

## Chapter 10 - The Greek Billionaire's Indecent Proposal

Stacy POV

“Thank you for standing up for me, I know that you don’t like to fight with Xander.” I cuddled closer to Hector on the the bed, my head right under his chin.

He had come to find me right after I ran out of the lounge area. That man was impossible to deal with. He had to take responsibility for what had happened between him and Soraya instead of throwing blame around.

“I wish you had come to me instead of keeping quiet, we could have avoided all this.” He sighed. “It’s different between us babe, complete and utter trust if we don’t want to end up messing up our own marriage okay? He asked lovingly.

“I’m sorry my love, yes you are right. I love you.” I raised my head to look up and he kissed me on my forehead then my lips.

“Do you think Soraya still likes him? You said she had fallen for him all those years ago. He likes her you know.” He shared with me.

“I don’t know, I don’t know what her life was completely like in New York. It makes sense why she never wanted to stay in touch with me all those years. I wonder if she dated anyone else that side.”

“Maybe she can be the one to tame him you know, he completely lost it when he lost his wife and child eight years ago.” He shared with me. I got up from my position and looked at Hector incredulously.

“Xander was married? What? To who? He had a child?” I asked shocked by all this.

“Her name was Hera Kastellanos, her family were friends of the Adamos family. She had been in love with Xander since she was a teenager, eventually Xander started dating her when she came off age and then the families agreed they would join together through Xander and Hera’s marriage. A few months later after they got married, Hera found out she was pregnant.” He suddenly had a haunted look on his face.

“This sounds bad.” I said.

“You know I always tell you that you can’t not tell me where you are all the time and you need to take body guards with you if I’m not there. I can’t stress that enough Stacy.” He had a look of fear in his eyes, I had never seen him look like that.

“I know baby, I never want to worry you.” I assured him as my hand caressed his chest.

“You know that some of our business’ are not legit, we have enemies. The Kastellanos had enemies, one day Hera had a doctor’s appointment... Xander was supposed to be in the car with her but he was running late, he told her he would meet her there. The security detail watched her as she went in the building after they had confirmed it was safe to go in there. When Xander got there, he walked out of the building with Hera in his arms and she was just bloodied,stabbed countless times and then her throat slit.” He had a pained look on his face as he recalled this.

I gasped, it was horrifying to think that something like that had happened. I put my hands around his neck and hugged him. “Poor Xander, no one should have to go through that. I see why he is like this now.”

“It almost destroyed him Stace, for months he was like a raging bull. He blamed himself but he probably would have died as well if he had been with her because the entire building was massacred in the space of 10 minutes just to get to Hera. Professional job with no witnesses left, the people responsible left the building using a secret tunnel in the basement that no one knew existed, you know the night we met you and Soraya at the club was the first time he was his old self.” He hugged me tight. “I never want to experience that, I don’t think I could survive if I lost you my love.” He shared

I held on to him tightly then pulled away to kiss him. “I will always try to be vigilant.”

“Do you think I should invite Soraya here and try and scope out how she feels about him?” I asked

“No, I think we should stay out of it. Let them sort it out.” He said sternly. “And Stacy watch how you speak to Xander, he doesn’t take kindly to being disrespected. I pushed my own luck today.

“Okay, I’m really sorry it’s just that he’s so unnerving. Can we go and take a shower?”. I changed the subject. He nodded and smiled at me.

Hector jumped out of bed and headed to the bathroom, I quickly grabbed my phone and texted Soraya.

‘Raya are you okay? I swear I did not tell him anything. He came to my place raging about how both you and I had kept a secret from him. Can we meet up for drinks tomorrow? Call me anytime okay?’

I pressed send then headed off to join Hector in the shower.

## Soraya's POV

I had just tucked Kai into bed and was about to jump into mine when my phone vibrated. I opened the message, it was from Stacy. As hard as it had been to believe that she did not tell him, he couldn't have known that I would be at the gas station, unless he had me followed but I didn't think Xander was that insane. Only mob or mafia bosses did such things.

I responded to Stacy, telling her that tomorrow 2pm would suit me just fine. Right after I sent the message, a call came through from a number I did not recognise.

"Hello." I answered it.

"Is he already asleep?" Xander's voice came through.

"Yes, he has a bed time, he will be starting school soon so he needs a routine." I spoke quietly.

"When do we meet?" He didn't sound like himself when he wasn't raging. He reminded me of the Xander that I met at the club but that Xander felt like a facade to me.

"Tomorrow is Thursday, how about Friday around twelve? Just before lunch? We can meet at a restaurant that has a decent kiddies menu." I asked him.

"No tomorrow, you come to my hotel, the same place I brought you to six years ago? I will have a chef prepare something for us." He said.

"I have a life you know, I have plans for tomorrow." I explained.

"If you don't want me to come back to your place to fetch him myself then you will be here tomorrow, it's not a negotiation Angel." His voice sounded cool and void of any emotion but it was threatening and I believed him.

"Fine, he's a kid so nothing fancy. His idea of a delicious meal is mac and cheese or chicken nuggets and fries." I felt I had to add that in.

"I don't take kindly to being lied to angel, I destroy people for far less offences you know." He said calmly but still in the same cold voice.

"And I don't take kindly to being threatened, I dismiss people for less offences." I retorted back at him. There was silence for a few seconds then he breathed out loud.

"You are not the same shy angel I met at the club."

"You need to stop calling me that Xander, I had to grow up. I had to grow up so that I could raise my son."

“Our son... You know what, I knew that the condom broke when I took it off to throw it away. I kept quiet about it because i felt you might decided to use that against me and I never thought you would actually fall pregnant at all. What do you Americans say... I guess the joke is on me.” He chuckled.

Shock zoomed through me, did he really mean that? Was he just saying that to upset me?

“There’s something horribly wrong with you, if something beautiful hadn’t come out of my night with you...”

“You would what? Be here by twelve.” He said then hung up the phone.

I was seething! Who the hell did he think he was. The only reason why I was going to go there was so Kai could get to know him, if it wasn’t for that I’d tell Xander where to get off. I texted Stacy to cancel and reschedule for another day then tried to fall asleep.

My dreams were filled with images of Xander’s hand over my neck, holding me up against a wall. His voice whispering the things he wanted to do to my body as his other hand snaked under my sleeping shirt and in between my legs. I tossed and turned all night.