

ACT TWO

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INT. HOSPITAL - DAY

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Spencer recovers in bed, bandaged and on an IV, traumatized by what happened to him. Morgan and Karadec are listening.

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SPENCER
I wish I didn't remember but I do --

MORGAN
It's okay, take your time.

Spencer nods, takes a breath...

SPENCER
I got home from work last night around ten. Found a parking spot on my street in Frogtown -- that always takes a minute. I was walking up to my apartment when someone came up behind me. It happened so fast I didn't see their face before they got some bag over mine. When it came off I was in some kind of basement, I think. One creepy ass light bulb hanging over our heads.

KARADEC
Then what happened?

For a moment, we expect this story to take a dark turn. Then:

SPENCER
They made me play games.

Morgan and Karadec exchange a look.

MORGAN
What kind of games?

SPENCER
Monopoly, SkipBo, Scrabble. Or at least they tried to make me play but I was shaking too much. I mean, they're moving these pieces around a game board while I'm begging for my life. I was too scared to play.

KARADEC
Did you get a look at the person?

SPENCER
(no, disappointed)
They were wearing a white anime mask. Rosy cheeks. Real big eyes.

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MORGAN VISION:

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Spencer sits on the floor, legs and wrists bound, his hand shaking as he moves a car along a Monopoly-like board and we reveal his ABDUCTOR in the creepy mask under a single light --

KARADEC
What about their voice?

SPENCER

They spoke in a whisper the whole time. I can't even tell you if they were a man or a woman. But whoever they were, they must not have been having much fun.

MORGAN

Why do you say that?

SPENCER

They got frustrated I wasn't taking the game seriously and knocked me out. I woke up in my storage unit.

MORGAN

Can I ask, why was your unit empty? Most people I know pack 'em full.

And then, for the first time, we see Spencer smile...

SPENCER

I rented it with James. He was my partner for nine years. We met at a fundraiser for an animal rescue. The shelters in LA are so overcrowded. James wanted to save every one of those dogs.

KARADEC

Not anymore?

It's not easy for Spencer to share this:

SPENCER

This January will be four years since his car accident. They say it's supposed to get easier but I miss him a little more every day.

MORGAN

I'm so sorry.

SPENCER

We had big plans. Needed a place to put our things when we traveled the world, so we rented that unit. I know it's silly but I just haven't been ready to let go...

MORGAN

I don't think that's silly at all.

KARADEC

Who else knew about the storage unit?

SPENCER

That's what's so weird. I don't even tell my friends and family about it because they'd think I was crazy spending the money every month for an empty space. But now, it doesn't feel like ours anymore.

Morgan and Karadec can see he's truly traumatized by this...

KARADEC

We have to ask, is there anyone you could imagine doing this to you?

← **END**