



**IN DEEP WATERS**  
**to swim or float**

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Insert1

I walked in the hospital the next day to find screaming and shouting in the waiting room. The nurses there didn't know what to do. I walked to the bunch of people who were making the noise. They looked beautiful in they expensive clothes and weaves. I walked to them wearing my plain black skirt and white shirt and shoes.

Me: Hi... I spoke loud enough above they voices. No one paid attention to me and that made me a little angry. I walked to the receptionist and took one of the heaviest file than walked to the table and dropped the file and they was silence as they looked at me.

Me: Good now that i have your attention. This is a hospital and this is a place of healing. Use your inner voices or kindly leave the hospital. They looked at me with they mouth hanging. One skinny girl walked up front.

Skinny girl: who the hell do you think you are? Do you know who we are?

Me: I don't care who you are. Its either you talk amongst each other in civil voices or you leave this hospital and go fight outside these doors. I will not have anyone mess with my patient recovery. I looked at all these faces from the old lady who was dressed smartly to the two guys that had they hands

in they pockets to the 3 ladies the two looking like twins and than they was the beautiful skinny one that looked like a model and who asked me if i knew who she is and frankly i didn't care.

Me: Good... Now let me leave you all and get back to work. I fixed my skirt and was about to bend to pick up my file.

Old lady: Am sorry to trouble you but we been waiting for a doctor to let us know what is my son situation.

Me: oh maybe I can help, what your sons name. I picked the file placed it properly than walked back to the eyes looking at me. Just than the four more people came making a circus and i stood there with my arms folded. One of the new members a tall blonde girl looked at the skinny model.

Blonde girl: What are you doing here?

Skinny model: Am his fiancée i should be here.

Blonde girl: Am still his wife. They erupted and I whistled and everyone kept quiet.

Me: Now ill repeat what I told these guys before. If you have to fight you go outside and fight. In here we civil people now have I made myself clear.

Blonde: and you are? She asked with so much attitude

Me: Am the girl you don't want to mess with. I gave her the same attitude that she gave me....



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Blonde: I don't like you, is there anyone else that can help us and give us information. I brushed my skirt and took my bag.

Me: well you just have to wait here until the doctor in charge of your family member calls you. I left them and walked to my office and looked at my files. I took Mr nkosi file first. He hasn't been responding to anything and yes iv called couple of specialists to give me they opinions in this. I checked my emails and read everything that happening with him. Than I made my rounds and finally I was in his room.

Me: Hy there. Today has been a crazy morning. Meet this family of multiple personalities I swear they a bunch of crazy people, i feel sorry for whoever they visiting. I checked him up. His vitals looked good and promising.

Me: I wish I could do more for you but right now I dont even know what to do. People think I should just let you go. But ill do my best. I brushed his hand and prayed than left and went to my office. Just 5 minute in the receptionist walked in.

Receptionist: The Nkosi Family is here to talk to you.

Me: send them in. I removed my coat and re applied my lipstick and just than the fiasco family walked in making the most loudest noise ever. I stood there with my arms folded and as soon as they saw me they all kept quiet.

Blondie: We looking for Doctor James

Me: Yes that me

Skinny: But you black? The two twins rolled they eyes.

Me: Yes I am.

Blondie: Am so confused.

Me: Now how can I be of assistance i smiled towards the sweet short old lady who looked beautiful.

Old lady: Am Nonkosi Nkosi and I heard my son was involved in an accident and just than my doors were opened and a tall huge man walked in and next to him was the most beautiful tall skinny lady. Her clothes and her weave smelt of money. Even the way she walked screamed money. The room went silent. I looked at the new visitors and the man that screamed power.

Man: Doctor. He came to shake my hand and I did and he looked straight to my eyes.

Man: Tell me about my son. I pointed to the couches and waited for them to sit.

Me: I need family only

Blondie: am his wife

Skinny : Am his fiancée... she flashed her ring. I turned to the two laddies that were silent and mad as hell.

One of the twins: we the sisters. I looked at the two guys.

1 of the guys: We the brother in laws married to the twins.  
Than I turned to the man and the beautiful lady.

Man: Am his father and this is my second wife and she is my first wife. He pointed to the lady who was sitting alone.

Me: Well thanks for introducing yourselves. Am Somila James. The doctor who revived your son and his currently under my care.

Father: Thank you

Me: Well your sons organs are fine apart his brain. Yes he has some brain activity but if he pulls through he will have to learn how to walk

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talk and be independent all over again. But tomorrow we are hoping that the specialist will know more on how to treat him cause right now we induced him in a comma so his brain can stop swallowing and we can run more test to see how far the damage is. But for now that all i can say and I can only keep him comfortable while he goes through tests.

Father: will that involve operations?

Me: at this point i have no further information apart making him comfortable and making sure his organs are staying healthy and his muscles too.

Blondie: Will we be called to make those decisions for him?

Skinny: yini ufuna afe?( do you want him dead?)

Blondie: Am still his wife, we spoke of this, Bokamoso never wants to be any one liability

Old lady: we not even there yet and already you thinking about killing him. You two disgust me.

Me: His an O+ and ill like to check you all if you are a match to his blood, for organ donation. Just planning ahead if it should happen we need any of those. The room erupted and I whistled and everyone kept quiet and the old man laughed.

Father: this is the first time iv seen anyone here act so civil. Thank you doctor James. I can do everything today.

Me:Thank you

Mrs Nkosi: Can I speak to you in private?

Me: sure let me book them to do test and we cab talk. I went out of the room and I heard the room burst into a livid conversation. What the hell is wrong with these people.



Nonkosi Nkosi

I looked at my husband and everyone fight and argue about what best for my son and I had a small pain in my heart as I think of the secret that iv been carrying for the last 32 years of his life. How will Muzi react. I turned and looked at Muzi and his wife loving each other in front of me. I opened the bottle than drank some as I was thinking of a way that I can break this to the doctor and maybe she can help me save my son. Ill do anything to have Bokamoso live. His my everything.....

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I sat there looking at Mrs Nkosi.

Me: I don't know what to say ma'am but sometimes we are able to find possible matches from strangers hopefully when your blood comes through we will be able to find matches and as iv said this is just a precaution we will know more when the specialist review his case.

Mrs Nkosi: Thank you for listening to me and being able to control us. We are a loud bunch.

Me: Its my pleasure ma'am. She took her things with a smile and left the minute I was I alone I looked at where she was sitting.

Me: What the fuck??? I shake my head trying to let out that information and got on about my day until I saw a phone call from my mom. I looked at it for sometime before breathing and taking the call.

Mom: You don't answer my calls anymore

Me: And listen to you tell me what a bad daughter I am. No thank you mom.

Mom: You very disrespectful wena

Me: am opinionated mom not disrespectful and am direct mom but you will say an disrespectful so let just leave it as it is.

Mom: Why do you hate me so much? I kept quiet my mom and I never saw eye to eye ever since she ran away with a Nigerian man leaving me with my dad. I was only 13years old and my brother 16

Mom: well I need money

Me: I don't have

Mom: your father is a business man and you a doctor.

Me: You are a teacher mom. You work

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you have money too

Mom: come on

Me: No. call your son and ask him.

Mom: you know he never answers my calls

Me: mom am at work.

Mom: come home this weekend and let celebrate your new job.

Me: am working. I lied through my teeth.

Mom: how about I visit?

Me: I still stay with dad and Mary. I heard her sigh in frustration.

Mom: You can't shut me out forever. Am trying her the least you could do is meet me half way. I kept quiet as I blinked the tears away.

Mom: Okay sharp. She hang up as I looked at the phone trying not to cry. My mother is the most selfish human being on earth. I walked out of the office and went to Bokamoso room. I got there when the nurse was about to give him a sponge bath.

Me: It fine ill do it. She nodded and left closing the door.

Me: hy its me Somila again. Am just going to bath you a bit so you can feel refreshed. I went about bathing him while singing a song my dad used to sing for me.

6 months later

I walked in as the nurses called letting me know that his awake. The treatment has been going for months now and Iv watched his family exploded the day we found out that they not a match. Mrs Nkosi had to drop the bomb that actually Bokamoso is not they biological child. It was awful to watch and from that day Mrs Nkosi was now coming alone to see her child. I went in and almost ran to the ward to find all the doctors there. Just than my phone was paged and I ran out to

the emergency waiting for the ambulance to bring in the code red. The doors open and I ran to help the medics only to see Mrs Nkosi trying her best not to choke on her own blood coming out of her mouth but it was too late she clutched my hand as I saw her take her last breath. Slowly tears fell out of my eyes as they rolled her away. How do I tell a guy who has just recovered the most traumatic expression ever that he has lost his mother? Where do I even begin the conversation and to top it off he still has to know that the woman who raised him was not his biological mother. This is just making my head spin. Why on earth did I agree to be there with Mrs Nkosi when she asked me this? What do I do now? Do I still tell Bokamoso or shall I let this family deal with their drama? I really don't have energy to go through this I have my own drama with my family. I walked back slowly and defeated. I washed my hands then made my way to his room. The minute I got there the doctors were gone and he was sitting there staring at the door looking right through me. I wiped my face and straightened my skirt and looked at him too. I tried smiling but my heart was heavy but instead I cried. I ran out of the room and went to the bathroom and cried. I cried for Mrs Nkosi passing away before seeing her son. That was what we been praying for but mostly I cried because my prayers were now answered. He's alive, yes they are things he will need to learn but he's alive. That all that matters is him being alive.

Insert4:

Bokamoso

I open my eyes as I heard her footsteps they been music to my ears the last couple of months. She and my mother have been the two voices that have pulled me from the depths of my darkness. I knew my two best friend died cause I saw it happen. I know I can't talk or walk or even use my hands cause iv heard the doctor be a shoulder to cry on for my mother. She came in smiling but her smile didn't reach her eyes she looked exhausted in a way. She came in and touched my hand like how she usually did.

Her: You look better today. She smiled and took a glass of water and straw and helped me drink. This is how considerate she has been the past week ever since she found out am up. She sat by the chair and sighed.

Her:You know life is hectic sometimes but am just so happy you are here and you are well. We will work out the body movements and walking again. She smiled at me. I wanted to ask her where is my mother ever since iv been up iv never seen her or heard from her. I sat there as she walked around my bed making a fuss and fidgeting, she was too nervous. Just than the nurse came with food.

Her: Its okay ill feed him. That another thing she did. She feed me everyday breakfast lunch and dinner. She gave me my morning Baths and evening. She helped with the emptying of my urine. If I didn't know better I would say she was here to work just for me. The nurse looked at her with a smile as she took the food and placed it sitting on the bed facing me.

Her: well today they made oats. Am not sue how you like your oats so am going to add two spoons of sugar. If that okay blink twice please. She looked at me and I noticed she had light brown big eyes and I blink cause i liked my oats with two sugar spoons and milk.

Her: You want milk? Blink for milk. And I blinked.

Her: awesome. She adjusted me. I like how she was considerate even though I couldn't verbally say what I wanted or needed she made sure she asked or found a way to get my opinion on something. She feed me as she spoke about the some movie she watched frankly am not a movie person but I loved how she kept me sane. I liked her voice and how she smiles and laugh when she when she thinks she funny. I love how she fusses over me but mostly I love how even though am a vegetable she still treats me like a human and with feelings. While the other doctors walks in and throb and throb.

Her: well let me leave you and do other things ill come see you at lunch and ill sneak in som yoghurt for desert. She smiles as I

was thinking an 32 what the hell will i do with yoghurt. She smiled and brushed my hand than left.

Somila

I did my rounds than went to my office and after a while two people knocked. And came in as I stood up to let them in.

Lady: Hi, we were told you are Mr Nkosi doctor

Me: yes

Lady: we are with the business daily and we doing an article about him.

Me: Am sorry what the business daily?

Lady: A news paper that follows the business world, reports about business personals and so forth

Me: oh okay

Lady: You have no idea who Mr Nkosi is?

Me: Nope just a patient that I meet here other than that I have no clue what or who he was before that. The lady looked at me dumb struck.

Lady: so can you give us a comment on his progress

Me: Am sorry I can't



Lady: Not a detail one just want to know how he is.

Me: Am sorry

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ill love to tell you how he is but I can't, its not my story to tell or to share. If you could excuse me. I stood up and stood by the door for them to leave once they gone I walked to the room and found a tall white man in his suite standing there talking. I knocked and they both looked at me.

Me: Hi

Man: Hi, am Ntando.Mr Nkosi business associates.I looked at Bokamoso and walked to his side of the bed and and touched his cold fingers.

Me: Oh, Am sorry but he is not having any visitors his lawyer showed us a contract that in events like this everyone and anyone is not allowed to visit apart his mother. So am afraid ill have to ask you to leave. Frankly they was something off about this guy.

Him: Its cool Ill leave. He looked at Bokamoso one more time than turned to leave and I followed him then told the guard at the end of the hall that no one comes into this room but doctors only and nurses. He nodded. I walked back to find him shivering and I up the aircon and added another blanket but he

was still cold and his machines started beeping none stop. I paged my team to come help as I was making sure he lives.

Me: please don't die on me. Not now please. I kept murmuring that while I worked endlessly for him to be okay.....

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5Years later

I woke up and took a shower than walked with my towel wrapped around my body and went to make tea. When done I drank it looking outside just thinking about everything that has been happening in my life the last 5 years. I lost my first patient Bokamoso Nkosi and I couldn't forgive myself yes that white man who called himself Nthando was to blame but I just couldn't forgive myself. So I left medicine and started cyto-Technology for 18 months and Iv been working for the Health department ever since. I love my job since yes it still medicine but I don't have to see patients daily. I only see they blood work and of cause do a lot of research not to mention training doctors and keeping them on the loop when it comes to new findings and new outbreaks. I got dressed in a long floral dress and wore shades and took my bag. I got in the car and drove to go have lunch with my lovely father and step mother. I got to Tasha's and selected a table that overlooks outside. I sat there and watched the cars and few minutes later my dad walks in. His the mist sweetest father that anyone can ever ask for.

I stand up and he hugs me.

Dad: Looking good

Me: Thanks dad and so are you. You alone

Dad: thanks. Yeah your mom had an emergency. Lol I smiled. My poor dad can't see that woman hates me.

Me: So, what new? We ate and catch up and of cause people giving me a side eye thinking am dating old white people. I cared none the less.

Dad: you worry me sometimes.

Me: Am much better dad.

Dad: You sure? You can move back home you know.

Me: I know but am fine. I smiled at him re assuring him than after some time we kissed our goodbye and I went shopping than went to the park for some alone time. My life is peaceful in a way. After awhile being outside I walked to pick n pay got a few things than drove home. I made dinner had my dinner and some wine than wen to bed in my shorts and bra. I had my sliding door open a bit to let in cool air as I got in bed with a book.

I felt my body roll till I smashed to a wall. When I looked up it was black but I saw a small light from the trees so I walked towards it. I got there and saw the doors open and I slowly open the door and got it. I felt my way around and a few things

falling. Just then the lights switched fully on and there stood the most beautiful person I've ever seen in my life wearing a blue short and white vest than I slowly felt my world spin and I fell.

Somila

I woke to find a guy in my room and he was covered in blood next thing he fainted. I rushed to him found his pulse slow. My instincts kicked in and I dragged him to my bed. Cut his clothes open than took out my aid box from under the bed. I set up and looked for the bullet wound that I found by his side and two on his left side. I dripped him with morphine for pain and worked on removing the bullets than stitched him up while he was still sleeping. When done I cleaned him up and his wounds than went to take a shower since it was already 6. When done I made tea for myself and dressed in shorts and vest and let my braids be. I checked the two drips when I felt the most deadly grip hold my hand and I looked to see the strange guy look at me as if his ready to kill me.

Me: You broke into my house. I stuttered and I saw his face changed and he let go of my hand.

Him: soo soo sorry. I nodded and checked his wounds than moved and stood where I was looking at him.

Me: You had 3 bullets wounds. I took them out and cleaned them.

Him: cooo cops?

Me: I figured if you wanted cops you would have went to the police station. He nodded and dropped his head into the pillow.

Him: Tha... ttttthanks. He stuttered and I nodded and left him there. Whole day I was doing my Sunday duties than go check up on him every now and than. I made him a smoothie to give him some energy and he finished it.

Ntando

“ its done boss.” I read the text with a smile. Now I have peace all territories are mine. I switched on the news and right there was his car covered in bullets. I up the volume.

“ Mega billionaire car was found this morning with multiple gunshot

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they is blood everywhere and the body is no where to be found. The head of security hasn't commented yet but by the look of things it seems like everyone is looking for answers”  
Good it just the way I want it to be. Am taking over the business world and the underground world. First it was Bokamoso now it

was his partner And friend langa Thema. I smiled as I thought of all the money coming my way and not to mention the power. I poured myself a drink to celebrate then switched off the news. This was so easy. Yes it took year to get to Langa but it was all worth the trouble. His dead and all that they built will now be mine and mine alone. Just than my phone rang and as expected it was the head of security from Langa company.

Me: Hello

Him: we need you, the boss has been shot and we need your help. I smiled

Me: give me an hour ill be there. I hung up and kicked the air thinking about how everything is coming to plan.

Somila

I walked in my room with a smoothie and found him looking at the door.

Me: you up. He nodded. I gave him something for the pain in his drip.

Him: you a doctor?

Me: I was.

Him: I see. Can I use your phone? I gave him my cell. He dialed a number.

Thabo

An unknown number called. Today is not a good day my boss has been missing since last night and am not in the mood. I declined and it called again.

Me: Zibekha skhoskho( am ignoring you) I answered and I heard what sounded like laughter but turned into coughs. Then they was shuffling.

Voice: Hi

Me: yeah

Voice: uhm am sorry he wanted to speak on his own but he got a bullet wound on his chest so speaking is a problem right now.

Me: okay and you are and who you speaking about.

Voice: Your friend broke into my house. He was shot multiple times.

Me: Am sorry which friend? They was shuffling.

Voice: He says I must give you the address Tikoloshe. Only Langa calls me that. I got up and was already running with Ntando looking at me as if am mad. I mouthed to him and he



followed me as the lady rattled the address. And we jumped into my car and we drove to where the lady was. I noticed that Ntando was uneasy all the way there.....

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Somila

I finished the call and then went to make him one more smoothie than when done I looked in the wardrobe and I could feel his eyes on my back as I found dad track pants.

Me: These are my dad's he wears them when he's here for a weekend you can wear them. I helped him into the track pants then helped him have the smoothie. I changed his bandage and cleaned his wounds.

Him: Thank you

Me: It's cool. A few minutes later there was a knock and I walked and opened the door only to find a dark tall guy there and I smiled at him and he moved and I saw Ntando my mind just went crazy and I attacked him thinking of all the pain he made me go through. The dark guy was confused and I felt strong arms around me as I was kicking and screaming.

Me: Get the fuck away from here you bastard. If I see you ever again I'll kill you with my bare hands. He raised his hands as he moved back leaving. I turned to look at who held me and I saw it was the bullet guy. I panic as I saw blood oozing out.

Me: You not suppose to be up. I helped him back to bed.

Langa

One minute she was a wrecking ball kicking and screaming and now here she is re- stitching me and helping me heal. I saw Thabo look at us and fold his hands. When she was done she stood back and was doing breathing exercises. I know them cause I've seen my sister do them a couple of times when she is angry.

Me: Thank you. She smiled at me and turned to look at Thabo

Her: Am not leaving the room. So whatever it is you discuss you discuss in front of me or you take him and never come back. She glared at him and Thabo was shocked.

Thabo: I haven't done anything

Her: You brought that bastard into my home

Thabo: how on earth would I have known you have history, I don't even know you woman. She calmed herself and squinted her eyes.

Her: You in my house and you already skating in thin ice so don't make me lose it please. She moved to the bathroom and came back with her face wash I guessed she splashed water on her face.

Me: Are you okay?

Her: ill be fine

Thabo: Am sorry.

Her: Its okay. Am Somila James. Can I get you anything to drink?

Thabo stood there dumbstruck and I wanted to laugh but I just kept quiet.

Thabo: Uhm sure water is fine.

Somila: okay cool. She turned leaving the door open and went to get water. I chuckled as Thabo shakes his head and I laugh.

Me: Hows the news?

Thabo: blowing up my phone. Got detectives trying to figure out what happened.

Me: Don't tell them you found me let it be for a week I need to think

Thabo: Do you know who wants you dead

Me: No

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I don't but I want you to move everything to her name. He looked around as I pointed to the other room.

Thabo: Boss

Me: That what you doing today. All my legit business are going to her name by the end of business today. He looked at me skeptical.

Me: Look the person that did this is within our group and no one knew about this meeting and deal apart from the shareholders so I need you to monitor all 6 of them and report back to me. I feel like what happened to Bokamoso is happening to me. We looked up as we heard a crash and Somila was standing there with the tray on the floor. Thabo helped her. She was shaking and we both looked at each other confused.

Me: Are you okay? She looked at me with teary eyes and nodded. Thabo helped her pick up the glasses. When she was done I could see she was still shaking. I opened the blanket.

Me: come here. She slowly walked in and snuggled close the minute she got in next to me she cried so much and she was shaking so I just held her as Thabo looked at me and I looked at him so confused. When she was done she wiped her face as she was looking red.

Somila: Am sorry it just that when I saw him he just brought back a past that iv been trying to burry

Me: want to talk about it?

Somila: He killed my friend. Not really a friend but I was a doctor.

Me: I could tell by the way you handled my wounds. She smiled as wiped her face.

Somila: It was the first week of my residency and They was a helicopter crash. So the two guys died but one survived his name was Bokamoso Nkosi. He lived for 6 months and it was touch and go than one day Ntando came to visit him and he had an allergic reaction to whatever he injected in his drip. I knew that the drip only had morphine and meds to help him not stop his heart. I hate that man. I worked months trying to figure out what killed my first patient only to find out it was him and I couldn't go to the cops with the information.

Me: You knew Bokamoso Nkosi?

Somila: I was his doctor. I kept quiet as I registered what she was saying than everything clicked. Ntando has been killing us all one by one. His responsible for my shooting. I looked at Thabo as he ran out of the house only to come back.

Thabo: His gone. I looked at Somila.

Me: You need to pack, I cannot leave you here. You a lose end and we need to go now. She packed a few things and took her laptop and some papers than they helped me to Thabo car and

once seated she adjusted the chair for me and she got in and so did Thabo.

Thabo: where too?

Me: Ill direct you, I got a new place he doesn't know about. Just as we were driving away we swayed the car to avoid a missile and in less then a few seconds we watched as her house blow into pieces. She shrieked as she watched and as neighbours got out to see what was happening.

Somila: My house and car.... she looked at it with tears falling down her face. We used another route leaving the place and the neighbours as we heard the sirens.

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Somila

Just as we turned to the road we were blocked by a montage of cars. He stopped the car and just as he did a whole lot of bullets were flying as Langa shoved me down. They made wholes and I heard Thabo choking on his blood. I felt Langa hands lose up and I knew he was dead. I shifted a to the side. I opened the door and quickly ran to the back and just than i heard the car bomb up and I flew to the forest and it was light out for me.

Ntando

I smiled as I watched the car burned into pieces with everyone than I went in my car and drove off. This is what am talking about. I finally got what mine.

Somila

I woke up and it was close to darkness. I got my back pack right than checked to see if everything was okay with me. I was shaking with fear. I walked the few roads than got to the garage and went inside and washed my face than when I was done went inside.

Me: can I make a phone call?



Cashier: Are you okay miss?

Me: Yeah am okay just need to make a call. She gave me the phone than I called my father number. It ran for awhile and he picked up.

Me: Dad its me. Can you pick me up. I rattled the address and waited there for a few minutes than I saw my dad car and I ran to it. I got in and he hugged me so tight that I just started crying none stop. When I was done he looked at me.

Dad: Your house burnt down

Me: I need you to continue showing to the world that am dead dad. Ill explain some other time but right now I need to leave the city for a few years.

Dad: What going on Mila

Me: Trust me dad please. He nodded.

Dad: You can go to Durban. I have a nice apartment there and it in my cousin name the one who died.

Me: oh yeah Vicky

Dad: Yeah you can use it ill wire you money.

Me: No you can't dad as it is this is risky on it own

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the person who killed me must think am dead. Than ill wire money via Vicky accounts I have authority over it. You will find her cards in her house and Ill wire more money into it. You can use this car Ill uber back. I watch dad drive the car to the petrol guy to load a full tank than he went inside the shop for a few minutes and came out with plastics and than he took loads of money and gave it to me. Use this to get you buy. I smiled as I took the money with shaking hands and than he put the plastics in the car than took all his belongings as I stood there watching him as his brains were working over time whole mines were stuck on my events. Why do every man I meet dies? What have I done to go through this? Why can't my life be normal just for once? When he was done he gave me the keys and helped me in the passenger side.

Dad: I don't know what happening and I don't know what you got your life into but do know am always going to be here and if and when you need me ill always be there. I nodded and he squeezed my hand than I drove off leaving the only human that has always been there for me. I drove for a few hours until I stopped the car than cried. I cried until I couldn't cry no more than I took one of the bottles of water and drank it. I got in the car and drove the kilometres that will get me in Durban and all I could think about was my safety and hoping to pull this off. I pray Ntando never finds me ever again and I hope he pays for what he did.

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6 months later

Somila

I stood on my balcony as I watched the fireworks as people were celebrating New years after sometime I walked back to my couch and sat there as my phone rang and I checked to see it my dad. I smiled as I answered.

Me: Daddy

Dad: Mila how are you baby?

Me: Am okay and you

Dad: we good just wanted to wish you a happy new years.

Me: Thank you dad you too.

Dad: I love you little one don't ever forget that and am coming down on business in two weeks time ill spend the weekend with you.

Me: I can't wait iv missed you so much dad. We talked awhile than We said our good byes and I went to sleep.

Ntando

Its been the most amazing 6 months of my life. Iv never had do much money in my life. I swear am one of the most richest people in Johannesburg. The power that come with. Am at the peek of my life and am loving it. I moved out of the two girls in my bed and went to stand by the balcony with a big smile on my face. This is it if only my mother was still alive to see this.

Somila

Today am doing groceries so I took a shower and wore my colourful head wrap then wore my yellow dress and brown sandals. I love the weather here it just so inviting. I took my phone and requested Uber since I don't have a car anymore. Uber came and I was on my way to Durban North pick n pay center. I got there thanked the driver and got in the center did a few shopping and once done went to the wine isle brought a few things than pushed the trolley to mug and bean to buy something. I ordered my breakfast than took out the magazine that i got and began to flip through it while I waited for my food. I looked up to find the most handsome yet angry looking guy sitting right in front of me. I looked back down and ignored him am so not entertaining any man cause they die. I saw the waiter coming towards me and I shifted the trolley to accommodate her. She placed my food down and took coffee and a muffin and placed in front of the guy. I was beyond

confused but I kept my calm and just chilled. We both ate in silence and when he was done he pushed his things aside and looked at me.

Him: good morning

Me: Hi

Him: you a creature of habits

Me: Am sorry?? I looked at him confused

Him: I mean you have a routine

Me: Am still not following

Him: Am luniko Mba

Me: Nice to me you. He chuckles a bit and I saw him be surprised by it. I looked at him like fully study him. He was tall and dark in complexion. He wasn't too dark but just dark skin. His skin looked soft. He had short hair kind of a brush. He had bushy eyebrows and had a dimple on his right I saw it when he chuckled. He had light grey eyes and perfect white straight teeth not to mention his broad shoulders and he exuded power. He had a simple white top. I quickly looked under to see the rest and came back to find him smiling and looking at me in amusement. He had on black jeans and white sneakers.

Luniko: You finished with your inspection. I laughed thinking he caught me.

Me: Am sorry but it not everyday that a guy invites himself to my table and be comfortable in the process.

Luniko: oh I see. He leaned into the table and automatically my eyes scanned his fingers and saw no wedding ring so I relaxed.

Luniko: You very observant

Me: Thank you I guess. He looked at me and than I looked around and noticed that am now with him alone and the glasses were half closed and they was a man with a black suite by the door than also by the corner of the restaurant. I quickly turned and looked at him. I was shaking now thinking maybe Ntando found me and his coming or he sent one of his friends to come scare me. A list of possibilities was running on my mind and it was making it difficult to breathe. I calmed myself a million times and took my bag and placed it on my lap and put in my hand feeling my paper spray at least ill kill him with it first before he snatches me. Who snatches people in brood daylight.

Luniko: Am not going to hurt you, you can let go of the paper spray. The shock in my eyes might have made him laugh a little cause he looked at me and shake his head.

Luniko: If only been sitting here for 15 minutes and iv managed to laugh and chuckled all at once. And trust me am not a man that always do these things. I looked at him.

Me: Am sorry but I don't know you and frankly am not even sure what you want but no one clears the whole restaurant and be like I just wanted to know your name. So whatever you were to ask. Its a No. No I don't want to hear it

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No i dont want to be part of whatever you offering and If you want to ask me out,Than that a no too. I stopped myself and took a few breathes and calmed myself. I took a sip of my bottled water and looked at him to find him calm and collected and not moved by my outburst.

Luniko: Ill give you a few minutes to collect yourself. He leaned on his chair and that statement made me lose my breathing pattern again. Dear lord what is happening? What is it with me that makes me attract all these weirdoes. Why me? .....

Insert 9:

Luniko

I sat there observing her. I think it now or never yes iv been following her ever since I saw her the first time she came here and I figured she is it. My father gave me a year to find a woman that I can get married too. Damn him for doing this to me. His dead yet he still has that power over me. His will clearly stated that I get married within the year after he dies or everything that Iv built will be taken away. Yes when I started my chain of business I asked my father for the capital and we signed an agreement little did I know he will have a small clause that all I own is half his and if I don't marry or if he dies before I marry I have one year to do it or his share if my companies will go to an unknown party. For the past 6 months iv been fighting that clause until I saw her minding her business 6 months ago shopping and I knew this is it. She is the one. I got my guys to follow her every move and investigate her from the time she was conceived till today and lord have mercy she is everything I wanted and need in a woman. I cannot have my companies shared with anyone else but her. My father did a good in hiding who he might give my company too because Iv done loads of research and till now Iv never discovered who it might be.



Me: Am sorry if You somehow feel concerned. I placed an envelope on the table. “ I want you to take home this. Read it with an open mind and go through all your options. On Monday Ill pay you a visit to hear what you think of my proposal” I pushed the envelope towards her and she just sat there looking at me with her light blue glassy eyes. Damn this woman was beautiful. She was supper fair in colour. She has black hair like an Afro kind. She has light blue eyes. Her body was to die for. She was close to looking like Thandi Newton with the body and tiny boobs but the hair and facial structure was close to being like Pearl Thusi. Yes she was a mixture of Pearl and Thandi Newton and gosh it was a sight to see. After awhile she shifted and Looked at me blinking her tears away.

Me: Please I promise not to harm or heart you. Just read the documents. I got up and smiled at her as I left the restaurant leaving my trusted friend Zakes to look after her.

Somila

I watched him leave then The Mugg and Bean people suddenly appeared and doors were opening. I felt like I was in a movie as I watched people walk in and sit down like what just happened didn't happen at all. I raised my hand for the waiter. She came.

Me: can I have the cheque please. She smiled.

Waitress: All has been settled ma'am. I looked at her confused.

Waitress: By Mr Mba. Now I was more confused.

Waitress: The man you had breakfast with. Then it clicked he said his name is Luniko Mba

Me: oh yes

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am sorry my mind is all over. Thank you

Waitress: pleasure. She turned and walked away. I sat there thinking what next. I took the envelope and drove my trolley out. And I noticed one of his guards come closer to me.

Guard: The car is this was ma'am

Me: car?

Guard: yes to take you home. I looked at him puzzled.

Guard: Am your driver.

Me: and let me guess Mr Mba gave you that task of being my chauffeur?

Guard: Am afraid you are right. He took the trolley and drove it to a Mercedes benz GLC 63 AMG coupe. It was black and had some red in it rims. It was my dream car. I stood there and watched in amazement. The guard packed my things in the boot and opened the door for me. I got in and touched the

seats the smile on my face was beyond me. The guard got in and I tried to control myself.

Me: uhm... Am Somila

Guard: Zakes

Me: Nice to meet you Zakes. I kept quiet as he drove me to my place without asking for directions and that creeped me out even more.

Me: Zakes mind if I ask you something

Zakes: Sure boss

Me: Wooooah.... i raised my hands. “ am not sure what Mr Mba told you but am not your boss am just Somila that it, Somila okay. He looked at me via the rearview mirror than parked right at my parking space at the complex and turned on his driver seat.

Zakes: Iv worked with the boss for the past 10 Years. He has had many girl friends and was even close to marriage once but not once have I ever drove any of the woman he dated. Not once was I ever asked to check up on his woman and not once was I ever told to make sure that that any of his woman are safe and they family. But with you.”He pointed at me cracking up a smile. “ iv done things that you not aware of that I never thought my boss will ask of me. So that means either his losing it or you are truly special to him. Since I know his sane than that

means you are special. Now that makes you my boss as much as his my boss.” I looked at him shocked trying my best to comprehend all that he just said as he got out of the car opened the door for me and he went to the boot to take my things. My mind was over working itself as I slowly walked to my apartment and opened and he placed my things down. I stood there for awhile than my brain processed that I haven’t offered him anything.

Me: would you like something to drink? I whispered as he got ready to leave.

Zakes: No thanks boss. Have a lovely day. He left me standing in the middle of my kitchen so confused at what he said and what the hell just happened.

Insert 10:

Luniko

I walked around my desk to where my sister was sitting and looked at her nagging me to attend the little get together they having at home next weekend.

Luthando: Mom will be happy to see you. You haven't been home ever since dad passing.

Me: Am not sure if I can make it.

Luthando: I know you like keeping your space and I know you have your own way of doing things but please Luniko. Mama always talk about you.

Me: Did you fly all the way from East London to nag me Thandooo.

Luthando: ewe

Me: Ill have too see, ill try to come through but ill let you know if I will make it or not

Luthando: Any plus one? She gave me that naughty grin.

Me: ill book the bed and breakfast so don't you worry yourself with that. She threw herself at me.

Luthando: I know you and dad had an on and off thing but that shouldn't stop you from loving us and visiting us every now and then.

Me: I know. She hugged me and smiled.

Luthando: You know you have been a great brother to us and we really appreciate it a lot.

Me: Its always a pleasure you make it easy. She smiled and looked at the two black tiny boxes on my desk and the ring catalogue. I shifted blocking her view. She laughs

Luthando: I hope I see her next weekend.

Me: I have no idea what you talking about. She laughs louder.

Luthando: Yeah Of cause you don't. She took her bag and left with a smile. I finished some paperwork and did my Skype meeting and when I checked the time it was 4:30. I got up and got ready to leave just as Mzi Walked in my office.

Mzi: Sir, you have a woman here to see you.

Me: A woman? I asked my assistant looking very confused.

Mzi:Yes a woman. He looked at me confused and just than Somila walks in wearing a long black pants and white top and black boots and a black coat. She had red lipstick and she looked breath taking.

Somila

I stood there with the envelope and my heart beating so fast.

Luniko: Hi

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This is a surprise. I stood there shocked as he was wearing a black suit and lord he looked powerful and ravishing i kinda thought ill find him in the same clothes as morning.

Me: Am sorry I didn't call or anything but I read your proposal and its a No. I walked up to his table and placed the papers there. He stood there shocked and I folded my arms.

Me: You cannot go to a person and propose to them via paper. Paper. I snatched the papers again and went to page two and read “ if the subject agrees” you call me a subject. How on earth am i to marry a person who calls me a subject. This paper or proposal or whatever you want to call it has no emotions. Its has no human. Its basically a contract that binds two people yet it has no emotions. You typed this right? I looked at him and an sure my eyes were spiting fires cause my cheeks were burning up and I felt myself rise in anger at him. He simply walked to the door and closed it as I span and saw that people were looking through the glasses and I was beginning to cause a scene. He pressed a button and the glasses tinted as I saw

people coming closer to the window trying to see in. I moved back a bit this is not how I planned this to go am now embarrassing him at work. I ran my hand in my hair in frustration.

Luniko

I watched her as she looked at me in horror and took a few breaths shaking her head. She was staring at my workers that were trying to see what happening here but I activated the sound proof and tint. This is going to be office gossip for days from today.

Me: They cannot see or hear us. That seemed to calm her .

Somila: Am sorry, i didnt mean to lose it like this it just that this stupid contract makes me lose my cool. This is not how you ask a person to marry you and worse of all you cannot ask a stranger to marry you that just supper wrong.

I walked towards her as she moved back and I stood there and had my hands in my pockets.

Me: How do you want to be asked than Miss James. Her breath hitched and she had panic all over her face.

Somila: You know my surname



Me: I hear you say I cant ask a stranger to marry me but I know all that I need to know about you but mostly I know that you are what am looking for in a wife and partner. She looked at me shocked and her hands trembling as she touched her heart.

Me: I know you are the only daughter of Mr James who has been everything to you. I know your mother is a special case that travels a lot and has taste in rich man. I know you went to university to become a doctor and stopped being one after a year of joining the field. I know you worked as a researcher and had your house blown into ashes before you moved her and your dad as always has been right by your side to help you through your transactions. I know that you love peanut butter and jam sandwiches when it cold and you wash it down with milo. I know you speak 4 languages and that you one hell of a smart woman and lastly i know you one hell of an emotional person. When you love you love to deep and when you fear you fear whole heartedly which makes you exactly the person that I need in my life. Now tell me that am wrong in anything that iv said so far and if I am Ill let you go but if am not than tell me how you want a person to propose to you and ill do it.

Somila

I looked at him as tears were rolling down my face.

Me: I didn't want this nor ask for this. I mumbled and he stood there looking at me with an unreadable expression.

Luniko: Sometimes we get answers even though we haven't formulated the questions yet. We stood there looking at each other for what felt like hours but I know it was just seconds.

Me: Ill marry you only if we have a normal relationship. You treat me as your equal. We don't have a contract binding us but if am not what you want anymore you tell and let me go. You communicate with me even when you angry. I know nothing about relationships cause iv never been in one. So this is my first in everything. If you can't deal with what am saying right now than let me leave and pretend we have never meet. Cause i know if i have to go through one more traumatic event it will kill me. I took a deep breath as he stood there looking at me. He slowly walked closer than he put his hands at both sides of the table making me panic a bit as he slowly reached behind me and i heard some shuffling than he went down on one knee with a small black box in his hand.

Luniko: I know am not giving you what you dreamt about ever since you were young but am here and I promise to be here for as long as you need me. I promise to treat you with the outmost respect but mostly I promise to be a friend first before anything else. Kindly give me the honours of being your Husband. To guide, to lead and to protect you in every situation

that we encounter. This may not be what I expected but its the most amazing thing that anyone has ever said to me. I nodded with tears falling down my face and he opened the box and lord behold the most beautiful ring that iv ever laid my eyes on.....

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Somila

I looked at the ring with a smile on my face. He looked at me as he straighten his coat.

Luniko: well I know woman always dream of big weddings.

Me: Not really if my father is there that all that matters.

Luniko: Do you mind if we get married tomorrow than just your father as a witness. The traditional formalities will do them sometime during the month. I can travel with you during the weekend to meet my family. I kept quiet for a second.

Me: Is they something pushing you to be legally married right now? He kept quiet and I thought he was never going to answer.

Luniko: Yes

Me: life and death situation?

Luniko: Yes

Me: Than call who ever needs to be called and let do it now. No one needs to know we officially married we can just stay engaged to the world until we able to compile everything to accommodate family. He looked at me speechless.

Me: I can't expect you to always be there for me yet I can't do the same. He took his phone and called whoever he was calling I sat by one of the couches and looked at my ring. Oh my world am about to get married. What was I thinking?

Nthando

I walked around Langa office one last time before the demolishing team come through tomorrow morning. The room was empty apart on photo of the joker on his wall. I looked at it and somehow it looked odd. I tried to move it but it was like its part of the wall. I looked at it and placed my head on the wall next to it and looked at the back but couldn't see anything. One of the cleaners walked by and I called him. He came in and looked at me.

Me: yini ndaba lesthombe sila( why wasn't this picture removed)

Cleaner: sinamathele ibondweni mphathi( its part of the wall

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boss)

Me: ucaza ukuthini? ( what you mean)

Cleaner: ngizwe bethi ngathi isafe mphathi( i heard them say its a safe) i looked at the picture and ran my hand over it and the

side and than clicked on it then it moved revealing a safe that had a hand scanner and eye scan. I screamed punching the wall in frustration.

Me: Fuck you Langa.....

Luniko

I watched her signed herself over to me. The pastor collected the papers and my lawyer made her signed a few papers that gives her half of everything I owe just like how my father will said it shall be done if I marry. She now owned half of my life but mostly am thinking she going for my heart too. Its better my companies go to a person I chose. I made her sign papers that gives her everything if I die and changed my will same time. Somila just became one of the richest and powerful woman in South Africa and she had no clue. After signing everything she turned giving me the most beautiful smile. The two left us in the office with all documents.

Somila: am a married woman somehow its feels the same. I laughed at her expression and just than Mzi knocked and I turned. He looked odd.

Mzi: Anything else you need?

Me: No thank you. Just move my schedule till Monday. Am not available till than. He looked at me shocked. I guess it more

because I never been away from the headquarters of Mba enterprises.

Mzi: Am not understanding boss you have three clients meetings and they all important.

Me: Reschedule them.

Mzi: Mr Ronalds will be a 3rd Reschedule. They was silence.

Somila: His going to be here for every single meeting even if I have to drag him here myself. Mzi looked at her confused. I get it iv been with him for 8 years and he has never seen a woman in my office apart family.

Me: Mzi meet Somila Mba and Mila this is Mzi my assistant. Somila walked to him and shocked his shocked hands as he looked her through.

Mzi: Am sorry I know everyone in the Mba family and iv never been graced by such beauty. I looked at my gay assistant with a raised eyebrow. I cleared my throat and they both looked at me with Somila blushing.

Me: That my wife Mzi. He looked at me with such horror and his eye almost bulging out.

Mzi: wiiiiiii.... wiiiife??? How? Sir iv been with you for years never have I heard you talk about wives or marriage. Hell I

didn't know you were dating until it was all over the pre..... he clapped his hand over his mouth and looked at Somila.

Mzi: Am so sorry.... he quickly turned and left to his desk.

Somila: I thought we were going to stick to engagement? She asked smiling.

Me: he was flirting with you.

Somila: His gay. She tried not laughing

Me: Bisexual he says. She laughed the rich and throaty laugh.

Somila: Jealousy doesn't suite you. She laughed and I moved closer to her while she was laughing and I stopped in front of her and she looked at me and stopped laughing.

Me: Your eyes Twinkle when you laugh. That made her blush and I bent and gave her a kiss. When my lips touched hers I felt electric flares from the bottom of my soles shoot up my body. She melted in my embrace and I brought her closer to me and deepen the kiss and just than someone clears they throat at my back and I stopped as she hid her face in my shoulder for a minute than I turned and saw the shock of my life staring right at me.....



Insert 12:

Nthando

I watched them break the wall apart into pieces and a big wall safe came into view and i stood there as they did everything in they power to break it open but nothing happen.

Demolishers: I think it safe to say that you need to call in experts cause this thing is pure steal. No matter what we do it wont give in.

Me: its a fucken small box. I Screamed losing my cool. Everyone looked at me with so much pity in they eyes than I walked to the safe and picked it up and left the office. What the fuck is Langa hiding in this safe. I will find out one way or another.

Me: fuck you Langa for making me work for my richness.

Somila

I watched luniko face change from shock to anger and i felt his body tense up and he put his hands in his pockets. Iv learnt that he does this when he is bracing himself for the worse. I looked at this beautiful woman by the door, she slowly walked in and smiled a nervous smile and looked at me from head to toe than disregarded me and looked straight at Luniko.

Luniko

I remembered everything that Boitumelo made me go through and how I vowed I'll never let anyone close to me until Somila came by. It's been 10 years and here we are standing in the same room he broke my heart and left for Nigeria with her man. I kept quiet waiting for her.

Boitumelo: hi

Me: hi

Boitumelo: Ke hloka thuso ea hau( I need your help) I smiled. So she going to speak in Sesotho thinking Somila don't know it since she kind of look more white than coloured.

Me: Now tell me why would I do that after all that you have done to me?

Boitumelo: ntse nka u nyala haeba u batla. ke masoabi hore ke ne ke le sieo ha u ne u ntse u hloka nna empa ke mona( i can still marry you if you want. Am sorry I wasn't there when you needed me but am here now). I heard Somila take a deep breath. I turned and looked at her and I saw her eyes glassy.

Somila: Ill go home in the meantime, I see you have a lot of unfinished business here.

Me: The only person leaving is her. I turned and looked at Boitumelo.

“ I really don’t know what made you think you can walk back here and still crawl into my life like nothing happen. You disturbed a moment for me. A moment you robbed me for a past decade.” I buzzed in Mzi and he walked in so confused.

Me: Mzi kindly escort her out of the building. I don’t want to see her here ever again.

Mzi: sure. He showed her out and I looked at Somila.

Me: Sometimes when the future looks so bright they tend to be a past that always come knocking to threaten the present. Am all yours no one else but you. She smiled shyly and I smiled back at her.

Me: let me pack up and I can show you your new home.

Mzi

I walked the lady to the door and she was wuiet not resisting anything when we got to the reception she slowly placed her hand on her mouth than took the pen and paper. And scribbled something than she walked out I took the paper. And it wrote: “you in danger Lu” i read it and it clicked and I ran up to the elevator and got there to find the boss laughing at something and I stopped. In all my years that iv worked here iv never seen him so calm

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relaxed and mostly looking at someone the way his looking at her right now. I cleared my throat and he looked up from detangling his laptop wires.

Boss: Is she gone

Me: yes boss

Boss: Cool than you can go home, i wont be needing anything

Me: she left a note

Boss: throw it.

Me: but.... he looked at me the way he does when he is done with the matter.

Me: Goodnight

Boss: night. I walked out to my desk and I looked at the note and I turned to find Mrs Mba looking at me with the warmest smile.

Her: Why you look so worried, if you dont mind me asking

Me: Am not ma'am

Her: Somila is fine. I looked at her warming smile and I gave her the note and she read it over and over.

Somila: This worries you

Me: Given his history, yes it does.

Somila: Ill make sure he takes this thread seriously than

Me: Thank you. She stood there and looked at me as if she is reading my soul.

Somila: Ask. How does she do it.

Me: You really are his wife? I clasped my mouth in shock. “ it just that iv been here for 8 years and not once have I heard his married and trust me no one gossip like these people and not once did they mention his wife the only family member we know is luthando the rest we read about in newspapers.” She kept quiet after my rambling and I felt like I offended her. I panicked and just than the boss walked out.

Luniko: Sorry about that call we can go.

Somila: Right behind you. He looked at her than me than nodded and walked to the elevator snd waited.

Somila: I owe you lunch. When you free tell me ill bring some and we can talk. You seem to know my husband more than I and that will help in this journey. She scribbled down her number. “ that my number. Text me when you free” she smiled and waved as she walked to the elevator. I stood there looking at her with a smile. I like this woman a lot and she is exactly what that lonely soul needs.....

Insert 13:

Somila

I sat on the carpet after he showed me his beautiful house. He came with the Chinese food and some wine and sat down opposite me. I sat on the floor because the couch looked to expensive to dirty. He smiled and help dish out and I notice he had a wedding band on now that matched my ring and I must say that made me smile.

Luniko: you have a beautiful smile

Me: thank you. We ate in silence than he poured us some wine.

Luniko: ask me anything

Me: tell me more about yourself.

Luniko: Oh what there to tell. Am the only boy at home. I have four sisters two older than me and two younger than me. Dad had another family and he had a son old than me. He stays in Johannesburg. My dad and I weren't really close due to how he treated my mother but in all am just me.

Me: No one have asked you this neh? He laughed and took a sip of wine.

Luniko: Nah iv never really dated woman who wanted to sit down and know about me.

Me: What Boitumelo story. He looked at his glass and than sipped it. After a while he looked at me.

Luniko: What did you and Mzi talk about?. I guess his not ready to talk about that yet.

Me: Lunch date. Figured since he knows you best it will be cool to hook up with him and get a low down on you.

Luniko: but you can always ask me anything and ill answer. He looked at me.

Me: I just did a few minutes ago and you didn't. He sighed and shifted uncomfortably than looked at me.

Luniko: I meet Tumelo when I was on a business trip to Johannesburg and to meet my brother for the first time. She was a prostituted that throw herself on my bonnet at a robot. She was 19 I told her am not interested but she insisted so I just took little cash I had and threw it at her and drove off. Following day I was buying coffee than a girl with a bunch of girls were chilling and they was this one girl who kept looking at me oddly. So I walked up to her and asked if she knew me all she said was thank you for saving my life and that confused me.. I looked at him shocked that the beautiful Boitumelo was one a sex worker.

Luniko: I went into my car and when I was about to leave I felt a bang and I looked up to see her the same way she threw herself

at my car the night before and it all made sense. Long story short I took her in and did everything for her. I helped her go to school and helped her get a job. Did everything and anything for her. A time came when I needed her to help me instead she did worse and I haven't let anyone in ever since.

Me:What did she mean when she said she could say yes for marriage? He breathed heavily and brushed his face in frustration.

Luniko: I need funds to start this brunch and I went to ask my dad for it. I got there he told me in return he wants me to marry and get him grandchildren. I told him I don't have anyone in mind right now but when the time is right I will. He said he can't help without me granting him this wish. He wishes to see me married. I went home asked Boitumelo to pretend that we married. We were already good friends so what a little pretending got to do until i get the funds. I took her to my office explained my whole dream to her and what I want to archive. I was already madly in love with her and she lead me on with no shame or intent of returning the feeling. My dad came by and found me with her and he looked at her with so much disgust that at that point its never clicked on me but now it does. All along iv been chasing after her and wanting her to be mine she has already set her self up at being my father side



dish. The day I confronted her about it. A lot of things were sad and let just say my heart was broken. I looked at him confused.

Me: Why did you ask me to marry you when you have been through so much? He laughed a little.

Luniko: There is this light about you that radiate tranquility and peace and I need that in my life. I smiled shyly. We were silent for awhile.

Me: she left a note that you in danger.

Luniko: Yeah I know. I looked at him shocked.

Me: how?

Luniko: Am one of the richest man in africa. My father owned millions in companies and he just died 6 months ago and left that all to me and his other son. His other son died 3 days after my father death he was gunned down by lord knows who and he left everything to me. Now tell me who wouldn't want a piece of a billionaire. I sat there shocked and surprised and am sure it showed on my face cause he laughed.

Me: You a billionaire?

Luniko: yes We are. I looked at him for a few seconds than touched my heart as it was beating to fast. Lord what did you bring me into?

Boitumelo

He was punching and kicking but avoiding my face. At this point I was done crying and screaming. My whole body was aching and it was in pain. He ripped my dress open and turned me upside down than raped me. I didn't flinch in pain as each stroke was rougher and more painful. I just lay there and let him finish what he started. When he was done he slapped my ass and got up from the floor.

Abede: Naw get up yey.( now get up) i slowly got up as my body ached in pain. A tear slid down my cheek and I wiped it. I stood there looked at the man I thought I loved. Looked at the man who promised me the world and yet here we are. To think I left luniko for this makes my heart cringe in pain. Tears rolled down my cheeks some more and he walked closer and looked at me for awhile.

Abede: Next time ill kill you. I want you to make him fall in love with you again.

Me: How? His married Abede?

Abede: That never stopped you from being a side dish? You were his father side dish before? What going to stop you from being his? He looked at me in anger and I kept quiet.

Abede: You have a week to gain his trust and make him fall in love with you again or Ill do worse than what iv just done. He

grabbed my boob and pinched it hard making me scream in pain and he laughed.

Abede: if only you could scream this loud while I was in there. He walked out of the room as I slid down and cried my eyeballs. Lord make it stop. When will I stop suffering? Is this my punishment for stringing Luniko along all this time? Lord help me please.....

Insert 14:

Nthando

I woke up from the nightmare with Langa holding the gun and pointing it at me and his lazy smile. I walked to the bathroom and took a long shower playing the dream over and over. I got out and went to the kitchen to grab something to eat. I looked at the time 3:30am today is going to be one hell of a day and come high or low I will get into that safe.

Somewhere in Switzerland.

Doctor: hur länge har han varit uppe?( for how long his been up?)

Nurse: 2 Timmer( 2 hours) the doctor walked to his patient and looked at him smiling.

Doctor: welcome to the world of living. The patient just blinked a few times with tears rolling down his face.

Somila

I woke up to a smell of coffee. I opened my eyes to find Luniko face right in front of me as if he was watching me sleep. I shifted to give us some room.

Me: Good morning

Luniko: morning, I made you coffee to help ease a headache we had to much wine yesterday.

Me: Thank you. I took the cup and sat back and Drank the coffee.

Luniko: I was thinking of going home this week they have a get together. And I was wondering if you can come with? He smiled shyly looking at me.

Me: Why do I get a feeling that you hardly do this and it new to you?

Luniko: never took a girl home so I don't know how this goes. He walked to the huge bed and sat next to me and looked at me.

Me: well this is going to be tough

Luniko: we will sleep at the bed and breakfast and I'll make sure no one bothers you with questions or with anything really

Me: oh I can mind me but what if your family don't like me and we already married. I looked down.

Luniko: You married into the family but mostly you married me not them. No matter what you hear back home know that you are mine and I am yours. I smiled looking down as he came closer to me and kissed my forehead then rested his forehead on mine.

Luniko: I never wanted a woman the way I want you. He whispered and my body vibrated in return.

Luniko: I can't have you without yet. He kissed my forehead and got up and lord have mercy the bulge on his pants was too much so I looked away and he chuckled. I shifted as he left the room. I sat there thinking about what to do next.

Somewhere in Switzerland

I looked around and saw the white walls and just lay there not feeling anything and somehow that made the doctors uneasy this morning. I sat there as I replayed everything that happened in my life leading up to this point that I am in and I cried. I cried in pain, agony and loss....

Luniko

I watch Mzi walk into the office and give me that look.

Me: What is it?

Mzi: She is downstairs boss

Me: Who?

Mzi: Boitumelo

Me: Didn't I say that I never want her near this building ever.

Mzi: iv seen woman fake tears and Iv seen real tears and what she showed me was real.

Me: Mzi, I really don't have the time for this. I turned and looked out of the window and after a few minutes I heard the door closes.

Somila

I got out of the car as Zakes opened the door for me.

Me: Really Zakes you shouldn't have.

Zakez: Its my job

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have a lovely day. I smiled and walked into Luniko work with the food I got him. On the far end I see Mzi and a lady back as they hug.

Boitumelo

Me: You tried . I smiled at Mzi as he looked past me and I turned to see Luniko wife looking beautiful in a knee length body hugging dress and nude heels and she has no jewellery apart gold hoops and her afro looked amazing. She stopped when she saw me and pressed the elevator as Mzi ran to her.

Somila

Mzi: Boss. I tried to smile but I couldn't so I turned and gave him a solid look.

Mzi: I like you more, you have no time for pretence but I can explain.

Me: Its okay if you friends with my husband

Mzi: Its not that I need your help come. He walked us both to a board room. I placed the food on the counter and sat down and she sat far from me and Mzi stood there.

Mzi

I looked at the two beautiful woman. Damn my boss know how to pick them. Boitumelo dark and smooth and Somila fair and as bright as the sun. This is going to be a mission because I need these two woman to put their differences aside and focus on the bigger picture which is my boss safety.



Mzi: Boitumelo has something to say and I tried getting Boss man to listen to her but he ain't having it.

Luniko: And I have every right not too.... we all turned to find him standing by the door and lord he looked beyond angry.

Luniko: Calls kept going straight in and wondered where can my noisy, uncultured assistant and then it clicked he might be downstairs since there was a very evil woman looking for me little did I know that I'll find my angelic wife also sitting 5 meters away from the devil himself, Now tell me why wasn't I included in this meeting? He looked at us with his eyes spitting daggers as we all just kept quiet and looked at him in utter shock....

Insert 15:

Somewhere in Switzerland

I looked up as I heard a few footsteps and turned my head to see the doctor standing there with his clip board and 3 medical student. One dark skinned skinny girl and two boys. The doctor looked at me and smiled.

Doctor: Good Afternoon Mr Mba.

Me: Hy doc

Doctor: How are you feeling.

Me: Iv seen better days. I cant feel my body at all

Doctor: give yourself some time

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your body has been through the worst that any human body can ever come back from. Now let us do our job and check you up than Doctor Zikode here will be your run too doctor to help you visit through your time here with us. The beautiful dark skinny girl walked up with a gloom smile. She was beyond beautiful. She had long black hair tied in a neat bun. She had light blue eyes and was wearing glasses that had deep blue frames. She walked to me and touched me with her slim cold

hands. I kept quiet as she checked all my vitals. The doctor scribbled a few things than pat my shoulder and left. It was now me and Doctor Zikode.

Doctor Zikode: Am going to run a pen under your foot tell me of it tingles. Lord I never expected that smooth cool voice. She went to the end of the bed and ran a pen under my foot and I felt nothing. She did it again and looked at me and I shake my head nothing. She scribbled something in the board and adjusted my bedding.

Me: Will i ever walk again or use my hands or be able to move? I looked right into her crystal blue eyes. She looked at me for a second and shifted around.

Doctor Zikode: For now let focus on breathing and making sure our vitals are good. She smiled and left me looking at the ceiling.

Somila

I got up and was about to walk to him he raised his hand. Stopping me from coming closer.

Luniko: what did I say to you Mzi? He looked at Mzi and I saw him wimpier in his chair. There was silence in the whole room and it was so tense that a knife could slid it through. I braced myself again as he looked at us and Boitumelo looked down.

Me: Lu... he looked at me with angry eyes and I felt my heart thud. 1st day married this is what am doing getting one the wrong side of my husband.

Me: I know right now this feels like we ganging up on you or we not listening at you but if this somehow in dangers your life than Mzi was right in listening to Boitumelo it is his job to make sure his boss is always right. Now I just got here bringing you lunch and I have no idea what she has to say but I rather listen to what she has than to have what ifs later on down the road when she might have given us any insight at all. I breathed and I saw Mzi sit a little straighter and I finally gained the courage to look at Luniko and he looked at me and bewilderment. He turned and looked at Boitumelo.

Luniko: You have a minute to talk. I looked a Boitumelo and she looked at me with glassy eyes and she her whole body started shaking and she just couldn't hold it in as she cried.....

Insert 16:

Boitumelo

I looked at them as they look at with eager eyes. The best way for them to believe this is for me to show them. I slowly removed the scarf and I undid my button and turned for them to see my black blue and green body.

Me: Ever since I married Abede he has been a monster. He has prostituted me to his high flying friends. He has made me a thief and lastly has made me his punching bag if his schemes don't go according to plan. The reason we are here is You Luniko. I don't know why and what the bigger picture is but the plan is to make you fall in love with me to the point that you share your secrets and I report back to him that the plan but what he didn't know is that you are now married which was a shocker for us both. I sorted myself out and I looked at Somila and she had glassy eyes and Luniko was now standing right behind her and brushing her back in the most comforting way ever and I knew right there and than that this is a new Luniko. He loves her beyond words and not what anyone can say or do will break them apart. I made peace with it right there and than and the only thing I needed right now is someone who can help me get out of this hell whole of the marriage and they are my only option and my last. Luniko looked at me for sometime I

guess his trying to understand where I stand and if am being truthful. I looked back at his piercing eyes as difficult as that was.

Luniko: Mzi get Grace to order food for her and get Doctor Rayn to come check her thoroughly after she has eaten and book her at Pearls for a night while my wife and I go have lunch upstairs and discuss a few matters. Mzi nodded and attended to me while Luniko turned and went up with a now crying Somila.

Somila

I sat on top of luniko as he cradled me like a small child. He was rocking me back and forth as I tried to calm down. Yes I know that men can be abusive at times but to be abusive to this point is just to hard for me to grasp.

Luniko: Hey .. he kissed me and cramped my face in between his face.

Luniko: Ill never lay a hand on you. I know you never said I will but I just wanted to give you assurance that Ill never do that to you ever.

Me: I know just that its so difficult to comprehend that another human can do that to a person.

Luniko: Its happens babe, i cant explain how but it happens. I got up from him went to take a bottle of water from his mini fridge and took a gulp of the water.

Me: So now what?

Luniko: I will have my doctor take the a full report of the wounds and bruises and Ill have zakes investigate her story and tomorrow ill know what to do

Me: Am sorry I shouldn't have went behind your back

Luniko: You did what you thought was right and am okay with it

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yes I wasn't okay with it at first but now I get why you did. I slowly walked to the table and dished out the food that I got him and when done I sat down.

Luniko

We sat in silence as my mind was going wild with thoughts but I kept calm.

Me: So am calling home today to let them know we coming

Somila: Oh... I looked at her as she shifted in her chair

Me: They not that bad you know.

Somila: You they bigger brother and you family so yes they not that bad to you. I smiled as I texted Thando that I have a plus one than she immediately called.

Luthando: I thought I was imagining things she laughed.

Me: Yes you were

Luthando: And now?

Me: I figured I should indulge you. She laughed so much and I smiled my sister is the best ever and she has always made it a point to be the glue between myself and the family.

Luthando: Thank you for deciding on coming by. Mom will be so happy.

Me: see you in two days times. Just than I saw Zakes come through and he looked troubled. He looked at Somila and than me.

Me: Sis Ill speak to you soon. I hang up and looked at Somila and I knew she wasn't going anywhere. I looked at Zakes hoping he sees my signal and he picked up a phone. That the phone that I used to communicate things that I don't want to be traced back to me at all. Its just been a day of marriage I can't really throw a bomb at her telling her all the ins and outs of things that transpired for us to be here.



Me: can you please go check on Boitumelo and Mzi for me. She smiled not seeing am excusing her. She greeted Zakes and left. Zakes handed me the phone.

Somewhere in Switzerland

She shifted a bit as placed the phone properly on my ear.

Me: Hey

Luniko: Who is this?

Me: A ghost, I guess. They was pause for a while than he whispered “ Langalibalele?” I tried to laugh cause he knows how much I hate it when he calls me this. Than I heard shuffling and some happy laughter. One thing I loved about my baby brother is the way that he made sure that I was his family. Yes we hated each other at first but we later worked our differences but we worked on it. Our father tried to pitch us against each other but we managed to work it out. He has been the only person that I knew other than Thabo who had my back.

Me: Yeah, Its been awhile. I managed to whisper.

Luniko: 6months and 3 days. I buried you!!

Me: Yet here I am. I need you to look for a girl for me.

Luniko: A girl

Me: she helped remove a bullet in me. She was in the same car as me when I was ambushed. Her name is Somila James.....

Insert 17:

Somila

I walked out of the office and my phone rang and I checked to see it my father. I smiled and answered.

Me: dad

Dad: Hy muffin, are you good?

Me: Yeah am good. I looked down and played with the flower on my right

Dad: what is it Mila?

Me: I miss you

Dad: want me to come by this weekend to see you?

Me: Its okay dad, ill be fine really.

Dad: You know you can speak to me about anything right? Ill never judge.

Me: Am married. I blurted it okay and waited as they was silence.

Dad: I know. Now that shocked me to the core.

Me: What you mean you know?

Dad: your Husband spoke to me and asked for your hand which I gladly gave him.

Me: When?

Dad: before he gave you the papers he sent them to me and he came here 2 months ago and explained everything to me and I told him that you wouldn't go for a contract but he insisted you will since it solid so now what bothering you?

Me: Am shocked he did that!... I stood there amazed by the type of man I married.

Dad: Muffin?

Me: Yes

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just that I never dated before and I have no idea how to be considerate towards his ways and what he expects. I just don't know how to be a wife.

Dad: just be you, he chose you for your personality. No one learns to be a wife. He likes you for you so now just be you okay?

Me: I love you dad

Dad: I love you too and am always going to be here if it doesn't work out am here okay? Talk to me okay?

Me: I get you dad. Thanks. I love you too. We hung up and I walked to the board room and found Boitumelo sitting there.

Boitumelo

I looked up and saw Somila walk in and she sat across from me and crossed her legs in a classy way.

Me: Am sorry

Somila: For

Me: yesterday

Somila: what happened yesterday. I smiled as she was playing dumb with me.

Me: I came here thinking I can get Luniko. I knew he might have moved on but I still attempted and for that am sorry.

Somila: apology accepted. She kept quiet which made me so nervous. I finished off the lunch as the doctor came through and he did everything checking me and scribbling me as Somila sat there I guess it was for physical support.

Doctor: I need to ask a personal question

Me: okay

Doctor: were you sexually assaulted? He stopped touching my pelvis as I nodded at him. He took out swabs and I knew he will want to scrub in.

Somila: Uhm you can wait outside I can do it. She mumbled to the doctor. He looked at her and she nodded and he left. She wore gloves and looked at me like a professional. The pain I saw in her eyes a few minutes ago disappeared.

Somila: I know this isnt ideal but I need you to drop your panty and spread your legs. I did so without saying anything....

Nthando

I finally had the papers that were in a safe in Langa room. I looked at the papers and looked at all the money he moved to offshore accounts. I looked at all the encrypted codes that ill need a hacker to deal with than lastly I saw a picture of him and his brother. His baby brother smiling and him just looking at him blankly. I turned the picture and behind it was written “ my only hope 44535434” what the fuck is Langa problem. Its like I solve one mystery and get another. I banged the table and sat there in frustration as I looked at all these papers that made no sense but I knew they wouldn't be in a safe that cost half a million if they meant nothing. I took out my phone and called the guy that I usually ask to decrypt things for me.

Me: Come over to my house. I have a job for you that requires your undivided attention. I hang up and sorted them out and drop them in my bag. Hopefully this is worth it and I walked out of the room heading to my house.

Luniko

Me: Now I hope you not talking about the Somila that I have in mind. I sat on the chair.

Langa: medium height, fair, black african texture hair and crystal clear eyes. He explained my wife to the point.

Langa: She has one tiny black spot by the right eye. And she turns red when she panics. Whatever you doing right now I need you to stop and find her.

Me: Wow bafo( brother) if I didn't know better ill say you hooked? I felt my heart race as I wait for the answer. Where is my brother going with this? Is Somila the girl he spoke about before his accident? Was Somila dating him? Is that why we got no history in regards to who he has beeb with because it was him and he covers his tracks well? I waited as he was breathing properly trying to pace himself so he can talk....

Insert 18:

Luniko

Langa: Am not hooked she saved my life and gave me a place to stay without any questions. She lost her home because of me and not once did she complain. I dragged her out of her home only for her to have bullets flying all over her head and now that I have an opportunity to live I wonder if she died? Or made it. I kept quiet for awhile and sigh, that was a relief.

Me: she is an amazing person.

Langa: is?

Me: I meet her six months ago obviously without her knowledge and let just say iv been hooked ever since to the point that I married her. He coughed a couple of times and I laughed. Yeah we always joked that ill never marry but she is what I needed.

Langa: as much as nothing works from my chest down, ill kill u if u hurt her. I don't care that you my brother but if anything happens to her

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you a dead man. Oh and by the way trace this call and send me a team. I laughed at his threat.



Me: Sure.... Want me to come up?

Langa: Am your bigger brother, you can't see me like this

Me: Sure. Ill send a team asap. I hang up than sent a text to Zakes to send a team. I got up and went to go check up on Somila

Boitumelo

She finished up and gave me a look for a second than proceeded into packing.

Me: You don't have to feel sorry for me you know. I mumbled. She kept quite for awhile.

Somila: I don't. Now that took me back for awhile.

Somila: its just that, I look at you and I see a bright intelligent girl and on top of that you are beautiful. Am just failing to understand why you let it go so far? What does he has over you for you to allow him to do this to you? What is it that he gives you that you think that you wouldn't find it anywhere else if you leave him? She looked at me as if she searching deeper into my soul and I knew that I have to come clean now.

Me: I have no one.

Somila: And that allows you to have a man have his way with you to this extent?

Me: You wont understand. You have everything.

Somila: You think so or you know so? I kept quiet as I looked at the once friendly face that has now become feisty. I laughed

Me: I like you. She smiled too after awhile.

Somila: I am likeable. We both laughed and that when Luniko walked in kissed her cheek and she blushed red.

Luniko: Zakes coming to drive you to the hotel. He will stay with you just to make sure that your husband doesn't come by to throw a fit. I nodded.

Me: Thank you guys for everything.

Luniko: Hopefully this gives him the impression that you are winning if you not home right? He asked in a cold voice and that stopped my smile and I saw Somila tense up. And I looked down. She brushed my shoulder and I looked up to see her smiling. Dear lord how can a woman I wanted to destroy her marriage be so kind to me and my feelings.

Somila: I think ill go with her to make sure she settles in properly. Luniko looked at us and looked at me with piercing eyes and Somila didn't back down from the stare.

Luniko: Ill pick you up when am done here

Somila: cool. He kissed her cheek and left and she turned to look at me smiling.

Me: I don't want to start trouble

Somila: He should get over himself. Come let go.

Nthando

I sat down and read the full report I got about Luniko Mba and lord behold iv never been scared of an individual as I was of him. I sat there thinking of ways and strategies of how I will approach him and one came to mind. I called the pilot to get the Jet ready cause tonight am going to Durban and I have a business proposal for him that will be difficult for him to turn down. I want him to merge my company with his. I read his profile and I saw he has acquired good business and made them profitable. So ill pretend we merge our companies and when that is done. Ill kill him like how Iv killed everyone to be where I am. I laughed out loud as I was spinning on my chair. I truly am God favourite child. These people wont see me coming. I grinned and read more on his ethics and family values. I want to be prepared.....

Insert 19:

Lumkha Zikode

I threw myself in the small apartment that I got and looked at the ceiling. Wow!! What a day!!!. I sat there for what felt like hours and than walked to the kitchen and made noodles and added eggs and some juice. I sat on my table and had that thinking of my new patient who was bed ridden yet he exuded so much power. I thought of his beautiful face. His strong features and how his voice sounded so strong and alive yet his muscles are not co operating. I thought of how his laughter was husky and inviting. Thought of how he looks deep into your soul when he asks questions and somehow you compelled to tell him the truth. Thought of everything that he said and how much authority he had. I closed my eyes and opened them again and finished eating. I need to have a grip of myself this is a patient and am they doctor.

Langa

I woke up with a fright only to see that it morning and to find the beautiful doctor standing by my window looking outside. I kept quiet and let her be enjoying her presence in peace. After

awhile she turned and smiled and walked to my bed and helped wipe my face.

Doctor zikode: bad dream

Me: you can say that. She said nothing as she continued with her job after awhile she left leaving me yearning for her presence.

Nthando

I walked out of the car in the parking lot and got to the receptionist and greeted.

Me: B-tech industries. Nthando here to see Mr Mba. She looked at me with a smile than looked down at her computer.

Receptionist : A second sir.she punched a few things than a gay guy came through looking classy and smiled.

Him: Mzi, Mr Mba assistant am sorry sir his not in yet. Plus we don't have an appointment. I laughed a little.

Me: I know

I was hoping to catch him in now since its morning before his day gets busy.

Mzi: I hear you. Come through to his waiting area Ill let him know he has a walk in. He walked ahead of me and I followed looking at this beautiful office and I see myself in here already.

Somila

I walked out of the bathroom and froze when I saw him butt naked. He stood there looking at me as I looked at him. This is our second day married and not once has he tried to have sex with me. I smiled as I turned pink. He walked closer to me and undid my towel and I stood there naked and blushing.

Luniko: You have seen me naked its only fair I do too.

Luniko

I looked at her beautiful body. Her tiny boobs that looked lush and I could tell they could fit in my palm. Her flat tummy and the most amazing curves. Dear lord she shaved. I found myself kissing her neck and slowly living trails of kisses done her body as I touched her nipples and found she was erect. I smiled at that and just than the phone rang. I looked up to find her as red as a cherry. I smiled and walked to my phone.

Me: Mzi

Mzi: I know you took a morning off but Mr Nthando from B-tech is here.

Me: said why?

Mzi: No

Me: That one of the companies that my brother owned with his friends

Mzi: hence am calling

Me: okay ill be there in an hour

Mzi: cool Ill let him know. He hung up and I turned to see Somila not there anymore. I went to my closet took out my other phone and called langa maybe he can share why his friend is here. It rang.

Langa: bro

Me: busy?

Langa: am bed ridden remember? Have to buzz a nurse in in-order to pick up a phone.

Me: Your friend here and am not sure why?

Langa: who

Me: Nthando... I heard machines beeping and I heard shuffling and coughing and people screaming and next thing the phone disconnected, what the hell just happened?.....

Insert 20:

Luniko

I turned to find Somila dressed in an orange dress and looking amazing. I smiled as I got ready for the meeting. I walked up to her from behind as she was packing a traveling bag.

Me: what that for?

Somila: Just a few things am going to give Boitumelo since she has no clothes. I looked at her amazed by her personality.

Me: if roles were reversed she wouldn't have

Somila: You don't know that. I kissed her nose and she blushed.

Luniko: I do, let start at the office first than we will go to her

Somila: I rather go see her alone.

Me: oh okay than, come drive me to the office than you can use my car to go to her . She nodded and finished off. I walked to the drawer when she turned and took out my gun and put it behind me. I adjusted myself than walked out of the room and find Somila by the kitchen looking lost.

Somila: Am suppose to be making you breakfast

Me: You have all my life to make it up to me. We got in the car and drove to the office.



Lumkha

I ran so fast into his ward when my pager was beeping none stop to go see what happening to find a crash team already in there.

Me: vad hände? ( what happened?)

Nurse: han hade det bra och han fick ett samtal och allt var bra tills han började kollapsa( he was fine and got a call and he was okay until he started collapsing. We worked endlessly to make sure he don't crash with the nurses and doctors speaking Swedish so fast making my head spin but we eventually got a heartbeat and It was stable. He looked at me with tears in his eyes as he was breathing via the ventilation system. I stood there brushing his frail hand as my heart skipped a beat knowing his okay.

Langa

I stayed like that for what felt like hours. Nthando going to kill my baby brother and they is nothing that I can do. I need to warn him that all my brain kept saying. I kept on willing my arms to move but they couldn't. I willed my finger to move and I saw the young doctor jump. She felt it and she looked at my hands and I tried to gather all the energy in me so it can move and it moved and she jumped again. She ran out of the room

and came back with more doctors and they did so many tests and that frustrated me cause all I needed was to send a message to my baby brother.

Luniko

We got in the office parking and I looked at the yellow Maserati parked there and figure this might be from our guest. I turned to Somila.

Me: I know why you want to go alone and I get it but Tumelo ain't your friend.

Somila: I know but she needs one right now. She was raped. I looked at her as she was covered in sadness for someone I know would do anything to get the best in life.

Me: just be careful okay. I moved closer to her and kissed her senseless.

Me: If only I didn't have a walk in they are a million things I would do to you right now. She smiled shyly.

Somila: You have a life time

Me: I wouldn't mind starting now

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now I have to go see this Nthando character with a boner. She tensed up at the name and tried to smile but I could sense that something was wrong. Something was amiss.

Somila

Get a grip girl they are a million Nthando in this world, he isn't the one. Oh gosh what if he has found me and his here to finish the job. I cannot make my husband go in there. What if he found out am married and this is his way of getting his revenge. I started panicking and I saw that Luniko was looking at me strangely. I calmed my nerves and decided ill go up and see if this is the same Nthando if not than am still fine but if it is ill find a way to speak to him and let him know that I haven't told anyone about his killings and am not about to start. Oh lord help me, when am I ever going to find a little bit of peace. I really like luniko and now I have to deal with a psycho. When is this going to end.

Luniko: babe you shaking.

Me: Am fine babe, come let go up and Ill have some coffee with Mzi. I think am getting a cold. I lied. Lord am lying to my husband now. I faked a smile as he looked at me reading me and I got out of the car and slowly walked with him into his office. The close we got the more my stomach was turning and I

wished I could just turn and run. I breathed and told myself I got this.....

Insert 21:

Luniko

I watched her as she looked like she is bracing her self for the worse. I we walked in and greeted Mzi. They hugged.

Mzi: You good?

Somila: Yeah, just need water. I saw Mzi eye me than eye her and afterwards gave her water. He looked at me.

Mzi: His in the boardroom sir, ill bring him to your office. I nodded. I took her hand and we walked into the office and closes the door and dimmed it.

Me: I have no idea what it is that got into you and what happening with you. But whatever it is am here okay. She nodded and i kissed her forehead.

Me: No sit in this meeting with me than, we can talk about this okay. She was shaking as she sat down. I fixed myself as they was a knock on the door and I watched my wife stiffen and in came Mzi with a fair gentleman came through.

Somila

I sat there as I felt my body shake with so much rage. Rage for all the pain and for making me feel the way that am feeling now. He walked in with a bright smile and they shook hands and I just sat there watching them greet each other.

Luniko: pleasure to know you

Nthando: Such a privilege. The came towards the table and I gathered my strength to smile and I smiled and he looked at me with so much shock on his face and did his best to hide it from luniko but I saw him smiling.

Luniko: so what brings you here. They spoke for what seemed like hours and frankly all I wanted was to leave the room and run far away but I sat there and did my bid. After what seemed like hours.

Luniko: Ill have my team read this through

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but before you go mind telling me what business you have with my wife? I looked up quickly to see Nthando shocked and when I looked at luniko he looked dangerously calm and still. I tried to talk but no words came out of my mouth i felt my face heat up and Nthando quickly gathered himself. He looked at both of us than pressed a button that cause the room glasses to dim and the door to locked. He punched a few numbers on his desk phone and Zakes voice came up.

Zake: Boss

Luniko: stay on the line please.

Zakes: sho. He turned and looked at us his eyes smaller than iv ever seen them in the last two days.

Luniko: now, ill ask again. Where do you two know each other? I saw Nthando swallowing and I felt my palms getting sweaty.

Nthando: I thought I knew her when I walked in but I don't. That somehow made me so angry that I jumped from my chair and got on top of him. I let go of all the pain in my heart. The torments iv had the past 6 months. The loss of my patient and the fact that I had to run from my hometown to the unknown. I was punching him with all my might as he blocked every gash that i threw at him. I was crying and letting out all my frustrations. I felt strong arms grab me and I felt luniko hand all over me. I turned and cried my life out. The pain, the questions if why me and the fear. I let it all out on his shoulder as Nthando sat there looking at me with so much hate.

Luniko: now tell me that you don't know why my wife just went ballistic on you right now.

Nthando: Ill like to go

Me: You killed everyone I get close too. Is that why you here to kill him too? Why? What have I ever done to you for you to follow me all this way just to make my life a living hell. Wasn't

Bokamoso enough? Wasnt langa enough? How many more do you need to kill in order to be satisfied? . Next thing they was a bang and I closed my eyes and kept them closed for what felt like hours than I slowly opened them and looked at Nthando shock dead body with a bullet between his eyes. I closed my mouth with my hands and turned to see Luniko with a gun and the most horrific look on his face, the man in front of me is not the man that I married.....



Insert 22:

Somila

I stood there looking at him as he lowered his gun and there was a knock in the door. He pressed the button than Zakes walked in with two more guys. He walked closer to me as I slowly moved away from him.

Me: yo..... yoo... you killllllled him. I mumbled and he looked at me with a straight face as my whole body was shaking. I grabbed my bag and car keys and ran out of the office with Mzi calling after me. I got to his car with tears all over my face and closed myself in. He killed him. He really killed Nthando just like that. I sat there for what seems like hours and just cried frankly I really don't know why I was crying. All my fears just vanished just like that. There was a knock on my window and I looked at my side and I saw Luniko looking at me with his hands in his pockets. I looked at him for a second and just kept quiet.

Luniko: Roll down the window Somila. I just stared at him with tears in my eyes and had no idea if I should or not. How can a person kill a person and be so calm.

Lumkha

My phone was buzzing I walked to the window since Mr Mba was sleeping and looked at it. It was my mother.

Me: Hi. I answered looking at the beautiful view of trees outside

Mom: Hi. Iv been calling.

Me: iv been busy.

Mom: You need to come back home Lumkha.

Me: last time I checked I don't have a home anymore.

Mom: don't mind your father, we can sort this out

Me: mama, please

Mom: I miss you

Me: I miss you too mama.

Mom: I believe you.

Me: i know you do.

Mom: come home than, its been five years since we haven't seen you. You need to come home.

Me: ill think about it. They was silence for some time as she sigh and I kept quiet.

Mom: I wish I had the power to do more, I wish I could have stood my ground and support you. I wish.....

Me: mom. We are not going to go through this again please. You have apologised and iv accepted the apology. Iv moved on

really. Dad made his choice and am fine with it no need to stress yourself with this please mama.

Mom: do you need money? I laughed as I wiped a tear from my face.

Me: am fine mama really

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stop stressing.

Mom: how can I not stress when the only child that I have hates me. I know you say you dont but you haven't come home in 5 years no matter how many times I tell you that its okay for you to come home.

Me: mom. I whispered and she sighed

Mom: I love you, take care.

Me: I love you too mom. I hang up and stared out of the window and thought of the pain she might be going through. Thought of how event have been and how I wished things were different but yet here I am. I stood there for awhile than wiped my tears and turned to find Mr Mba looking at me with curiosity on my his end. I gave him a sad smile and went to check his vitals and all looked good.

Langa:My brother. He whispered as a tear dropped from the corner of his eyes. I took his phone and looked at his last called

and I called the number and it rang for so long than a voice came through.

Luniko

I looked at the phone and saw it was Langa. I looked at Somila as I took the phone out.

Voice: Hi

Me: my brother. My heart caught on my chest. I cant lose my brother again not now when Am thinking am losing my wife.

Voice: his okay, he asked me too call. I sighed in relief and took a deep breath.

Me: Is he able to take the call?

Voice: No, his in a breathing machine for now.

Me: okay, tell him that am fine. So is Somila but Nthando is no more. I listened as she relayed the message and she came back

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Voice: his smiling

Me: thank you. Now this is for you, how bad is he?

Voice: his going to be okay. He will start physio soon as his strong enough.

Me: will my presence make any difference?

Voice: its all up to him now.

Me: Thank you. Il catch up with him later. I hanged up and looked at my defeated wife. Iv never seen such undecided and tormented eyes all at the same time.

Me: Babe. I watched her through the window. She inserted the car keys and started the car. And lowered the window.

Somila: I need time out to just comprehend everything that happened. She put the car on drive and she drove out of the office and I stood there just defeated as she left me. Is she going to leave me now? Is she going to think that am a murderer? Will her mind go pass this? Where does this put us? What if she thinks that this is not what she wanted? Oh gosh what have I done? I was so angry and all I could think of was the pain he has caused her and myself. The torment this has been for both of us. I hope and pray she doesn't end us or this will be the shortest marriage in history.....

Insert 23:

Somila

The only place I could drive too was my apartment so I drove there parked and went to my place and got the keys from the flower pot and unlocked the house. I locked up after me and went to the bathroom took a long shower than came out to find a tall black man in my room standing there which each guy on his sides.

Man: No don't scream. He threw a dress at me.

Man: wear that and let go. He turned leaving me with a guy that had a scars all over his face. I quickly threw the dress over my head and wore my shoes and followed the guy out of my apartment into his car.

Luniko

After what seemed like hours and the body was moved. I proceeded into changing everything to my brother name. All that rightfully his. I got in contact with his lawyers explained his situation and came up with a solid will and dividends of assets. My last meeting ended at 5 and I undid my tie as Mzi walked in

with a tray of tea and biscuits. He placed it on my table than moved and stood there looking at me for a second.

Me: speak your mind

Mzi: Did you have to shoot him in front of her. I kept quiet.

Me: where is she?

Mzi: Your car tracker shows she is at her apartment.

Me: Ill go there now. I took my jacket as he took out keys from his pockets.

Mzi: I already got one of your other cars to come to you and also ordered flowers for you they in the car and a bottle of wine.

Me: Thank you. I made my way to the car.

Somila

We drove to Ashley beach and we got out just outside the Pearls Hotel and we went up to Boitumelo room. For a minute there I thought she set this up until we knocked in the door and she opened the door and the shock on her face. Next thing the big guy gave her on big slap and she fell on the floor. He kicked her multiple times and when he was done he told the two guys to drag her out. We walked out of the hotel with white people

looking at us. We walked all the way to the front of the hotel up until the beach.

Boitumelo: am so sorry Abede. She cried. He turned and slapped her again making her fall on the concrete. I helped her up as she whispered “ am sorry” I squeezed her hand in acknowledgment. They dragged up to the end of the bridge.

Abede: What did I say Boitumelo?

Boitumelo: if I ever cross you

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you will kill me and make sure the sharks feed off my body. He smiled the most evil smile ever.

Abede: and what did you go and do? They was silence and he grabbed my arm and Boitumelo eyes watered.

Boitumelo: am sorry.

Abede: that not what I want.

Boitumelo: i cant swim? He grinned flashing his white perfect teeth.

Abede: I know. He slapped her, kicked her multiple times while i was screaming and kicking and when her body was close to being lifeless he picked her up and threw her in the water. I was screaming my head off as i watched her struggle for a few



minutes to stay afloat but her muscle gave in and she started floating lifelessly. I cried my eyeball out as this is the second person I have watch die. He turned to me grinning.

Abede: Now that I have his most valuable let wait and see what Mr Mba Will do to gain back his wife. He grinned the type of grin that made my inside shiver....

Luniko

I got to her house than saw that the door was opened. I walked in with my heart beating fast. I checked every room and saw that she wasnt there. I started panicking and took out my phone and called Zakes.

Me: I need someone to tap into the security tapes here and I need someone to go check on Boitumelo.

Zakes: sure case boss. I hang up and got in my car and drove out to my place to go change into my track pants and hoodie just than just than a clip was sent to me and I viewed everything that happened in her apartment and the hotel. I felt my head spin and my heart beat faster. I went to the closet got my guns and got in the car and drove out to Pearls hotel to walk towards the direction that they took.....

Insert 24:

Somila

I looked at him as he smoked his cigar and the ocean wind brushed harshly over my visible skin.

Abede: Chilly? I nodded and he smiled that satisfied smile. I tried to brush my shoulders to no extend.

Abede: You and your husband think you are smart ha? He looked at me slyly and walked to stand in front of me.

Abede: I knew the moment I woke up and saw her gone that she has ran to you for help. I had her followed and had your husband followed to know what happening. Little did I know that you will leave him and go to your place which by the way I had people looking out to see if there is anyone coming there. To my surprise the prize itself came. He laughed so much. That. His head was wobbling.

Me: Am not that valuable. Iv just married him.

Abede: he married you, that makes you specially. I kept quiet cause it was pointless telling him anything else. Next thing the guy next to me fell on the floor with a bullet wound on his head than the other guy fell too with a bullet wound on his head. I screamed and jumped up and down as Abede roughly grabbed

me and held me tight twisting my arm as he brought me closer to him. He pointed a gun to my head and we stood like that with his breathing hard in my ear and I could feel my heart beating so fast in my ears. The sea breeze was getting stronger as we stood there with Abede looking left and right. On the far end of the bridge i slowly saw movement becoming clearer as it moved towards us. I kept so quiet trying my best not to faint. In 1 day iv managed to make my husband kill 3 people. When am I ever going to find peace?

Luniko

I slowly walked towards them after gunning down the two guys. My heart was racing as i made my way towards them. The closer I got the more I got affirmation that Boitumelo is dead. I saw the silver end of the gun pointed at her head and I knew that if I wanted him dead I have to be fast. I stood a few feet from them.

Luniko: You got my attention, but you would have if you have just walked in my office to see me. He laughed nervously and shifted the gun.

Abede: I like being dramatic

Luniko: I can see, so now that we are here what will you like from me?

Abede

I looked at his calm posture and that made me a whole lot more uncomfortable.

Me: Half of your company would be nice but I want your underground routes. He smiled shyly.

Luniko: Funny you mention those when you in the position that you in right now. I looked at him confused.

Me: what condition?

Luniko: where you only have two choices. 1 you let my wife go and I let you go in peace with the routes you want or 2 you apologise to my wife and we forget that any of this has ever happened. Now what is it. I looked at his confidence and looked at his hands he had no gun and that got me super nervous.

Me: apologise?

Luniko: for stressing her

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for taking her from her home and bringing her here on a chilly day and for making her witness all this mess and on top of that for all the drama you and Your wife caused. He moved his hand up and made 3 fingers up in the air.

Luniko: You have 3 seconds....

Somila

I watched him and I saw that same look he had when he killed nthando and I closed my eyes as his finger moved to two and Abede shifted and next I felt some sticky watery stuff on my left side and his grip loosen and I shivered knowing that he is also dead. I stood there for what felt like hours as i felt luniko come closer and embrace me in his arms. We stood there as he hugged me and protecting me from the view of a dead Abede. He wiped the blood from the side of my face.

Me: you killed 3 people

Luniko: Ill kill more if more were to come near you.

Me: you killed 3 people now four because of me.

Luniko: no I killed 4 people because they wanted something that beyond they reach and they used you as a stepping stone. I kept quiet as I snuggled closer into him. We stood there as the waves got stronger and so were the currents. He shifted my head and looked right into my eyes.

Luniko: You are my life, my beginning and end. Ill kill for you, ill kill to protect you and Ill do everything and anything to make sure you are okay. Nothing and no one will ever come between

you and I. You need to get that. I looked at him breathing and thinking of all of today accounts leading up to here. Somehow that hasn't stopped me from loving him or has changed my feeling towards him and I knew right there and than that he is everything that I need and ever wanted.....

Finale

5 years later

Somila

I woke up to a room filled of flowers and a tray next to me with coffee. I took the cup of coffee and sip it and the door opened with my husband in a vest and shorts and behind him followed our daughter Somandla carrying pancakes covered in full flower head to toe. They walked in and gave me the breakfast and he gave me the gift bag.

Somandla: Happy mothers day mama. She smiled at me as I side hugged her and gave her a kiss.

Me: Thank you baby.

Luniko: Happy mothers day babe. He kissed my forehead and gave me the gift bag and smiled. I took it and smiled. We ate laughing and talking and just enjoying our Saturday morning with Luniko of cause spoiling me all the way....

Langa

I got up and stretched and looked besides me to find Lumkha sleeping next to me. I looked at her while she sleeping and gosh she looked so peaceful. After a few minutes she looked at me right into my eyes as she woke up.

Lumkha: You starring again?

Me: Am sorry, you really are beautiful. She got shy and covered her face with the sheets. I moved closer to her and tickled her as she laughed with her smooth voice.....

**The end....**