

LEO AUDITION SCENE: (WITH WILL)

LIVING ROOM

(AGITATED, IRRITATED WILL IS PACING WHEN LEO BREEZES IN IN RESPONSE TO 3 SUMMONS)

LEO

(SEXY - CONFIDENT)

Hey, you.

WILL

What the hell were you thinking using my phone to make that call?!

LEO

Hey, hey, calm down ...

WILL

No, I will not calm down! You've ruined everything!

LEO

(UNFAZED - CONFIDENTLY AND CALM)

Will, let me ask you a question. Why'd

you come to me instead of any other guy?

Because I'm smart, right?

WILL

No, I thought you were!

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LEO

I am. And I always cover my tracks.

WILL

What are you talking about?

LEO

I blocked the call, so no one will ever be able to trace it back to you.

(BEAT, MOVES CLOSE - CHEMICALLY)

Now. Don't you feel silly? Getting all

worked up over nothin'.

WILL

Oh, no you don't. You're not going to sweet-talk your way out of this one,

Leo. You messed up!

LEO

(FEELING THE HINT OF REJECTION - BIT STUNG - SARCASTICALLY)

I was only following orders, boss.

WILL

Following orders?! I asked you to do one simple thing for me and you decided to hurt someone I love by your carelessness!



LEO

(AGAIN FEELS THE STING OF NOT BEING THE ONE WILL LOVES)

I thought it would help you...all I want is to see you happy.

WILL

Do I look happy to you?

LEO

No.

(INSTANTLY CONTRITE)

Look, I'll make it up to you, all right?

If it doesn't work out - I'll find someone else to front you the start-up money...

WILL

No, you won't. Because we're not working together anymore. I'd have a better luck partnering with a rock.

LEO

(EXPRESSION DARKENS)

Now, that's not a nice thing to say...

WILL

It's the truth. We're done. So, from here on in, just stay away from me.



(SHE STARTS OUT BUT LEO SUDDENLY GRABS HIS ARM ROUGHLY)

LEO

Actually... I don't think that's gonna happen.

WILL

((STARTLED BY HIS TONE)

Leo... you're hurting me...

(HE DOESN'T LET GO, HIS EXPRESSION NOW COLD

AND THREATENING)

LEO

Here's how I see this going... you're going to apologize for treating me like the hired help, and then I'm going to continue on as we planned. Does that sound all right with you?

(SCARED, WILL NODS)

LEO (CONT'D)

Because if I remember correctly... you came to me... you wanted me. Not the other way around.

WILL

(LOW)

I'm sorry . . .



LEO

What was that?

WILL

I said I'm sorry! Now, please let go of my arm.

(HE DOESN'T, EYES NARROWED)

LEO

(FUELED BY HIS ANGER AND INSECURITY)

And you didn't mean what you just said.

You're not getting rid of me.

WILL

No...

(A BEAT, THEN LEO RELEASES HER)

LEO

Good.

(BEAT - TAKES A MOMENT AND SOFTENS WITH HIS LOVE FOR WILL)

Look, I'm sorry if I scared you... It's just I know I can help you... And I know if we work together, we'll both get you what we want.

(LEO SUDDENLY BREAKS INTO HIS CHARMING SMILE, PULLS HIM INTO A HUG)