I say , we haven't even greeted each other

Even during board meetings , we never get to just interact alone

He hasn't called or anything , there's no him budging in my office anymore

And maybe that's just for the best , because we're just at different stages right now with each other

I didn't bother attending Andile's bail hearing , and it got denied

Good for him , because he has no use being outside here

And those men were angry , they wanted justice served

They lost money , and got exposed . So it's only right they fought back

I saw on the news that he was given 25 years , imprisonment without the possibility of parole

And since he was represented by a state lawyer , he was just really on his own

I haven't gone to see him , like I'm just out here living my life

Not giving a damn , nor having a care in the world

Sbahle : this is done ?I take a

look

Me : yeah

Sbahle : Keith will be happy

I chuckle

Me : his two months deadline passed , he was happy . Now I have to always make sure , he gets the best we can give him

Sbahle : and well you've delivered

Me : I had to , and thank God I had this .Because it kept me from going insane

Sbahle : but you seem very fine to me

I have no time to be crying , it doesn't help anyone

Well me , I know it wouldn't help me . So I
didn't even want to go that route Me : the world

doesn't wait for.....

Not this again ! Here I was saying we're so
past this

Sbahle : I....

She gets up and walks out , they pass each other at the door

I get up and walk around my desk , he walks in not closing the
door

Shaka : hi

Wow , for the first time ever he greets meMe : hi

Shaka : you look goodMe :

thank you

Shaka : I bought this for you

He holds out , what looks like an invitationcard

Me : uhm....

I open it , and we've been invited to a
business summit in Cape Town for two daysMe : who else is

going ?

Shaka : I amShit !

Me : okay

Shaka : are you honouring it ?

I walk back to my seat

Me : it's just business , so yeah

Shaka : okay

He walks out , I carry on with what I was doing

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Lizel

I rub on my bump , looking around seeing
that there isn't much food

And I'm hungry , this pregnancy is taking a
toll on me

And I was shattered when I was told , at the clinic that this is a
high risk pregnant

I'm even scared to , get attached to the baby . With the fear at the back of my head that I might lose it

Honestly , I'm all alone . The father isn't doing much , and he doesn't want to

When she kicked me out , I ran back to my ex the one who's apartment I was occupying

He wasn't very much happy , but he did take me back . More like giving me shelter

For a month , we stayed together . One night we went out and got drunk

Coming back , one thing led to another .
And I fell pregnant

It was a two months later , that I found I was pregnant

And boom , I found out the guy has a fiancé. That was in Paris at the time

Doing a fashion show , she's a designer . To say I was shattered would be an understatement

He told me to leave , and gave me a lousy 10 000

He doesn't want anything to do with the baby

Once in a while he sends like R200 , I don't even know what am I supposed to do with that

With the money I got from him , I just had to get a small place for us

It's nothing to even call a place , just a shack behind the house of the woman who works for him

She just gave me space in her yard , and I got everything else to have the shack

I'm still looking for a job , it's really just hard. And at this time of the year , no one seems to be hiring

But I'm trying , to do this life thing

I haven't seen Andile , since the day he got sentenced

Now I'm even scared to go , because I'm pregnant and it's not his child

I don't want to hurt him more , so it's best I just stay away

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Qondisile

I'm at the hotel , and it's all done . It's just
stunning

I can't believe these guys pulled this in just
5 months

And I'm planning an opening in two weeks ,
I just want something splendid

I'm proud of myself , no really I am proud of
myself

My pathetic marriage got me this , so yeah I
didn't walk away all empty handed

My phone rings , I answer not recognising the number

Me : hello ?

Voice : hey

The devil lives

Me : Andile

Andile : you really have deserted me , so much that you haven't come to see me in months

Me : what do you want ?. Andile : please

come see me Me : for what ?

Andile : Qondisile please , ngiyacela MaCele
(I'm pleading)

I take a sigh

Me : when ? Andile :

tomorrow Me : what time

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Andile : 10 in the morning or 15:00 in the afternoon

Me : fine

I drop the call , and walk out heading to my car

I make a call

Sebastian : Raven

Me : I need to find out who killed my father?.

I say with a tear dropping down my cheek Sebastian : are

you sure ?

Me : yes

Sebastian : they ruled it inmates murder

Me : I don't care , the fact is that someone
killed my father . And I want to find out whodid

Sebastian : okay

I wipe the tear off

Sebastian : Raven ?Me : yes

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Sebastian : are you okay ?Me : no

Sebastian : should I be there with you ?

I lean back , placing the free hand over mymouth

And tears just do the most

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Shaka

A whole damn 5 months , and I didn't even
think we can pull a week apart

But she seems to be doing very fine , and
I'm glad to see that for her

I mean , I don't even know what I expected .
That woman looks cold as hell

And she wasn't budging , I didn't get tired
trying to make her see my feels

But I just let her be , to see her own . If she
even has any

Which I highly doubt , but this is life . And life is not black
and white

I'm in the office , working late . And I don't
even want to go to that Cape town thing

But my father asked me to please go , even
though he's so far away

He can still get into my head , and I just have to indulge
him

My phone rings , and it's Rosy

Me : yes

Rosy : I've arrived

Me : come through

I drop the call , and minutes later she walks in

Looking stunning , in this cold weather .With a LBD

Me : hey She

smiles

Rosy : hi

I get up , and meet her halfway . We share ahug , the door opens she just walks in

And looking at us , I can't comprehend her expression

We pull out , and she's still standing by the door

Qondisile : sorry

Me : Qon.....

She walks out , I heave a sigh .

Rosy : uhm....

Me : take a seat please

I thought she's not here , because I swear I
saw her leave like a few hours ago

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Qondisile

Beats me what I was doing in Shaka's office,
especially that late

But it's not like I didn't know what I was going there for

We have a trip together , and as much as it's business

We just have to be civil with each other , and considering that we haven't talked in months

I just wanted to smooth things , so there's no awkwardness there

But I guess I just chose the wrong time to go see him

I'm sure walking out like that , painted me
as some bitter woman

I fucked up there , I should have justgreeted or said
something

But it's done now , and I can't erase it nor
can I turn back the hands of time

I'm working this late , because I want to go
see Andile tomorrow

I wonder what the hell does he want , orwhat is he going
to get out of me

After months of no communication
whatsoever , he now calls

The security monitor disturbs me , I take a
look and it's Shaka

My heart beats so fast , like what does he want ?

I open for him , the door is not locked so he can just walk in

Seconds later he knocks Me : come

in

He gets in , and looks at me

Shaka : the door is not locked this late

I just nod , what am I supposed to say ?

Because he can see that it's not lockedShaka : can you

just secure your safetyHe walks in and sits down

opposite meMe : I opened because I saw it's you Shaka

: still

Me : fine

A few minutes go by , and he doesn't say anything

Me : what brings you by ?

Shaka : did you have something to say ?Must he make

things this awkward ?

Me : I'm sorry I disturbed

Shaka : you didn't disturb anything , just answer me . And stop saying sorry ,

especially because I don't know why you're
apologising

Me : I....I had nothing important to say

Shaka : I don't believe thatMe : well

it's the truth

Shaka : what did you want then ? Becauseyou left and came
back

I get up , walking to the kitchen . I pourmyself a glass of
red wine

He follows me , and stands so close to me .
His scent engulfs meShaka :

this is me

I take a sip , and he takes the glass from me taking a sip as well

Me : shouldn't you be with your....
Whatever ?He

chuckles

Shaka : she's my nothing

Me : mhm , that hug didn't say that

Shaka : I'll ask again , are you territorial ?.

Me : and I'll say again , over what's not mine ?

He places the glass on the counter , and he lifts me up .
Placing me on the counter

He gets in between my legs , placing his hands on my waist

Shaka : even now you still don't want me ?

Me : are you not complicating things now ?

Shaka : you're the one who's always
complicated things

I take the glass and takes a sipMe : I filed

for divorce

Shaka : oh

I frown at that response

Me : oh ? That's all you're going to say ?

Shaka : what ? It took you 5 months to filefor it

Me : I long filed for it , before he got arrested . I just had to go through some hard channels , to make sure that it goesthrough even without his signature or goahead

The shock on his face , I smile

Shaka : you put me through hell fornothing?

Me : you didn't give me a chance

Shaka : well at least , you could have toldme

Me : I'm telling you now , and it's now finalized . I'm back to being a Cele , without a Mrs

He side smiles

Me : at least applaud meHe shakes

his head Shaka : does he know ?

Me : he asked to see me tomorrow , I don't know.

Shaka : you're not going right ?

Me : I am

He sighs , clearly displaying emotions of notbeing pleased

Me : I'm no longer his wife , what does it matter ?

Shaka : can it just be the last ?I nod

Shaka : Rosy is Thulani's estranged wifeMe : what ?

Shaka : the woman , you walked on me hugging . And it was just a cold hug , that didn't even have any effect

Me : I looked like a bitter woman didn't I ?

Shaka : more like jealous I raise my

brow

Shaka : but I loved it , because that's why I'm here

Me : oh really ?

Shaka : it's been hell without you , I won't
even lie about it

He slowly places his hands inside my skirt up to my thighs

And I just melt at his touch , I pull him closer for a kiss

Shaka : this has always been about sex with
you , I don't know where we are Me : things were

complicated then Shaka : and now ?

Me : slightly better , just give me a bit of
time

Shaka : and in the meantime what do I do ?
Me : do you want
to ditch me ?

I cup his face , we lock eyes . And for a second , I become
vulnerable with him . I let him in , seeing the truth in my eyes

And I gather myself , he closes his eyes for a brief moment

Me : if you can't , I understand

Shaka : I don't want you to understand

He whispers against my ear , and my clit is already vibrating

Me : then please

Shaka : I'm here

I move my head back taking his lips into mine

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Shaka

She has one leg on my shoulder , while the other is leaning down

I have my dick buried deep inside of her ,her moans have graced this kitchen

Her fingers running through my back ,
clinging so tight

Her perfect tits pressed against mine , ourbodies moving in
sync

She throws her head back a bit , I lean overkissing her on her
neck

Sucking hard , as her moans increase andshe cums all over
my dick

I let her calm down , resting my dick stillinside of her
coochie

Until she calms down , and she leans in for a
kiss

Me : will you be able to stand ?Qondisile :

balance me well

I slowly pick her off the counter , turningher around and
she faces the counter

Placing her hand on it , leaning her headdown . I part her
ass cheeks

Slowly sliding my dick inside of her , lettingout a groan

Me : damn I missed you

She turns her head a bit smiling , and I pound in harder she moves it back forward

At some point , she thrusts back . I grab in her waist , as her legs gets a bit wobbly

My dick shooting cum deep inside of her , I don't stop thrusting until she gets her own orgasms

As we calm down , I slowly pull out . And turning her , we face each other

And kiss for a few seconds , she slowly gets
down on her knees

Her eyes still stuck on mine , I chuckle .
We've had it , on all angles

But she's never gave me a blow job , I thank my lucky stars
today . The universe is definitely looking my way

Qondisile : I kept myself for you

I'm fucking pleased to hear that , it doesn't
say I love you

Or that I want you , or anything to say
otherwise

But I'm the last she had , as much as she's
the last I had

I can't believe , I didn't find any other
woman attractive all these months

All because , I just couldn't let go of her

She strokes my dick slowly , before she licks and teases with her
tongue

And she finally takes it in her month , going in and out

While her one hand is playing with my balls,
the other is behind my back

She deep throats and gags , I hold her behind her head

I let her be in charge , as much as I want to thrust inside her
mouth

She's doing one marvellous job , I don't
want to ruin it for it

My dick tightens , and I so badly want to feed her my cum

But fuck ! It would grace her perfect tits so nicely

I slowly move her back , taking my dick out .And pressing her boobs together

I slide my dick in between them , and start thrusting in

Her eyes are full of lust , as she's busy starring at my dick

And I finally let go , cumming all over her boobs and chest

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Qondisile

He spent the night , and I look like a mess I'm glad he came

around though , although
he said I looked like a jealous whatever

And I must say , I was shocked to hear that
Thulani has a wife

I didn't go further asking anything about that , it's not my
business

I'm tired as hell , but I have to go now . And still be at the office
after

He's still in bed , and I'm going to leave him
here

Since he doesn't seem like he wants to go
anywhere

Shaka : you don't have to look so sexy going to see him!

laugh

Me : now who looks so jealous ?He says

nothing

Me : I don't have rags to wear

Shaka : unlike you MaCele , I wear my heart on my sleeves

I say nothing about that , avoiding to offend him

Me : will I find you here when I get back ?

Shaka : I'm going to work , and I have to go home see my brother's

I want to ask about that Rosy issues , since he mentions going home and seeing his brother's

But I'll rather not

Me : okay

I walk to the bed , and lean down giving him one hell of a kiss

That he tries pulling me back to bed , I laugh
pulling away

Shaka : you're such a pussy blocker

Me : your mouth is nastyHe laughs

Me : bye

I take my keys and head down going outside

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Andile

I walk in , and I didn't think she would come
but she did

And I'm so nervous , I don't want to lie . It's
been months

I look at her , and she's fucking glowing .
She looks so much better than she was 5months ago

I finally get to her , and she lifts her eyeslooking at me

She's not even shocked , she doesn't even
have any emotions whatsoever

Which is strange , I've changed a lot thisshort time I've
been here

It's hell everyday , and it just keeps getting
worse and worse

Instead of getting better , and I'm having a
hard time accepting that this is my reality now

Me : hi Qondisile :

hil sit down

Me : thank you for coming Qondisile : why am I

here Andile ?I chuckle

Me : just straight to it

Qondisile : well , I'm even doing you a
favour being here

Me : babe

Qondisile : don't call me that

I shake my head

Me : you changed , what happened to you ?Qondisile : 7 years

of marriage to you
happened , that's what

Me : you're loosing me

Qondisile : don't be lost , you fucked me up.And now I have one thick skin , that I didn't give a fuck about anything

Wow ! She really has changed, even the way she's just talking

Me : if you didn't want to come here ? Then why did you ?

Qondisile : you called , well here I am

Me : I've been arrested for 5 months , and you haven't come to see me not even once

Qondisile : because I don't want to

Me : why ?

Qondisile : would you suddenly care , about a man that cheated 4 years of married ? A man that couldn't even give R1000 , yet he could give side chicks thousands of rands .

But failing to provide for you

How in the hell does she know about this ?

Qondisile : you saw me for a fool , you never cared nor gave a damn about me . And now that you're in here , you're expecting me to give a shit . Hell no ! I won't do that , I'm not interested

She gets up

Qondisile : don't ever contact me again ,
you're where you are because you brought this upon yourself .
And I don't believe in karma , I fucking believe in myself . Now
look at my handy work

With that being said she walks away , I'm
left stunned and confused by her words

What does she mean , her handy work ?

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Shaka

I had to pass by Witbank , and pick Rosy up

I'm only taking her home today , honestly I
just need Thulani off my back

I'll be gone in a few days , and knowing him
he will be up to his shit

This is just me getting him back in line , he will focus on his
wife

And stay the fuck away from company
business that doesn't involve him

I really don't want to have trouble with him,
it wouldn't end very well for him

It's best this day , I know only his wife has away with him

It's just so unnecessary , of brother's to be
killing one another

Especially over a business that's not even
mine

I'm just doing what my father asked me , I'm seriously just
not looking for anything back

We walk inside , finding Asiphe with her baby . She's shocked seeing Rosy

We greet and sit down , it's minutes later that Thulani walks in with Njabulo And his

expression is just pricelessThulani : uhm....baby ?

Rosy : babe

She gets up walking to him and they share ahug , sealing it with a kiss

Thulani : what....what a surprise

Rosy : I know , but I'm back home now

Thulani : back for good ?Rosy : yes

His eyes , they look like they want to popout of their socket

Me : well , I see you're all good here so I'll take my leave

I get up , and walk past him

Me : now you have something to focus yourattention to

I whisper to him , and if only he had means
to kill me . I would be dead right now

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Andile

I couldn't sleep last night , actually just for
the past few days

Thinking about what Qondisile said , it just
doesn't want to leave my mind

Like there was just something about his words

And they fucking stung to the core , and the more I think about
them

The slihter I keep thinking what she might have meant

I'm breaking to the core , my wife is not
vicious no

No she's not vindictive , there's no way she
did all this and brought me here

I mean how could she have that ? This looks like the work of a
ruthless criminal

We're talking about Qondisile , someone who knew I
wasn't faithful and not even once asked me about it

Fuck no ! I don't want to believe this , there must be something
else she was talking about

I don't know how I'll find out , since she made it clear she doesn't want to see me

But I guess I should be glad for one thing , I haven't received any divorce papers

I guess she's still holding on to our marriage, and that gives me some kind of hope

Not all is lost

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Lizel

I'm here at Dube Enterprise , I had to
swallow my pride

And send my CV through , and the only space that they had was for three cleaners

But I need the job and the pay is R3 600 , it's better than nothing

And will definitely come a long way , better
than the 200 I can't even do anything with it

I'm so scared , and so anxious . I know for a
fact that Andile's wife works here

He told me that , and well now here I am . I just hope she still
has no idea what happened between her husband and I

Because that would just make things awkward for me

And I might not even get that job after all

If she knows , there's no way she's going to hire me

There's 4 of us , and there's only 3 spots for the post

That's another thing , that's just scaring me. What if I'm the one that's left out ?

But I have to keep the faith , because I need it

And just then Mrs Nzimande comes out of the elevator , talking to another woman

She looks stunning as well , in a light grey
tight body hugging below the knee dress

I tilt my head down , I don't even want her
to see me

I side eye them , and they're talking
standing still

After a few minutes , she walks away and the woman
comes to us

I hope Mrs Nzimande is not the one doing the interviews ,
that would be my doom

Her : good morning , are you here for the cleaning position interview ? We nod , some

say yes out loud

Her : okay , my name is Sbahle Cele . Please come with me , and do note that there's only 3 positions and we can't take all of you

The others get up , I'm last to get up . And we walk to the boardroom

Sbahle : the person who will be conducting the interviews will be here in a minute

Me : is it....Mrs Nzimande ?

I'm still near her at the door , so I whisper
that only for her to know

Sbahle : no ,Mrs Nzimande is an MD . She's
not in HR

Yhoh , there's shade there yes . I don't even
know for what

But I'm relieved that it won't be her

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Qondisile

My phone rings , I look at him . And my eyestrail to the door

It's closed , even though I know that it's not
locked

Me : conas tá tú ? (How are you)

Sebastian : tá mé go maith (I'm good)

Me : Ní féidir liom labhairt le fada (I can't talk for long)

Sebastian : nior ghlaoigh tú ar rudar bith (you didn't call for nothing)

That was last night , and he didn't adhere to my call

He just pissed me off , but I'm fine now so it's all good

Me : an bhfuil tú ag teacht ? (Are you coming along)

Sebastian : Raven muínín dom (Raven trust me)

Me : faigh amach cé mharaigh máthair Sebastian (for our who killed my father Sebastian)

I don't have this time that he has , as if he's dragging his feet around Sebastian :

beidh mé (I will) Shaka walks in

Me : I'll be in touch

I drop the call

Me : Mr Dube , what can I do for you ?Shaka : you

Speak Irish ?

This is what they refer to , when they say my whole body froze

Shaka : I don't understand it , I can't even speak it . So worry not , I didn't hear anything about your conversation

He could be lying

Me : I said....

Shaka : are you busy ?

Me : slightly

Shaka : let's go have lunch , I'm hungry

Me : give me 5 minutes Shaka :

come call me Me : okay

He walks out , I sigh . Now I don't know what's what

Something tells me he heard me , how does he know it's Irish if he's never heard it to understand it ?

Shaka better not

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Shaka

The second I'm in my office , I make a call

I made sure that the door is locked , I know
her 5 minutes won't be precise

And I don't intend to be longer on this call

Viper : yes ?

Me : the Irish cartel

Viper : are we having problems with them ?

Me : no , not yet

Viper : what do you need ? Me : I want

you to find RavenHe laughs

Viper : Crow come on !

Me : I'm not joking with you

Viper : my bad ! It's just are you for real ?

Me : and I would call you not being serious?

Viper : this Raven doesn't exist , the cartel
itself doesn't believe that she does . No one knows her , no one
has seen her . They know a name , that they cannot put to a
face . You're sending me on wild goose
chase

Me : are you incapable ?He sighs

Viper : I'll get on with it

Me : You only have a week

Viper : give me at least enough time , I'm basically looking for a shadow here . It's even better because it exists , this Raven is just another story

Me : prove your failures so I can use my own resources

Viper : I didn't.....

I drop the call

I'm many things , but not fucking crazy that's for sure

I caught slightly what she was saying , it's
her accent that got to me

I can't say I've seen Raven as well , I can't
say I know she exist for real

But years ago , I believe I got into it with the character

And that's how I firmly got to believe that
she's a woman , and not a man

Then it was known , the Irish cartel is led by a woman

But there's just a lot of uncertainty when it comes to her , because it's like she doesn't exist

I will never forget that day like ever

We were in a gun fight , fighting over a shipment of drugs from Colombia

And during this fight , I found myself protecting this woman

The very same woman I was fighting . And she had her hands held out , I don't know who ever stopped a bullet with a hand

And I just jumped in front of her , but my
stupidity back then as well

I covered her , yet my hand going to hers .The bullet went
through my hand to hers

We have the same scar of that bullet

And after that , she said thank you . It was in Irish , the
accent was the exact same as the one I heard from Qondisile

I've never looked for the scar on her ,because I've
never had reason to

Qondisile Cele , who the hell are

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Qondisile

I have my bag with me , leaving this morning . We'll work a half day and head for Cape town

Shaka didn't even want to go to work , but I wasn't having any of that

I hope nothing will be requiring paper work there , because I hate those

And Sbahle is not coming along , it's just the two of us

Sbahle : and that's the rest of with

Me : and with that we're done ?Sbahle : yes ,

you're good to go She closes her diary

Me : alright , I need to talk to you for aminute

Sbahle : okay

Me : uhm....I don't want you getting this anywhere and wondering why I never toldyou . But my husband and I divorced

She pops her eyes in shock

Sbahle : what ?.

Me : yeah , it happened as he went to jail .The marriage was long doomed , and that just sealed it . So I'm back now to being a Cele

I say with a chuckle

Sbahle : you amaze me thoughMe : how so

?

Sbahle : I did not see you falling apart ,
you've always held your head up high

Me : life doesn't wait , while you break or fall apart . I
always had to always remind myself of that everyday

Sbahle : I am really shocked

Me : yeah , now it's out there for you

I get up

Me : please lock when you leave , and I
don't want anyone in here

Sbahle : noted

I take my bag and head out , meeting thatRosy few inches
away from my office

Me : hi

Rosy : oh hey

I pass she follows me

Rosy : sorry , I am looking for ShakaOh hell no ! I

stop and look at her

Me : excuse me ?

Rosy : I'm looking for Shaka

Me : you're looking for Shaka and not your husband ?

She smiles , and it's annoying

Rosy : no , not my husband . Do you perhaps know where I can find him ?

Me : uhm noRosy

: no ?

Me : I don't know where he is , and I'm not his PA

Voice : I am here , and yes you're not my PA

Did he have to come out ?

He places his hand on my waist , is he forgetting himself where we are

Shaka : Rosy please wait for me in my office She walks away

Shaka : ah...

Me : I'm going to have a drink , we'll meet
at the airport

Shaka : no , we're taking one car . And mine
Me : what....

He shuts me up with a kiss , I pull out

Me : r...

Shaka : give me 2 minutes

He walks away heading to his office , I'm so
annoyed right now

I really don't know what he thinks he's
playing at

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Shaka

MaCele is something else , and I think I've tolerated her enough

Now we'll either do this , or stop whatsoever

I'll give her the time she wants , but I'll fucking accommodate myself in that

I walk in , as Rosy is sitting by the couch . I sit down on my chair

Rosy : your woman is territorial all chuckle

Me : and she says she isn't

Rosy : well that didn't say that

Me : mhm , and don't let her hear you sayshe's my woman .
We would both die

She laughs

Rosy : I see she has you hooked

Me : leave that , and keep Thulani in line
while I'm gone

Rosy : why don't I just take him away , and that way I won't feel like I'm baby sitting your brother ?

Me : do whatever you have to do , just as long as you stick to what I brought you herefor

Rosy : alright , let me not keep you . Before I get in bad books with your woman , and she doesn't seem to like me

Me : she's territorial Rosy , leave

She laughs getting up

Me : thanks for doing this

Rosy : you're the sane brother after all

She walks out , I close my laptop packing it

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Lizel

I couldn't believe my eyes , like it was just
hard believing what I saw

And I still can't get that out of my mind
even now

Like Andile's wife is busy with the CEO !

I was the last one to walk out of the boardroom , and as
I was leaving that's when I got to see that

I made sure to keep my distance , she
doesn't see that I saw them

They're not even hiding their affair , I'm sure the whole
office knows about it

Wonders never cease to amaze , really those two
married each other perfectly

They don't know what loyalty is , and they
sure damn deserved each other

And unfortunately , the victim us suffer . Because it seems like
they're just playing us

I feel sorry for Mr Dube , he won't know
what hit him

When she decides to okay wife again with her husband

I don't know , but right now I just feel like
spilling the beans

I'm not worried anymore , about going to
work there

She won't dare come at me playing miss
goody too shoes

While she's always cheating on her husband

Only difference is that I was cheating with hers , but we're the same

I'm not stressed anymore , because I did get the job

And I'm starting tomorrow , it's nothing much but it's a job

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Shaka

We arrived late , and she's tired but I think I'm more tired than her

We're laying in bed now , in her room . I'm in between her legs

My head resting on her coochie , she's in her underwear I have in just my briefs

I won't be sleeping in the room booked for me

I'm occupying hers , I won't even
compromise on that one

I hold her right hand , it has to be that one .I still remember
the hand

Because that's the same hand u have the scar on

I intertwine our fingers , and bring her hand closer kissing the
back of it

I smile to myself , I wonder how come I've
never noticed this

Maybe it's because , I didn't even think to . I
mean I had no reason toAh nice

one Dube !

Me : what happened here ?

I rub my thumb over the scar , she chuckles.I lean my head
back and face her

She smiles , looking at the scar

Qondisile : it's quite a funny story

Oh she finds that funny ? I got a fuckinlifetime bullet
scar

Her's has faded a bit , because the most damage was done to mine

Qondisile : that was years ago , I was 16actually

Me : tell me more

Qondisile : you won't believe me anywaysMe : try me

Qondisile : it's a bullet wound

I can't even explain how I'm feeling rightnow , all this time she's been here

And now this makes me wonder if she's not behind what happened to Andile

This is Raven Riley , the leader of the Irish cartel . She's no walkover of a woman

Me : sounds like you were wild

Qondisile : just leave me , because I can't tell you further how I got that

Worry not , because I know

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Shaka

We walk back to the room , and in just a day I feel like ditching this

These things are not fun , especially when you know what you're doing

I don't need these business summit things ,I don't even need any lessons from them

Qondisile : I'm so tired , please next time you come to these things of yours . Leave me alone , and take one of your people

She takes off her heels , I sit down next to her and giving her a foot rub

Me : you're my person , woman you haveno idea what you're talking about

Qondisile : I don't mean....never mind

She laughs

Me : I'm hungry , we should go get something to eat

Qondisile : if you ate breakfast we wouldn'tbe here

Me : I don't eat breakfast

Qondisile : I've realised , why is that ?Me : I just don't

get the logic for it

Qondisile : most important meal of the day!She shrugs

Me : yeah well

Qondisile : you're a lost cause

Me : thank you

Qondisile : that wasn't a compliment

Me : I knowShe

frowns

Me : be in something comfortable , lets go

She gets up , I check my emails and there's
nothing important

I get up walking to change as well

For the first time ever I see her in jeans , and I wonder if there's
anything this womandoesn't look good in

Qondisile : stop staring

Me : your ass and hips are all out here! walk closer ,

grabbing her ass

Qondisile : don't , now I really want to go out

I laugh

Qondisile : and there's this cute place I saw last night , in
camps bay . We should go by there

Me : last night ?

Qondisile : on Google Dube

Me : oh okay Women are

strange

Qondisile : I was just checking out places ,one can actually go while here

Me : I'm not here to see places

Qondisile : well I want to , and so we're going

Me : and what's this place ?

I walk away from her , changing into casual
as well

Jeans , sneakers and t-shirt . One day we'll
suffocate by suits , and ties

Qondisile : Ledi's delights

I look at her , she has one funny expression

Qondisile : wait , was it Ledi's sweet
delights ?!

chuckle

Qondisile : don't be mean , it doesn't matter . Fact of the matter , we're going there Me :

oh

Qondisile : like I want to spoil my sweettooth

Me : at my expense ?

Qondisile : you'll be fine

Me : I'm going to a bakery , so I doubt

Qondisile : it's not a bakery , this one is
classy and all

Me : okay miss glassy let's go

And apparently , she can go somewhere without her
handbag

I must say , I'm loving seeing this about her

We finally arrive at her place , and I'm shocked that
I've been here

But the name didn't even ring a bell , I sure don't pay
attention to things

We sit down , as we're attended to . And
she just goes on ordering all kinds of sweetthings

I seriously just need a plate of pap and eat ,
but then there's creatures called womenVoice : Shaka

Dube

We both turn our heads

Me : Sibal'khulu

He holds his hand out , we shake handsNtsika : long time

no see

Me : mhm , it's been a minute

I look at Qondisile , she has her eyes on him

Me : MaCele , this is Ntsika Dlamini a goodfriend of mine

Ntsika : ah I see you have levelled upMe : mhm

Ntsika : it's a pleasure meeting you MaCele

Qondisile : Likewise

Ntsika : I'll see you around

Me : not unless I see you first

We have a moment and he walks away Qondisile : some

friends you are

Me : he's a piece of shit

She raises her brow , but I know who she is now

And I'm sure she knows the bishop , surely
somewhere somehow paths crossed

Ntsika has no limits , he doesn't even know
when to stop

Because he just thinks he's the shit ,
because of that Oceans boy he has

We're just water and oil , we don't mix at
all. There's no love lost Qondisile : on

another newsI look at her

Qondisile : what's your deal with that Rosy?

I smile

Qondisile : it's not amusing

Me : she's Thulani's wife , that's it . There's no deal there

Qondisile : how can someone like Thulanibe married ?

Me : it was arranged

Qondisile : ohh ...okay

She takes a bite of her sweet things

Qondisile : I don't like her

Now I'm intrigued , and very much amused

Qondisile : don't even ask me why

I would never ask her that , that would beme seeming as if
I'm saying she's intimidated by Rosy

Which is nonsense

Me : I would never disrespect you thatQondisile :

anyways , I'll tell you why She takes another bite

I wonder if it's the sweet things doing this
to her or what

Qondisile : she's always hovering over you

Me : what ?

Qondisile : don't even act shocked Me : I am , she's

not always hovering

around me

Qondisile : she is

Okay ! I won't argue about this at all

Me : you've only seen her around me twice

Qondisile : exactly , and then it'll go to third
and fourth going on fifth

I just pull her hand over , and kiss the back of it

Me : I'll stay away from her

This might seem somehow , but this is her voicing out her
voice

And if I stand a chance with this woman , I have to pay
attention

And not make her feel otherwise , that's
why I won't even say anything else about
this

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Lizel

I'm here in jail , to see Andile . I just had to tell him

What his dear wife is busy doing out there , I think he deserves to know that

Because he's a jailbird now , she knows how to go outside and hurt him

I still care about this man , I guess my feelings were deeper than I anticipated

Because I just thought it's money , butthere's no more now

Yet here I am , to save him from doomed
marriage

He walks in , followed by a guard . He's
shocked seeing me

You can see it on his face , but I hope deep
down he's happy that I came

He sits down , and now looking at him I see how much he has
changed

He's lost weight , he has a few bruises that
are fading

And his complexion has slightly changed a bit , he's a darker shade now

I guess being in here , is not sweet and roses it's just hard and he's feeling it

Me : hi

Andile : what do you want ?.Okay !

Me : you won't be this rude when I came to see how you're doing

Andile : I'll ask again , what....

Me : drop the attitude , because your wife
is busy out there shagging her bossHe gives me

that unbelievable look

Me : oh yes ! You're in here , and she's
moved on . Who knows ? Maybe she's been
cheating all along

He goes quite for a while , and he looksangry

Me : I'm sorry to be the bearer of bad news,but then again you
gave me attitude for no reason

He gets up

Me : and then ?.

Andile : don't ever come here again

And he walks away , just like that . I'm stunned , like
what a waste of my time coming here

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Andile

I don't even know how to take these news ,I don't know how to process and comprehend everything

Like how true could it be ? Yes I know I hadmy suspicions and all

But I thought maybe it's because I was cheating , and that's what cheaters do

They think the partner is doing exactly what
they're doing

Because their guilt is eating up at them

But then this ! Do I believe Lizel ? After everything , or do I
choose to believe that this is not my wife

I will never have peace , unless I look her in the eye and she
tells me

I guess she'll have to excuse me , so the
next phone call I get is going straight to her

I can't believe this , I really can't because I think I know her enough

But as for Shaka , he's a man . And she's a woman , and that rubs me the wrong way

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Qondisile

The tension between The Bishop , and Shaka was so unavoidable

But I didn't even want to ask questions ,
because that would have just raised flags

And attention that I don't even need

They seemed to know each other , and
clearly they don't like one another

Which makes me wonder , what could they possibly be hating
each other for ?

Shaka is a business man , and Ntsika is a hug through and
through

Even those expensive suits wears , they
can't fool anyone

I might just have to watch out , who I'm
hanging around

Because the last thing I want is a war ,blood
will spill and it'll reek death everywhere

We're leaving today , and he's too quite for
my liking

He's not saying much , I don't know what
could possibly be the problem

Or could it be that encounter with Ntsika ?
But I can't go asking there

Neither of these men know me , Shaka
knows the Qondisile Cele he's fallen so in
love with

And well Ntsika has no slightest idea who I am

His kind , know the name but not the person

Not even half my cartel know me , only a few . That making
Sebastian , and his righthand man

And the leaders in Ireland only , and for a whole cartel that
doesn't make many people know me

They've never even met me , some have in
dark shadows where war took place

But they don't know my face , not even half the men I've faced
fighting

I can't risk anyone knowing me here , I'm building a life that
has nothing to do with who I am

And I want to keep it that way , so I'll stay
out of whatever issue that is Me : are you

ready ?

He lifts his head and looks at me

Shaka : it's time to go ?

Me : yes , and we have to spend the full two hours in there

Shaka : that leaves us 30 minutes getting to the airport

Me : that's fine by me , I want my bed
Shaka : I thought

you'll say mine

Me : stop being nasty , let's go

He gets up , I take my iPad . The way he
doesn't want to go , he doesn't even bother
taking anything

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Shaka

I'm a bit unsettled , sure I'm not worried
about MaCele

Knowing who she is , I know she's capable
of taking care of herself

But Ntsika might mistaken her for just a
mere woman I'm with

And he might try to come at me , goingafter her

That will cause us all a whole lot of
problems and troubles we don't need

The Irish cartel doesn't play , it doesn't fool
around

I've went head to head with them , I learnt
my lesson

We made peace , they stay out of my way I stay out of them

But the bishop doesn't know this , all he
saw was me in his turf

And men like him , don't take kindly to what
they think might be a threat to them

And that's what he saw me as , that I know
for a fucking fact

Qondisile : Dube what's wrong ?.

We've landed in Joburg , and we're going to
my house

She can grace her bed , on Monday or something

She's spending the weekend at my house

Me : nothing is wrong

Qondisile : can we not lie to each other

She holds my hand

Me : it's that guy we met , okay we hate
each otherShe

laughs

Qondisile : your good friend ?I chuckle

Me : he's no friend , I'm just worried that he
might want to hurt me using you

Qondisile : are you some kind of a gangster?

Me : no...no why would you think that ?.

Qondisile : because that's what gangsters
say

Me : you watch too many movies , can you place just always
be careful and make sure you're safe

I can't give away either that I know who she
is , this life is hard Qondisile : just listen

to me Me : MaCele please

Qondisile : okay , I'll be safe

Me : thank you

I lean back , maybe I'm to have a word with
Dlamini

Just so we can understand each other

A war with the Irish cartel will affect me and him both

Worse him , because South Africa is his turf and not mine

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Qondisile

Shaka is hiding something , and my gutfeeling is telling
me to find out

But fuck ! My heart and mind are agreeing ,
that I'm being creepy now

Wanting to check the guy out , but what he
said means he's dodgy as hell

There's no way he would think that for no
reason

Unless he knows his doings and dealings ,and I want to
know

But I'm so fucking conflicted , maybe I just need a few days
and process this whole thing

My phone rings , it's Saturday and we're at
his place

Since he didn't want me going to my house ,
and said I'm spending the weekend with
him

I just didn't even argue , because I have
nothing at my house

I check the coast and it's clear , I answer the
call

Me : hello ?

Sebastian : can you talk ?.Me : yeah

Sebastian : got a call from the bishop

Me : now that's interesting , what does he
want me

Sebastian : asking for protectionMe : against

what ?.

Sebastian : he suspects he has a rivalwanting to get
into his turf

Me : a rival ? Huh

I scan my eyes again , and still he's not in
sight

Me : did he say who ?.

Sebastian : no

Me : well , he shouldn't mock me . I have no desire to get involved in petty local turf wars

Sebastian : that's the thing , he don't say who . But he did mention it's someone international

Mhm ! Just when I thought maybe Shaka is being exposed

I mean it would have made sense , they're
both from around

And they met , tensions were high . But someone
international that changes that thought

Sebastian : find out what he's talking about, and if it's worth our
interference I might hear him out

Sebastian : alright

I drop the call as Shaka walks in , he gives me one inquisitive
eye . I pretend to not even see him

Shaka : Njabulo is coming around , there's
just something we need to discussMe : oh , I

should excuse myself Shaka : you don't have to

do that Me : it's for the best

No one knows about us , and now so we suddenly want
his brother to know

Finding me here , in his brother's shirt . Obviously one
plus one won't give him eleven

Shaka

MaCele really excused herself , and soonafter Njabulo arrived

I could just tell by his facial expression , that he wasn't himself

We're outside by the porch , he hasn't saidwhy he's here

Me : so ?

Njabulo : I need to go

I look at him a bit confused

Njabulo : I'm healed now , I can....

Me : whoa ! Fuck no , I thought we spoke about this

Njabulo : we did , but this is not me Shaka . I hate going to that office day in and out , I hate everything about my life right now

Me : Njabulo give yourself time

Njabulo : I've given myself time , two years
was a lot of time I shake

my head

Njabulo : I'm slowly losing myself , every day I keep spending
here . Being someone I don't even know , I hate this

Me : you have a child now

Njabulo : and I will still play my part Me : what

about your women ?

Njabulo : come on ! Asiphe is nothing , but
just the mother of my child

The two have always had a strange relationship , that I never
even understood to begin with

Njabulo : give me the green light , and let me go back to the
UK

I sigh

Njabulo : I can't keep doing this , you know I'm good at what I
do

I can't dispute that , but I thought after he was shit 6 times

He would want to leave the whole life , and just start afresh

Njabulo : please

It's taking a lot on him , for him to even be asking like this

Me : let me make a few calls , use this timewisely . Spend as much of it , as you can with your son

He nods , I pat his shoulder going back
inside

I know he will just leave , when he's ready
to

Njabulo spent most of his time in the UK ,with me for years
and years

And that's how he ended up being part of
who I am and what I do

He's one of my best men , but one mission
gone wrong

And I lost great men , he was one of those
who got shot crazy but he made it

And I had him coming back home , I didn't
think he would want to go back again .

But that's the lift he knows , so it makes it
difficult for me to say no

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Shaka

I have to think this through , letting Njabulo leave

With the parents not here , I don't know
how I feel about this at all

But I also have to consider him , and when a man wants what he
wants

He has to get it , or next thing he rebels and
I'll have a problem on my hands

I'm on a conference call , this was a crazy
weekend

But I tried my level best , just to
accommodate Qondisile and so she doesn't feel that I'm
distracted

But I think all went well , because she was fine even when she left this morning

I'll just have to be late at work , because I need to get this out of the wayKumkani :

what happened ?

Me : Njabulo wants to go to the UKNkosiyabo :

then let him

Kumkani : what about his injury ? I'm concerned about that

Me : I can see he's not himself here , and according to him he as healed

Nkosiyo : two years is a long time , he needs to get out there before he goes alldepressed

Me : that's taking it far

Nkosiyo : ndoda , this is who we are . There's no other life we know , besides thisone . And without it , we lose ourselves

Me : so you're on with it ?

Nkosiyo : yes

Me : Kumkani ?

Kumkani : I have my reservations , but they're your man . And you know them better , at the end of the day the decision is yours

Me : I'll give him a month and then he can leave

Nkosiyabo : you're saving the man from himself

Me : mhm Nkosiyabo I heard you Kumkani

chuckles

Me : on other news , I saw the bishop in
Cape town

Kumkani : when was that ?

Me : business summit , last week

Nkosiyabo : he's not going to be a problem
is he ?

Me : I don't know , there were tensions

Kumkani : is he out of his mind ? Nkosiyabo : south Africa is

not our turf , he

shouldn't even be feeling threatened

Me : we're internationals , we don't deal with locals . Question is does he know that?

Kumkani : and he could ask for protection from the international cartels

Me : we won't lay low , well I for one won't
Nkosiyabo : let's

wait on spilling blood , I'm

really enjoying being a father to my kids

We chuckle

Me : he shouldn't poke me , I was thinking I should have a word with him

Kumkani : mhm , you're too aggressive . He
won't take well to that , let me talk to him .And I'll assure him

Me : alright , let me know how it goesKumkani : will

do

Me : time is not on my side , we'll talk

I drop the call

Now that's out of the way , I guess I just
have to let Njabulo go

Before I depress him , I didn't even know
we get depression from stopping beingcriminals

Yeah oNkosiyabo know things

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Lizel

I'm cleaning the top floor , and I'm now leftwith two offices

The CEO's office and the one of Andile's
wife

I'm going to hers right now , and it's closed I
knock first

No one answers and I open the door , only
she's inside

Beats me why she was quite , and didn't say
for me to come in

Qondisile : what do you want ?

This woman is cold , and it actually scares me that I dated
her husband

I've heard rumours in here , that she's a
cold goddess

Apparently not many people , like her that much

And by her home and statue I'm not
surprised why

Me : I knocked

Qondisile : that's not what I asked
Me : I'm here

to clean of course Qondisile : leave

Me : what ? Qondisile : leave

Me : sorry , but I'm here to do my job

Qondisile : it's not your job to clean my office

Me : I clean everyone's office

Qondisile : stop going back and forth with me , we're not friends . Leave and never setfoot in my office ever again

Me : then how am I supposed to....

Qondisile : damn woman ! I have a cleaningcompany coming here everyday for my office . So please , I beg of you . Cause yoursight is disgusting me right now , bloody whore

What the hell ? She's on fire and she's
spitting it okay

I turn on my heels only to turn back and look at her

Me : don't even make yourself better than me , because
you're also some whore .

We're the same and one

She laughs , and it's so sarcastic

Qondisile : sweetheart , we can never . So
leave because I don't even give a damn

Fuck ! She can throw back a punch , but I
won't let her think she's better than meMe : no wonder

Andile cheated....

Qondisile : don't degrade yourself like that ,he's in jail . Here
you are , from a mere receptionist to now a cleaner . Not even
earning a quarter of what I make

She shakes her head , and I feel tearsburning my eyes

Qondisile : you're where you are because ofme , you're
homeless and jobless all because of me . I ruined you , try me
now and see what I'll do . Your lover is in jail ,

compliments to me of course . Sweetheart

I'm not to be messed with , don't mistake my kindness and smile . I'll fuck you up so bad , and kick you to the curb

What have I done ? All of the pain I went through is because of her

Me : how....how can you be so heartless ? I let the tears fall

Qondisile : now go on

She gets up from her chair , and I don't even wait for her to take another step . I'm out of her office in a hurry

Wow ! I'm so shattered I don't want to lie , I don't even know how I'll continue working here

Shit ! I told Andile about her and the boss , lord what if she fires me . What then ?

Oh what have I done ?

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Qondisile

The skanks oAndile degrade us with , it's
crazy

The woman thinking she can waltz in here ,and tell me shit

As if I give a fuck , I so hope she got the
message loud and clear

I'm working late , and I don't feel so good .Strange , because I
haven't had anything to eat today

Except my daily dose that Sbahle always have for me

I take my phone and call him , it's late and he's probably
home now

Shaka : mama

He says with one husky hoarse voice , I have
feels now

Shaka : stop blushing , khuluma phela youwoke me up (talk)

Me : I'm hungry

Shaka : mhm what do you want to eat ?Me : something

greasy

Shaka : at the office ?Me : yes

Shaka : I'm coming

Me : okay

I drop the call , I should feel bad that I wokehim up

He sure must be tired , to be asleep before19:00

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TWO MONTHS LATER

Shaka

Njabulo left about a month ago , he washappy about that

Although Thulani was on a my neck , that

I'm letting Njabulo leave

Leaving his family behind and all that , but Itold him where to get off

Njabulo actually got Asiphe and their son an apartment

So only Thulani and his wife are left at home now

I guess he's the one brother who has no intentions of moving out

Maybe it's because he's the first born, so she thinks it's his birth right

And with that one you'll never know what's what

But no one is forcing him to grow up and
leave he's fine there

I've been taking things as they come with
MaCele

I still have no idea what to call us , because I don't think she
wants us being called anything

I'm all there for that woman , but right now we're just not
what I want

And maybe that tells me I should just leave this whole thing

I just think we want two different things ,
and the other is not willing to compromise

Work is just work , I don't even invest much
time there anymore

Only because I avoid I see her as much as I can

But now and then she would call , and
that's just it

Even though we still do see each other , just
that I'm slowly getting tired

Not losing feelings no , those are still there
I don't see myself losing them anyhow

I'm home now , I was asked over by Rosy .
Only to find my parents

To say I'm shocked , it's an understatement. Like he looks so
well , I couldn't believe that it's him

Me : Texas did you good

Mom : he was actually getting treatment there

Thulani : he was ?

We're shocked , we thought he didn't want any of that

He just wanted to get away and rest , and have his last days peaceful

Me : why didn't you say anything about this? Why all the secrecy ?

Mom : we didn't want to give you false hope , we didn't know how effective the treatment would be or if it'll even work .

We just wanted to do this alone , in case it wasn't going to work

Thulani : wow

I side eye him , and he looks somewhat

Me : well , are you back now ?.Dad : yes ,

how are things. ?

Me : uhm fine

Dad : good , I'm glad to hear that

Mom : I want your father staying away fromthe business , even
now

Me : am I not getting back to my life ?

Dad : what do you mean ?

Thulani : that he wants to leave again , justlike his little brother

Mom : Shaka ?.

Me : I only came back here , because dadwas sick and needed help

Mom : your father is not going back to thatcompany

She gets up and walks out

Dad : please put this thought on hold

Thulani : or he can leave , and I can just
replace him

Dad : no , that won't happen

Thulani gets up , not happy walking outDad : how are

things with Qondisile ?

Me : things are fine

Dad : I'm glad you held on for this longer

As if I had a choice

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Andile

Now I see there's no way getting out of
here , there's no way of being out there for
me

And I can't handle this life in here ,everyday it's
just hard

One would think , it's been 8 months now .
Closer to a year , I've settled

And I've gotten used to this place being my home

But no , I'm still having troubles even now . I still can't sleep

I have no idea what pace is , in a place like this

I don't see how I'll get to 25 years , and still
be alive and kicking well

I doubt I will get there , because I just don't
see it happening

I've been avoiding this either , having to see
Qondisile or talk to her

Maybe it's fear , or its her being the final
nail on the coffin

By telling me what I don't want to hear ,
that really she's with Shaka

I could never handle that , because truth betold I do love my
wife

I fucked up I know , and there's no excuse .
She just intimidated me to the core

And I just wanted a submissive wife to anything as
everything , and that was nother

I cheated because I wanted to please myego nothing else

I listen as the phone rings , and just as I'm
about to give you

Thinking that she won't answer , she answers . I shouldn't
be doing this , but I want to know

Me : babe

I can hear her breathing on the other sideMe : please come

see me

Qondisile : what did I say to you ?.

Me : I'm not fighting , I'm just asking that
you come see me

She drops the call , but at least she heard me . It's all up to
her now , if she comes ornot

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Lizel

Shockingly , I'm still keeping my job

Maybe it's because I learnt to stay out of
office politics

I left Ms Cele be , yes I found out she's divorced . I didn't even know that

Until a few weeks ago , I thought she was still married

But turns out she wasn't , and I am keeping my mouth shut

Now more than ever I need the money , so much that I didn't even take maternity leave

I'm still at work , heavily pregnant as I am .
And I'm hiding this pregnancy

I'm always in huge baggy clothes , I don't want to be stopped working

I've managed to save enough , although I don't know how costly this baby will be

I'm still worried and concerned that there might be complications

Which is why I should be on leave , but my desperation of money doesn't allow me to be

I'm at work , and I spot Mr Dube going into Ms Cele's office

There's no doubt , there's something there .
And they're still at it even now

So much that even some people have
started noticing , and they're talking

But it's none of my business , I don't want
to get on the wrong side of that woman

Voice : please....don't just leave these
buckets standing like this

I turn and it's SbahleMe : I'm

leaving

Sbahle : Lizel are you okay ?.

Me : yes

Sbahle : you look.... Me :

there's nothing

I take the buckets walking away , she can't
ruin this for me

I need this job , this pregnancy can't get in
my way

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Qondisile

It's so tense in here , and I feel like my head
is about to burst or be split into two

The door opens , Sbahle walks in but stopson her tracks as
she sees Shaka

He's standing on the opposite side , and I'm still sitting down on my chair

Sbahle : sorry to disturb , I'll come back later

Me : MaCele please bring me water , and something for a headache

Sbahle : alright

She walks out , I lean my head down rubbing on my forehead

Shaka : can we talk about this ?.

Me : there's nothing to talk Shaka , you
made up your mind . Your father is back ,
and now you're leaving

Shaka : but do you see how unfair this is to me ?

Me : and all I asked for was time

Shaka : and I gave time , you're really not
being fair

Me : it's fine leave , it's what you want .
Who am I to stand in your way

Shaka : just listen to yourself , and that time
you don't even know if you want me or not
Me : well....

Sbahle walks back in , I take the water and the two pills

Me : they won't knock me out right ?

Sbahle : I'm still around , I'll come back to check on you .
They're pretty strong

Me : okay

She walks out , I down them.

Me : please leave

He looks at me for a minute and nods

Shaka : and this is exactly why I'm leaving ,because this between us it's just Shaka alone

What is wrong with me.?

Me : if that's how you feel and see things , don't hold on Shaka you're not chained to anyone . Now please leave me alone

Shaka : you don't even care do you ?

I look at him , and his face is just full of
sadness

I look down as I can't take what I'm seeing on his face

Shaka : I guess this is it , if you don't even
see the need to save it now

He turns and walks out , I just let the tears fall down on my
desk

My phone rings , I ignore it . But it doesn't
stop ringing Me :

what ?

Sebastian : what's wrong ?

I take a moment , and I gather myself . As
much as I don't want to

But I can't fall apart , as much as I want to
fall apart right nowMe :

what is it ?

He sighs

Sebastian : I found out who killed your father

Everything comes to a stand still , it literally took him three months

And I was impatient with him , I don't even want to lie

Me : about damn time

Sebastian : there was a lot of cover ups , so I had to dig one thing after another

Me : who ?

Sebastian : a business partner of his , he took money from the company . Got caught, and he framed your father for it

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And to seal the truth forever , he had him
killed in jail Business

partner ?

Sebastian : the owner of Dube Enterprise My insides go cold

Sebastian : your father owned 50% of that company , his best
friend betrayed him

I don't believe this , how can that man do
that to my family ?

Watch us suffer while he knows exactly
what he did to my father

And I even took him as a father , because I thought he cared
that much

One sharp pain hits me on my abdominal , I drop the call .
Leaning down trying to suppress this pain

Only it feels like I'm just making it worse , I can't help myself
but tear up

I don't know it's because of the pain , or its because Zuko
Dube killed my father . His own friend !!

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Qondisile

Sbahle walks in , just as water runs through my thighs down to my legs

I would assume that's pee , but why in the hell am I peeing on myself ?

Just because of a mere pain ? Okay it's just not just mere , I feel like I'm dying

Sbahle : oh my god !

Me : I....think you should...leave , this is embarrassment enough

Sbahle : leave you so you can give birth in
this office all alone

What the hell ? Birth , is she out of her mindMe : now isnot

the timefor jokes Sbahle : who's your doctor ?

Me : MaCele ! Please don't annoy me
....what doctor ?

Sbahle : oh lord ! I'm taking you to hospital

Me : no !

Sbahle : you're giving birth , that baby is ready to comels she

insane

Me : I am not pregnant , do I look pregnantto you ?

Sbahle : I know a woman giving birth when I see on

She takes my hand helping me stand straight , she takes my handbag putting myhome inside

She's like superwoman right now

Sbahle : thank God we're the last ones

I say nothing , because I want to scream right now

We get to her car , she drives like a madwoman all the way to the hospital

Sbahle : just hold on , we're here

If I could laugh , I would . She's really overdoing it

But she takes me inside , and she's helped at the door

Sbahle : she's giving birth

Doesn't the nurse look at her like she's
crazy for a second ?

Me : I'm not.....ahhhhh

Nurse : oh Please fill in for her . Who will pay the bill , or do
you have a medical aid here ?

Bloody private hospitals , money is all they think about

Sbahle : just attend to her and leave us
about the bill , we'll pay it

Nurse : okay

Not them bringing a wheelchair , and wheeling me to
the maternity ward

It's private , so there's privacy . I'm
prepared into the hospital garments And laid on the bed ,

the doctor walks in Doc : Ms Cele....

Me : please , just stop with your people . I am not pregnant

He smiles, and I don't know what's amusing

Doc : okay , let's do this . And find out together

I let him be , as he takes a scan . And I am beyond shocked

Seeing a whole human being on that screen, and apparently the person is inside of me

Doc : there we go

Me : that's impossible

Doc : no , let me see

I'm so pain , I don't even have the sane
bone to tell him to get off my thighs

I'm annoyed beyond , feeling his fingers
inside of me

Does he even have the right to do that shit?

Doc : ah , this person is in a hurry . Let's get
a nurse in here now

He parts my legs further , it does feel like I
shouldn't close them

I tear up as I get the urge to push , in my
head I'm like what alien is this ?

And did it have to be me ? I push , and he encourages two more pushes

And just like that , there's a cry and I'm also a crying mess

Doc : ah just look at you

I slowly open my eyes , and he's holding a whole human being that's crying

Me : oh my God !

Doc : he's real you know ? Oh it's a

boy

Me : but

I don't even know what to say , right now nothing makes sense I don't get what justhappened

Doc : here , there you go .

He gives me the human being , and oh myword it looks like Shaka walking up

Me : come on dude , don't cry this much The doctor and

nurse laugh , I'm like who

are you ?

But I find myself , just soothing him and he
calms down

But my own tears are still failing me

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Shaka

My head is not even in here , but I want to leave everything
fine when I leave

There's really no point in being here ,
MaCele seems to be dealing with whatever

And clearly , I am not a part of that . Maybe being away is
exactly what she wants

And I know , as long as I'm around here . I won't stay away
from her

I just can't help myself , and that won't work I'm best far
away

My phone beeps , and I check it . It's a message on WhatsApp , the stupidWhatsApp she made me have

I sign opening it , and my heart almost stops. It's from her

And it's a picture of a baby , the eye are hers so meaning it's her baby

There's even a location of an hospital ,that's like 20 minutes away

Me : excuse me

I just get up and rush out of the meeting
heading to my car

I get in and drive in high speed , I make the drive in just 15
minutes

I see Sbahle , as I walk inside by the waiting area I go to her

Me : where is she ?

She looks shocked seeing me Sbahle : in

ward 06

I walk out heading there , and I just walk inside

She's in bed , in a hospital garment . The sheets are slightly on her waist

I walk closer to the bed , and hold her handshe opens her eyes and smiles

Me : hey

I lean down and give her a kiss , don't askwhy because I don't know

Me : what happened ? Where did you getthat baby ?

What an idiotic question , but I am shocked
she didn't look pregnant to me at all Qondisile : I popped

the baby out of me I laugh

Me : but...how ? You weren't pregnant Qondisile : I....I

don't know what to say Me : well he has your eyes

She smiles

Qondisile : he looks like you

Me : he does ?

Qondisile : I am not blind , don't tell me you didn't see what I saw

Me : well....I just took one look and I came here

Qondisile : wow , what if it wasn't your baby ?

Me : I wasn't even thinking about that

I lean down giving her a kiss again , my emotions are all over the place

I don't know how I'm feeling , I don't even know what to say

I'm a father ? Like that's so hard to even believe , because I wasn't expecting that one bit

Me : I'm so sorry , I wasn't here when you needed me

For the first time ever in my life , I'm so emotional I can't even express what I'm feeling

Me : thank you , so much . I can never thank
you enough for this

I look at her , and she wipes the tear that falls off

Qondisile : you dumped me! chuckle

Me : I don't remember that , where is he ? I
want to meet him

I can't believe I have an heir now , fuck !
This is some big thing

What the fuck am I going to do for this woman ? She fucking deserve the universe on a platter

Qondisile : taking a bath , they'll bring him soon so he can feed . And you'll have to go get him clothes , because he has nothing

Me : but I don't want to leave you two

Qondisile : I understand , but we have nothing . I was at the office when this happened , all thanks to Sbahle who was there

I sigh

Me : okay , I'll go get you things

The door opens , a doctor walks in with the nurse holding him

I can't believe this , and I'm the one who
takes him from her

I can't take my eyes off him , and he's wide
awake busy eating his fist

I chuckle , he's my very own photocopy . MaCele was right , he
looks like me . He just has her eyes

Doc : how are you feeling ?

Qondisile : I'm in pain

Doc : they'll give you something in an hour

The nurse walks out

Me : eh ndoda , can you tell me what happened here
?.

I give MaCele the baby , she feeds him struggling a bit
of course

My poor woman , what does she know about being a
mother

Doc : Mr....

Me : Dube , now tell me . How does she give birth , and yet she didn't look pregnant ?

Doc : oh Ms Cele experienced what we calla cryptic pregnancy

Me : what's that ?

Doc : a cryptic pregnancy is a pregnancy that goes undetected or unnoticed , there may not be any typical pregnancy symptoms . Such as fatigue , nausea and vomiting , missed periods of abdominal swelling . And like in her case , some women are not aware that they're pregnant, until they go into labour

Me : and what causes this cryptic pregnancy?

Doc : typically cryptic pregnancies happen to women who have hormonal imbalances ,either due to natural causes or hormonal birth control

Qondisile : so you're saying this happens to other women out there too ?

Doc : yes it happens , and it has happened

Me : there's nothing wrong with her ?

The eye she gives me , but I just have to ask.
Her cryptic thing , just denied us bonding with this person
for 9 months

Doc : they're both fine and normal , there's
nothing wrong with them Me : don't

say it like that He chuckles

Doc : I'll be keeping you of course
overnight, as if I'm pleased and all . I'll let
you both go home tomorrow afternoon Qondisile : thank

you

He nods walking out , and I'm still trying to
process this whole thing

Like just like that I'm a father

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Qondisile

I couldn't not tell Shaka , I didn't want to seem spiteful or anyhow

Within few minutes holding him , I took a picture and sent it to him

I didn't even think he would see it and come as quickly as he did

Because he hates the whole WhatsApp thing , but I know his data is always on . Ifnot , Wi-Fi is very much present

Sbahle sure became a darling , as Shakacame in here

She went out and got this person clothes ,
as well as me and some toiletries

Might not be what I use , but it's the
thought that counts

And I'm so thankful to her , she deserves
something of thanks for this

And I don't even want to think , what wouldhave happened if
she didn't walk in there when she did

And had she not known that I was giving birth , this could
have turned out so wrongso quickly

But she saved the day , I'm so thankful to
her and a mere thank you won't do

I asked Shaka to go get me something to drink , and that's
only because I wanted to talk to Sbahle

It's already late , but she called her husband and he said he's
coming

He was so understanding , she's really a
blessed woman Me :

so ?

She's just looking at me , and I don't feel obligated to explain myself to her

But I just want to , because she saw Luzuko and well she's not blind eitherMe : Shaka is

the father Sbahle : they look alike

She says so calm , I chuckle shaking myhead

Me : I know you have seen things , even though you never asked or said anything .We have been together for like 9 months

now , this exact 9 months yes . I went divorced then , but I knew my marriage was done

Sbahle : you know I'm not judging right ? Me : I just want

you to understand Sbahle : all that I understand is that ,

that

man loves you so much that it's evident on his face . And now you have given him a son, he will forever cherish and worship the ground you walk on . You're that one woman for him

The door opens and he walks in

Shaka : your husband is here

She gets up

Sbahle : Ibanathi is going to be so happy ,she has a little
Ben ten now

We laugh

Shaka : my son is not ready for women yet ,
he's not in a hurry for heart-break

I know the shock is that of him talking to
her , she's not used to that

Sbahle : take care

Me : I will , let me know when you arrive
home Sbahle :

bye

She leaves , Shaka comes and sit down . Hisson is sleeping on
my chest

He loves food , and I can just tell he's lazy Shaka : still doesn't

make sense to me , how

someone this chubby was inside you . Yet
your stomach was flat

Me : that's a mystery , I don't even want to bother myself about this . At least he lookslike you , so I know he's mine

He chuckles

Shaka : he should have let you sweat a bit ,and take my genes like a few days later

Me : stop being mean

He looks at him , holding his tiny hand

Shaka : he's so perfect

Me : he is

I smile , I don't know how I'm feeling . But
something has shifted inside of me

I'm feeling this love and peace I don't think I've ever felt
before

Hard to believe , all this because of this tiny human being

His father named him , of course after I asked him

I have no name , and I know I won't even
think of one

But I love Luzuko

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Shaka

I didn't want to leave the hospital last night,
and since Sbahle got them things

That worked in my favour , I got to stay with them the night

And the doctor was very pleased this
morning , he said he'll discharge them this
afternoon

The way she really just can't wait to leave ,she's already
ready to leave

Me : will we be needing to prepare him his own room ?

Qondisile : no , not yet . He's still too young, and he'll be using mine until he's a year maybe

Me : so you mean ours ? She looks

at me confused Me : what ?

Qondisile : when did my room become ours?

Me : well mine at my house is

Qondisile : I'm not going to your house

Me : you are

I know we didn't speak about this , but it's
the only sane and logical thing to do

And for our son as well , I don't want himgrowing up with a
mother and father thatlives apart

Qondisile : are you being for real ?.

Me : yes , there's no one to help you there

Qondisile : and who's going to help me at your house ?

Me : me of courseShe

sighs

Me : this is for Zuko as wellShe looks at

me

Qondisile : isn't your father's name Zuko ?

Me : yeah

I chuckle seeing her expression

Me : I didn't name our child after him Qondisile : oh

really ?

Me : yeah , that's actually my name I just don't use it . So he might as well have it

The shock , but it's understandable . She's never seen anything of mine like an ID or Passport

That's where that name is at , on everything else it's just Shaka

Qondisile : it doesn't matter , it's his
grandfather so it's fine

Me : right

The doctor walks in

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Qondisile

I guess it's not so bad coming to live with
him

I just didn't think that , having a child would mean coming to do
vat 'n sit

When I said that he laughed at me , and I
wasn't making a joke

But it's okay , because since we arrived here he's just been
helping

And I've gotten the hang of breastfeeding ,
even though it's so funny

But this young Shaka loves eating , so I have no choice but to
get used to it

Shaka : he's finally asleep

Me : umntanakho eats a lot (your child)He laughs

Shaka : he's chubby mama , that's why I don't understand
how he was hiding in there (mommy)

Me : stop saying that

He laughs

Shaka : I want to go out for a few minutes
Me : please bring

food

Shaka : just food ? I shrug

Shaka : I thought you'll ask where am I
going ?

Me : I don't want to know

And I really don't

Shaka : yhoh

Me : don't forget food

Shaka : sure

He gives his son a kiss on the cheek , and he pecks my lips he leaves

I don't know what this means for us now ,I've been pulling away I know

I haven't been giving him anything , not even a tiny bit of what he wanted

And now this has happened , it has mademe to face my feelings

I'm fine with that , but I don't know where he is . Because he was said to be leaving

Now what's going to happen ? Is he stayingor he's leaving ?

And I have his father to deal with , one thing about that I won't let it go

I was actually glad that he didn't name our son after his father

I am going to kill him , and that's that . And Shaka will damn sure know I did it Then he can

decide what he wants

That man made me suffer , I won't let him get away with it

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Shaka

I came home , because I wanted to tell myparents about
Luzuko

And everyone is here , including Asiphe andher son

They said she does bring him over once aweek , so he still

knows and remembers them

Dad : is everything okay?

Me : there's something I want tell youThulani : please

say you're leaving

Rosy gives him an evil eye , he swallowsThulani : babe it

was a joke

Rosy : and you saw anyone laughing ?

He swallows , it's funny how a woman like

Rosy has him by the balls

Thulani : my bad sorry

Mom : what's wrong Shaka ?

Me : nothing is wrong I ...I have a child

The gasps Dad :

what ?

Thulani : finish us

He mumbles that , but we hear him
anyways . He's just like our father

He has a bold voice , it's not deep like mine
and Njabulo's

Mom : where have you been hiding this child ? That you
come only now to tell us about

Thulani : it could be he didn't know , or he's just being taken for
a ride . Unless there's more

Me : he was born yesterday Thulani :

and there's more He laughs lazily

Rosy : you will just help us and be quite ,
this is a serious matter . I don't think it's
time for your jokes

Thulani : I'm sorry

Dad : Shaka khuluma into yakho izwakale(tell about this
thing of yours so we understand)

Me : the mother didn't know she was pregnant , it was a
cryptic pregnancy . Sosays the doctor , she just gave birth
yesterday . And we were just shocked

Asiphe : my cousin had the same thing

Dad : how can that be normal ?

Me : apparently it's very normal

Rosy : yes it is

Mom : and there's nothing wrong with the baby ?

Me : no he's fine

Dad smiles

Dad : it's a boy

Me : yeah , he looks like me so bad as if I was going to deny him

Mom : oh we have to see him

She's so excited it warms my heartMe : they're at

my house

Mom : shouldn't she be at her home , with her mother helping her ?

Parents and these old odd ways of theirs

Me : no , they're fine with me . And I'll be helping

Mom : I can't wait for the day you go to her father , to pay damages and you're asked about this

She says to my father Me : her

father is deadIt goes all quite

Me : it's...it's MaCele

My eyes trail to my father

Dad : MaCele as in uQondisile ?

Thulani : he gone and done it with
someone's wife

Me : she's divorced , not that it's any of
your business

Dad : Shaka let's have a word

Me : actually I can't , I just came to tell you .
Bye

I head for the door walking out , rushing to my car

As I get in he grabs the door , now I can't
close it

Me : what ?

Dad : you know the history thereAnd : and it's

yours , not mine He shakes his head

Me : I want to leave

Dad : I hope this doesn't come back to bite
us

Me : you right , you mean you .

He lets go moving back , I don't know what
he's expecting me to do

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SEASON FINALE

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Qondisile

I smile watching him , trying to give him a bath

Honestly it's just the most cutest thing I've ever seen

May he never change , he's so on this father mode thing and doing the most out of it

As he tries to take him out of the water , he cries

Shaka : ah ndoda ! (Gosh man)

I laugh , he turns and looks at me.

Shaka : this water is going to get coldMe : just take

him out

Shaka : so he can continue screaming ?

Me : babies cry , he's no exception

Shaka : and that's why he's the only babywe're having

Me : speak for yourself

Shaka : I'm never getting you pregnant
again , and yeah no man will leave his seed inside of you

His territorial trains are over the roof no lies

I sit down helping him dry the still crying little Shaka

He cries when you put him inside the water,
but once he's inside he's one happy man

Take him out , the fight starts again . I don't
think he knows what he wants

Me : you got him way too many clothes ,
and he's going to leave some still brandnew

He went baby shopping this morning , I'm
so sad I missed out

But I did my own shopping online , I just
couldn't help myself

Shaka : they'll go to orphanages

Well that's also good , so I won't say
anything

Me : when is your family coming ?

Shaka : today , they didn't say what time

Me : okay

He told me he went to his parents yesterday , and he told them about the baby

I don't mind that he did , if I also could I would .

But I know it'll be a waste going to the institute to see my mother

Never mind her not recognising me , but I know they won't let me see her

If there's any improvement , they do tell me

But it's been 3 years now , so I doubtthere's anything

I guess I'll be going to talk to my father's
grave

And that will have to wait , until I'm fully
back on my feet

Me : I need to calm Sbahle , I need to applyfor my maternity
leave

Shaka : how long is that going to be ?.

Me : 4 months

He laughs Me :

what ?.

Shaka : isn't that supposed to be for 3
months

Me : it is , but I want it for fourHe shakes his

head

Me : my baby daddy is the CEO , and pleaselet me be

Shaka : nepotism

Me : thank God I'm so not educated

I say breastfeeding my baby , and he neversays no to his food

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Shaka

My father is in his moods , he can't even
hide it

I'm sure even MaCele saw this , it's just on
his face

And he's fucking with me , because he's the
one who killed her father

And now he wants me to side with him , asif I was there when
he took those decisions

That's his own doing , it has nothing to do
with me

And the baby is here , there's nothing I can
do about that

And there's also nothing I can do about
what he did , nor erase my love for MaCele

The history is his , not mine . I only have the future , and the
present with her

After all he did look after her all these years, what does he
call that which he was busy doing

Mom : you were right , he looks like you

Me : yeah

He has those small eyes popped out , as if
he's trying to see all these people

Thulani : so you two were busy , having affairs behind
closed doors huh ? Look at god , now you're so exposed
everyone is going to know

This one is not worth my energy at all

My phone rings , I get up walking into the kitchen

Me : yeah

Viper : have you had any encounter with the bishop ?

Me : when ?

Viper : recently , like few days ago ? Me : No , why ?

Viper : the guys in Fourways says he was there

Me : it's his turf

Viper : he hasn't been in Joburg since last year

I chuckle Me :

I see

I drop the call , calling KumkaniKumkani :

ndoda (man)

Me : I thought you said you'll talk to the bishop

Kumkani : and I did , is he becoming aproblem ?

Me : for his sake , well I hope not

I drop the call , I guess now I have a task athand

I have to find him , and find out why he's
here

He better not fuck with me , especiallywhere my family
is concerned

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Lizel

It's such a shock , hearing that Qondisile is on maternity leave with immediate effect

Like the woman didn't look pregnant at all ,
so the whole office is in shock

And I can bet my flat ass that's not Andile's
child

I could go ahead and tell him , but after
what happened last time

I think I'll just keep my mouth shut , this is
not my business

And I'm staying out of it , I have my own
problems as well

With just one month left , I'm due and I'm
not okay at all

Unfortunately , the clinic is doing like going to the doctor

I swear those people don't know what they're doing

Except being lazy and gossiping around , that one they know very well and keep to perfection

Sbahle : are you okay ?.

She almost caught me , I'm working and taking breaks in between
Me : yes

Sbahle : you don't look fine

Me : I....I just didn't have anything to eat for breakfast

Sbahle : why is that ?

Me : I'm....I was very large

Sbahle : oh ! Go to the cafeteria , get something to eat before you continue with your work . We don't want you fainting here

She passes , and I continue working

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Qondisile

I've asked Sbahle to oversee things for me at the hotel.

Since it's operational now , I do have a manager there

Just that I want someone I trust with
everything like her

To make sure that they're still doing their
job and all

And of course , I'm paying her for that .
From my own pocket

The past few days , something is just offwith Shaka

As much as he's tries to be so happy , and
all that

But I can see right through him , he's not
okay there's something

And I don't want to bother him like some
annoying girlfriend

I know it couldn't be because of how his father was , the
other day when they came around

I don't give a shit , about how he reacted
and all

Only he knows why , maybe he was busy judging me

Or he doesn't think I'm good enough for his son

Unfortunately I don't have about his view , and well his son is a grown ass man to makeup his own decision

He's watching his little version , and I hate that I always have to sneak around like this

I'm on call with Sebastian , and he's not with my idea of going after Dube right now

But the good thing is that , I don't need his advice

Sebastian : I'm not saying spare him

I keep quite

Sebastian : I know you won't do that , I'm just saying you gave birth a week ago . Give yourself time

I scoff that

Sebastian : I guess not

Me : I need you handling operations for a short while

Sebastian : what do we do about the
bishop?

Me : what about him ?

Sebastian : he was in contact a few days ago, and he says
Crow is still in his turf

Crow ! I know the name not the man , I hold my hand out

Looking at that scar , the same bullet scar I hope he still has .
After he saved me from a bullet

Me : we made peace

I say as I snap out of my thoughts

Sebastian : we deny the protection ?

Me : right now he has nothing concrete he's giving me.

Sebastian : he said king approached him ,and said Crow is just there for family matters

Me : king is a liar , and well seems like the bishop didn't buy in to thatSebastian :

yeah

Me : give me a week

Sebastian : alright

I drop the call , maybe just maybe I need to meet with the bishop

He knows Crow , he says he saw him . He could help me

And I can finally put a face to the name

But now how do I do that when he doesn't know I'm Raven ?

I'll just have to come up with a plan , maybe
a phone call or something

And he can give out Crow out to meMhm ! That

could work

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Qondisile

I hope Shaka doesn't question me , me or
that he stops me

But of course he will be suspicious , and curious as well

In wanting to know where I am going , I
mean I'm a fresh mother

I shouldn't be going out there in the streets,
but I need to know this

I make the call , and it rings for a while before he
answers

Ntsika : the bishop Me :

Raven

He goes quite for a while

Me : how certain are you , that Crow is after your turf ?

Ntsika : I'm very certain

Me : my time is money bishop , please don't waste it

Ntsika : I wouldn't think of thatMe : good I'll

see what I can doNtsika : I appreciate that

I drop the call , and call and call SebastianSebastian : Raven

Me : I'm meeting with bishop , secure the place . And send him the details

Sebastian : is that wise ?

Me : you've been on my neck , just get on with it

Sebastian : alright

I drop the call , as Shaka walks in with hisson

I'm quick to slide it under the couch Me : I need to go

out for a few minutesShaka : where to?

Me : I need to go take care of something

Shaka : you sound very shady right now
Me : come on !

He chuckle

Shaka : hayhiii , hamba (no , go)

Me : I'll be quick , will you be fine with him?
Shaka : yeah , go

do your shady things

Me : really though ?

He laughs , I head upstairs . Taking my bag
and I leave

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Shaka

As soon as she's gone , I lift the couch and
take the phone out

I did see her sliding it in , I just didn't ask because I figured
it's something I'm not meant to know about

And this phone , I haven't seen it . I don't
even know it

But she's a hard-core thug , it's not like one
expecting anything less

Me : you don't tell her I did this

He's just looking at me , I try to open the phone but it's highly protected

Not that I was expecting anything less , I lift the couch putting it back

Me : when you fall in love , please let it be with a normal woman

He smiles

Me : I love your mother , and I have nothing against her . I'm just giving you some fatherly advice here

And I hope he's hearing me

Qondisile

I get to the restaurant , and he's already
arrived

I guess he just couldn't wait to meet Raven
he just had to

He has his back turned to the door , he
won't see me coming

But I can see just how nervous he is , just by
looking at him and the way he's sitting

To someone else , he looks very fine and allbut I can smell fear
a mile away

I walk in smoothly , making sure not to alerthim of anything

I sit on the chair that's behind his

Me : relax , your fear is annoying

He moves

Me : don't you dare , stay still

Ntsika : apologies

Me : now what certainly assures you that Crow is on your turf ?

Ntsika : I saw him in Cape Town , and again right here in Pretoria

Me : could be coincidence

Ntsika : I highly doubt , even so I just have to be careful

Me : mhm

I think hard

Me : you saw him ?

Ntsika : with my own two eyes

This is the man that can lead me to thatman

A man who saved my life all those yearsago, and scarred
his hand for my sake

But shit ! I want things working out withShaka

Should I even be here wanting to meet that man ? What the hell !

Me : he hasn't done anything , do nothing and watch if he strikes first . If he doesn't , then do nothing . Don't strike first , because there's no way I can protect you

Ntsika : understood

This is where I'm leaving this , maybe I'm just better off not knowing CrowMe : answer

your phone

I turn my eyes to the side , as his phone
rings and he looks down to it

I get up , as smoothly again and I'm out
without him spotting me

He looks around , clearly looking around to see me but I'm
outside and he doesn't see me

I take a sigh , he better stand on our word .
Or I'll be forced to take him out myself

I don't want trouble with the UK , we made peace . And it's
best staying like that , unless they poke me first

Andile

I'm shocked to see Thulani Dube here

Like what the hell does he want ? It just
doesn't make sense

I sit down , he leans back on his chair and looks at me

Me : what do you want ?.

Thulani : just look at you , your wife....oh your ex wife she's out there living her best life with my brother while you're stuck here

This again! So he came here to gloat . I guess it really is the truth

Qondisile is cheating on me with that Dubeboy !

I never thought I would see the day my wife
is unfaithful to me

Me : I'll ask again what do you want ?

He smiles

Me : and a point of correction , let your
enjoy what's mine

He laughs , and it's mocking

Thulani : what's yours ? To a extent that she's bared him a
son . And he's a fucking exact copy of my brother man , we
can't even mistaken the baby for being yours

Me : what ?.

Thulani : oh ! You didn't know , they have a son .

Me : you're lying , my wife would never do that

Thulani : what wife when you're divorced ?Me : that's a

fucking lie

Thulani : not according to Shakal get up

frustrated

Me : well your brother is fucking lying

Thulani : no , I doubt he is

Me : I didn't sign any damn divorce papersThulani : oh....well

unless she divorced you
without your knowledge Me : there's

no such thingI shake my head

Thulani : you clearly don't know the law ,
and how it fucking word

I turn turning to walk away

Thulani : you didn't even hear why I'm here
Me : isn't it for this

nonsense

Thulani : fuck no ! Listen I want to buy Nzimande legacy

Me : you're not stupid , there's no such
thing as that

Thulani : well , there's still the building and the files and all . I
want to rebuild it , as mine of course since it failed you or you
failed it . But either way , let me just buy it

He gets up , placing his business card on the table

Thulani : think this through , and give me a call

He leaves laughing , I'm left so frustrated I can't believe any

of this , not only is she

cheating she has a bastard child

Something she couldn't give me in our years of marriage

And she's divorced me ? But like how in the hell would she do that ?

Now I see Lizel was right , in probably a
mockery out there because of my wife's
deeds

I know she doesn't want to see me , but I'll
have to call her

So she can come here and tell me all this herself

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Shaka

I walk in to one sight , I didn't think I would
ever see

She's sitting down on the floor , holding a syringe and she's
crying

I sit down next to her , even though I don't understand what's
going on here

Me : MaCele

Qondisile : your father killed my father

Shit !

Does this mean she didn't know before ?

Qondisile : his own best friend , and he stabbed him on the back .

She wipes her tears , but they keep falling

Qondisile : your father stole money from the company , a company that he started with my father . He got caught , and he framed my father for it . Sending him to jail for a crime he didn't commit , and he

couldn't just end there . He had to have my
father killed in jail

She lifts the syringe up , and I hope she's
not messed up to stab herself with it

But I think I have an idea of what's going on here

Qondisile : he could have just talked to my father , they were
best friends. He could have helped him , even though he was
obliged to do that . But no , he chose this way . He took a
husband and a father from us , he teared our family apart .
And sent my mother to an institute , I can't even see

her . I was only a child , he saved his child
sure and went on to live with his life .She wipes her

tears

Qondisile : I am going to kill your fatherShe looks at me

Qondisile : I could kill his family , and wipe out his lineage . To
make sure , he feels whathe made us feel . I'm doing him a
huge

favour killing him , you're old now and you don't need him . I
needed my father , yet hestill killed him . And took what's
rightfully

mine , my father's company and his shares

I'm still down on the floor , as she gets up

Qondisile : don't stand in my way Shaka , because I won't
hesitate to kill you alongwith your father

She walks out , and I'm still on the floor .Like why the fuck
can't I get up , and go after her ?

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Shaka

As she leaves , I'm just left looking at Luzuko

I've never been left this defeated my entire

life

So much that I'm even left speechless , not
knowing what to say

The woman I love is about to kill my father ,
and I'm not doing anything about that

If I save him , it will look like betrayal to her.The mother of my
child

How the fuck do I choose in this situation ?

Either way , it doesn't matter who I choose
or side with

Which in this case I am siding with anyone

She kills him , and they've both wronged
each other

And this to me , is betrayal to the other way

Doesn't matter whether I do something , or I don't

I'm still betraying one of them

Did life have to be so complicated like this ?

Just when I was thinking maybe things can actually work out
of us

Now I don't know where this leaves us , I really don't know

I'm staying away from this ,on both sides .
My father did what he did

Qondisile is going to do what she wants todo

And I guess to them , their doings and
decisions is what's best for them

Me : I love you champ , no matter whathappens . Just
know that I love you

He plays with his hands in the air , I justsmile with the
fear of not knowing

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Qondisile

I find him outside having a smoke

I don't know what pisses me off even more

The fact that he has his life intact , while he
took my father's away

Or the fact that he ditched death , and went to USA just to get
treatment for his illness

Me : you should have just gave in , and let your sickness take
you

He turns and looks at me , he sure look scared

Me : you should be scared Mr Dube :

Qondisile !

Me : you won't make a sound , because I'll
kill your whole family right now

Mr Dube : what.....

Me : I know what you did , I know you killed my father and took
his company

The shock in his eyes

Mr Dube : please I can....

Me : don't explain , don't ask for apology . Because I'm just
here to kill you , right after you sign my company back to me . I
want

your shares , and I want that whole
company

I draw the phone out and hand it to him , it has the transfer
documents in it

And all I want is just his signature , he
doesn't even need a pen for that

Just his thumb and we'll be done with each
other

Mr Dube : Qondisile my

Me : don't insult my father , come on ! Get
on with it.

His hands are shaking , as she drops the cigarette on the floor

Me : all these years you've been having the company to yourself , now it's my time to have it all to myself

I move closer and within a split second hesighs them

I send them to Sebastian , as I put myphone back in my pocket

Me : now , I could make you suffer until your last breath . But you know what's the sad thing ?

I take the syringe out , his eyes glisten

Me : I love your son , and I want to spare him the pain of seeing you slowly dying everyday. So I'll just finish you , right here and right now

I push the needle out

Me : you're going to go, and get into bed . Sleep next to your wife , and you won't say shit to her . You won't leave some fucking note , because I will kill them and you best believe that . Now she will wake up in the morning , to your cold dead body . I want her to feel what my mother felt , so much that she lost her sanity all thanks to you . This is

my gift to you , knowing your wife will wake
up to your dead body

I stick the needle through his neck , as he looks at me and I
stare right back into his eyes

Me : worry not , your eyes won't haunt me .

I slowly take the needle out

Me : you have 5 minutes to get to bed ,
ditch me and I'll kill them

I take my phone showing him the bomb
that's in his garage

Mr Dube : you're...one cruel child

Me : thank you

Tears stream down his face as he runs inside the house

And I watch him until he's into his bedroom,
crying like a little girl

I turn on my heel and leave

The drive back to Shaka's house , my
emotions are all over the place

And I'm scared , I'm scared that he won't
want me anymore after this

I arrive and park my car , taking a minute together myself

And I walk inside , there's no onedownstairs it's
dark

Maybe I should just sleep here , maybe mysight will just
repulse him

But I gather the strength and go upstairs

They're both in bed , maybe I should have
slept down there

I go into the shower , and take a quick one .
And get into bed in just his t-shirt

I make sure to sleep on the far side away from Luzuko , as
Shaka has his arm on him

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Shaka

I laid awake the whole night , and it's just
before 06:00 right now

I heard her come in , because I was wideawake

I'm just numb I guess , to a point that I
don't even want to talk to be honest

I slowly move Luzuko to her , and she opensher eyes

I get up , and sit down on the bed . My backturned against
them

Qondisile : for what it's worth Shaka I am
sorry

Me : no you're not

I'm not looking at her

Qondisile : I....I couldn't have chosen the
wrong worst time to do this . Just when I've come into terms
with my love for you

Me : was this your plan ?

I slowly turn my head and face her

Me : you let me fall in love with you,
knowing exactly what my father did . You held your feelings out
, until you were ready to kill him . And then you'll strike and
confuse your feelings for me

She tears up , shaking her head

Qondisile : no , I wasn't using you for
anything

I get up , and turn Me :

where is he ?

Qondisile : home ...he's home , in bed with
your mother

This is just sick , my mother will never recover from
waking up to her dead husband

I walk into the shower , I take a shower .And when I walk
out , she's changing Luzuko

And the champ is very grumpy , or maybe
he's just hungry

I get dressed in just casual , I could be going to the office

But I want to go home , I don't know what
pretence I'll use arriving there

But there's no place I'll rather be , than at
home

Me : I love you

I kiss his forehead , he smiles I guess he's just hungry . Seeing
how opened his mouthis

Me : I'm going home

I peck her cheeks , walking out . I order
breakfast for her as soon as I'm in my car

I drive home , and on my way my phone
rings and it's Thulani

I take a deep breath before I answer Thulani : you need to
come home right nowMe : why ?

Thulani : it's dad , he....just comeMe : I'm on
my way

I pick up my speed , and making the drive in less time

I arrive as medics arrive , I just pass them
running inside

There's a crying Rosy , and Asiphe . I don't
see her son anywhere

Thulani : mom had a heart attack , they're here for her . She
found dad dead next to her

He just says before he breaks into a cry ,
and I feel I don't even know

I'm just still as the medics take mom , and Rosy leaves with
them

We're left now , as we await for the ones
taking dad for checks and all

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Qondisile

He didn't even want to speak to me

Honestly his words felt forced

I don't know what's the gesture with food ,it could be that he just doesn't want me to starve

So I starve his son , he's the only one who got an I love you from daddy

I know mine probably didn't even count , considering the time I said it

I finally got to take my phone under the couch

Luzuko is now bathed and he has eaten like
twice

I've just had my breakfast as well , I'm
grateful that he ordered

Because I didn't feel like cooking today

I make a call , on the first ring he answers Sebastian : Raven

Me : did they get that bomb out of there ?. Sebastian : they

did

Me : alright

I drop the call , taking a desk breath . I don'tknow how I'm feeling right now.

But it's definitely not about Dube , it's more about his son

Maybe I'm the one who complicated things,maybe I should have just left and walked away from him

The second I found out , what his father didbecause I knew I was going to kill him

Now my love for Shaka is evoked , and I'm
scared my actions have cost me him

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SEASON FINALE

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Shaka

I'm not shocked that they're ruling my father's death , a natural cause

Nor am I shocked that they can't find anything wrong with her

It's not like I didn't know , not to underestimate Raven

Everyone is just torn , and I didn't expect Thulani to take this so hard

Mom really had a heart attack , we don't know if she's going to make it or not

But my heart is in place , it's possible that she won't

And I don't want to get my hopes high , or have any faith whatsoever

Me : uhm....I have to go , I'll go by the hospital tomorrow morning . I called Njabulo , he'll be here tomorrow

Thulani : shouldn't you and your family be here with us all ?

Me : my son is too small for this , I'll be back tomorrow

He says nothing , I get up

Me : please stay home , and don't go out there making a spectacle of yourself . The family will arrive tomorrow , the last thing we need is just scandals surrounding this

He says nothing , I leave . I miss my son , this day was just hell without him

Arriving home , I find him laying down . His eyes so focused on the tv

With cartoons playing , if I don't know any better I would say he's actually seeing what's happening there

MaCele comes in from the kitchen , and she has an apron on

I guess she's cooking , because there's some sweet aroma

Qondisile : heyMe :

mhm

I sit down on the couch , picking Luzuko up

Me : don't you want to join me for a shower?

He just stares at meMe : I

think you do

He smiles , I chuckle giving him a kiss . Andthis mouth that always opens when it's kissing time

Qondisile : uhm....dinner will be ready in afew

Me : I am not hungry

I get up

Qondisile : Shaka really ?I look at

her

Qondisile : is this how things are going to be?

Me : MaCele to you , things have always been this way

She sighs

Qondisile : at least eat please

Me : food is the last thing I care about ,
when my mother is laying in a hospital bed in a coma because
of a heart attack . One that was caused by waking up next to
her dead husband

She looks down

Qondisile : and my mother is in a loony bin , because her
husband was killed in jail like a dog

We stare at each other for a few seconds ,and I head up the
stairs

Qondisile : if this is it for you , maybe I should just leave

Me : leave , leaving my son behind

I don't even bother looking at her , Luzuko
has his head on my chest

Her emotions are not going to take my sonaway from me

He's the one thing keeping me sane right
now

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Qondisile

No lies , I felt like slapping the shit out of him

Does he think I'm that stupid , to leave my son here with him ?

Fuck no ! He'll just have to endure me

nagging him over and over again

He left again this morning , probably went to his home or the hospital

I wasn't anticipating for his mother to take a knock like that , to be honest

But I don't give a fuck ! They're fucking grown ass men

They can live without their parents , if I lived without mine as a child

My phone rings , and it's a prison number .Could only be one person

Me : the fuck do you want ?

Andile : wow , is this you talking to me like this ?

Me : don't make me ask again

Andile : I want to see you

Me : you don't fucking get to demand anything that has to do with me.

Andile : Qondisile what happened to you ?.Me : you called on a fucking bad day , bye !

I drop the call , sliding the phone down onthe table

Me : damnit !

I hate how I'm feeling to be honest ,
couldn't I have killed his father before these
feelings ?

Because now it seems like I'm just in for one
fucking heartbreak

I let the tears fall , I've never felt so weak
and vulnerable

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Andile

I couldn't believe , Qondisile is not an arrogant person

Bad day or not , I've never heard her swear
like that

And she didn't hold back , either I didn't
know her to begin with

I mean after all she has a child with another child , yet for 7 years she couldn't give me not even one child

Or maybe reality of things have just changed her

And it's definitely not for the best , her aggressiveness was just on another level

I don't know what is what right now

Do I give her time , and call another day ? Maybe she will be calm

Or do I just make peace with my reality ,
that I've lost and just move on

She might not even come to see me , but
maybe one last try won't hurt

This is now giving me many thoughts , like
Thulani's offer

I don't know what I'll do with the money , I could make it out
of here or not

Now that I have no wife , like he said . Which is something , I
need to get a lawyer to look into

I'll just have to invest whatever I get from
him , just in case the sun shines on me

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Lizel

Some news we got today , of Mr Dube
senior that he's no more

Some are saying he was sick , that's why he
resigned

But I don't even know the man , so I don't have some feels
like everyone who knew him does

I have my appointment today , and I'm so
worried to be honest

Like it's been two days , and I haven't felt
the baby kick or move

I'm scared , and just fearing the unknown

I was just lucky to knock off early today ,just so I can come to the clinic

I've been waiting patiently , for about an hour and 30 minutes

I'm finally called in , and I get inside . This nurse doesn't even look nice

It's like she doesn't even love her own job ,but we're so used to them

She does everything she needs to do , but
the worry that's on her face as she does the
scan

And these no sound of a heartbeat or anything

Me : what's wrong ? Is my baby okay ?

She ignores me , I keep asking her the something over and over
again

That I even find myself getting angry , and shouting

Me : can you just answer me !

Nurse : I need to call a doctor

She just walks out , leaving me laying onthis bed

I can't help the tears that fall down , now I
am really scared

And it seems like I have reason to really bethis scared

She walks back in with the doctor

Me : please tell me that my baby is okay

Doc : please remain calm for me , I just
need to check something out

He does the same thing , and there's still
nothing Me :

please

I'm still crying

Doc : when was the last time , you felt the baby kicking

Me : days ago , why?.

He sighs looking down , and then he looks
at the nurse

Doc : call an ambulance , they have to prepher so they can
clean her

My insides go cold same time

Me : what's.....

The lump stuck on my throat , gets megoing quite

Doc : I'm really sorry , but the baby is no
more

Me : wait....wait

Doc : it's been days , there's nothing we can do . The umbilical cord , was around her neck . It strangled her

He walks out , and I'm left screaming my lungs on this bed

Why didn't I think that something is wrong? Maybe if I came earlier , my baby would be saved

This is all my fault , it's my fault

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Shaka

She's still out , and the doctor is not giving any hope that she'll be awake soon

She just looks so disturbing , even in a coma she doesn't look like someone that's out of it

I just stand next to her bed , it's already late
and I don't have much time

I need to get home , and spend some timewith my son

Me : I'm sorry ma (Mom)

Somehow I can't help but feel responsible
for this in a way

Maybe if I stayed away from a married
woman , we wouldn't be here

There was no way , that I was going to let
her kill my father and let her live to tell the tale

She goes damn going to die and follow him

But my feelings for her , the love that I have for her . And the
most important factor

The mother of my son , that's who she is to
me

It makes everything else so hard , and this is something I just
have to live with

Me : please fight this

I hold her hand and kiss it

Me : I'll come tomorrow , before I go home. Dad's family arrived today , and you know how they are . I just had to get them in order , so they know their place . You have to get out of here , so you can go bury your husband b

My phone beeps , I check and it's a text from Njabulo

He has arrived , and he's going home . I slide my phone back

I'll see him tomorrow , I guess I'm glad he's
going home and not the apartment he bought for his
baby mama

I just spend the last minutes with my mother , before I leave
driving to my house

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SEASON FINALE

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Shaka

I'm at the hospital to see my mother , I
came early today as promised

And I wasn't expecting to find her awake ,
and she looks so much better

She's a complete different version of how
she looked like yesterdayMom :

your father....

I hold her hand and nod

Me : he's gone yes

She slowly nods

Me : I'm sorry

Mom : it's....okay

Her speech is not perfect , because she suffer a mild stroke when she was havingthe attack

Her mouth is slightly moved to the side , but the doctor said it'll go down as soon as she recovers

Mom : I...don't want to....to drag this

Me : okay , they should discharge you in a few days . And then you can proceed

Mom : the ...the family

Me : don't worry about them , he's your husband and only you have rights to him .Don't worry

Mom : thank you

I lean down and kiss her forehead

Thulani walks in with Njabulo , they looklike shit

Seems like I'm the only one who has his shit together

Mom seems happy to see them though , and that's good for her

Njabulo : can we have a word ?

Thulani walks closer to mom , I walk outwith Njabulo

Me : what ?.

Njabulo : what happened ?Me : be

specific

Njabulo : I don't buy this thing of dad

I so don't need his criminal self right now

Me : what are you trying to say ?Njabulo : I

think you know

Me : and that's nonsense , dad was just a business man . And he had resigned , whowould want to kill him and for what ?

Njabulo : he was fine Shaka , he was okay .What suddenly changed ?

Me : maybe the sickness wasn't what wassupposed to kill him , and that's why he healed from it . But everything else

I shrug , he sighs shaking his head

Me : don't do this to yourself

I pat his shoulder going back inside , and for
his sake I hope he lets this be

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Qondisile

I'm in the kitchen , trying to have some
work done

This whole leave thing , it just doesn't work
for me

So most days I'll find myself on my laptop
working

It's not like I'm straining myself or anythinglike that , it's just
simple work

One that doesn't require much

It hasn't been long that Shaka arrives , I'm shocked he didn't come back much later

But of course I didn't ask him anything , I feel like I don't have the privileges for that

Things are strained between us , and it might just be the end of whatever this was

I don't know what I was expecting , that I would kill his father

And he will know , and just be okay with that . To a point that we become lovers ?

I really don't know , but I guess I didn't think at all

I take my phone and call Sbahle , I know she's still at the office

Sbahle : MaCele Me : how

are you ?

Sbahle : doing good , how's motherhood ?

Me : draining , somebody should have toldme

We laugh

Sbahle : but it's the most amazing thing
ever

Me : exactly , that one I cannot dispute .Listen I called
about the hotel

Sbahle : yes , did you get my report ?.

Me : I did , and we're doing good . Actually ,
way better than I thought

Sbahle : excellent service and great taste ,we pride
ourselves in that

I smile , as Shaka walks in with his son . I pay no attention
to them

Me : I'll probably come in a month , just to check how things are . But I can see that allis well

Sbahle : it won't hurt for you to just come

Me : yeah and did you get payment ?Sbahle : I did ,

and I was shocked

Me : you'll get paid every fortnight

Sbahle : thank you so much , I really do appreciate this

Me : you're coming through for me , it's the
least I can do

And I still haven't forgotten , just what she
did for me

I still need to get her something , anything that will show my
gratitude to her

Me : take care , let's talk tomorrow once
you've seen the files I'm about to send you

Sbahle : alright I drop

the call

Shaka : how's that going ?

I turn an face him , he's looking at the hotel
on the laptopMe :

good

Shaka : mhm , and I thought you were onleave

Me : I need to work to keep sane ,otherwise I will
go insane .

I get up picking the laptop , doesn't his son cry for it ! But I
won't entertain him , whatdoes he knows by the way ?

Shaka

I'm already in bed , I'm tired honestly

Because I'm busy trying to see , if my father
wasn't in any kinds of troubles

Things that could become problems for us

I want to make sure that all is well , so we
can move on from this Without anything

following us

Luzuko is restless , it's been a while his
mother is trying to get him to sleep

But the man is not budging , and I'm sureshes tired right
now

Qondisile : please sleep baby

And she's really pleading with him

Me : just come to bed

Qondisile : I will fall asleep , and he'll still be
awake

Me : bring him to me , and you sleep

She goes quite , I open my eyes lifting myhead

Me : bring him

She gets up , and walks towards the bed .She hands me
Luzuko

The champ has his eyes wide opened , andhe doesn't seem
like he wants to sleep anytime soon

She gets in bed , and her back is turned
against us

That's just how we are right now , we can't
even sleep facing each other

Me : you need to sleep , it's late now . And
your peers have long fallen asleepHe smiles

Me : don't give me that , just close your
eyes

I place him on my chest , and for a twoweeks baby

He's too smart for my liking , it's like he can
tell I want him to fall asleep

And he starts making those baby sounds ,
just so he doesn't fall asleep

I swear , it's going to be a long night

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Qondisile

Morning I wake up , and Shaka is still asleep

Luzuko is awake , he's the reason I'm also
awake right now

Having a child means a disrupt change in
one's life

Now we can't even sleep for 8 hours , the longest I do is 3 or 4 hours me that's it

He's not so still , he's moving and he's shaking his father

His body is just too close and pressed to his Me : you so lack

peace

He turns his head and looks at me , I smile and he returns it

Cutes thing ever

Shaka slowly moves , his one hand moving to Luzuko's back

Shaka : what ?

He slowly closes his eyes , and the way my
baby's face brightens up

Shaka : why are you waking me up ?

He places him on top of him , the second he
closes his he's he has tiny hands on his eyes

Shaka : what if you take my eye out , dude come on !

I smile , because he just wants his father to open his eyes

Shaka : listen here , just because last night I
was awake with you . It doesn't mean , you

have to abuse me this much so early in the morning . We can have this guy talk when I wake up

He is just staring at him , you'll swear he understands

Shaka laughs , and he leans forward with his mouth wide open giving his dad a kiss

Shaka : I can't help but love you back

He laughs

I need to get a life really , because watching people have father and son moment's

While I just look so lost and out of place it
won't work

I get off the bed

Shaka : are you not going to feed him ?

I don't even know what to say , I do have a
lot of things to say

I just don't know if I should say them or
rather just keep quite

So I sit my ass down , and take Luzuko fromhim

But he doesn't stay still , because he wants
to reach to his father Which is just

impossible

Me : make a choice , you want to feed or you want to
touch your father

He looks at me and smiles

Me : that's nothing to smile about

And I guess this is how feeding time is going to go like this
morning

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SEASON FINALE

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Shaka

My father's family is full of shit , and mymother doesn't
need their nonsense

If I had my way , I would just make sure she wasn't going to be here until the funeral

But the doctors discharged her , considering the situation we're faced with right now

She doesn't look okay , but that's understandable

She's in her room , sitting on the mattress .Which the elders insisted on

I find them sitting in the lounge , with my brother's

And I hate what I walk into , them scheming
and all

Me : what's this about ?

Aunt : sit down when you address eldersShaka

Me : I asked a questionShe sighs

Uncle : your mother is out of hospital now ,so we have to go
to KZN

Me : who is we ?

Uncle : us , all of us here

Me : why again ?

Uncle : because that is where your father will be buried , at his home

Me : no

They all look at me , I won't let them do this to my mother

Me : this is my father's home

Aunt : we're talking about the home of his ancestors

Me : he's our ancestor now , and I tell you
this right now . We need him here , so he's
not going there Uncle :

Shaka !

Me : don't , if you all here can't bury him here . Then leave ,
we his son's and his wifewill bury him

Aunt : you...

Me : enough ! Njabulo

walks out

Me : and you better not bother my mother
with this nonsense

I walk out , with Thulani following meMe : what ?

Thulani : I don't understand this , so balance
me

I look at him

Thulani : we're in mourning here , we've
suffered a loss ...

Me : get to the damn point

Thulani : father treated your baby mama
like his , but she hasn't even come around
here not once I sigh

Me : I'll say this for the last time , my son is
too young to be around such toxicity He smiles

Me : I don't know what you're trying to do here , but you're
definitely starting to piss me off big brother

I walk away from him

He's seriously starting to poke me , on things I don't need right now

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Lizel

I feel like shit , it's just so hard accepting
that she's gone

Just like that , when we have made it so far .I didn't even think
she'll live this much months

But now I had hope , just a few more weeksshe was going to
be here

How did I miss this ? How did I not think that something is
not right when she wasquite for two days?

I killed my baby , had I gone for help soonerprobably she
would have been saved

I haven't even gone to work the past two days , I just can't get myself to get out of this shack

I haven't told the father anything , I'm sure he doesn't even care

And he'll probably be happy , he didn't want the baby to begin with

So I won't even bother telling him

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Qondisile

It's the day of the funeral , Shaka is all done getting dressed with his son

He did tell me last night , that he's taking his son to the funeral

I didn't have anything to say , it's his son
and he can take him to his grandfather's
funeral

Shaka : we're leaving

Me : okay

He looks at me , as if he wants to ask
something but he doesn't and just leaves

I go upstairs and take a shower , just a quickone . And I wear a
tight body hugging formal below the knee dress , with 8 inch
black red bottoms

I wrap a black head wrap on my head , and
taking a shawl I throw it on my shoulders

I don't even know if people need to look
good for funerals or what

But I look fine , fine for a funeral I guess . I take my bag and
leave

Arriving at the Dube's it's full , I guess
people really loved the old man

The business associates mostly , I see them all over

And some employees , I look around trying
to find Shaka with my son

It takes a while before I spot them , and
they're sitting on the front row

I see a space behind them , I walk there and sit down

He has Luzuko on his shoulder , I rub the chubby cheeks he
smiles

Shaka turns his head , and he's shocked
seeing me here

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Shaka

I didn't think she was going to come ,
because she didn't seem like she wants to

She really has no regrets whatsoever of what she has
done

And she doesn't care , so I didn't think she'd care enough to come to the funeral

But I'm glad she did , and this just changes a whole lot of things about thisMe : come

sit here

She gets up and comes to the front , she sits next to us

Qondisile : I didn't come here for your father , I only came to support you two

She's so twisted it's not even funny at all , but u find myself chuckling

I lean over and give her a peck on the cheek, I take her hand into mine

I bring Luzuko down , and he can't take his eyes off her

Me : well thank you

She nods , not even looking at me . I just smile

She just doesn't realise , just how this small gesture of hers means to me

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SEASON FINALE

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Shaka

My mother doesn't look well at all , and I'm
hesitant to leave her alone

I know my brother's are here , they can look after her

But the fact that the family is also here , that's what makes me hesitant

Me : don't you want to come with me ? We're in her room , she's already in bed
Mom : where ?

Me : my house She

smiles

Mom : your woman is there , you two need
your space

Me : we have space , I don't want to leave
you here alone

Mom : I'm not alone Shaka , I'll be fine

Me : I'll rather you be with me , where I can
see everyday that you're fine

Mom : you
worry too much

Me : about you , I have

to

Mom : go home , it's late . And thank your woman for coming , and also having mygrandson at the funeral

Me : he's family

She smiles

Me : so you're staying ?.

Mom : yes

Me : I'm returning to work , and I won't be able to come here everyday

Mom : I understand that , just check on me

Me : that I can do, and if there's anything
I'm going to take you

She laughs

Mom : your uncle's and aunts will leave I sigh , I guess

she's not coming with Me : okay , let me go

I leave , and detailing the drive home .

But it's no use , and I know we just have to
get over this now

I arrive , and head to our room . I'm
welcomed by a sight that disturbs me

She's sitting on the bed , watching a
sleeping Luzuko

But she's crying , and she herself doesn't
look okay

Qondisile : if you ever grow up in a not so functional home ,
where your mother and father are not together . Please do
forgive me , because it'll be all my fault . I was healing myself
in a way , but I hurt daddy . And I guess I wasn't very much
considerate of him , I didn't think of that but now I see it. I
love him so much , but now it doesn't

matter because I've ruined things . I hope
you will forgive me baby

At some point , I never thought I'll hear her
say she loves me

I didn't even dream of that , because it didn't seem like
she does

But I know she's not lying , she does love me . Everything just
happened at the wrong and worst time ever

Right now , I'm a man who chose love over
protecting his own father

I'm also guilty here , and I have no choice
but to live with my actions

I could have stopped her , that much I know. But I
chose not to

And reacting this way to her , giving her the
cold shoulder it doesn't help anything

Neither for the both of us , and I don't want
this affecting my son

He doesn't need a toxic environment , and that's what we're
giving him right now

I find myself , walking in and sitting down
behind her

My hands hugging her , and she's startled
by that a bit

I guess she's so caught up , that she didn't
even hear me come inMe :

mama (mommy)

She places her hand over mine , and hertears drop on my
arm

Me : I'm sorry I've made you cry

I kiss the back of her neck

Me : I've been hard on you , I know that and I'm sorry

She slowly turns and faces me

Qondisile : I.....

I just shut her up with a kiss , which she gladly welcomes
and kisses me back

Qondisile : I'm sorry

I pull out of the kiss , I cup her face and we lock eyes

Me : I don't ever want us to talk about this ,
ever again

She nods slowly

Me : let's go , I want to spend some timewith you . I miss
you

Qondisile : what about him ?

Me : we'll take the monitor , I'll come when
he wakes up Qondisile

: okay

She covers him well , I take her hand and
we walk downstairs

We sit down on the couch , I place her on my lap my hand
resting on her waist

Me : what do you want to eat ? I'll order ,
and we can watch a movie Qondisile : this

is what I want

She smiles seductively , getting off me unbuckling my
pants

Me : we're there already ?

I chuckle , she slightly laughs taking my dick out and stroking it

Qondisile : no , I don't want you touching me

Me : why ?

Qondisile : I'm still breastfeeding , and you'll be all over my boobs

Me : I'll hold myself

She licks my dick , and the feeling just shoots up all over my body

Qondisile : I popped a baby out of my vagina , there's no way I'm letting you in there

Me : how many months ?Qondisile :

three

Me : two

Qondisile : three , I'll be taking care of you . So don't even go out there and cheat , don'thurt me with another woman

Before I even respond back to that , shetakes my length inside of her

Playing with my balls , I have my hand gripping on her hair

She's just doing the most , and it feels like forever since I had her mouth wrapped around my dick like this

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Qondisile

I am happy , we have talked and we're okay
now

I'll do my level best now , and I'll play my part in this
relationship

I don't know if he has forgiven me or what , especially because
I didn't even apologize for what I did

And I won't , I don't see anything wrong
with what I did to his father

The same way he didn't see anything
wrong, with what he did to mine

I'm only sorry and hurt , for hurting the man
that I love nothing else

We're now laying on the couch , and I'm not even watching this
movie

And he's not either , because he's just
paying with my hair

Shaka : I'm going back to work on Monday
Me : I'm sure your
workload is a lot

Shaka : mhm , we should have maternity
leave for father's too

I laugh

Me : what ?

Shaka : yes , I want to be here with you two all day

Me : you need to go out there and work for your son

Shaka : and his mother I look at

him

Me : meaning ?.

Shaka : your independence woman , ends out there and in the office . Not in my house , not in this relationship . I'm the man here , and I provide . You spend your money on yourself , and I spend mine on you two

See the smile on my face , I'm like what the hell !

Me : so I'm getting an allowance ? Or I have to ask or you'll just provide ?

He chuckle

Shaka : you both get an allowance

Me : you lie ! How much ?He laughs

Shaka : you'll just see

Me : and how much does he get ?

My baby has an allowance , this is justexciting

Don't get me started on myself , becausethe I've never had
a man give me money

Andile was stringy , side chicks only knew
his money not me Shaka :

maybe 80I pop my eyes

Me : per month ?

Shaka : yeah , that's for his future

Me : this baby is set for life

Shaka : let's go cuddle , we're not even
watching this movie

I get off him , he gets up and we go upstairs

Shaka : he's awakeMe :

he's not

Shaka : he is , there's no way he still asleepfor so long

Me : he didn't even cry

Shaka : we weren't next to him for too long,I'm telling you he's awake

Me : no ways

We stand at the door

Shaka : if he's awake , then you owe me
1000

Me : and if he's not ?

Shaka : I'm buying you a VL bag

I could scream right now , but I don't want
to wake this person

I just cover my mouth with my hand , helaughs

Me : don't wake him up deliberately

Shaka : he will just tell

We walk inside , and I feel like dropping on the floor now

He has the hands up on the air , there's no
sounds whatever

Me : you've killed me dude !

Shaka laughs Shaka : my

money

I sit on the bed and look at him , he smiles first before he
makes those sounds

Me : you buried me

Shaka : my money

Me : stop ! And it's coming out of his allowance Shaka

: no !

Me : he made me lose , it's all his fault

I'm sad no lies , so I'm not getting the VLbag !! Darn that's a bruise

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Shaka

I'm at the office , trying to catch up . Kyle
has been pulling up his weight

He did his best , and for this he deserves a little bonus month
end

He earned it , after all . It has nothing to do
with being generous

My phone rings and it's the lawyer , I do have his number

My father always made it a point that I have it

Me : John

John : Mr Dube how are you ? . Me :

considering

John : of course

Me : what's the call about ?

John : I would like to meet with the family ,in two days if possible

Me : okay , and who do you want there ?

I don't even care about my father's estate ,
to be honest I have my own money

If it were up to me , I would seriously sayeverything goes
to my mother

She's the one who deserves his things

John : your brothers , your mother and a Ms
Cele

Now that's intriguing , like she's in the will

Me : alright

John : 10:00 Am should be perfectMe : okay

I drop the call , he should have just calledthese people on
his own

Maybe I shouldn't have asked who he
wants there

But I won't tell them , I'll wait to hear until tomorrow morning if he told them or not

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SEASON FINALE

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Shaka

It's the day of reading the will , and we're all
here

We're meeting at home , I hate that we had to bring Luzuko with

But we are not yet comfortable , finding ananny for him

Maybe we can have that once his mothergoes back to work

Some of my father's family is still here , andI'm sure they are waiting to hear about his will

And right now , they don't even knowwhat's happening

John : once again , let me just say I'm very sorry for your loss

I look at MaCele she looks so fine , I guess she really is okay and doesn't give a fuck

Thulani : John , couldn't you like wait just a few more days ?

John : unfortunately not , and I have to beout of the country as in tomorrow

Me : just get on with it

John : of course , now the last will and testament of Zuko Dube . Please note that

he was in sound and sober mind , when he was writing this will .He pages

through

John : to my wife , I leave our house and everything in it the cars as well . Also the one million rand from my offshore accounts

Well that's nothing , but the woman looks okay with that

John : my eldest son Thulani , I leave 25 %of my shares in the coal mine.

The shock on this idiot's face , he clearly didn't even know about the shares on the mine

John : to Njabulo , I leave 25 % shares also in the coal mine

He closes the will and takes a sigh

Thulani : don't tell me he didn't get nothing Me : unlike you , I

don't need nothing from him

He laughs

Njabulo : take my 25 % I don't need it

Me : do not insult me.Mom :

please not now

I keep quite just for her sake

John : the night your father passed on , I gotan email from him .
Initially the Dube Enterprise and all his shares to it , were given
to his son Shaka .

Thulani : initially ?

John : the night of his death , the email he sent was containing of transfer documents of which he was transferring the shares and the company from him to Ms Cele

Thulani : what ?

He's furious , but I want to laugh . Mainly because I know my father did not do that

This is MaCele's doing , she made him sign those documents before killing him

Thulani : I have said this before , she's like the fucking daughter he never had . Unless you're his bastard child

He wasn't anticipating the slap that has him
biting his lip and it bleeds

Qondisile : you can disrespect your father ,however you like .
But not mine

Njabulo has his eyes popped out , I'm so
fucking amused

Somebody has really done us a great thing ,and slapped
Thulani

Qondisile : I'm really sorry MaDube , but
your son needs some respect

He gets up , I'm in front of him in seconds

Me : I will fuck you up , don't you dare

Thulani : did you see what she just did ?Me : and what

will you do ?

He looks at her , and she has her cold look
he can't even handle

Me : John , I believe we're done hereJohn : I'll take

my leave

He walks out

Mom : it never ends with you all does it ?

She gets up and walks up to her room Me : you stay in

your lane boy

I take MaCele's and we leave

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Qondisile

We arrive at home , and I give Luzuko abath first

And after feeding he just goes to sleep , I have him in my hands

I don't want to put him down, I'm the one clingy today

Shaka : I'm hungry

He says walking in , and he's running his eyes

Me : please don't order , I'll cook

Shaka : is he sleeping ?I nod

He walks closer , and looks at him

Me : if I knew the company was yours , andthe shares . I
wouldn't have taken them back , I don't need them

Shaka : and I don't need them either

I sigh

Me : are you not sad , that you're the one who didn't get anything ?.

He smiles

Shaka : are you kidding me ? The guy left hiswife a mere million ! Like what in the hell is that ?

Me : what do you mean ?

Shaka : if I die , my wife gets all my assets . I wont leave anything for my kids , they don'tdeserve it.

Me : what ?

Shaka : don't give me that look , I'm saving money for Luzuko . And I'll save money for all the kids , there's no inheritance they'll be getting here

I laugh

Shaka : his wife is the one who should be sad not me

Me : so what now ? Shaka :

what ?

I put Luzuko down , taking the baby monitor

Me : are you going to continue working at the company ?

Shaka : are you not taking over ?Me : no

He looks at me shockedShaka : no

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Me : I don't want to be CEO

Shaka : then what's the point of the company being yours ?

Me : the fact that it'll be mine , that's all

He laughs

Shaka : let's go as you're going to cook

Me : so what do you say ? We walk down

to the kitchen

Shaka : you'll be giving me a raise ? I laugh

Shaka : come on , you need me as your CEO

Me : 3 months probation under me , and
let's see if you deliver and we'll visit this
conversation Shaka :

damn !

Me : you could be biased Shaka : 3

months it is

He's crazy , I'm not going to give him a raise

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Lizel

I didn't feel like coming to work today

But I need the money , and life still has to go on

This is just me trying to live , and hopefully I
can make it just fine

Even though it's hard , everyday it's justhard . I don't
know how I'll make it

I can't stop blaming myself , and I am living
with the guilt

It's eating me everyday and night , I don't
even see the need to live anymore

Sbahle : you haven't been to work for days
now

She says approaching me , and I hate just
how she notices everything

One would swear she's the boss in this place , forgetting
she's just an employee just like the rest of us

Me : I....I wasn't well

Sbahle : we didn't receive anything of some
sort

Me : and exactly who is we ?

I ask annoyed , she looks at me notbelieving my
tone

Sbahle : if you still value this job , you'll lose
the attitude

Me : well , is that a threat ?

Sbahle : go to HR get your first warning letter

Me : what ?

She just walks past me

Me : Sbahle....

Sbahle : it's Mrs Cele to you , get on with it .
Get that letter and sign it

She leaves , I lean against the wall

Is this me paying for my deeds or what ? I'm
so headed to loosing this job

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THREE MONTHS LATER

Qondisile

My baby is growing , and he's too much . I
have my hands full because of this little guy

Like I never thought I would enjoy being a
mother like this

But it's the best thing ever , he completes
my life

And he makes this life just worth living for ,
he's the reason I push through

He's 4 months and three weeks now , and everyday I just pray
for healthy growth and life for him

Things between Shaka and I , are very much fine

Like he was right to never speak about his
father ever again

And I've stopped , and he's just gone back to the man I've
known from the beginning

Life is just good for us , I got that VL bag . I went crazy over it

Luzuko gets his 80K allowance monthly , not to take the
spotlight from daddy

I also chip in on his allowance , just because I also want to take
responsibility

I also get my allowance , and that money is just the best thing ever

Yes it's so satisfying to spend your own hard earned money as a woman

But I tell you , being given money by your man's hits harder Me : I

think that's itSbahle : alright

We are at the hotel , and I don't come here monthly

I only come when I can , because I'm back
at work now

And when I knock off , it's time for my
family . The two guys are demanding

We got a nanny for Luzuko , she's an oldwoman and she's
good with him

There was no way I was going to trust ayoung woman
with my son

And also keeping them away from Shaka ,
he always said I'm territorial

And now I see it , I am territorial . It has nothing to do with jealousy

Me : there's something I need to give you

Sbahle : okay

I take out the documents , and hand them over to her

Me : that's my thanks to you , go saving my life and my son 4 months ago She has her

jaw dropped

Sbahle : 50 % share of the hotel ?

I nod , she tears up

Sbahle : you're not kidding ?.

I laugh

Me : no I'm not , Luzuko is here today because of you . I was so clueless , and you came in and saved the day . I've been wanting to thank you , I just didn't know how . So I thought this is the best thing , I can offer you . And this is like your baby too, you kept this place going for months for me

Sbahle : I don't know what to say

Me : just give me your signature

She signs

Me : Thank you

She wipes her tears off

Sbahle : what a day to end my day

Me : welcome partner , let me go be with my guys

She laughs getting up , my phone rings

Sbahle : I'll see you tomorrow

Me : bye

I answer the callMe :

Hello ?

Voice : please don't drop the call

This idiot ! Doesn't he know when to give
up

Me : Andile what do you want ?

Andile : please come see me

Me : please just leave me alone

Andile : I've heard news that you're living with another man right now , and you have a child with him . Also that we're divorced

So I have watchers , and they're busy transferring my business to prison

Me : well it's true I won't

even lie Andile : what ?

Me : you heard me , I live with Shaka I have a son with him . And yes it's been months now , me and you are divorced

Andile : divorced how when I didn't get anything?

Me : I have money , I can get anything and everything I want . Please now I'm asking ,leave me alone . And go on with your life ,you're being pathetic right now

Andile : is this really you ? You have changed so much I don't even recognise who I'm talking to

Me : this has always been me , you've just
been too ignorant to it . Busy chasingwhores

Andile : 8 years of marriage , and this iswhat it has come
to

Me : just consider the three and leave thefour , as for the
last one . Already we
weren't together

Andile : you just gave some guy a child , but
you couldn't give me one ..

Me : had you been man enough you wouldhave gotten me
pregnant

He goes quite

Me : don't ever call me again

I drop the call

He needs to get over me , because I've long
been over him

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Shaka

I'm still working at the company , although
my time there is limited

I'm rather more focused now , on my other
business

I still do my job though , and well I didn't
get that increase

But this is my son's legacy , and the siblings
to come

So I see no problem whatsoever , to keep working for my
woman

At home things are fine, Njabulo has gone back to UK

After he gave his son the mine shares , I
guess he really didn't want them

Thulani is still at home , with Rosy and mom

I'm okay with them being there , because they're taking
care of her

And she's not good , it's been months but
she's not good at all

She has recovered from the mild stroke yes, but right now
depression has just taken over

She's not herself at all , and I don't know
how to help her

But I'm glad she's not alone in that house , so it's better than
nothing

Qondisile : Andile called me

We're watching TV , she has Luzuko on her lap

Me : what did he want ?

Qondisile : apparently , he knows everything that's going on out here

Me : so what ? He has a bruised ego ?She laughs

Qondisile : I really could care I lean over

giving her a kiss

Qondisile : look at him

I pull out , and he has his mouth opened . I laugh

Qondisile : give him a kiss

Me : these people don't know how to kiss , he just opens his whole month . Like he justwants to swallow me

She laughs

Qondisile : he wants a kiss

Me : I'm not doing that

She picks her , and they kiss . He giggles
with that mouth openedMe : like

really ?

Qondisile : daddy is jealous , he's been
replaced They

laugh

Me : unganya boy , this is my woman (you'll
shit yourself)

Qondisile : you're seriously swearing at himMe : he didn't even

hear me

Qondisile : jealousy is nasty on you

I lean over and kiss him , he giggles . This little man , does the most

He makes this house a home , to a point that I don't even regret making sure they stay with me

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Andile

I had to use some of the money , I got fromThulani buying Nzimande legacy

I thought he was crazy , but he went aheadand bought it

But at least I have some money right now ,and I managed to get a lawyer

Who looked into the whole divorce
nonsense

And I really am divorced , it took me a while to believe that

But after the talk with Qondisile yesterday , it has really sunk

She's gone and she's moved on , I guess I
shot myself there

I fucked up a good woman there , I can admit that shit

And she finally got out , and there's no
getting her back

I wish I had seen what I had , and realised it before it was too
late

But it is , what it is . I'll serve my sentence
here

And hopefully after these many years , I'll
get out and try to pick the pieces

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Lizel

I am still holding on to my job, as much as it has degraded me
as it has

But it puts food on the table , and I've
managed to find myself a small place

It's nothing much , but it is better than the shack I was living in

And I've been dedicated , to a point that I don't miss a day at work

After Qondisile returned a month ago , we found out she's the new owner

And that changed a lot of things , the whole office gossip about her is over

She runs a tight ship , the woman is not to be toyed with

The other brother has left , only Shaka is
left and he's still the CEO

I guess they're what you can call couples
goals

Over the past months I've gone for therapy And I'm getting

better day by day , I'm
making peace with the loss of my child

I bumped into the father a while back , and he asked about the
baby

I just ignored him , because I really wasn't in
the mood for him

I'm picking up pieces of my life , and I'm
sending out CV wherever I can

I'll await for something to come up , while
still holding on what I have right now

I've seen rock and bottom , I've lived it . I
know it

I tell you messing with married man , has its own damn
consequences

I learnt to know that , Qondisile owns the flat that the
apartments were

So it's very clear , she bought the place only
to get me homeless

And the woman achieved , she's sassy I give
her that much

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SEASON FINALE

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Andile

As if it wasn't enough , that he took my wife
the way he did

Gave her a child , and somehow influenced and got her to
divorce me

He just had to go to this extent , to come here and see me

Me : what.....

Shaka : let's not get used to each other , sit your ass down

Me : maybe you shouldn't talk to me like that

Shaka : you ain't gonna do shit , so sit your ass down

I look around , and I have a few eyes on me. So I sit down

To avoid word that I was causing
commotion , in the visitors room

Shaka : let's get one thing straight , you're a piece of shit . And
you fucking know that one . Secondly , just accept defeat. Now
you don't intimidate me , I'm not scared of you .I'm telling you
to leave Qondisile alone , because she hates you calling her like
this .

It's not because I'm scared of you , I am not. In jail or not , I
would have still taken her away from you . Remember the
saying , another man's trash is another man's treasure . This is
that situation , but right now you're bothering her . Stay in
your lane, before I take you to join your ancestors .

He gets up

Shaka : let that call be the last one , I won't mind to totally remove you from the face of the earth . Trust me , this is not a safe place. Anything can happen to you , you know .

You can swallow a glass from your food , you can slip in the shower and fall snapping your neck . Or you couldn't be brushing your teeth , and somehow just have the brush going for your oesophagus . Or

maybe the string on your bed could just....

Me : I....I get the point please . I won't bother Qondisile again , I get it He nods

slightly

Shaka : good chat

He walks out , I place my hands on the table. My heart is pumping so fast

Now will I ever even feel safe in this place ?

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Shaka

We both worked half days today , just because we wanted to spend time withLuzuko

He's a demanding baby , and he loves attention

He doesn't want to be ignored , that's onething I've realised about him

But it's also something that I love , and I hope he grows up with it

So he knows , if someone lacks the time to
give him the attention

He knows to walk away , because we make sure that we give
him the attention he wants

Qondisile : I am so tired

She says as she settles on her seat

Me : but you're the one who suggested
Gold Reef City

I get on my seat , after strapping him on his.
And he's sound asleep

Qondisile : for him yes

Me : for youShe

smiles

Qondisile : it was fun though , but I reallyam tired

Me : I'll give you a massage when we gethome , just pray that he doesn't becomeclingy

Qondisile : it's these crazy gent times , or whatever you can them . He seriously feelsentitled to you

I laugh

Me : these gent times , do us good . Tobond as father
and son

Qondisile : oh I'm sure

She can't be this territorial here , they also
have their times

And I just let them be , the boy is too
touchy I don't like that . But his mother
does

Qondisile : please stop at the garage , I needwater

Me : okay

I drive through the garage , and she's the
one that goes out to get her waterMe : I can go

get it for you

Qondisile : I don't mind

Me : your feet

Qondisile : that's why I'm walking barefoot ,maybe this will do
them good

Me : okay

I lean back as she walks inside , and she
comes out .

But someone else catches my eye behind her

And he seems to be following her to our car This one is

seriously a pest

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Qondisile

I saw Ntsika , before he can even see me

And even walking out , and he's following

me I also saw that

I get to the fact , and I see the pissed face of Shaka

Ntsika goes to his window , it's done he
leans over

As I settle fine on my seatNtsika : ah

Crow !

What the hell ? My whole body goes cold ,I'm sure the shock
on my face is fucking immersive

I look the other way to avoid them , seeingme looking as I do

Shaka : what do you want ?

Ntsika : oh nothing much , just I see you're still around . Still lingering over my turfs

Shaka : it's amazing just how think I'm interested in all of this , because if I was I wouldn't be lingering around . I would have taken all

Ntsika : don't say such things , they don't come across very niceShaka

chuckles

Shaka : you're starting to bore me , the nexttime you see me . Just walk the other way , don't ever approach me like this as if we're friends because we're not

Ntsika : mmmhm I see , and you're a family man right now

Without saying nothing back , Shaka just drives off

I swear this idiot has gone and done it , like what the hell is wrong with him ? And you don't side threaten a man with his family

But Ntsika is the least of my problems right now

I slowly slide my gun beneath the chair , you can never be me and walk around without a weapon

I have it aimed at him in seconds

Me : don't

He looks at me , I have my sharp eye on him

I lean back covering Luzuko , with his smalllight blanket

Shaka : what are you doing ?

I move back to my chair, he doesn't even
look fazed that I have a gun aimed at him

I slowly lean for his hand , and I'm fucked .
Like how in the hell did I miss this scar ?

And his is way much visible than mine , I
feel like my head is about to spinMe : how long

have you known ?

Shaka : a while , can you put that gun away?

Me : and you kept quite , what do you want?

He chuckles

Me : I am not kidding with you

Shaka : you have a gun pointed at me , so of
course you're not kidding with me

Me : what do you want ?

He turns to face me

Me : move again and I'll shoot you

He chuckles smiling

Shaka : at least you didn't say you'll kill me

Me : this is a joke to you ?

Shaka : no it's just crazy , because I love youRaven . I'm not here for some stupid mission , to maybe take you out or something . Fuck we have a child together ,

we're together . Just because I found out
who you are , and I kept quiet it doesn't make me an
enemy . I sleep next to you everyday , that's my chance to
get rid of
you if that was the plan . Uncover my son before he
suffocates , and put that gun away .

I slowly retrieve , and I lean back taking the blanket off Luzuko

I can't believe all this time I've been with
Crow

I killed his father , he could have just killed me in a snap

How did I miss this ? Fuck ! Right now I am
fearful I don't want to lie

What are his fucking intentions , being withme ?

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SEASON FINALE

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Qondisile

I slowly move my hands from his back ,pulling out of the
kiss

I slowly open my eyes and look at him , his eyes are
bloodshot red

We have a stare for a whole full minute , I heave a sigh

Shaka : what ?

Me : get off me

He chuckles

Shaka : are we talking about you pointing a gun at me ?

Me : how about you not telling me the truth
Shaka : would you
still be with me ?

Honestly I don't know , I probably would
have reacted at first

But I would have still went back to him ,
doesn't matter how in denial I was of my
feelings for him

I would have still gave in , even though thissomehow
complicates things

Me : I love you

He smiles pecking my lips

Shaka : then it makes no difference

Me : Bishop wants protection from youHe laughs

Shaka : he's an idiot , and I'm not after him

Me : now I know , because when he saw you in Cape Town you were with him

Shaka : what are you going to do about that?

Me : have a sit in with him

Shaka : not going to happen , are you suddenly going to expose yourself to him

Me : we met , he still doesn't know who I am

Shaka : keep it that way

Me : it won't be that easy , we're together
now

Shaka : I made peace with the Irish cartel

Me : I know that , but to avoid war I need to put Bishop in his
place

Shaka : that's your deal not mine

Me : if you go after him , I'll come after you
Shaka : you won't

He bites his lower lip , I laugh

Shaka : you're one hell of a woman

He takes my hand , and intertwine our fingers . He looks at it , and I look at the pack where our scars are at

Shaka : this sealed it for us
Me : no

war ?

Shaka : we come together

I smile , he turns and we lock eyes

Shaka : we're one now , have my back and
let me have yours

Me : what about your men ?Shaka : they

will understandMe : I doubt Kumkani

will He laughs

Me : he lies straight through his teeth , witha straight face and
turns with a blade

Shaka : leave him to me , this is my operation and not his . He's my worry ,don't let him be yours

Me : I'll turn against any of them

Shaka : I know that , but like I say let me deal with that

Me : I'll call the cartel ,in a few days get your men together
Shaka :

done

Me : Bishop will be there , because I just want him out of your way

Shaka : do what you have to do

He leans down , settling fine in between mylegs

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Shaka

She's breathing heavily , I slowly slide my
dick inside of her

She's on all fours , legs and arms spread
across the bed

She accommodates me , as soon as the pain
subsides and she's comfortable

I take it deep thrusts inside , with a minimum pace

Her moans fill this room , as pleasure takes over

She slowly gets up , bringing her ass up .
Laying her hands in front of her

I grab on her waist , letting her fuck me
back and she doesn't hold back

I just let her be , she has her ass bouncing on me

Her lower body slowly shakes , she grabstightly on the
pillow

As she cums , I fuck her through herpleasure .
Nearing mine

She lays flat on her stomach , I take my dick
out slowly cumming all over her ass

She's panting badly , I slowly lay next to her.Cupping her face ,
and I give her a kiss

She lazily welcomes it , I run my hands allover her back

Qondisile : I love you

She mumbles through the kiss , I slowly pullout and look at her

Admiring what I have right next to me , Ipeck her lips

Me : in I'm love with you , the whole of you

She slowly opens her red eyes , and the smile on her face satisfies me to the core

Qondisile : thank you for not giving up , thank you for loving me . For seeing a woman worthy enough to be yours , and a mother to your son's

Me : and more son's and daughters to come

She lazily laugh

Me : he can't play with dolls , he needs siblings

Qondisile : give me a year or two

Me : I'll give you more

Qondisile : then that's a deal , get me pregnant before then and you'll owe me big time

She gives me a kiss

Qondisile : go check on him please , I'm drained She is

tired

Me : get some sleep , I'll make my calls so long

I kiss her forehead

Qondisile : thank you once again I smile getting

off the bed

Me : as long as I have you

Qondisile : you'll always have me , until you decide you can't anymore

I chuckle picking up my briefs

Me : thank God that will never happen

Qondisile : no man can ever put up with what you put up with

Me : a man that's just passing yes , I'm here and not going anywhere

She smiles , I pick my pants putting them on and a t-shirt

Nothing makes me content , like knowing we now know where we stand

And we both want this , we want us and are willing to work through it

I never thought it would happen , but it has.

My heart is in place

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Qondisile

I woke up late , and Shaka was going on

I didn't even ask where he was going , I just figured maybe he's going to see his mother

He does that mostly three or four times a week

His busy schedule doesn't allow him to everyday , but he tries

Luzuko is watching cartoons , the way he focuses now

I swear he sees something there , sometimes he even talks back

Well more like all the time , especially when they sing

I'm sure he thinks he's singing too , no one can tell him otherwise

I take my phone and make a call , after a few rings he answers

Sebastian : Raven

Me : I need you guys down here Sebastian : all

of us ?

Me : yes , make it in two days

Sebastian : what's going on ?

Me : just get here , and I'll explain everything

Sebastian : alright , I'll get in touch with the others

Me : alright , don't come here with amourfor war . This is another man's turf

Sebastian : noted !! drop

the call

I don't know how they'll take to the news of
knowing who Crow is

And being together with him , but I'm
expecting things to go well

I have nothing against these men , and mymen will just have
to understand this

I won't tear my family apart , because of
gangs

Either they live with it , or I'll make them . My only worry is
Shaka turning his back on me

That would be a game changer to
everything

But I'm trusting in our love , and the bond that we have . That
we stand together , and being everyone together

It all starts with us

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Shaka

I look at him , and his eyes are full of fear
he's not even trying to hide it

Ntsika : Raven said....you're not after me .Now what's this ?

Me : you talking shit , in front of my familyNtsika : I meant no

harm

Me : of course , I just didn't appreciate yourthreat about me
being a family man

Ntsika : Crow we can talk about this ...we don't have to start War that....

Me : I could spare you , but I know you . And you could turn this whole thing , it'll cause problems for me . I don't need that

I walk closer to the cage , and I open the door

Ntsika : come on Please man i....i'll walk away

Me : from what ?He

moves back

Me : now I never get my hands dirty

He's slowly nearing to the door Me : don't run ,

you'll anger them Ntsika : I....

I move away , and they fly out heading to
him . Before I know it , he's on the floor

Screaming his lungs out , with the crows all over him

Me : they feed off fear , and you reek of it

Blood starts flowing all over the floor , I
whistle and they retrieve

Going back to the cage , and I walk to him .
He's still alive

With his skin peeling , and there's holes
everywhere on him

Me : you do look like a perfect art workright now

Ntsika : I....I'll takemy death

Me : well , suit yourself

I whistle , they fly right back to him . If he
wants to be crow meat let him be

I open the door , and walk out . Heading to my car

I get in , and drive out . I conference call the guys

Kumkani : who have you killed ?

Me : have you ever seen me kill anyone ? Nkosiyabo : not

with your hands no

I chuckle

Me : we need to meet in two days , you'll
have to come down here Nkosiyabo long moved ,

to DurbanNkosiyabo : why ?

Me : come down , and let's all find out

Kumkani : I don't like this one bit , especially
with what was going on with Bishop

Me : I've heard news about you , please don't turn and
stab anyone . Right aftersaying one thing

He laughs

Kumkani : what are you talking about ?

Me : just don't

Nkosiyabo : you have my buy in , I'll be there . Seems like it'll be one hell of a gathering

Me : I didn't even mention one

Kumkani : he's heard it , your words said it all

Me : alright , I need to be with my family .
I'll see you soon

Kumkani : I'll be on my best behaviour

Me : the gangster lord please do us all that favour

We laugh , as I drop the call . Continuing with my drive
home

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SEASON FINALE

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Shaka

I had Kumkani and Nkosiyo arriving earlier than the Irish cartel

They're on their way right now , I just want my guys comfortable

We're not about to go off at each other here , unless provoked and things don't go as planned

The door opens , I check my wrist watch .
And they shouldn't be here now Nkosiyo :

it's your brother

I head to the door , and it's him walking in

Me : you called him ?

Nkosiyo : oh no ! I didn't

I look at Kumkani

Kumkani : you can kill me later

I had no intentions to fly Njabulo , all the way from UK for this

If I needed an army , I was going to bring the whole of them down

The Irish guys , are like a pack of wolfs . And there's just all kinds , sizes and all Kumkani : so what

are we waiting for ?Njabulo : rather who

He pours himself a glass of whiskey neat

Nkosiyabo : what do you know that we don't know ?

He chuckles

Njabulo : nothing , we're underground in anabounded building . One I guess no one even knows it exits , not even the government

He looks at me

Kumkani : well is he

And her stilettos , grace our ears evenbefore she appears

Nkosiyabo : what the hell ?

Their eyes trail to the door , Nkosiyabodraws his gun

Me : halt !

He slowly places it down , and she walks in .

The shock on Njabulo's face

Njabulo : what's this ?

He looks at me , she walks towards me

I hold her waist , turning her to face me and I peck her lips

Nkosiyabo : what the.....

She looks at them , and they're just beyond shock . Their expression is just pricelessQondisile :

gentlemen

Kumkani : it cannot beHe gets

up

Kumkani : Raven ?

The two are up on their feet , with theirguns out

Me : I won't have that , put them down . No guns pointed at my woman

Nkosiyabo frowns , but putting his gundown

Me : is your blood hot ?

Njabulo : is anyone going to explain what's going on here ?

Qondisile : my men will be here in a sec , letme just thank you for coming

Kumkani : it's you , it's really you

Qondisile : yes it is

Kumkani : wow !

He seems so impressed

Kumkani : finally ! I can put the name to the face

He walks closer , she doesn't even move an
inch

Kumkani : what are you doing with the leader of my
people ?

She looks at me and smile

Qondisile : he didn't tell you ? He fathered
my child

Njabulo sits down Kumkani :

impossible

Nkosiyabo : and you two have always known each
other ?

Qondisile : that's not important , I believe
we can start now

The door opens , and you can't miss the Irish that's just in
here

Kumkani : you brought us to our deaths ?

Me : what do you take me ?

Seconds in and they're already conversing
in Irish

And it's making my men uncomfortable ,I'm not worried
because I hear them

Nkosiyabo : tell them to stop if they came in good spirits

Kumkani : they're Irish , what good spirits
do they have

Qondisile : the ones that we merge the UK
and Ireland

It goes all quite in the room Kumkani :

what ?

Qondisile : I'm with Crow , I'm not leaving him . I cannot fight
him , we're in oppositesides

Kumkani : we made peace

Qondisile : and that can change anytime , I had Bishop who is
now declared dead !

Because he was found killed by Crows

She looks at me , I have no expression
whatsoever

Qondisile : he wanted my protection againstCrow , now you
know how this works .

International always interferes when local asks for help , if
we're together as one . I cannot take up on any of those
against theUK , but right now apart nothing stops me from
doing that

Kumkani sighs

Nkosiyabo : you seriously want us to be ledby a woman ?

I chuckle

Me : well she's sassy

Njabulo chuckles

Kumkani : do you have any idea what this means ?

Qondisile : your enemies are mine , mine are yours .

Kumkani : I don't like this , I don't like it one
bit

Me : would you rather we're at war with
each other than coming together ?

He faces me

Me : like she said , I will not go against the woman that's in my life . Either we're together , or there's nothing at all

Kumkani : you can't make such hasty decisions

Me : I called you two days ago , that wastime enough

Nkosiyabo : Crow do you see this working ?

Me : I wouldn't be here if I didn't

Njabulo : you have my buy in

He seems very much impressed Nkosiyabo :

what do they say ? I look at MaCele

Qondisile : they're here

Kumkani : you two rehearsed this ?I chuckle

Qondisile : my men came down here for
this, I just exposed myself to you Njabulo : that

you did sister in law Did he just shut her up ?

Njabulo : sorryI mean

He shrugs

Qondisile : as I was saying , all of this
wouldn't be happening unless Ireland is all
in

I look at Kumkani

Kumkani : you killed Bishop ?.

Me : I didn't

They all look at meMe : the

Crows did

Do they not start with their IrishMe : fuck off !

Qondisile : Sebastian

He looks at me , I stare right back at him

Sebastian : well they're his Crows , so he did. And well , they'll come for him . That Oceans boy don't play

Kumkani : I don't play either

Finally me and him , we're on the same side

Sebastian : you still need us , unless you want us against you

Njabulo : okay....okay , we don't want that man . You're scary all reddish as you are , we don't wanna see you worse

No ! Like Nkosiyo was right , Njabulo was depressed . And now he's back , and he's like a child with a candy

Njabulo : I'm...just saying you know

Qondisile : Kumkani ! I can't have anyone know my men are here , you have 5 minutes to decide on this

Kumkani : fine

He's not all for this

Me : do I trust you not to turn against me ?
My family first , you have to understand that

Kumkani : and that's the only reason why I'm agreeing ,
because you're family

Now I'm at ease Me :

that's that

Qondisile : and worry not about me leading you , you have
your Crow

I chuckle pulling her aside

Qondisile : and...

I turn my head and looking at them

Me : it'll work just fine Qondisile : and fucking

powerfull turn my face to her

Me : you're so fucking sassy

She smiles Qondisile : as

ever

I capture her lips into mine , and there's
gaps behind us . But I don't fucking care

This woman right here is mine , and damn !She can hold her
own

She captured my heart , and has just brought two
power house of cartels together

Never in a million years , unless war force that . Or takeovers

But in this case , it is neither . But she's
fucking done it

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