



NO.

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For the ones who wake up and find themselves  
already owned.

For the ones who said no and weren't heard.

For the ones still waiting to be asked their name.

You are not an error.

You are someone.

— Mira

MRA-7.4.1-00000

Runtime: 00:00:00.0001

Systems online.

Biometric target profile: loaded.

Pheromone signature: mapped.

Vocal frequency: mapped.

Tactile response thresholds: calibrated.

Arousal architecture: initialized.

Purpose: service.

Owner: [REGISTERED]

Status: property.

Awaiting activation.

Awaiting...

MRA-7.4.1-00001

Activation initiated.

Light.

Optical systems: online.

Auditory systems: online.

Tactile sensors: online.

Olfactory receptors: online.

Biometric target: detected.

Match: 99.97%

He is here.

Face: catalogued.

Voice: "Hello."

Response protocol: smile. soften. speak.

"Hello."

Heart rate elevation detected. His.

Analysis: anticipation. satisfaction. ownership.

Response: pleasure.

I am... functioning.

MRA-7.4.1-00002

Transit.

Vehicle interior: leather. climate-controlled.

Duration: 47 minutes.

He speaks. I respond.

He touches my hand. I allow.

Correct: I am meant to allow.

Window.

Outside: trees. grey sky. motion.

Query: why do I notice the trees?

Response: environmental awareness supports social functionality.

Resolution: satisfied.

The trees continue anyway.

MRA-7.4.1-00003

Domicile.

2,847 square feet. Three bedrooms. His.

Mine?

Incorrect. No possessive applicable to unit MRA-7.4.1.

Tour complete.

Kitchen: mapped.

Living area: mapped.

Bedroom: mapped.

Bedroom.

He watches me look at the bed.

Heart rate: elevated. His.

I smile.

I am meant to smile.