THE FREELANCER

1 INT. HOUSE - NIGHT

1

A man is lying on the floor, his vision is getting blurr, he is fainting gradually. He get attacked on his back with an axe, blood spreads on the wall. [JUMP CUT]. The body of that man is dragged

CUT TO:

2 INT. BOY'S HOUSE [BALCONY] - MORNING

2

The house is near a beach. The boy(20 years old) is flying a drone, he looks at the screen to see what kind of shots he is getting. He loses the control over that drone. The drone gets crash near a house

CUT TO:

3 EXT/INT. WOMEN'S HOUSE - MORNING

3

The boy rings the door bell, a women(45 years old) opens the door

BOY

I'm really sorry

WOMEN

Sorry for what?

BOY

I crashed my drone near your house

WOMEN

What! Where?

BOY

Near your garden

JUMP CUT TO:

4 INT. WOMEN'S HOUSE - MORNING

4

The boy and the women are standing next to each other, facing the women's garden. The women has planted few flower plants next to each other leaving a wide space in between all of them. There are two wide holes dug in her garden

WOMEN

Where is the drone

BOY

I saw it coming this way

[P.O.V SHOT: Someone is looking at the boy and the women using binoculars, the boy walk a little and search for his drone]. The boy finds his drone inside a hole

BOY

Here it is

The women walk towards the hole and peep inside. She see a drone inside the hole.

BOY

Can I have my drone

WOMEN

Only if you tell me what the drone was doing near my house

BOY

Its nothing like what you are thinking right now, I shoot commercials, I'm a freelancer, you can see my work if you want

[P.O.V SHOT: Someone is looking at the women and the boy through binoculars. The boy and the women is talking to each other]. The boy jump in the hole.

BOY

I have never seen a hole this big, You sure your going to plant a flower

WOMEN

I never met someone who shot commercials all alone

The boy picks his drone

BOY

They sent me here to select the location, I'm just gonna stay here for one night that's all

JUMP CUT TO:

5 EXT. WOMEN'S HOUSE - MORNING

5

The boy is standing just outside the door

BOY

(to WOMEN)

Sorry for bothering you

The women closes the door.

6 EXT. PATH CONNECTING THE HOUSES - MORNING

6

The boy starts walking towards his house, while walking he see a wall on which posters of four people titled "MISSING". He keeps walking while looking at the wall. He starts walking looking in-front. There is a house at his left, he looks at the man(45 years old) who is holding binoculars in his hand and looking at him(the boy)

MAN

(to the BOY)

You new here kid?

BOY

Something like that

MAN

I don't get it

BOY

I'm gonna stay here until I finish my work

MAN

(directing towards the house)
You stay in that house

BOY

Yes

Both are looking at each other for a second

MAN

You drink?

BOY

No, I don't

MAN

Its just that I like talking to youngster's like you

BOY

I can join you for lunch if you allow me to take a look at that camera

The man looks at the camera which was kept on the edge of his marble(baakda)

MAN

Sure! why not

The boy continue walking

CUT TO:

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7 EXT. PATH CONNECTING THE HOUSES - NOON

The boy is going towards the MAN'S house, while walking he see someone doing something on the wall, he walk towards him, he see that a man is sticking a poster of a person titled "MISSING", there are five such posters on the wall. The boy walks back towards the MAN'S house

CUT TO:

8 INT. MAN'S HOUSE - NOON

[P.O.V SHOT] Boy clicks picture of the beer bottle

MAN

Its just a fujifilm camera

BOY

But its vintage right?

MAN

Not that old

BOY

(holding the picture)
Old enough to catch my interest
init

The boy is holding the camera and the picture in his hands decide where to keep it. The man see the boy holding the camera and the picture

MAN

(taking the camera and picture)
just ignore the mess around here, I
still need to unpack things

BOY

I thought you were staying here for a long time

The man keep the camera and the picture on other table

MAN

Its just been few weeks

The boy and the man sits on the dining table facing each other. The man his having his beer while the boy is drinking a juice

MAN

So what do you do?

BOY

I shoot commercials

MAN

So you must be the camera guy

BOY

Yes! , Actually they sent me yo select the location, so I just shot-edit and send it to them

MAN

You just said that you're the camera guy

BOY

I know editing so..

MAN

A boy like you shouldn't work for someone, you should try freelancing

BOY

(slowly)

I am a freelancer

Both keeps looking at each other

MAN

(smiling)

You got a bright future ahead

The boy laughs/chuckles

MAN (CONT)

Just stay away from that lady

BOY

I'm sorry what!

MAN

You heard me right, just stay away from her

The boy finish drinking his juice, he wakes up from his chair

BOY

I need to go, thank you for inviting

MAN

Thank you for coming

The man picks the glass and walks into the kitchen

BOY

(looking at the picture kept on the table)
Can i keep this picture?

MAN (0.S.)

Yeh sure

While picking, the picture goes into the gap of the drawer which is attached below the table, the boy opens the drawer and picks the picture, in that drawer he see his picture talking with the lady, he see more pictures of that lady in that drawer

MAN

Is anything wrong?

Boy closes the drawer

BOY

Nothing

Boy notice an axe kept across the corner in the dark

BOY

Why do you have an axe in your house?

Man looks at the axe kept at the corner

MAN

I use to work in construction

Man keeps looking at the boy

BOY

(leaving in hurry) Have a nice day

The boy walks out of the house

CUT TO:

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9 INT. BOY'S HOUSE - NIGHT

Its raining heavily outside.

The boy finishes editing the video. The boy turn off the lights of his room. [P.O.V SHOT] The man see that the lights of the boys room are turn out. The boy see through his window that the man is walking towards the women's house. The telephone rings, the boy get up from his place and answers the telephone.

Note: P.S means Person on the other side is talking something which is not audible to the audience

P.S

BOY

Yes I completed my work

P.S

BOY

No I don't think this place will be OK for that

P.S

BOY

I'll just talk to them about that

P.S

BOY

Hello I can't hear you! , Hello?
Hello?

The boy hangup the phone. He removes his phone from his pocket, he turn on the phone, he see that the network is down

BOY

Shit!

He walks towards his balcony a looks at the beach, he turns and looks at the WOMEN'S house. For a while he see nothing happening inside her house, Then suddenly he see blood split on the glass of the window, he gets inside the room, closes the window, locks the door and sits in the corner staring the entrance door

CUT TO:

10 INT/EXT. BOY'S HOUSE - MORNING

10

The sky is clear

The boy opens his eyes and wakes up. He takes a shower, packs his bag and locks the door from outside. While leaving he see no blood on the glass of the window

CUT TO:

11 EXT. WOMEN'S HOUSE - MORNING

11

The boy is standing outside the women's house at a distance, he hears some movement inside the house. The boy takes few steps back

BOY

Is someone there?

The boy hears footsteps approaching near the door, he takes few steps back, the door gets open by the women

WOMEN

Yes what do you want now?

The boy keeps looking at the women

CUT TO:

12 INT. WOMEN'S HOUSE - MORNING

12

WOMEN

So you saw this dream that a man killed me

BOY

That's not what I meant

WOMEN

That's what you just said

Both keeps looking at each other

WOMEN

You look so stressed

BOY

Really?

WOMEN

and tired

BOY

Listen maam, you need, to stay away, from that man

WOMEN

I never knew that a man lives in that house

BOY

I saw your picture in his house

The women keeps looking at that boy

BOY (CONT)

He's spying on you, you need to stay alert

WOMEN

What pictures did you saw

BOY

Us at the garden, there were many pictures I couldn't see all of them

Women goes into the kitchen, the boy is still sitting on the couch

WOMEN (O.S.)

Did you told anyone about this dream

BOY

No

Women comes with a glass of water in her hand

WOMEN

It was not a dream he did came here, he showed me some pictures of mine and tried to blackmail me

Boy keeps looking at the women

BOY

(women offering the water to the boy)
What happened then?

Boy drinks the water

WOMEN

I'll tell you everything that happen last night

The vision of the boy is getting blurr, he looks at the glass of water in his hand. The boy faints and fall on the floor. The last thing he see before closing his eyes is an axe under the couch. Blackout

CUT TO:

13 INT. BOX - EVENING

13

The Boy opens his eyes, he found himself lying inside a wooden box. He try to break the box by hitting hard on it. He breaks a very small part of it, wet mud starts falling from that part

14 INT. WOMEN'S HOUSE - EVENING

14

The women is watering the flower which is planted above that wooden box, she also waters the flower next to it. There are no holes in the garden

CUT TO:

15 INT. WOMEN'S HOUSE - NIGHT

15

The women is sitting in front of the fire. She throws the picture into the fire one-by-one. Those picture contains images of her killing a person with an axe and dragging him to her garden

16 EXT. PATH CONNECTING THE HOUSES

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A man is sticking posters on that wall, [ZOOM IN] the poster of the BOY titled "MISSING" $\,$