

A Marriage

Intro:

Graduation day are suppose to be the best day of a person life but not mines. This morning i was getting my degree in systematical development studies and now am having what was suppose to be my graduation Lunch turn into a nightmare.

Ma: Aw Mahlobo(praises)

Dad: I do everything for you my child. I want you to be secured. One day ill lose my life and i want to know that my only daughter is safe.

Lifa: But marrying her off is not right!!!

Dad: Am not marrying her off son, am simply taking care of her.

Lufono: By marring her to the highest bidder?

I could see my dad getting frustrated but i said nothing. Yes he just dropped a boom that he is accepting an invite for my marriage tomorrow. Yet i know for a fact that am single after i found my ex with a hoe. So this marriage is too much.

Dad: Imari?

Me: papa

Dad: You know i love you with all my heart.

Me: I know

Dad: And ill never do anything to hurt nor harm you

Me: I know

Dad: This marriage will be beneficial to you. Trust me okay.

Me: can i be excused?

Everyone was silent. My brothers always fought my fights from when i was young to date as they were doing now.

Dad nodded and mom tried to get up.

Me: Am okay mama. I want to be alone. She nodded and i left the lounge walked to my door closed the door and sat down on my door breathing.

My name is Imari Mahlobo. A 22 year old that have just graduated. I come from a loving yet strict family of 5. My mom a doctor and my dad a business man. My two brothers Lifa and Lufono big chattered accounts that have they own family firm going. My dad the rock of the family smart, kind yet bossy. I love him to bits but sometimes his too much. This is my story, how a marriage was arranged the day of my graduation and how i had to adapt into a life of a married woman at a young age. Hope you enjoy!!!

Insert 1:

I landed from a business trip from London to find my room empty in this empty mansion. I walked back and bumped into the helper and looked at her. Me: My room?

Her: Was cleaned out sir

Me: Why?

Her: Orders were that you moved!!!

I looked at her shocked because i really don't remember moving.

Me: moved where?

Her: 3rd floor, left wing!!!

I looked at her. That the only wing in the house that like literally a house in a house. It was a 3 bedroom open space house with a lounge, sitting, dinning and a huge balcony that looks out to the perfect view of our garden. There was a huge study room too which iv been using as my office since forever. An indoor pool and jacuzzi and it had like a secret gym room which iv been using since i could talk.

Me: Who moved me there?

Her: your father!

I kept quiet for a second not understanding.

Me: Why? She shrugged and i nodded walking to the elevator pressed in the code to that part of the mansion where i was blown away. The place was decorated with the finest furniture and looked like a piece from a magazine. To say i wasn't shocked at its state is beyond words. I tried to call my dad and i went on voicemail which never happens!!

Imari

Talk about a long day where the family of the most elite that iv ever seen in my life come here and dined with us. My lobola was paid in full not a cent short and I was there. Throughout the whole ordeal I never said a word. I kept quiet and let my dad do his business. I was packing when Lufono walked in with Lifa. My brothers are my everything and I know i mean the world to them.

Lifa: This is fucked up

Me: You getting angry again

Lufoni: You 22

Me: I know that

Lifa: You are above 18, you can say no

Me: When have i ever said no to dad

Lifa: Come on. You the most smartest intelligent woman that i know.

Me: Come on

Lifa: you don't need this.

Me: But i need my father in my life if getting married brings peace to his soul than ill do it

Lufono: That bloody absurd!!!

Me: What the worse that could happen?

They looked at me defeated and i finished up. Lifa: We told them we will drive you I laughed at my over protective brothers Me: Cool with me.

They looked at me as i gave them the calm me while inside i was freaking out. Here i was officially lobolad signed papers to register the marriage and an legit wearing a ring that my mother in law gave me.

Lifa: Maybe his an old ugly man!!!

I laughed

Lufono: You laughing

Me: I cant cry forever!

I took my tiny bear that my brother Lifa gave me when I left home for varsity 4 years ago. I sighed and took a deep breath looking at my room. I can't believe I didn't fight dad on this!!! Why???... Back at the mansion

After two hours of being home alone everyone walked in looking classy as if they just attended an elite meeting. Mom had her hair in a bun and a long evening gown. Red silk the kind you wear to a gala.

Me: You all poosh up

There was silence. I watched 4 of my brothers and my mom do all they could not to look at me.

Dad: Is dinner ready?

I looked at my dad and looked at my brothers.

Mom: How was the London trip?

Me: What going on?

There was silence. I looked at my youngest brother who is doing his matric this year. He never really leaves me out on things. Ngcini: She is going to be here in an hours so... everyone looked at him silencing him. ... who??

Insert 2:

Ngcini

He looked at me. My brother is the oldest of us all and the smartest but i guess this time around dad out smart him.

Me: Well we were in Vaal?

Dad: would you shut the fuck up!!!

I grinned and took an apple because the only way am shutting up is if am stuffing my face.

Dad:Mphendulo

My brother looked at him as calm as a cucumber lord he looks so scary.

Mphendulo

I knew something was up and my mom silence made it worse.

Dad: We were out to the Mahlobo family

Me: are they suppose to be people i know?

Dad: Kinda.

We all walked to a set table where the helpers were placing everything on the table.

Me: So why the silence Mveleli?

His my second youngest that just graduated from varsity.

Mveleli: Aw bafo ngithini?(what am I to say?)

I saw that dad was dragging this as the door bell rang and it was opened.

Imari

Lifa: Ill walk you in myself. They legit walked me in this huge mansion that looked remarkable. The helpers took my bag and one showed us to the lounge where the family looked like they got here a few minutes ago. There was that awkward silence

Mr Hlatshwayo: You came?

He grinned and his wife face light up as she came and hug me.

Okay that weird, they did say am going home with them right?

Mr Hlatshwayo: You already meet my four boys Muziwonke,Mphanga, Mveleli, and the talkative Ngcini. He pointed to the guys i saw in the negotiations and later learnt they not my intended and there he stood. In a black Nike track pants and a white top with a small Nike tick. This guy was a definition of handsome. He was tough looking with muscles. Tall but not too tall. Dark but not to dark and looked like the Trey songs vibe of a guy. His lips, lord Jesus his lips were beyond words. I looked at him and he looked right at me with his eyes piercing towards me. I felt my insides turn into marshmallows but i controlled myself.

Mr Hlatshwayo: My oldest Mphendulo. Mphendulo this is Imari.... he continued to look right at me with his light brown eyes as they undressed me. Yes he was undressing me in a room full of people and i licked my lips. They were so dry all of a sudden that i licked them.

Mphendulo

Iv been with so many woman in my life. Fucked a lot of people too and literally have woman throw themselves at me every fucken day but in all my 35 years iv never, ever felt this way about a woman that i just literally meet. Even my current girlfriend she has never given me this reaction am having towards this beautiful dark lady. She was fully brown, yabona the Zulu girl brown. (you see the Zulu girl brown)The umaplazana brown.(village girl) yep that her. Not an ounce of make up. Just vaseline on her lips. She had on a black dress on. Had sandals and had goldish brown braids on her. Now this woman was not thin, not fat but perfect hips, boobs and ifigure. Yrrr thank God am wearing track pants or else....

Imari

Mr Hlatshwayo: well she going to be staying with us while she prepares for your wedding. As cold and calm as a cucumber his voice rang in the house icily

Mphendulo: I don't remember proposing to anyone dad!!!

He was still looking at me and i was looking at him.

Mphendulo

In all my life iv always told myself that ill never get married. Am a type that doesn't get married, the work that i do and my character is not for marriage. Am not about to let this little girl be tortured for the rest of her life. I walked closer to her as if she was the only person in this whole room. I could feel her breath on me, smell the spicy herbs around her with that feminine dash.

Me: How old are you

She blinked

Imari: 22

Me: Mveleli is 22, why didn't you marry her to him.

I still had my eyes on her but i could feel my little brother jumping and screaming no no no!!!

Dad: She is your wife.

Voice: You cant be shifting my sister around.

I turned and looked at the two guys that looked ready to fight me.

Me: Take her home with you, am not about to get married to a 22 year old that i know nothing about and on top of that i have a girlfriend!!! I turned leaving all off them there while dad was screaming his head off. I got in my car and drove to Lungi apartment. Since i have a key i let myself in and found her cooking in her work skirt. She grinned seeing me but i seriously didn't want to talk so i just pinned her to the fridge up-her skirt snatched her underwear out of the way. Undid my pants and went into her hard and strong. She took it all in and gave me pleasure as she moaned my name out. When i was about to come i came out of her and went to the bin and emptied my seeds there. She looked at me confused because ever since she was on the pill, i always came in on her.

Lungi: Hi

Me: Hi

I took a paper towel wiped myself and closed the bin.

Lungile: Am still on the pill MPhe!!

Me: I know

Lungile: The pulling out?

Me: Am not here for this.

Lungi: what going on? Its amazing how well she knows me at times.

Me: You ask to many questions.

Lungi: Am your girlfriend.

Me: you my restaurant manager

Lungi: and my boyfriend for the past 4 years

Me: are we in an interrogation room

Lungi: You not in one but you acting strange.

I took my keys and was about to walk out she placed her small manicured hand on my chest and looked at me.

Lungile: you worrying me

Me: Am sorry

Lungile: You being strange

Me: Am always strange!

Lungile: spend the night, i haven't seen you in a week!

Me: I can't

She moved and i know she was hurt. She went to the stove and stir the pots.

Me: I can stay for dinner!

She turned smiling as i sat by the high chair and watched her cook. Lungile has been a rare gem. Iv been with her for 4 full years, yes i played around here and there but she never knew and had always been my stable girl and now a 22 year old is my wife!!! Lord have mercy!!!..

Imari

After he left my brothers lost it were ready to take me home but i looked at them shaking my head no. I really don't know why but I always told myself my first marriage will be my first and last. I sat down and enjoyed the meal with them ,the brothers doing they best to make me comfortable. When dinner was done my brothers left after they nagged a million times but i stayed. I had Mrs Hlatshwayo walk me to where am spending the rest of my life.

Mrs Hlatshwayo: Thank you

Me: For?

Mrs Hlatshwayo: Staying

I smiled at her as we got out of the elevator

Mrs Hlatshwayo: This part of the house is strictly yours. You can design it how ever. We got in the house at the side table she picked up a file with a packet saying welcome home. In that file is the floor plan of our home, all you need to know about. Mphendulo and she took out a card. Mrs Hlatshwayo: that your card it's unlimited and of cause you have access to the garage anytime and any car you wish. The keys are in there. I nodded and she smiled and turned

Mrs Hlatshwayo: call me Joyce okay

I smiled at her as she smiled back and left. Holy shit this is truly a business deal!!! I threw the book in the bin, took the card and walked in the most beautiful house iv ever seen!!!...

Insert4:

Lungile

I woke up to an empty bed and i walked to the kitchen to find him making coffee all dressed up in his clothes that he left here before.

Me: You leaving

Mphendulo: Yes

I kept quiet, he was really distant and I looked at him for sometime. Last night he made love to me so many times and all the time he came in the bathroom. Its hurt so much but i kept quiet.

Me: You not staying for breakfast? He raised a cup of coffee and i nodded and just left him there. Am not about to break my head with his moods after some time the door closed and i knew he was gone. I walked to the bathroom and took a shower.

Mphendulo

I got home to find it a buzz than went to my part of the house where i found my wife Imari standing by the coffee machine waiting for it to finish her cup. She finished and turned to see me there. She had on a baggy top and black shorts no bra and braids everywhere. She looked exotic without even trying.

Me: Hi

Imari: Hi

She sipped her coffee and looked at me.

Me: Slept well?

Imari: Yes

Now am the one feeling awkward in my own space. I nodded and left her there going to my office where i started work.

Imari

Iv always been an introvert. So him being silence worked on my part. I walked back to the bedroom made the bed where i slept took a shower and walked out in a towel and found him standing by the bed looking at my clothes especially the lingerie. The thing is I was a lingerie freak. I loved it so much that i were it almost daily. My take is if you sexy for yourself you feel sexy throughout the day

Mphendulo: going out?

Me: Yes

He touched the thong that had chains at the back and lifted it up.

I walked closer to it and took my oils.

Mphendulo: Mind sharing where exactly you going ?

Me: Are you going to share where you went last night?

He literally grinned and it was the first time i saw him smile and it looked good on him. Made him soften. I went to my dresser dropped my towel and lotion. I know he was watching and I didn't really care, he is my husband. When done i wore my lace bra and walked to him while he still had my thong in his hands and took it and wore it. Than took the dress i placed on the bed and put it on and wore my sandal. Went to the mirror styled my braids and all he did was just stand there look at me.

Mphendulo: Am still not marrying you

I turned and looked at him.

Me: I know, you have a girlfriend. I walked out of the room leaving him there as i went to the garage. I know my dad is doing this for me so ill use it to the best of my advantage. Firstly am going to get independent. Yes his my husband and they loaded but ill invest on myself. Secondly ill get myself a job and all the money from there ill invest it in offshore accounts that i have. The perks of being IT. Than lastly, i will not be attached, yes his sexy and lord he makes me horny but no sex. I will not give him my cookie not while he made it clear he has a girlfriend. So ill live my life and let my house mate lives his. I got to the garage and there was a guy there. He came closer to me and i greeted.

Him: Mrs Hlatshwayo

Funny how everyone was aware of who I am but the man i married.

Me: I want a car for a day

Him: Look around. I thanked him and stood next to a Blackish metallic Audi R8. Its a two doors so the min i saw it i loved it. I stood there looking at it.

Him: No one drives that car apart Mr Mphendulo!

I grinned and looked at him.

Me: And now me. He was literally shaking, i really don't know where i got my bravery from but here i was asking him to give me the keys which he did. I smiled in excitement as i pressed the button to open the door which it did and i got in lowered the window. All my life iv been driving dad Q5 and now am in an R8... watch my friends freak as i started it and it roared to life just as Muziwonke the oldest walked to me grinning.

Me: Morning

Muziwonke: out of all the cars, you pick his custom made R8

Me: Your mom said any car bhuti

Muziwonke: apart that car.

Me: enjoy your day. He grinned and I drove out. Lord the machine roared to life and i grinned my ass out going to "The foodie Palace" restaurant. I parked as literally everyone looked at me as i got out locked it and saw my two best friends Lindi and Motshe by the table looking at me as if am crazy. Motshe: we graduated yesterday wena wavuka nge R8 chomz!!! Trust my gay bestie to exaggerate!!!

Lindi: won lotto??

Me: Nope.

Motshe: Then???

I placed the hand with a ring on my finger and lord they screamed.

Lungile

I walked in to work to find Mphendulo car by the customers parking and a table of two girls and a guy screaming they head off so early in the morning. I greeted the stuff smiling because i know he usually waits for me in my office if he comes here giving me a quickie first before we get to business!!!... Insert 5

Mphendulo

My phone rang and i saw it Lungile i really don't want to talk about why am strange. I let it ring than she calls again, she never calls twice so i answered.

Lungile: where you?

Me: home

Lungile: Your car is here

I laughed because no one drives my car apart me.

Me: No one drives my car apart me

Lungile: i know.

I got up from my chair and walked to the surveillance camera and watched back watching everyone leave one by one. And than there she was grinning in my car and driving off.

"Shit!!!"

Lungile: You okay?

Me: Yeah, thanks for the heads up. Its cool

Lungile: okay. I miss you

Me: Ill see you later. I could hear the smile on her face as she said her goodbye. Holy shit did varsity girl just drive my car. I got out of the office fo my dads office where he was grinning.

Me: what funny

Dad: i guess you noticed your car is missing

Me: and that makes you happy?

Dad: very!!!...

Lungile

Leaving the office i saw that everyone was looking at me weird but i did my job and went back to the office. Maybe one of his brothers used his car so it cool. But something kept nagging at me and i sat in front of the computer and watch as a beautiful girl with flawless skin get out and walk in to the table that was screaming. I felt panic and i kept quiet maybe its the same car not his. I checked his number plate and a simple "Answer GP" confirmed. His not cheating, he cant cheat on me but he was weird izolo.

Imari

Lindi: holy shit chommie

Motshe: you rich people blow my mind away... wavuma nawe(you agreed?) Me: his my father

Lindi: who just married you off just like that

Me: because he wanted me taken care off. I sip the juice and smiled at my friends

Motshe: ay suka you say yes to a lot of crap that old man puts you through.

Me: come on Tsala yakha(my friend)

Motshe: so tell us more.

Me: nothing, you two are my bride maids and you helping me sort out a traditional wedding with a white wedding the next day and umabo. So friday ngiyabesa... Saturday ill do a small get together of families and Sunday ngino mabo kubo that where we gift his family. I took out a card and they went crazy.

Motshe: black card???

Me: yep that what you get when you a yes man!!! They laughed as a woman walked to our table. She looked beautiful in her black and white pants and white top. A tag saying Manager under her name Lungile popped up. She was cute and on fleek with her long ass weave, an ass to die for and a face beat to kill.

Lungile: hope you guys are good? She smiled and i smiled back at her.

Motshe: Amazingly well, i know you guys sell alcohol after ten but can we have some champopo for my girl here?

Lungile: We have none alcoholic for now

Lindi: bring it on girl... my girl here is getting married!!!

I grinned as I saw my friends happy for me and the manager nodded.

Me: please don't mind them they too loud

Lungile: its okay, congratulations. I couldn't help but notice your ride.

I laughed

Me: something to piss off my husband, lol i hear its his baby. Just like that she fainted and everyone rushed to help her as we walked her to the office away from people where they placed her on the couch. I got some ice placed on her forehead as she came through and i looked at her as she blushed embarrassed.

Me: you fainted.

I looked at her and she looked away wiping a tear.

Me: here drink this. I gave her a sip of water and she took it mumbling thank you as i looked at the picture on the office wall where the whole staff was taking a picture and my husband on the far end looking grim as if irritated with the small caption owner at the bottom.

Motshe: you scared us!!!

Me: i see why you fainted. I pointed to his picture and she looked at me wiping a tear. Lungile: Its not what you think.

I grinned at her moving away from her.

Me: i hope you get better.

Motshe: what up chommie?

I was so not about to tell my friends that iv just meet the girlfriend of my husband. One day married and he has a girl. I smiled at her.

Me: thanks for the meal. Put it on his tab. I ushered them out and walked out with the whole staff looking at me and i got to the door saw Muziwonke walking in.

Muziwonke: Sisi

Me: Bafo!!!

I was so not going to indulge in whatever he had to say so i walked away with my girls.

Lindi: and that hunk???

Me: my brother in law.

Motshe: something is amiss la

Me: you over think things... let go dress shopping first and let see what i find first than we can worry about the rest.

Lindi: i have an interview guys. Didn't know we having a fun day!!!

Me: come here for a good luck hug and go kick they ass. We hugged her and Motshe took his bag in her car came in my car and sat while i started the car and it roared to life. He was silent making me nervous and the minute I parked in Sandton city he looked at me. I have no idea what got to me but i cried. I cried my eye balls out and he consoled me when done he grinned.

Motshe: it could have been worse

I looked at him confused

Motshe: we could be crying etaxini chommie!!! I laughed at him wiping my tears. Trust him to make me feel better!!!...

Insert 6:

Motshe

Imari is definition of her name faithful and loyal. I couldn't have asked for a better friend. She is my all. When i first found out i was gay and told her she laughed told me she thought i knew!!!

Me: so what eating at you?

Imari: he has a girlfriend and i think we just meet her!!!

Me: holy fuck!!!

Imari: yeah!!!

Me: uphila ireality tv yazi(you live a reality show)

Imari: i know

Me: do you want my advise?

She looked at me wiping her face.

Me: be you!!! You one hell of a remarkable woman so just b you!!! She grinned and we got out of the car and lord did we shop!!!.

Lungile

Muziwonke walked in and i wiped my tears and got up giving him his package that he usually uses the restaurant to deliver.

Muzi: you good?

I nodded and he stood there looking at me for sometime.

Muzi: want some advice?

I looked at him.

Muzi: leave him, married man never leave they wives!!!

Me: i was here first.

Muzi: doesn't matter. They never leave

Me: he doesn't love her, he loves me. I choked out the words and he looked at me for sometime.

Muzi: and yet she is driving his car. Ngcini took that car once and he landed in hospital. His own blood. She takes it out for a spin and what has happened?

There was silence.

Muzi: nothing!!! If you want to have some sort of peace, leave him. He took his package and left as i went on a rage breaking everything than i took my bag and keys leaving. I drove to my place and cried my eyeballs out when he walked in a little after lunch took a look at me than sat across from me and i got up and just threw punches on him as he took it all in.

Me: you used me!!!! You used me knowing very well that you will never marry me!!! I cried my eyeballs out as he let me vent and hit him and he just sat there not saying a word.

Me: how can you do this to me? How can you use me like this. What is wrong with you? Made me a laughing stock the minute she walked in that restaurant with your car. How can you do this to me Mphe??? He was silent making me angry some more. I tried to hit him hard but instead he held my hand from punching him and kissed me hard. I bite him and he roughly moved my leg but call me weak or stupid cause in that moment i allowed him to fuck me. I allowed him to fuck me hard and raw reality came crushing on me when he pulled out and came. That when i realised he saving his seeds for her. He doesn't want me pregnant because of her and that broke me all over again. Yes i cried!!! And all he did was hold me tight not saying a word as i let him hold me.

Imari

My day out with Motshe is exactly what i needed and wanted. When we were done, i left him at his place with an intention of meeting again to speak colours. I drove to my parents house and parked with my brother Lifa whistling.

Me: Its not mines

Lifa: I know but he must really care of you to let you drive his beast just like that

Me: I kinda didn't ask.

Lifa: Oh gosh.

I walked in and my mom smiled at me. She was getting ready for her night shift. 6 to 6

Me: I came to pick up a few things

Mom: i got you a sexy number

Me: thanks mom. She kissed my cheek and i got the things i want.

Lifa: you okay?

Me: yes

Lifa: You know you can call anytime right?

Me: always. He hugged me and I drove off to the mansion. I got there to find the garage full with cars like the morning. I got all my things out and the car guard called one of the helpers to help me and they did. They took my things up and i walked in the lounge just as everyone came in. We all sat down and i was surprised to see him here. Muziwonke looked at me since he knew our day and i looked at him and smiled.

Mr Hlatshwayo: i hope you all had a productive day.

Everyone said they piece and all i did was maintain my silence.

Joyce: How was your day?

Me: Productive ma

Everyone looked at me.

Mphendulo: How so?

I looked at him.

Me: I was able to find a traditional attire which make it easy for me to prepare for my traditional wedding. I saw everyone smile and Muzi look in me in amazement.

Joyce: That amazing i also shopped for izinto of your membeso today. Have you picked a date?

Me: its Wednesday so i don't mind the following weekend. I should have everything prepared!! I watched him choke on his food and he looked at me and I smiled while Muziwonke laughed.

Mr Hlatshwayo: what funny son?

Muziwonke: Thinking aloud sorry!!

Well that shifted the whole dinner conversation to our wedding and i watched him abruptly leave. I sat and ate my meal. When done i bid them good night and went to my quarter's where i took a nice long shower and wore my PJ. I walked out to find him standing there drinking and smoking a cigar. I know them because my dad smokes them. I walked to the side that opens to the balcony and opened it all out so the smoke goes out. I than walked to bed. Mphendulo: Heard you meet Lungile!!!

Me: Yep

Mphendulo: And?

Me: And what?

He looked at me.

Mphendulo: You not going to shout at me or something?

I laughed looking at him.

Me: Why should i shout at you?

He looked at me confused. I know it hurts me that he is invested to someone else and isn't adjusting like how i am.

Mphendulo: Am not breaking up with her

Me: I don't remember asking you too!!!

He looked at me and looked away so i just sat in bed took out a book that i was thinking of reading. He walked closer to me and i looked at him.

Mphendulo: You okay with me dating?

Me: Who you fuck is none of my business but i expect to see you on all 3 occasions of our

wedding. Now if you don't mind, can i read??... he looked at me for sometime than walked to the balcony and pretended to read my book while i kept whispering " don't cry, she owns him not you!!"

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Imari

Talk about a tough marriage. My husband came through the following weekend and married me traditionally and civil. Our photos were a boom and my friends were thrilled but come night time he will leave and ill know his going to her and it didn't really bother me. Honey moon came and i never expected this but he took me to Cape town for a weekend away. He had his phone off totally and indulged me in everything that we did and went out to experience when we get back to the hotel we were so exhausted that we doze off and sleep. Than we went back to Johannesburg were he disappeared for a week and i heard from whispers that he was taking his Girlfriend out in that week i found a job that am beginning to love. That when Muziwonke and Mveleli came to my office to pick me up since Mphendulo was involved in some kind of an accident. My heart was in my throat as they took me from work and we drove in a frenzy to the hospital.

Police station

The station was a frenzy after a shoot out. News were covering the whole ordeal and no one

knew what the shoot out was about. The minute we got to the scene and saw that an R8 was in flames we knew that things were about to blow up. Everyone knew that the whole of Johannesburg only one person owns that car. The Hlatshwayo boy. We all know that the Hlatshwayo are criminal lords but we have never been able to pin them on anything. Years of investigating them came to nothing and now this was an opportunity. We got on scene to find out that he was with a girl. His long time girlfriend even though he was married a month ago. Unfortunately she was dead on the scene leaving him fighting for his life in Helen Joseph.

News

We were having a time of our lives and the minute we saw Mrs Imari Hlatshwayo come out of the Merc with her brother in laws looking flawless as always we ran in at her but she kept her calm and never uttered a word. Its been 3 months now and that the only time we saw her, never seen her leave. Staff members say she never left his side, never went home and immediately resigned from the new job she started. Nurses say she takes care of her husband every needs which they never tell us what. Lungile has been laid to rest by a dignified manner thanks to his wife who took care of all the funeral arrangements giving her a spectacular tombstone. There were of cause speculation on her kindness many taking to social media that they would never do that for they husbands side no matter how rich they were.

Mphendulo

I know iv been out of it for sometime because everyday ill be hearing my wife voice. I knew she was reading some book because of her tone. I could feel her hand on mine like how iv been feeling it all these days but today it was different today i opened mu eyes and I could. The pain shot right through me and I laid there frozen by pain. Her face popped up and i saw tears in her eyes. Iv cheated on her, ignored her a million tunes and iv ill treated her all throughout our marriage and iv never seen her in tears not once. And now here I am fighting for my life and I see the same pain am feeling in her eyes. She wiped it and smiled that don't mess with me smile she always give out.

Imari: Hi.

She buzzed the doctor in and the next 3 hours was the most uncomfortable hours of my life as test were being conducted. Through the whole process she stood next to me not moving an inch with her holding my hand. I moved my finger and she looked at me smiling wiping a tear. Imari: Few more minutes okay. I closed my eyes focusing on her hand on mines...

Insert 8

Imari

Its been a tough 3 months but iv lived. Iv lived through the rumours, humiliation and talks. Iv lived. Today he woke up and by the look of things he was going to be okay. The tubes were removed and his family was excited to see him. I walked closer to him and helped him get comfortable?

Mphendulo: Where is she?

I felt my heart break into a million pieces he just woke up and all his talking about is her? What the fuck? I took deep breaths.

Muziwonke: I cant find her!!

Wait a minute if it Lungile he should know she is dead.

Me: She dead!!!

I whispered and the whole room was silent.

Mphendulo turned looking at me and i looked right back at him.

Mphendulo: I know i have a lot to explain to you. But Lungile ain't dead. That woman in the car with me was not Lungile!!!... he turned his head to look at Muziwonke

Mphendulo: Wake up the whole of fucken Jozi and find lungile!!! She has to pay for almost killing me. I froze and looked at my husband with all his body in a cast apart his face and I saw the anger in eyes. I saw how pissed she was Muziwonke was about to leave and i ran to the door closed it and looked at everyone from the Hlatshwayo family.

Me: iv been patient, been the best daughter in law and i believe in the whole process of getting to know each other iv been nothing but kind to you. Kind to everyone that iv been across. If the woman that iv just buried is not Lungile than who the fuck she was???

Mphendulo

Iv been with my wife for the past 3 months and she has never raised her voice at me or swore and lord trust me iv done and said things that a few swearing.

Me: i can explain

Imari: now!!!

Me: i was working!!!

I looked at him

Me: what you mean you been working?

Mphendulo: lungile, the relationship is all been a job. She looked at all of us and looked right back at me.

Imari: You slept with her!!

I kept quiet

Imari: told me countless times that you have a girlfriend, iv watched you humiliate me, iv watched you play happy with her. All in my presence and you telling me it was a JOB???

How???... what kind of a job makes you treat your wife the way that you have? What kind of a job has given you a right to make me a laughing stock!!!

I kept quiet and she looked at Muziwonke. I knew they share a brotherly love.

Muziwonke: I couldn't tell you sisi

Me: couldn't? Or just didn't!!! She opened the door looked at me.

Imari: You deserve an Oscar!!! She left me. She left me in hospital for a whole damn week. Left me there as my mom kept updating me that she has never left our house nor spoken to anyone. That worried me deeply but I kept quiet focused on getting better. Yeah my life is messed up hence i told my father that the life that i live is not for me to have a wife. Who and what I am doesn't allow me to have a wife. Look what iv done to varsity girl? Iv probably broke her!!....

Insert 9:

Imari

There was a knock by my room door and I kept quiet just as Mphanga walked in. His one of the brothers that usually keeps quiet. He walked in and sat by the couch and looked at me. It was a surprise seeing him here. We hardly speak and he hardly says anything.

Me: You okay?

Mphanga: you became a sister to us without us expecting it

I sorted myself out to be more comfortable.

Mphanga: We criminals

I looked at him

Mphanga: my brother is very secretive and me being here is me trying to save this marriage. You a true woman Imari. My brother knows it but his just dumb. I kept quiet.

Mphanga: Lungile was a job

Me: You fuck in your job?

Mphanga: If needed yes

That shut me up.

Mphanga: What am about to tell you is something i think you should have known from the beginning before you came here.

Mphanga: We a cartel. I know the word makes it a big thing but we are just a simple criminal family. Mom does our book keeping, dad investigates our scores and Muzi, myself and Mveleli we help where we can than your husband while he is an underdog. He moves and shifts money like crazy and that kind of entitles him to be a camomile. I looked at him confused Mphanga: All the routes here are his and that makes him vulnerable. Making him a target and that where Lungile came in.

I looked at him

Mphanga: Lungile was on an assignment. The assignment was to get close to him and sell him out but things changed on her. She fell in love and you know the rest.

Me: No I don't.

The first 2 years she was working him. Taking information giving it to her employer by the time Mphendulo found out about it. He was pissed and wanted to kill her but instead he played her. Used her to get information on our rivalry. That took time and right now he just found out that a new guy was in town and lungile knows him and she was being threatened to spy on him.

My head was spinning with all this information.

Me: You not making sense. She fainted when she saw me. She loved him.

He smiled

Mphanga: we con artist. You married the biggest gangster in the world. Top 3 in the cops list. An untouchable!!! Girls flock themselves at him everyday. Yes he fucks around but iv seen you get away with things that i know if anyone of us has to do. We will be dead!!.

Me: That doesn't erase the last 3 months

Mphanga: He cares for you sisi

Me: He left me for a whole week!!!

Mphanga: i know

Me: Slept with her married to me!!!

Mphanga: I know

Me: Flaunted her to the world in my presence!!! Mphanga: I know sisi but he was protecting you. I laughed at him

Me: What kind of a protection hurts a person so much

Mphanga: If the world knows he cares about you, than you become a liability.

Me: Than why the arranged marriage? Why marry me to someone that invested in this business

Mphanga: cause dad believes that you actually might be his saving grace.

I kept quiet looking at him.

Me: why now, why are you letting me in now?

Mphanga: You left him

I looked at him.

Mphanga: You have never left his side but today you left him. So i hope this little information iv given you helps you. Helps you to decide that if you stay, this is going to be a tough journey. Being married to the kind of man that he is, its not child play!!!

I nodded and he got up leaving me with my thoughts. I really had some serious thinking!!

Lungile

I looked at Player and i could sense he was nervous too.

Me: am a dead woman walking!!!

Player: Come on!!!

Me: I sent him out on a trap and it almost got him killed don't you think it will expose everything. Everything!!!!

I ran to vomit again due to the nerves. When done i sat down looking at players and the guy.

Me: Now what?

Players: stay here till we get our next orders

Me: Its been 3 months!!

Players: his guys are all over kasi looking for you lungile.

I got nervous and went to go vomit again. I love Mphendulo with my all and i know i shouldn't have sold him out. I shouldn't have allowed my bitter emotions to ruin us and now this!!!...

Insert 10

Mphendulo

The nurses walked in with my food and left just as Imari walked in. She had on some track pants, and my big hoody that iv seen she wears a lot. She took the food and helped me eat. When done she helped me with taking a shower and dressed me than placed me in bed.

Me: Am sorry!!

She kept quiet not saying a word as she sat by the couch relaxing back and taking out a book.

Me: You like reading?

Imari: keeps me calm

Me: Am sorry

Imari: i heard you the first time!

Me: Say something

Imari: actions... actions will tell!!!

That kept me quiet for some time.

" iv never really connected with anyone in my life, when i first meet you my whole body reacted and that bothered me. Gave me fear at first because I didn't know how to sort through my emotions. But all i knew is that your presence ain't going to mess up my plans. Its been four years worth of work and i finally found out who moves in my streams and i needed to keep that and the only was i could was to have lungile by my side. Yes i know iv said words that I can't take back. But it something i had to do.

Imari: How does this work?

I looked at her she had her book closed and i guess the only way to keep her and is tell her the truth.

Me: If I share this with you, ill have to kill you if you ever decide to leave.

She kept quiet looking at me.

Me: Well basically am a shifter and mover. Anything you require to be moved around without any hustles from the authorities i do it for you. Of cause i charge a fee. Than i help out dad in his heist business and clean the money for him. All this entitles me to be fully in. Fully aware of my surrounding and the people in the game. Everyone wants a pie in this and yet here i am for the past 10 years.

Imari: Than how can i be less of an liability and more of an asset? I looked at her. Did my wife just calmly ask me how to be part of my hustle?

Me: I don't understand!!

Imari: Am not going to justify your job and make it more acceptable but am not going make you choose between me and a job that i can see you have given your all too. So tell me how can i be less of an liability??

I kept quiet and looked at her.

Me: The only way is being my right hand man. That involves you working with me. Being by my side all the time. That means you will have to learn to shoot, learn the ins and out of the world. My world!!

Imari: I have one condition though

Me: What that?

Imari: No more girls. No matter how tough the job is or how you think your dick will solve it. Don't!!!

I looked at her and smiled.

Me: Wanna handshake on it?

She shook my hand and I looked at her, really looked at her.

Me: Am going to fix us, i promise!!!

Police station

Its been 3 months since the case has been opened and lord have mercy things haven't been the same. We been grasping at straws trying our best we sat there looking at everything we have so far on Mphendulo. Captain: What about his wife??? There was literally silence. No one knew anything about her.

Captain: She has a husband that doesn't care about her nor her feelings so how about we turn our attention to her.

The captain really had something in mind.

Captain: Special agent Lukhale

I stood up and looked at him.

Captain: You going under cover.

Me: what you mean?

Captain: Befriend her, I don't care how you manage it but i want you close to her. I want you taking notes of her each and every move. Who she talks too, how he talk to her. Everything. I want everything. Go to room 4 and have them scrub you and clean your profile. Sell yourself that when he checks for faults nothing. I mean nothing must pop up.

I nodded And left. Maybe now we might catch him. Maybe using her we might find a way in!!!

Insert 11:

Mphendulo

I spent 3 more weeks in hospital and in those 3 weeks Muziwonke tells me that Imari been jogging daily and attending kick boxing class at a gym. He walked in with a file of the regulars of the gym.

Me: anything suspicious?

Muziwonke: So far nothing. She kind of keeps to herself.

Me: Cool

Muziwonke: Remind me again why am I the one picking you up than her?

Me: I never told her am discharged

Muzi: Why? Thought you guys are starting new?

Me: lunch. Am preparing lunch for her at home. I got mom to get a chef to cook for us. I got Tia to do a little romantic decorations and ill be there to surprise her.

I watched my brother grin.

Me: what?

Muzi: usually girls fall on your lap but iv noticed that usisi ukuphathe khona!!!(she got you by the balls)

Me: i find myself thinking twice about things all the time when with her. Am not even sure if we will work yet she knows so much and i cant let her go.

Muzi: as strong as she may sound or seem do know she sensitive though. She is a woman!!!

Me: i know. Iv really did a number on her.

Muzi: Yeah you have

An idea struck on me.

Me: What has she been driving?

Muzi roared with laughter.

Muzi: She loved your car... its being that damaged did a number on her. Mphanga drives her. I kept quite and looked at Muzi.. my brother never warms up to anyone, is kind of a loner.

Muzi: Yep, best of buddies.

I took a phone and called Audi to order two of custom made R8 and this time i added bullet

proof and safety features in both cars. I got up and changed.

Imari

I sat by the coffee shop. The only way i could do this is on an open internet connection. So i took out my laptop and for the first time in my life i used my degree for fraud. I hacked into the central database of human relation where basically all your digital moves are stores. I entered her number which i got from Mphanga and first located 3 basic numbers that she usually calls which was my husband, work and the other number. So i focused on that number traced it frequent visits than i noticed that for the past 7 months its regular spot is an address in Kempton park avenue. I saved that address on my notes than checked it out to be abandon flats. I grinned this is it, this is where she is!!!...

Voice: Work must be fine for you to be smiling like that. I looked up to find a guy, handsome tall muscled up guy with a roughly cut fade, wearing denim and a golf shirt and a sparkling Rolex watch. He has a cup of coffee in his hand.

Me: just cracked a code.

He grinned sitting down and gave me his hand to shake

Him: Theo

Me: you don't look like a Theo. I touched my laptop activating the hidden camera on my apple logo to scan his full profile. And activated a central police data base even if his under cover ill know in a few hours.

Him: what do i look like?

Agent Lukhale

I watched her take a sip of her coffee and close her laptop looking at me with cool calm eyes. Imari: i don't know maybe a Sizwe or A Thabo I laughed because my real name is Thabo Lukhale

Me: well am Theo

Imari: nice to meet you.

Me: Sorry to just sit, are you waiting for someone?

Imari: nope just enjoying a cup of coffee.

Me: Hmmmm

We were both silent, i did read that she is an introvert and has two friends only and keeps to herself.

Me: well it was nice to meet you even though you never shared your name with me.

She grinned got up packing her stuff.

Imari: Loyalty!!!

I looked at her.

Imari: Theo doesn't suit you so unless you tell me your real name, mines loyalty!

Me: Fake name?

She grinned and took her cup

Imari: i guess you will never know. She walked out and walked to the parking lot and stood there typing on her phone. A few seconds later i watched her get in a car with her brother in law who speed away. Talk about a charismatic woman who gets you hooked without even flirting...

Imari

I got home went straight to my house and the door didn't want to open so i stood there. For a min about to check for keys when it unlocked and there stood Mphendulo. Handsome as ever in shorts and a vest. I walked in.

Me: did i miss something?

Mphendulo: why?

Me: you here... am just about to bath and come over to you

Mphendulo: got discharged this morning asked Muzi to come by and here i am. He helped me with my bag and i walked in to a perfect set up. The whole back of our house was sliding doors so he opened it giving us a full view than had a picnic set up for us and some petals all over. I

wont lie and say I didn't like it but i adored it.

Me: This is beautiful

He grinned satisfied with himself grinning making him handsome.

He pulled up a basket of things and I loved everything in it

Me: This is amazing. I sat down and he sat opposite from me as we ate.

Mphendulo

It was an easy silence. A comforting one.

Me: what have you been up too?

She looked at me smiling.

Imari: What have you heard?

I laughed.

She took out her laptop plugged it in and looked at the screen.

Me: Anything in particular you waiting for. She punched a few things and showed me a screen. I was looking at a blinking non moving dot.

Me: What this?

Imari: I think iv found lungile.

I looked at her shocked, truly shocked that for months iv been searching for her to no avail and now this.

ME: what you mean?

Imari: I mean that small blinking dot is where lungile is at!!

I looked at my wife who the fuck did i marry kanti???

Lungile

Carrying his child have given me some sort of comfort. Iv been having a doctor come by to check me although the stress makes it a complicated pregnancy with my bp high but he is kicking strong. I really don't know how i got pregnant because i took the pill and he pulled out so am not sure how he managed to impregnate me. There was a kick and I smiled at my belly and sang a song for her. This baby is my saving grace no man will kill a woman carrying they child!!..

Insert 13:

Imari

He looked at me and at the screen again.

Mphendulo: i have a whole team set up to find her an you found her in less than a few hours? Me: am a system developer

Mphendulo: fuck yeah you are. He got up than stopped.

Me: what?

Mphendulo: this is suppose to be just a moment to just enjoy your company and now am up.

Me: Do what you have too... am not going anywhere. He looked at me and somehow walked closer to me and i looked at him.

Mphendulo: I really appreciate you accepting me as I am with my faults.

Me: we human. He kissed my forehead and left and i watched him disappear while i enjoyed my food and a few minutes later he walked back in full black and he left. I looked at my screen and the other folder with Theo was still searching. So put it to sleep sat there enjoyed the view and the food. Lungile

Walks are advised and now since iv barely started the last trimester things are a little complicated.

Player: the guys and I are leaving for a job.

Me: Okay

Player: Are you going to be okay?

Me: Yeah ill be fine. Ill go for a mini walk

Player: Remember that when you do you don't leave the rubble!!

Me: I wont. I watched him take his things and leave with the team. I watched some TV than changed into a legging and some baggy yet it showed that am expecting. I wore my sneakers and walked out this small apartment. I than walked around to the corner where i usually stop and turn back but i froze with my heart beating 3 times it normal rate. Me: Mphendulo???

Mphendulo

My heart was in my throat as i could see the baby bump. I had a gun in the other hand with a silencer and looked at her.

Me: is that mines?

I whispered and she grinned shaking her head yes

Me: you were on the pill

She shrugged i guess she was shocked to see me.

Muziwonke: holly fuck!!!

Me: pack up a few things

Lungile: why?

Me: just pack lungile!!!

We walked back to the apartment and i watched her pack

Muziwonke: what the plan?

Me: I have no idea bafo. My head is spinning!!!

Muziwonke: I thought you used rubber?

Me: please don't start

Muziwonke: I don't get it bafo... you the

smartest guy we know yet here we are

Me: I know.

Lungile: Am done!!!

I took her placed her in my car and drove her to the safe house that we use. Left her there with two guys to guard and i looked at her before leaving

Me: Why?

Lungile: I had no choice

Me: everyone has a choice lungile

Lungile: You played me for 4 years, gave me wrong information all the damn time killing

more than a dozen of my boss man and making me take the wrap yet you claimed to love me. Me: I did!!!

We both kept quiet, i did not expect to say that out loud. I won't lie and say in the mix of everything that happening i didn't have the hots for her. I did until the killing of my men started and I knew she was involved. For some time i thought i could change her, but i guess i couldn't.

Lungile: You love me?

Me: Loved!

Lungile: Am carrying your child

Me: Doesn't change where we are now

Lungile: It can if you allow it.

Me: Am not leaving my wife for you lungile

Lungile: I don't want my child to grow without a mother and father.

Me: It wont.

She looked at me and i looked at her.

Lungile: Want to touch it?

I put my hands in my pockets.

Me: Ill come with a doctor tomorrow to come draw out....

Lungile: Am not doing a DNA test its risky.

Me: the only thing stopping you from getting a bullet in between your two eyes is a possibility that the child you carrying is mine. If you say no to DNA than ill take that as a confirmation that he or she is not mine. Killing you will be easy. So which is it?

She was quiet for sometime.

Lungile: Ill see you tomorrow with the doctor. I nodded and turned leaving her. I drove in silence with my mind running wild with so many what if?? What will happen if its mine? Will Imari leave? Do i tell her about this or keep it to myself? What do i do?...

Insert 14:

Imari

The minute he walked in those doors i knew something happened. I was scared fo say anything because what if he says he shot her? What than? How will i cope with him being a murderer too. So i let him be, he took a long shower than came back in his PJ sat by the floor where i was and placed his head on my lap. Me: I would ask what happened but am scared to even ask

Mphendulo: what will take for you to leave me? That took me back a bit, i thought we pass this but here we are. I placed my book on my floor and placed my hands on his face and looked at him. He had his eyes closed looking up at me waiting for him to look at me and his eyes were bloodshot red. In that moment i saw that he cared about me, he cared for me so much that the possibility of me leaving him terrifies him. Life would have been simpler if he showed it to me and told me every now and than.

Me: Growing up iv always told myself that if i ever get married that person will be my person for life. So unless you dying i doubt anything will make me leave

Mphendulo: i found her

Mphendulo

I was so nervous but she played with my hair instead.

Me: I messed up big time

She stopped and looked at me. I got up and sat looking right at her.

Me: I still want to be with you more than anything. I still want to figure us out but my past catching up with me.

Imari: At least you talking to me about it

Me: Am trying but i don't know how

Imari: Did you kill her? She asked calmly looking at me.

Me: I was but i stopped

Imari: nothing is worse than that.

Me: Lungile is pregnant and it might be mines.

She looked at me as tears rolled down her checks and in all my horrible life iv never felt like a dick than i was now.

Imari: Might? Or is??

Me: Might!

Imari: without protection?

I nodded

She wiped them away.

Me: I took her to my safe house.

Imari: Why?

Me: for my doctor to check her out and get a DNA tests

Imari: It yours!!!

I looked at her.

Imari: The day she saw me, meet me she fainted, you don't faint on a fling. The baby is yours!

Me: But..

Imari: It yours!!! She got up and i tried to hold her but she pushed me away but i held her and right than i heard my wife cry for the first time in our marriage all because of me. The pain in her voice tore right at me and I could feel the defeat in her body. All i could do was to hold her. Hold her tight and just let her vent.

Thabo Aka Theo

I walked in the hotel room and sat down all my bosses were there.

Me: She didn't bite, didn't even give her my number.

Captain: We can't teach you how to court.

Me: i know but she is so closed off.

Captain put a file on my table and i looked at it. Me: what? Captain: We dug more into her and we best think you approach her as a cop. We interviewed her professor and he says he has never meet a smart woman in this world like her. She is a born observer, excellent at her job and a critical thinker. If that the case by now she knows exactly who and what you are so i suggest that you meet her as yourself.

Me: This is a suicide mission. Are you asking me to go to a world known gangster wife as a cop? What if she always have snipers around her? Than what?

They all looked at each other.

Captain: Do you know her names means faithful and loyalty? This means those two characteristics are embedded at her. If you show her honesty even if its for a day. You will be in her good books.

Me: I think she is clueless on this whole saga!!!

Captain: i think so too but we have to try.... just than our phones went crazy as in Soweto there was action so all hands were needed as they left leaving me in that room to read more about her academics... I wish to come out of this alive!!!

Insert 15:

Imari

Two days... i stayed two days in bed and in those two days he stayed right with me. Cuddled me and never said a word. Iv never figured out marriage to be this hard and to have so many bumps. I never thought my life would be like this but here we are. We were in bed with him holding me like a baby.

Me: i need space

Mphendulo: i know what am about to say is selfish but no. No am not giving you space.

Me: Am not asking Mphendulo!!!

He was quiet for some time snuggling me closer to him and kept quiet. I allowed him too.

Mphendulo: you not taking a break from me Imari. You not taking a break from us or this marriage. You not going to leave me.

Me: Am not leaving just taking a break.

Mphendulo: I don't do breaks. I kept quiet because there is no winning with him. He snuggled closer to me and i kept quiet.

Me: Am going out today to Motshe place, you can go do your tests with Lungile.

Mphendulo: Ill ask one of my brothers to drive you.

Me: Am not leaving Mphendulo

Mphendulo: I know you said you won't leave me but i fear you might change your mind and...

Me: You being over protective will push me away. Give me space please.

He nodded and I turned and looked at him.

Me: I promise you am not leaving you. Ill never leave plus you said you will have to kill me if i do right?

He grinned bringing me closer. I could feel his wood but I wasn't going to sleep with him yet.

Mphendulo: i know this is selfish of me to ask. But please don't stop loving me. I kept quiet as i could feel my emotions in me. I know iv never said the words but I guess he could feel or sense it.

Me: You keep hurting me

Mphendulo: ill do better i promise.

I nodded and he slowly slid his hands under my top playing with my boobs turning me on.

Me: I can't.

He kissed me lightly on my lips and looked at me with horny eyes.

Mphendulo: Let me pleasure you than.

Before i could say anything his hands grabbed on my boobs while he kissed me senseless and i could feel myself getting wet than he moved one hand to my short and slowly parted my legs which i allowed and he slid a finger in me making me moan

Me: please st...

He slid two fingers and I was gone as he pleasured me making me come with just his fingers. When i came for the 3rd time he stopped and looked at me.

Mphendulo: Am sorry.

I nodded as he kissed me again driving me crazy...

Lungile

For two whole days i was here in this house with guards only. I wanted to scream when the door opened and he stood there with the doctor his hands in his pockets.

Me: you treating me like a prisoner Mphendulo

Mphendulo: you are my prisoner

Me: am the mother of your child!!!.

Mphendulo: Until he confirms it, you just a pregnant prisoner. He turned looked at the doctor.

Mphendulo: ill be outside, let me know when you done.

I saw the hate in his eyes and I knew that the Mphendulo i know and loved is gone and i have to work hard to gain his trust. This baby is really keeping a bullet from me.

Me: am 5 months and 2 weeks pregnant.

Doctor: okay

Me: i wanna know when is the earliest i could get the baby out?

He looked at me

Me: please

Doctor: unless of medical reasons no doctors will say when you can give birth unless it your due date but most babies do survive premature stages like 6 months although we don't advice it.

Me: cool... do your thing! I was silent throughout the procedure.

Imari

I was finishing my 4th call with Mphendulo for the day as i walked in the coffee shop buying my favourite matcha tea.

Voice: My lucky day

I turned to see Thabo aka Theo.

Me: Following me?

Theo: no

Me: Hmmm

We were silent as he looked at me.

Theo: You right!

Me: About?

Theo pointed to the chair and i walked to the high chair and sat down.

Theo: My name is Thabo Lukhale

Me: What changed from 3 days ago

Thabo: You

Me: me?

Thabo: you told me your name so i figured why not give you the same courtesy.

Me: And you are an?

He laughed

Thabo: You did your investigation

Me: Thoroughly

Thabo: so did I

Then there was silence for a while as I sipped my tear.

Mphendulo

I phone rang and i answered on the first ring Me: bafo

Mveleli: i sent you pictures of the guy that she talking too

Yes i asked my brothers to follow her, not that I don't trust her but i fear she will leave me.

Me: don't lose her

Mveleli: remind me not to get married!!!

Thabo

I looked at her for awhile.

Me: why you with him?

She grinned

Imari: so you have a problem with my husband?

Me: i just don't understand how can an intelligent girl like you be with him.

Imari: a smart, egoistical, sophisticated, charming and witty guy? I grinned and she smiled

Imari: you read my file?

Me: yes you could have said no, you old enough to make your decisions and do well for yourself and am sure a flock of guys follow you daily

Imari: not cops though!

I laughed and she smiled.

Me: you never answered me

Imari: My father always did everything for me with the best interest of me. So he said to marry him and i did exactly that.

Me: i get that but you stayed!!! Stayed when he showed you so many times that he doesn't need you

She smiled looking at me for a second.

Imari: why you here?

Me: lies or truth?

She stared at me calmly

Me: truth is am suppose to be undercover with you, get to know you than exploit you for information. But you too smart for that.

Imari: Maybe I wouldn't have noticed.

Me: You noticed the first day that my name is fake.

She laughed.

Imari: Theo pho?? Wasn't they any other names? We both laughed and she got serious. Imari: Am not going to ask you to stop your investigation because you are you and I am me. But don't expect me to change on him, his my husband. And III never, ever sell him out. His my husband and wives support they husbands, criminals or not.

Me: So you do agree his a criminal?

She grinned

Imari: You wouldn't be sitting in front of me if he hasn't broken a law? Would you? I shock my head no

Imari: Than whatever it is you after hope you get it, but do know that whatever it is you decide to do. It wont end well for you and your friends.

Me: Is that a threat Mrs Hlatshwayo

She laughed raising her hand for the tea to come to her and they placed it on her table which is weird because this is a self service coffee shop.

Imari: If it was a threat, ill raise my hand up with a peace sign and a bullet will be in between your eyes. I wont lie and say that didn't shock me because it did, she was just served tea in a self service coffee shop and now this. I shifted uncomfortable and she smiled calmly. Imari: am joking.

Me: Yeah right

She raised her hand did the peace sign and i closed my eyes but nothing and i opened them to her laughing which was a sweet melody. Imari: See, am joking!!! She got up and looked at me.

Imari: I have no idea what my husband does for a living and i don't plan on knowing. But my advice is sending a guy like you to bring him in ,is a waste of time. She turned as if looking at something and grinned.

Mveleli

Holy fuck did she just spot me. She raised her hand waving and i stood up from the dumpster waving back at her. Thabo

The minute i saw the guy in black waving back my heart was pounding fast. Holy shit she was right, she could have killed me but choose not too. Why? I looked at her. In her long maxi dress, brown hugging her and a bomber jacket and flip flops, looks as normal as ever but strikingly beautiful and as normal as they come. Imari: see what i mean? You just one guy and his surrounded by more than a hundred guys willing to do as he asks and one of those is protecting me. She moved closer as if to kiss me than tapped my shirt and placed her hand directly on the wire am wearing and she grinned.

Imari: What my favourite thing to do?

Me: Read!!

She moved back and smiled.

Me: What that about?

She grinned.

Imari: something to stress out my husband. She sipped her tea and walked to the black Merc outside and I stood there thinking to myself who the fuck is she!!!!

Insert 16:

Mphendulo

The minute i saw the picture Mveleli sent of Imari standing right in front of him and I couldn't tell if they kissing or not I lost it. I drove the doctor to his office than drove right to Motshe apartment and was about to knocked with Mveleli talking to me as if am a kid telling me to calm down.

Mveleli: Would you stop!!!

Its the first time he ever raised his voice at me. I froze looked at him.

Mveleli: let me tell you about your wife, cause clearly you don't know her. When you were busy no lungile i saw a million men make a pass at her and not once did she entertained them. She knew i was following her and she wouldn't kiss a person in front of her brother in law. She did that on purpose, knew my angle will say other wise and i played along took the snap. Nothing happened with her and that guy. Now calm the fuck down.

Me: She is mine

Mveleli: And you figured that out after shagging and impregnating another woman. That shut me up and the door opened with Imari holding a glass of wine standing there looking beautiful as ever.

Imari: Wassup?

Mveleli grinned as she sipped her wine.

Me: I brought you my card to get lunch

She grinned at me

Imari: U drove all the way here because you

think i forgot my card to pay for lunch?

Motshe: We eating in and watching a movie, thought you told him.

Me: She didn't. Sorry to bother you

Imari: Cool

I looked at her and lord she looked good

Me: Let me leave you than

Motshe: We are out of ice cream, since you here you can buy that for us.

She walked closer to me placed her hand on my chest and tip toe kissing me lightly on my lips and i swear i lost it. The image that Mveleli sent got stuck on my mind

" did you kiss him??" I whispered only for her to hear. She smiled moving away from me

Imari: Let us know when the ice cream is here. She walked in apartment closed the door as Mveleli roared with laughter.

Me: Tsek wena!!!(?fuck you)

Mveleli: You are so whipped!!!

Me: Fusegi go buy the cookies and cream ice cream.

Mveleli: Aybo angishadanga mina!!!(am not the married one)

Thabo

I got to the house hub where i know they heard the wire tape and i walked in the captain looked at me. There was silence for a while.

Captain: we can pull you out

Me: can he shoot me in public? Just like that?

Captain: I know this is hard, tell us what to do now that she knows we on him, will she tell him?

Me: she will

Captain: matter of time before he slows things down on his process and we will never find him.

Me: He has people all around her. My job is as a tactical person not a detective.

Captain: and yet you doing so well. Go home and chill please!!!

Imari

Having fun with Motshe is the best ever. I sat by his counter watched him prepare his dinner iv been here for most of my day and am ready to go home.

Me: thanks for always having me by

Motshe: always chommie.

He stopped and looked at me.

Me: What?

Motshe: we can leave him and i wont judge.

Me: I can't

Motshe: He got another woman pregnant

Me: It was before he was married to me. I can't hang him for his past.

Motshe: Nor allow him to ill treat you. I wish i could tell him everything but that will be betraying my trust with my husband.

Me: i wont

Motshe: Good... and since we in this you got me always babe. He walked to his bedroom came back with a packet and I looked at him.

Me: What this for?

Motshe: Did he see you dressing up?

Me: Yep.

Motshe: So he knows what you wearing?

Me: Yep

He grinned.

Motshe: Go change into that and ill teach you a trick. Tonight we having sex.

Me: Aybo!!!

Motshe: Trust me chommie!!!

I walked in took a shower and put my underwear in my bag as i changed to the sexy lingerie that Motshe gave me . I looked at my self and almost choked on how sexy i looked. I wore my dress and i had some boobs now wore my jacket left his room going to the kitchen.

Motshe: Damn i can see it fit cause wow!!!

Me: Don't make me blush!!

Motshe: Now listen to me chommie have i ever stir you wrong?

Me: No

Motshe: Good tonight you going home and you will act drunk and tell him off. Tell him all that in your heart, if you want to swear do it, if you want to scream do it even slap him. Than when you have laid your heart out, fuck him

"Motshe!!!!"

Motshe: I know you a sex freak and i know you shy and i know you haven't given it to him. But tonight you will give it to him hard!!!

"Aybo"

Motshe: We making it work angithi?

Me: Yes

Motshe: Than fuck him baby girl... fuck him out of his senses and fuck lungile out of his system!!!

I nodded and he kissed me on my cheek and hugged me.

Motshe: Trust me!!! I nodded and drove home and parked getting nervous.

" okay Imari, get your acting in order. You have kept it together so far, pretty sure you can pull this off" i got out of the car and walked to the elevator going to our house where I didn't expect his brothers to be there and him grilling meat and salad. I waved at them feeling nervous and tried to run to our bedroom but Mphendulo called out for me.... Insert 17:

Mphendulo

She froze and looked at the floor. Something was wrong with my confident wife. I walked closer to her and tried to touch her but she shifted and that hurt.

Me: You okay?

Imari: Yeah

She looked at me right in my eyes and we kept quiet for a while looking at each other.

Mveleli: Sisi you okay?

Imari: Am good.

I could feel my brothers were nervous at our staring match they all have come to love her more than me.

Me: You had an eventful day

Imari: Yeah

Me: Are you drunk?

Imari: Tipsy not drunk but tipsy

Me: And you drove in your state?

That unlike her to be this irresponsible.

Imari: 40km/h

I kept quiet and she was about to leave when i touched her hand keeping her still.

Me: The guy you with who is he?

Imari: Which guy?

She innocently asked and that irritated me cause she knows who am talking about.

Me: Kanti how many guys did you see today?

Imari: More than one so be specific husband!

Aybo aybo aybo!!!!! I looked at my wife and she looked right back at me calmly.

Mphanga: I think we should go.

Imari: Not because of me. She let got of my hand walked to the wine rack took two bottles and a glass and took out her jacket and lord her body was curved like God took a knife and worked on her for hours or days making her into the woman she is. She walked out of the lounge waving at my brothers with her glass and they all looked at me shocked.

Mphanga: What did you do to her?

Muziwonke: She fed-up!!

Mveleli: He had me follow her today!!

Muziwonke: Why

Me: She might leave me!!!

They all looked at me.

Ngcini: i doubt

We all turned and looked at him.

Ngcini: She loves you but wena ke awboni!!

I was quiet sipping the whiskey.

Muziwonke: Don't mess it up bafo

Me: What if the baby is mine?

Mphanga: Kodwa nawe ubuyenzani ungasebenzisi icondom(why didn't you use a condom?)

Me: she was on the pill

Mveleli: still!!!

Mphanga: Buka manje!!!(look at where we at)

She walked back in with her ten toes tip toeing as if trying not to make noise and the guys were finished with holding in laughter as she walked to the fridge took some stuff and another bottle of wine

Me: You don't drink!!!

She froze turned to look at me.

Imari: Situations make you drink

Me: What situation???

Imari: Never thought ill ever be married to a baby daddy.

That shut me up. The guys looked at the floor.

She walked closer to us.

Imari: i never expected getting married to you to be easy, never but never thought that ill have 5 guys not one but 5 lie to me day in day out. Muziwonke: But..

Imari: Am not done!!!

We all stood there shocked and the pain in her voice clear.

Imari: I really didn't expect you guys to be loyal to me and to tell me all his crap that he does when he leaves these wall but i most definitely do not expect to be followed!!!

Me: You were going to leave me

Imari: which is my choice!!!

Me: Am sorry Imari I didn't ...

Imari: That sleeping with a female without a condom results to pregnancy?

That shut me up again.

Imari: Than you have the audacity to ask me if I kissed him, angithi laykhaya we do as we please so what if i kissed him?

Muziwonke: Sisi

She looked at him and my brother kept quiet not saying a word. How can someone this small has a power to shut us up with just a cool stare?

Imari: you all hurt me, all of you and yes am painting you all with the same brush.

Mphanga: It wasn't our place to tell

Imari: Than it wont be your place to tell him when am living my life. She turned about to leave

Me: What you mean???

Imari: I kissed him... ill kiss him ,sazocabuzana strong futhi!!! (we will still kiss)That got my head spinning I really don't know what got to me but I had her against the wall and was looking at her, not an inch of fear in her eyes but i could tell my brothers calling out for my name feared i might hurt her. I never laid hands on a woman in my life and I never well but hearing her say those words in front of my brothers cut deep.

Me: Leave!!!

Muziwonke: Don't do anything you will regret bafo

Me: Now!!!

Mveleli: She lying bafo, i saw her she never kissed him!!

Ngcini: She not that kind bafo, she will never cheat on you

Me: g00000!!!

Mphanga: You lay your hands on her, ill kill you myself. He walked out with the guys after him taking the beers with them.

Mveleli

We stood outside the door.

Muziwonke: his never laid a hand on a woman

Mphanga: No woman had balls to tell my brother that though

Mveleli: She never kissed him why lie?

Ngcini: Ngifisa ukuba iphukane yazi(i wish i was a fly)

Imari

My heart was pounding so hard on my chest and I feared that he might hit me but i told myself i will not show him fear. No matter how scared I am i will not. Me: You hurt me

Mphendulo: Am sorry

Me: Humiliated me

Mphendulo Sighs

Me: Made me a laughing stock to the world and made me a topic in people conversation all for what???

Mphendulo: I thought we passed this!!

I pushed him making him stumble since he never expected that.

Me: She carrying your child Mphendulo!!! A clueless human being that got brought here by selfish parents!!! Parents who fuck for a job!!! What the fuck Mphendulo!!!

Am not the swearing type nor the type to raise their voice but lord it felt good.

Mphendulo: Am fixing it.

Me: How???? How does one fix 5 minute of fun that changes your life????

I roared and he looked at me defeated.

Me: Than i meet one guy... one guy Mphendulo and you throw a fit!!!

I took a vase and threw it at him making it hit the floor next to him and the door busted open with his brothers ready to help but found me standing there like a mad woman and Mphendulo standing next to a broken vase.

Mphendulo: We okay guys, you can leave.

His voice was hard, clear and cold. I know he was beyond pissed but controlled himself as i lost it. I was scared i wont lie, words seemed to disappear but i was going to have my fun to unload on him. The guys stood there and I turned embarrassed leaving the lounge to our room. Iv never done that in my life and i was shaking. I went to the bathroom still shaking and tried to wash my hands and it didn't help. Mphendulo: Breathe!!!

I looked at him from the mirror as he stood by the door angry yet distant with his hands in his pockets

Me: Am not going to apologise!!

My voice was shaking.

Mphendulo: I didn't ask for an apology.

I washed my hands and face and wiped it. I stood there looking at him.

Mphendulo: If the child is mine, ill raise it, ill raise it as it father. Am not going to kill a part of me and am not going to lie and say am happy it here but am going to be part of my child life. And that child will be the luckiest child in the world because it will have two mothers. Am not forcing you to love my child and am not forcing it on you. But i know you, i know the person that you are and I know that when a woman selflessly love they partner. A child, an innocent child wont hold they fathers sins. I know that he or she maybe a constant reminder of my betrayal. But I know that if you love me as much as how your actions shows me. Than i know my child will be safer with you than it biological mom. Am not saying it will be easy raising it with lungile doing her most to get between us but am saying you not going to be second best because of it, you not going to be side lined because of it and I will not hate my child, but mostly am not losing you over this. Am not letting go of you. Not now, not ever, kiss as many guys as you want but you are mine!!!. I kept quiet looked at him as he looked right at me with bloodshot eyes.

Me: I didn't kiss him

I saw relief on his posture.

Mphendulo: I know iv hurt you and I am sorry

I nodded and he stood there

Me: Am not drunk!

He grinned looking at me.

Mphendulo: You a good actor!!!

I grinned, so much for telling my heart desires and going mad.

Me: Sorry about the vase!

Mphendulo: Don't ever do that again Imari

I nodded and he nodded too.

Mphendulo: I love this about you.

Did he say love?

Me: what?

Mphendulo: Your loyalty towards me.

I looked away and he walked closer stood in front of me and lifted my chin up to look at him.

Me: How you know am loyal towards you?

Mphendulo: if you weren't, ill be in a cold room somewhere being interrogated.

I looked at him.

Me: I found out yesterday that his a cop

Mphendulo: I saw your laptop when i got home fuming after you chased me away. He lifted me onto the bathroom counter coming between my legs as my dress went up. I saw the big bulge in his pants as he moved closer opening a drawer taking out a piece of paper showing it to me. It was all his test from STI to his status. I looked at him as everything was negative.

Me: What now?

His hand went up my dress as his one finger went to my honey pot and slowly touched me making me wet.

Mphendulo: Earlier today we didn't finish!!!

I looked at him and I knew what he meant. He gave me oral only earlier on and now he

wanted more. Am I ready? Is Motshe right about taking her out of his system? He slid a finger in me as I moan looked at him.

Mphendulo: I want you badly that I can't contain myself

I looked at him for a second and i know he meant no foreplay. I was okay with that because somehow i was ready for him.

Me: Than Fuck me!!!....

Insert 18:

Lungile

I stood by the kitchen sink and looked at all the ingredients of what am about to drink. I took a glass added juice in it than took the handy andy, jik, toilet flush and spirit and mix it in my juice and touched my belly.

Me: Am not killing you but I need to do this. it kicked than I gobbled it down washing it with juice after juice. I sat by the couch feeling drowsy. I don't know when i dozed off but i woke up to lights and cold hands touching me and feeling sticky down there. I knew it worked, i knew what i did ill pay for it but anything to get his attention right?

Mphendulo

When she said fuck me... i lost my senses as I undressed her right there and boom she was wrapped up in the best lingerie iv ever seen. Me: You weren't wearing this when you left Imari: I know

Me: mind explaining??... Iv touched the feathers on her breast and felt myself go harder then

I shifted her panty aside and literally went in with her holding on for dear life. When all her muscles closed on me I came.

"Fuck!!"

She looked at me grinning, am really not an early comer and my first time with her and now here I am.

Imari: I see you like the outfit!!!

She kissed me, ignoring that i came ,I kissed her back feeling her all over and i felt myself grow again. Ill be damn she knows herself!!! I picked her up still in her placed her to the wall and she moan, i removed her bra and sucked on her boobs as she moaned louder making me stronger. She shifted and i knew she wanted me to move so i slowly devoured her as she moans vibrating in her throat. I felt myself near and I held on while i was doing my best to get her to come. I found her G spot with her moans getting louder and her breathing faster as i played around it making her squirt, when her nails dig in on me i knew she was near, i stopped and she screamed in frustration as i laughed playing around her G spot and she screamed louder as she came and I helped her ride it out as i came with her. I held her close in that bathroom. Did we really just had a quickie in the bathroom?

Imari

Talk about rock my world my legs were shaking as he pushed us to the shower switched it on and slowly finishing undressing me and i helped him too. Iv never had shower sex and the minute I saw him firm and strong i knew he would and he turned me around pushing me to the glass wall and parted my legs as he slowly entered me making me come. Just like that I came and he laughed.

Mphendulo: Open up for me!!

I arched my back some more and he shoved deeper and i heard him groan as he gripped my waist harder and i felt him emptying his seeds in me

"Fuck"

I shifted and his hands gripped me harder and i slowly moved as he groaned than there was a knock.

Mphendulo: go away!!

I shifted again and i could feel myself closer to the edge again.

Mphendulo: Please don't stop he whispered and I moved again with him digging his fingers in me. Muziwonke: Bafo

I could hear he was in the bathroom door thank good we were covered in steam but my hands were on the glass and we groaning and moaning here

Mphendulo: Go away!!! He roared and the door closed and i shifted again as i felt myself get to the edge so i moved slowly as I came ridding it out taking him with me too as he groaned. He went deeper making me shake. When we both calmed down he washed me clean not saying a word and i helped him bath too.

Mphendulo: You are mine Imari, am not obsessed with you or possessive with you but you are mine!!!

Me: that is being possessive!!

Mphendulo: Than i guess i am. He kissed me hard pinning me to the wall with his hands

travelling all over me and the door opened and I saw him get angry.

Muziwonke: We need to go Mphendulo

Mphendulo: What so important that you have to disturb me in my bathroom!!!!

Muziwonke: please!!!

He looked at me and i nodded as he kissed me and got out that naked walking.

Mphendulo: I cant fuck in peace!!!!

Muziwonke: Its lungile!!! That all i heard then i showered and when done wrapped myself in a towel and walked to our bedroom found him sitting there. Thought his gone.

Mphendulo: Want to come with me? I never asked where so I wore my black track pants and sweater and he held my hand tight as if breaking it as Muzi and Mphanga sat in the front driving us. The silence was too much but i kept quiet when i felt Mphendulo kissed my side of the face than looked out the window in his thoughts!...

Insert 19:

Mphendulo

The minute Muziwonke told me that Lungile was rushed to the hospital i knew she did something stupid so here i was waiting for her since they doing an emergency C section. The doctors told me she drank chemicals and that made me angry. In all this time my wife was standing by the corner looking outside the window. I knew she was hurting and this was too much but i had to be there for my child. Not ulungile. I asked the doctor to do a DNA test soon as he or she is out and he nodded. We stayed there for what seemed like hours after a while the doctors asked if they can check my blood type my son needs blood. So i checked to find am not a match. They checked his mom she was also not a match and out of nowhere Imari asked to be checked only to find out they share a blood type so she donated her blood in silence as they put it through to him. She stood by his little bed and watched him fight for his life. She was silent in all this as I watched her, Muzi stood next to me.

Muzi: mess it up with her and ill kill you bafo Me: I won't

The doctor walked in with a paper gave it to me.

Me: results?

He nodded and i opened them right there and there it was in black and white his my son.

I looked at Imari who turned to look at the child and i kept quiet for a second.

Me: I don't want her near my son!!! She tried to kill him!!!

The doctor nodded and left.

Me: Imari...

Imari: Don't....

I kept quiet and went to stand next to her and looked at my tiny son fighting for his life.

Me: Am sorry

Imari: please!!!

She wiped a tear and looked at the baby. I felt like crap all over again but i kept quiet stood there next to her not sure what to do.

Lungile

I opened my eyes and I was alone. Just lights and beeping machine but alone. I tried to move but i was cuffed to the bed so i just laid there for sometime when a nurse walked in carrying meds.

Me: Sorry sisi

She turned looking at me with indifference.

Me: My child?

Her: When you drank all that you drank sisi what was the aim?

She left me laying there...Did i kill my own child? As if the day wasn't getting any worse two cops walked in and I looked at them. Oh gosh what have i done???

Thabo

The minute we heard what happened to lungile we rushed to grab the case and investigated to find out that she drank chemicals. We got doctors to evaluate her and sent two cops to ask her questions and myself with detective Zingi to the Hlatshwayo. We got in there to the small waiting area where we found all the brothers sitting and Imari standing by the window looking outside while Mphendulo had his hands in his pockets walking around.

Zingi: Sanibonani (greetings)

Everyone turned and Imari looked at me shaking her head and looked out of the window.

Zingi: am detective Zingi and this is my partner Lukhale.

Mphendulo looked at me than looked at his wife as if adding things. Before anything he was charging to me with his brothers holding him back. Imari just stood there looked at me and than looked at her husband shaking her head as she left us there to deal with our drama...

Insert 20:

Imari

Everything was just a blur. The getting here, seeing him and actually being drawn to him its all just a blur. The nurse walked in and found me standing there.

Nurse: His much better sisi

Me: i see his changing colour

Nurse: yes his taking well to the blood transfusion

Me: Thank you.

There was silence as i watched her work and than she turned looking at me.

Nurse: How do you do it? How do you stand by him when he has got another woman pregnant.

I wish i had an answer for her but I didn't So I shrugged and she came to stand next to me.

Nurse: I pray that God gives you strength sisi.

I smiled at her as she left. I stood there moved closer to him.

" hi" i whispered and stuck my finger through the glass as his tiny fingers curled on my finger. I laughed wiping a tear.

" Am so sorry for all you been through but i need you to fight, fight for me to be alive cause as tough as your dad maybe now i know his hurting" i sat there for some time with him holding my finger and me singing. I sang the song my mom used to sing for me when i was young and i had a bad day needed cheering and I somehow felt better.

Lungile

I listened to the cops talks and I said nothing. They want me to change on Mphendulo, working for him i did see a few things that might get him into trouble.

Detective zoe: you know that he will kill you. You tried to kill his child.

Me: iv already betrayed him once

Detective: well we can help you. His filling for the child to be solely raised by him.

Me: he can't do that!!!

Detective: He can and a judge will grant him access he has a wife who voluntarily gave your son blood since they the same O- and both you an AB and Mphendulo O+ couldn't donate to him so that also works in his favour that if anything happen to his child due to your mistakes there is someone who will be there to help in organ or blood donor. So your only chance is with us!!!

Me: I never meant to hurt my child.

Detective Zoë: We know that but he doesn't.

I looked at the two detectives and I nodded to the in agreement if anyone can save me from Mphendulo wrath is them not me, not players and definitely not my father but them. So i nodded that i want to be the witness in some of the crimes I've seen and just maybe i have a shot of living!!!

Me: On one condition though

Detective Zoe: What the condition?

Me: A new identity is all that i need!! The nodded and I smiled closing my eyes just maybe ill pull through.

Mphendulo

After that little fight i kept calm as Detective Zingi asked me questions about lungile and this ordeal that some I couldn't answer when they were done i looked at the guy who been staring at me calmly this whole time.

Muziwonke: If that all can we be excused?

They nodded and left.

Mveleli: His a cop bafo!!

Me: i know.

They all looked at me.

Me: Imari has a system that she uses to check people she encounters so she saw him getting close with her and uses it.

Muziwonke: and than you want to mess that up??? Did she say what he wants?

Me: We never spoke about it that much but i need to have everyone on alert and Muziwonke i need you to tend to lungile

Muzi: how?

Me: I don't know figure it out yourself but i don't want her to talk am sure she saw things that might help them build on whatever they have on me.

Mveleli: Ill speak to our police intel and see what happening

Me: Cool

Mphanga: Ill clean our business books

Me: Thanks

Ngcini: Ill make sure our gate away is secured!!! Me: Thanks

Muziwonke: Give her space to come to terms with all this and stop acting on your emotions it ain't smart makes you look stupid!!!

Me: And i thought am the oldest, don't forget to let dad know when he and mom are back.

Muzi: sho!!!

I stood there for sometime calming myself down than walked to my son room and stood by the door to find Imari singing to him in a calm tone the kind that makes you smile. I knew right than that ill kill anyone or anything that comes to take her away from me!!... Insert 21:

Mphendulo

The past week was us getting our shit together. My wife as loving as she is taking care of my son. She spent every minute in that room. She even called him M.J and that made sense so i went with Mphendulo Junior Hlatshwayo. I applied for his certificate with my wife which got granted due to the letter from the court. I applied for sole custody which i got since i had a criminal case charge against lungile. Today i walked to the door and found my wife doing a skin to skin contact with my son on her chest with her eyes closed singing that song she sings a lot. My son was so small and the two nurses were near by and a lady in a suit standing there watching her. At least he had the big tubes out of him but still had some pipes on him and the

feeding tube. She opened her eyes looking at me and smiling.

Me: Hi

She blushed and looked at the lady standing there.

Lady: Zizo Khati

Imari: Thank you for availing yourself. The nurse walked to her took my son and he made a sound and left him on her chest as Imari smiled.

" come on now MJ promise I won't take long!!"

The nurse took him fussing and placed him on the bed and while Imari stood at her favourite spot placing her finger in her glass for him to cuddle it which seemed to calm him and he doses off. She fixed her top and the nurses left leaving us with Zizo

Me: babe

Zizo: am child protective social development agent.

Me: i see and why you here

Imari: she on our side!

Me: oh

Zizo smiled.

Zizo: i wanted to know if your wife is willing to adopt your son?

I looked at Imari, i had no idea that she has been thinking about this.

Me: Ima???

Imari: it has crossed my mind

Me: but i never asked you too

Imari: i know

I was speechless. I looked at her and she looked at me for sometime the lady took out some papers and gave to her. She signed and smiled.

Zizo: Ill file this asap and get back to you okay? Imari: Thank you.

Just than Motshe walked in.

Imari

My best friend has been my rock through all this. The past week was hard but with each day iv been falling deeper and deeper in love with MJ. Motshe walked in carrying coffee and the usb i asked him to hold on to when we were in high school it was a prototype i have of a system that can hack into any data base.

Motshe: Mama bear!!!

He kissed my cheek and i grinned.

Me: Unjani papa bear?

Mphendulo: If his papa bear what am I?

Motshe: ill think about it.

I took the laptop from Mphendulo and sat by the corner couch with both of them looking at me. I took my usb switched it on.

Me: If i do this for you I don't wanna know anything!!!

Mphendulo: Sure.

I inserted the USB in my laptop and worked on finding Lungile again. Mphendulo is sure she turned on him and the cops are gaining on him so here i was saving my husband again... call me dumb but am just protecting my family, am protecting my son from growing up without a father... Am I wrong for doing this???...

Insert 22:

Lungile

Iv been in hiding for a week and 3 days and yes am counting. Iv had the cops ask me questions endless ones and been mapping unsolved cases to Mphendulo. I knew he was a criminal but i never knew that it was to this extent. I walked in to my new home that iv had for the week with the two cops that are always on guard. Me: We having pizza again? " yep, unless you fancy something else?"

Me: ill shower than we can have pizza.

They nodded and I went in the bathroom took a shower and wrapped myself with a towel. I walked out and I froze Mphendulo was standing there in full black with a gun and a silencer pointing it at me, my heart was pounding in my throat. Me: They made me do it Mphendulo: Which part? The harming my child or the giving them everything on me? Me: You left me no choice!! Mphendulo: So you blaming me? Me: Let me go, i promise ill run away!!! Mphendulo: Meeting you was the was thing ever. He fired and it went black!!!

Imari

I was home today. It was the first night were i went home leaving MJ behind. I left with Mphendulo, got here took a shower and got dressed. Its been 3 days since iv helped him find Lungile and he never shared anything about what his move is and I really didn't care much for it. I walked to the lounge to find all his brothers and one other guy playing some online game. I never said anything than I made them snacks and placed it on the table. After some time my husband walked in with a bag of clothes and gave it to me.

Mphendulo: They dirty!!!

I took them went to the laundry room washed them and dry it hanging it than when done i cleaned a bit. Walked back to them to find the other guy gone and my husband playing. I took a glass of wine poured some and took a book sitting by the corner with my book. Maybe i was reading for 2 minutes when our whole house was bombarded with huge bright lights and people hanging from the windows and a huge banging noise from the door. Mphendulo ran to me and held me tight.

Mphendulo: Don't say a word!!!

I nodded just as a bunch of people pushed through the door with guns everywhere pointing at us as they calmly laid on the floor cuffing them. I still had a glass of wine in my hand and my book frozen to the spot when Lukhale and two old guys stood in front of me. I stood there not moving an inch.

Lukhale: Mrs Hlatshwayo, will you accompany us to the police station please?

Me: Am I arrested?

Lukhale: No

Me: Then?

Lukhale: Your husband and your brother in laws are arrested so we have a few questions for you. I nodded took my coat wore it and took my phone. I never leave without my phone. I took it out and send a quick text to Motshe " Arrested" he knows what to do!!!

Lukhale

Its been 3 house since we have them all here and not once did they ask for a lawyer. We have interrogated all of them and they all stick to one story...Mphendulo fetched his wife from the hospital brought her home and they all chilled and played games. We checked online and saw that they played games all 4 of them with they log in!!. We haven't asked Mrs Hlatshwayo anything and she hasn't said anything nor pace the room nor ask what happening but she has been calm in her chair in the room and occasionally when we send a cop in to ask if she needs anything she shakes her head no. I turned to look at captain interviewing Mphendulo.

Captain: Let hope your wife tells the same story as the rest of you!!!...

Insert 23:

Lukhale

I walked in with Zingi. I know the whole team was watching. The death of lungile was a shocker and we still have no idea how she was found and killed with the 2 agents. I sat down placing a file infront of her and a seed bottle for her. She took it taking a sip and closed it calmly and looked at me. Her calmness was too much.

Me: Mrs Hlatshwayo

She looked at me.

Me: Sorry we meet under these circumstances Imari: So today shall i call you Theo or Thabo or you prefer detective? Her voice sweet, calm and dangerously innocent.

Me: Thabo is fine.

She nodded.

I took out pictures of the dead agents and lungile placed it in front of her and she looked at it not saying a word but wiped a tear from her eye than looked at me.

Me: your husband did this!!!

She looked at me not saying a word.

Me: he shoot her with 3 bullets to her head and one per agent. He did it!!!

Imari: He wouldn't!!

Those simple words just as calm as she could be but the pain in her eyes were surreal.

Mphendulo

I was in the big room with my brothers all of us cuffed to the chair watching the interview with a bunch of cops. There was my wife in the middle of the room being interviewed. Captain said he wanted us to see our plan crumble. Mveleli was nervous i could see him shaking his leg because he knows i never clued Imari in. We were silent and Muziwonke was calm but kept staring at me. I haven't pressed the panic button yet in my watch to alert Ngcini to call our lawyer but if Imari says anything, ill press it and shut this whole mess up!

Motshe

The minute i got that text i knew what it meant. In this whole world am the only human that knows that my best friend is the black crypto. Oh yes Imari Hlatshwayo is the most wanted cyber hacker by all government officials all over the world for stealing over 8 billion rands in government funds and hacking every single security they might have in place. And yes the under world too for hacking they information and for wanting to use her for they all selfish gain but God she good, no one, i mean no one but yours truly knows who she is. She has digital footprint of every fucken in person in this world and yes, yours truly is her assistant. The day she came up with this is when she created the genesis follow up system and I remember because she was just playing around with her computer than boom we were listening to the president of South Africa conversation in his office. I know because she touched a few things and boom we were looking at a footage. That the day black crypto was created. That the day she started working in the cyber world raising enough funds to fund millions of organisations in the world. Feeding over a billion children and woman and yes

making my life easier. She landed me a job, pays for my apartment and of cause our friend lindiwe is the world known lawyer that she is because of her. So when she said arrested, i was alert. I know if she say "go" all i had to do was switch on my computer which iv never plugged in and press enter 3 times and lord knows what happens!!! Oh yes my best friend, calm, sweet and loving individual ever is the baddest chick in the world and how she does it? By just moving her well manicured fingers on her keyboard smiling. I was pacing around my room ever since that text looking at the computer and waiting for the simple text!.

Thabo

She was really calm.

" your husband is not the man that you think he is" she looked at me wiping all her tears and drank water. Every motion was calm and collected.

Imari: And you know him?

Me: Yes. I laid all the pictures of every person i thought he might have killed and she looked at them with tears in her eyes wiping each tear.

Imari: When my father told me am getting married it was almost a year ago.

I looked at her this is it. This is how i make my career. She is cracking and I cracked her!!!

Me: It was suppose to be my graduation lunch but my dad was talking to me about marriage. Marriage to a stranger. I never fought him because i knew that my father has done a big check up of him. Did his job in finding out what type of a man he is and if he is good enough for his only girl. So i went along, i went along with everything. Stuck by him through all his drama which you aware off and now we here. Me: Its not too late for you Imari, help us put him behind bars and get your life back!!! She grinned at me.

Imari: what my qualification?

That took me back a bit but i answered her.

Me: A system developer and programmer

Imari: Exactly, which enables me to go online and get all i need to know about a person right?

Me: Yes

Imari: I may not have your kind of technology but i have basics and they get me by

Me: What you mean?

Imari: I mean that i never live my life without knowing the person digitally before i know them personally. As much as you think you know my husband, you don't know him like I do. Iv done my research. I was quiet for some time looked at her. She looked back at me.

Zingi: Tell me about today!

Mphendulo

My heart was beating so fast. Did i not tell her to keep quiet???

Imari: Iv spent most of my days in hospital for the past 2 weeks i think and as usual he comes to check on us. And today he came and as usual offers to take me home like any other day. But today i gave in, i gave in because our son was much better, he was off most of his tubes and machines only a feeding pipe and he is getting closer to being 6 months so his lungs are almost good. I said yes and since you know since you following us, he took me home.

Zingi: Than what happened?

Imari: The usual stuff that happens when I go home, i refreshed and cleaned and read my book while my husband and his bothers goof around by the lounge.

I smiled and looked at her. She knows I wasn't home, i kissed her bye before i left. She saw me come back, i gave her my clothes when i was back to wash and she did without any questions. She knows I killed them, she gave me the location but there she was telling a version of her story, a version that fits our story perfectly. Holly fuck, who on earth did I get married too????...

Insert 24:

Thabo

I could feel all my hopes shatter because as much as she isn't giving us details but her story matches the one we been hearing.

Me: Anyone else in the house apart your husband?

Imari: Our home no, but the main house i guess our helpers are there.

Zingi: You do understand that lying, and if we find out we will charge you for being an accomplice to murder.

Imari: Am aware but am not lying. After finishing my cleaning and fixing them a snack, i sat and was about to read a book like always then you showed up.

Zingi: you aware your husband has business? Imari: Yes Zingi: We believe he uses them as a front to launder money have you seen or heard anything? She looked at us.

Imari: i wish i could help but you know how my marriage was the past few months and are very much aware of my current situation so no. No i haven't heard anything or seen anything. There was a knock by the window so i left her sitting she took out her phone and looked at it.

Motshe

I got the text go and i plugged the computer and waited for it to switch on than i pressed the enter 3 times and stood there. Oh gosh i hope i did it right!!!

Mphendulo

After they took us away i watched in horror as the alarms went crazy and every cop running about. They uncuffed us and was told not to leave the country and we went to the waiting area while they fetched Imari and she walked out unbothered by the rush. The minute she got to us i kissed her cheek and we walked out to the parking lot where Ngcini was waiting for us and the minute he was about to talk Imari lifted her finger placing it on her mouth shutting him up. We all looked at her confused and she got in the car typed on her phone " they might have bugged us!!!" We all kept quiet.

Me: Babe

Imari: I really don't want to hear it Mphendulo all i need is a shower and a bath and a nice long nap. That shut everyone up. Yes we acting just incase we bugged. We got home everyone said goodnight to everyone just for show but we all walked to the basement where i have a jammer. The minute we got in there i know we were safe. Everyone was talking at once mostly praising Imari who was so quiet that they calmed down. She took off her coat and ran her hands on the collar where she came with a small bug and she showed it to us keeping quiet. She moved to each and everyone running her hands all over our back coming with one bug after another.

She turned finding an container and placed them inside than looked at us who was looking at her shocked.

Imari: I don't agree with how you handled the situation of lungile, killing her brought you so much heat Mphendulo.

Me: I know

Imari: they probably bugged the whole house. So mind what you say!

Muziwonke: I have a question

She looked at him.

Muziwonke: How you knew that you had to cover for him. You saw him leave!!! Saw him come back and...

Imari: His my husband, i know him well and i know you guys always play together but today it was different so i knew.

Mphanga: I told you guys to tell her, wathini Mphendulo???(what did you say?)

Mveleli : I don't want to bother her!!!

Mphanga: Buka manje ubother her saved us!!!

Imari: Actually... her phone rang and she took it out smiling and i knew it was Motshe.

She answered "papa bear"

She placed it on speaker.

Motshe: Uright?

Imari: Yes... you can unplug the computer now. Am home, go to the basement and use the yellow Go car in there and come to the house using the entrance from the back and ill punch you in!

Motshe: You telling him?

She looked at us and smiled.

Imari: I know the deal, don't tell Mphendulo without you here.

Motshe: Yes i wanna see him flip

Imari: Hurry than.

She looked at me as she hang up.

Ngcini: Holly fuck!!! I knew it!!! I fucken knew it!!!

She grinned at him.

Me: Mind sharing with us??? Ngcini was losing it as he jumped to her and bowed than looked at her as if she some goddess.

Ngcini: Am the coolest kid on earth, my sister in law is a

Imari shook her head no.

I looked at my wife smiling and ngcini losing his mind.

Muziwonke: Its makes sense!!!

Me: Am I the only one who doesn't understand what you guys on???

Mveleli: ncah nami angazi(i also don't know)

Mphanga: ay angazi nami!!!...(me too)

Motshe

I got to the mansion drove in to find the brothers arguing and Imari smiling. She hugged me as usual.

Me: Have you told him?

Imari: No that why his sulking.

Mphendulo: Am not sulking.

Imari: Wenzani pho?(what you doing)

He looked at me with his hands in his pocket. I watched her walk to the screens and punch a few things and there her logo popped up on all the screens. A card that was fully black slowly dissolving spelling Black Crypto and i watched with satisfaction as his mouth went in a big O.

Imari

I was so nervous but the look on his face made me more nervous as he started pacing.

Mphendulo: You kidding me

Me: Am not

Mphendulo: you the black crypto?

Me: Hi

Mphanga: Holly fuck!!!

Mveleli: Ain't she the person we been searching for? And all along you are here???

Me: Sorry!!!

Mphendulo was awfully quiet than he laughed for some time and looked at me.

Mphendulo : I married the world most wanted cyber fugitive???

Me: Yeah

Mphendulo: We been married a year Imari and you telling me now???

Me: Its something that I can't just bring up.

Mphendulo: Yes but when I told you about me you could have..

Me: Said what???

He was silent looking at me for some time than brushed his head.

Me: Am sorry

Mphendulo: I feel so stupid

Motshe: There was no way of knowing don't beat yourself lover!!!

He looked at Motshe and looked at me.

Mphendulo: He knows and I don't?

Me: His my assistant!!!

Mphendulo: Your assistant??? I touched the screen and showed him the police station we were at an hour ago as everyone was trying to disable the hack. I was downloading all they files and deleting everything they had on him. All the evidence that they might ever link to him.

Ngcini: Holly fuck, you hacking the police station? How you were locked up??

Motshe: That where yours truly perfect assistant come through!!!

They all looked at us as if we crazy.

Mphendulo: Am really married to a gangster.

Muziwonke: Kanti wena uyini??(and what are you?)

That shut him up as he looked at me.

I looked right at him.

Mphendulo: You saved me!

Me: Still trying the hack is deleting all the proof that they might have on you. And removing the case from they system and ill give Thabo a bigger fish to fry.

Mphendulo: Who

Me: Big T. He grinned and i looked at him as he kissed me. He kissed me with all his might and I know he was a big competition so it was a good choice.

Mphendulo: I married a gangster!!!

I grinned as he looked at me and there it was what i have always yearned for his love. He didn't hide it but showed it to me as he kissed me again this time with more oomph.

Mphendulo: I told you that you are mine. I grinned snuggling closer to him as he grinned kissing me again...

10 years later

Thabo

The past ten years iv been getting my cases via emails and that has been a saving grace since the whole Mphendulo case. All his files disappeared and he was still the most wanted criminal in the world but with the look of things it seemed that Black Crypto worked with him or for him. I was the head captain of the special task force and that was enough for me when my laptop buzzed and I knew it was my saving grace. I walked to my laptop switched it on. "Hey Theo!!!"

My mind froze right there and it clicked all along the person helping me was Mrs Hlatshwayo. Holy fuck she the black Crypto!!! " yes its me... This is just me redeeming myself. Here is your next big hit, one that will make you!!!

Хохо

Your saving grace"

And there it was my biggest case ever. I grinned at my screen.

Imari

" you busy?"

I switched off my computer and turned to see MJ standing there with his little broth Nthuthuko and holding his little sister Ava in his hands

Me: why are you all bugging me?

Mj grinned

Nthuthuko: dad said go bother your mother!!!

I picked up Ava kissed MJ and walked with my kids to the kitchen placing them on they chairs as i prepared breakfast for them.

MJ: it's Saturday ma

Me: yes MJ am taking you to the park

MJ: promise

Me: with my heart.

Mphendulo walked in looking goofy as he kissed my cheek and poured coffee and sat by the high chair.

Mphendulo: its 6am and it Saturday guys why are we up so early???

MJ: mom taking us to the park

Mphendulo: i know it Saturday that what you always do

Mj: its different today

Mphendulo: why???

Nthuthuko: We shooting

He choked on his coffee and looked at me and i feed Ava

Mphendulo: am sorry what?

MJ: We learning how to shoot?

Mphendulo: At the park?? With people??? And ... he turned looking at me.

Me: Technically we don't go to a regular park!!!

Mphendulo: excuse me????

I looked at him shocked as he looked at the kids than at me... can you blame me for teaching them self defensive at a young age of 10, 5 and 1? They mother and dad are criminals am just being safe right????.... The end!!!