LOPEZ

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A Prequel to scarface

The Story of Frank Lopez

Lopez is in love with a local criminals girlfriend, He is about to realise that love comes at a price and if you want it you have to pay the price with money or your life, sometimes both.

EXT/DAY/ HAVANA CUBA

LOPEZ (19) IS WITH HIS FRIENDS JOSE (20) AND CARLOS (19) IT'S A SATURDAY NIGHT AND THE THREE FRIENDS ARE JUST LOOKING TO HAVE A GOOD NIGHT, MUSIC IS PLAYING WHILE OLD MEN PLAY DOMINOS AND SMOKE CIGARS AS THE BEAUTIFUL WOMEN WALK BY.

JOSE

Look, look at that one Carlos, she's the most beautiful woman I've seen, I bet they're going to EL Gato Negro (The Black Cat)

CARLOS

Of course they are going there, thats where all the women go, you gotta have money to go there, everyone is trying to get with all the Jefe's (bosses) who are we?, just a Buch of kids with nothing between us, we haven't got enough to buy a drink

JOSE

Why do you always have to be so negative, all you want to do is drink, I just want to dance, what do you say Lopez, we go in there see if we can reel in some señoritas and get a dance or we going home and dream about it

LOPEZ

Let's do both, go in, dance and try and pick up a few drinks in between. Just don't get drunk to quickly Carlos,

CARLOS What do you mean? LOPEZ I'm not carrying you home this time

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LOPEZ WATCHES A GROUP OF WOMEN CROSS THE ROAD, ONE OF THEM TURNS AROUND AND LOOKS AT LOPEZ AND SMILES

JOSE See, look, every time, how do you do it? I don't get it, you're the ugly one out of all of us, I don't get it.

LOPEZ AND CAROS JUMP ON JOSE AND PLAY FIGHT BEATING HIM U, THEY ALL LAUGH AS THEY MAKE THERE WAY TO THE BAR, AS THEY APPROACH THE MUSIC GETS LOUDER, THERE IS A CUBAN BAND PLAYING AND ALL THE WOMEN ARE DANCING, LOPEZ IS LOOKING FOR THE GIRL WHO SMILED AT HIM, CARLOS IS STEALING THE ODD DRINKS AND PUTTING IT INTO A SMALL FLASK AS WELL AS KNOCKING THEM BACK, WHILE JOSE IS DANCING WITH A BEAUTIFUL DARK SKINNED GIRL.

> JOSE Whats your name beautiful

> > NEOMA

Neoma

JOSE Like the moon huh

NEOMA Not many people know thats what it means

JOSE Morena, not many people know what I know

NEOMA What do you know (smiles)

JOSE WHISPERS IN NEOMA'S EAR AND SHE GETS EXCITED AS JOSE GRABS HER ARSE.

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LOPEZ SUDDENLY SEES THE GIRL WHO SMILED AT HIM AND MAKES HIS WAY OVER TO HER. SHE HAS JUST GOT TO THE BAR AND THE BAR TENDER SLIDES HER A RUM.

LOPEZ

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SILVIA

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LOPEZ You want to dance

SILVIA Well aunt you eager, Don't you want to know my name first

LOPEZ You can tell me later if you want, I just want to dance with the most beautifulest woman in the is place first before the rest work it out.

SILVIA SMILES AT THE CHEEKY LOPEZ, LOPEZ EXTENDS HIS HAND, AND SILVIA TAKES IT, SOOM THEY ARE DANCING AND THE MUSIC IS PLAYING, LOPEZ CAN ONLY FOCUS HIS EYES ON SILVIA AND SHE IS LOST INTO HIS.

A GROUP OF YOUNG MEN DRESSED LIKE THEY HAVE MONEY WALK INTO THE BAR, THE MEN ARE GREETED BY OTHERS, SAYING THEIR NAMES AS THEY CONTINUE THROUGH THE BAR, "DON MARTEZ", DON MARTEZ IGNORES THE GESTURES AS HE IS ONLY FOCUSED ONLY ON FINDING HIS GIRL SILVIA.

DON MARTEZ SPOTS HER DANCING WITH SOMEONE BUT CANT SEE WHO IT IS THROUGH THE CROWD.

LOPEZ, CARLOS AND JOSE ARE ALL DANCING TOGETHER WITH GIRLS AND ARE SINGING ALONG AND SMILING AT EACH OTHER IN RECOGNITION OF HAVING A GOOD NIGHT, THE MUSIC STOPS AND EVERYONE CLAPS AS THE BAND END. DON MARTEZ IS STANDING DIRECTLY BEHIND SILVIA AND CLAPS THE LOUDEST GETTING SILVIA'S ATTENTION, SHE SEES HIM WITH HIS MEN, SILVIA FEARFUL FOR LOPEZ SMILES AT DON MARTEZ AND EMBRACES HIM, OVER HER SHOULDER DON MARTEZ STARES AT THE HANDSOME LOPEZ, LOPEZ SLOWLY AVOIDS EYE CONTACT

DON MARTEZ Arn't you going to introduce me to your dance partner

SILVIA

Who?

SILVIA FALLS SILENT, BEFORE SHE CAN ANSWER LOPEZ INTERRUPTS

LOPEZ Sorry Don Martez I think you are mistaken, we wasn't dancing, I asked but She shot me down.

DON MARTEZ

Thats an unusual choice of words my friend (Don Martez crew laugh) So you are saying I'm wrong? I didn't see you dancing with my woman, it was a mistake si (yes)

LOPEZ

Sorry Don Martez

LOPEZ GOES TO WALK AWAY, DON MARTEZ RAISES HIS VOICE AND THE WHOLE BAR FALLS SILENT

DON MARTEZ EH! Who said you get to walk away from me? you don't turn your back on me Cabron (bastard) what's your name

LOPEZ

Lopez

DON MARTEZ Lopez, Lopez, Manuel do we know this one MANUEL This one no, he's just a farmers son, he's no-one

MANUEL STARES AT LOPEZ

DON MARTEZ

A no-one pretending to be a someone, okay farm boy, get the fuck out of here, go be nobody somewhere else and take your Maricons (queers) with you.

LOPEZ LOOKS AT HIS FRIENDS AND GIVES SILVIA ONE LAST LOOK BEFORE THEY LEAVE, AS THEY DISAPPEAR THROUGH THE CROWD DON MARTEZ SHOUTS OUT.

DON MARTEZ

Maistro, music for favour (music please)

THE BAND CONTINUE TO PLAY AND DON MARTEZ FORCES A KISS ON TO SILVIA AS THE BAR RETURNS TO MUSIC/DANCING/DRINKING. DON MARTEZ IS SMILING AND DRINKING WITH HIS MEN. SILVIA LOOKS OUT OF THE SHUTTERS AND SEES LOPEZ AND HIS FRIENDS WALKING AWAY,

DON MARTEZ WHISPERS INTO MANUEL'S EAR AS HE LOOKS AT SILVIA.

SILVIA TURNS AND FACES DON MARTEZ, DON MARTEZ SMILES, SILVIA SMILES NERVOUSLY BACK.

CUT TO LOPEZ AND FRIENDS WALKING HOME.

ALL THREE MEN ARE WALKING THROUGH THE TOWN, ALL SILENT UNTIL CARLOS TAKES OUT HIS FLASK AND PASSES IT TO LOPEZ

CARLOS Don't worry, he's just an asshole, nobody even likes him 6.

LOPEZ Yeah, but he has people to back him, who have we got

JOSE We have each other

CARLOS

Jose is right, between us there isn't anything we can't do, so what if he has the money, the power and the love of your life, he's still ugly.... you're lucky she protected you, she must of liked you

JOSE That or she was having a stroke

LOPEZ You think she would go for a gut like me, I mean, a farm boy?

JOSE Why not, love is love, it has nothing to do with what you do, so what you work on a farm and you smell like shit all the time.

JOSE AND CARLOS LOOK AT EACH OTHER AND BURST OUT LAUGHING

CARLOS Come on brother, who knows what is around the corner, destiny is a door that hasn't been opened yet

LOPEZ

All I know is this, there has to be more to life than this, and if those guys can do it then we can to

CARLOS

What are you saying, you want to be a hood

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LOPEZ I don't know. Forget it. Let's just get out of here.

THE THREE CONTINUE TO WALK UP THE QUIET STREET, OUT OF THE DARKNESS A MATCH IS STRUCK AND A CIGARETTE IS LIT SHOWING THE FACE OF MANUEL, MANUEL TAKES A PUFF AND LETS OUT THE SMOKE.

BACK AT DON MARTEZ HOUSE HE AND SILVIA WALK IN DRUNK AFTER A NIGHT OF FUN, AS SOON AS DON MARTEZ SHUTS THE DOOR HIS DEMINA CHANGES AND GOES INTO A JEALOUS RAGE ABOUT LOPEZ, GRABBING SILVIA BY THE THROAT PINNED UP AGAINST THE WALL WITH ONE HAND AND A SMALL KNIFE IN THE OTHER.

DON MARTEZ

Don't ever embarrass me again in front of my men.

SILVIA NODS IN FEAR AS DON MARTEZ PRESSED THE FLAT SIDE OF THE KNIFE TO HER FACE SLOWLY MOVING IT DOWN

DON MARTEZ You know you are the only woman that I've ever loved

DON MARTEZ CUTS THE STRAP OF HER TOP AND SINKS HIS FACE INTO HER NECK STILL WITH HIS HAND AROUND HER THROAT AND PASSIONATELY KISSES HER.

FADE OUT

LOYALTY

DAY/EXTERNAL/IN TOWN

LOPEZ IS PUSHING AROUND A CART DOING HIS DELIVERIES AROUND THE TOWN ALL THE KIDS KNOW LOPEZ AND A FOOT BALL IS KICKED OVER TO HIM, LOPEZ DOES A FEW KICK UPS AND KICKS THE BALL BACK TO THE KIDS KID Come play Lopez, come1

LOPEZ Later, I'm working, score a goal for me!

LOPEZ CONTINUES TO DELIVER HIS GOODS, AS HE PUSHES HIS CART HE SEES A CAR HE RECOGNISES AND QUICKLY TURNS HIS HEAD, DRIVING THE CAR IS MANUEL WITH DON MARTEZ IN. THE PASSENGER, MANUEL SEES LOPEZ BUT DOESN'T SAY ANYTHING AS THEY CONTINUE TO DRIVE.

DON MARTEZ

I've made a deal with the columbians were going to meet their biggest distributor

MANUEL

Who is it

DON MARTEZ

His name is Alejandro, he is building an empire, the coca is the purest and we are getting buy in, he has political power and the network directly into Miami, and I have been invited, they know me, they've heard about me Hermano (brother), this is what I have been working for.

MANUEL

You trust him Hermano (brother) we have never done business like this? What about the others.

DON MARTEZ

If they don't like it we get rid of them, this is the move, this is where I show real power, this place has suffocated me enough, the poverty, the lies and greed, right here there is no love, they only fear here, this is the way out, understand? MANUEL

So when do we go?

DON MARTEZ Hermano, I need you to stay here and take care of Silvia.

MANUEL LOOKS AT DON MARTEZ AND BEGRUDGING NODS, DON MARTEZ SMILES

DON MARTEZ Pull over here, I have to take care of something, do the rounds and I will meet you later, oh did you find that Lopez guy?

MANUEL Yes, he's a nobody hermano (brother)

DON MARTEZ Good, then nobody will miss him, take care of it for me.

DON MARTEZ EXITS THE CAR AND WALKS OVER WITH SMILES OVER TO A GROUP OF WOMEN, HE FOLLOWS THEM INTO A BUILDING WHILE GRABBING THIER ARSES.

> MANUEL Cabron (bastard)

MANUEL LOOKS IN DISGUST AND DRIVES AWAY.

CUT TO LOPEZ SITTING ON A WALL

LOPEZ IS OVER LOOKING THE TOWN AND SUDDENLY SEES SIVIA, ALL DRESSED UP AND SHOPPING, LOPEZ LOOKS AROUND TO SEE IF ANYONE IS WATCHING AND FOLLOWS HER INTO A STORE, SILVIA IS IN THE FLORIST PICKING OUT FLOWERS, LOPEZ COME UP BEHIND HER.

> LOPEZ Shouldn't he be buying you flowers

SILVIA TURNS AROUND SHOCKED AND PLEASED

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SILVIA

I am quite capable of buying my own flowers, plus I know what I want

LOPEZ SEES THE BRUISING ON HER NECK

LOPEZ

Are you ok

SILVIA

Why? Are you going to save me, you don't even know my name.

LOPEZ

Do you want saving? Silvia, thats your name right.

SILVIA

Well haven't you been busy, that didn't take you long, you must be very resourceful.

LOPEZ

More determined than resourceful, plus I heard that the last person who spoke you you ended up in hospital, is that true?

SILVIA

No thats not true, people just like to talk but they don't know, yes, sometimes he has a temper and is a bit jealous, but he is harmless, nobody died or went you hospital.

LOPEZ

Harmless?

LOPEZ PUTS HIS HAND GENTLY OVER HER BRUISE

LOPEZ

I wouldn't harm you

SILVIA No you wouldn't would you. What are you doing tonight?

LOPEZ

Nothing

SILVIA Meet me under the clock tonight at 9

LOPEZ What about...

SILVIA

He won't be here, he's going to be out of town so there is no need to worry.

LOPEZ

So is this a date?

SILVIA When you come, you will see.

SILVIA SMILES AS SHE LEAVES THE STORE. MANUEL IS WATCHING FROM A CAR ACROSS THE STREET.

FADE OUT

DO FOR LOVE

EXT/NIGHT/THE CLOCK TOWER

LOPEZ WALKS UP TO THE CLOCK TOWER, HE HAS ON HIS BEST SHIRT AND TROUSERS ON, THERE IS A SLIGHT BREEZE IN THE AIR, AS LOPEZ GETS CLOSER HE SEES SILVIA OVER LOOKING THE CITY OF HAVANA, LOPEZ STANDS BESIDE HER.

SILVIA

Beautiful isn't she?

LOPEZ CAN'T STOP LOOKING AT SILVIA, THEN LOOKS AT THE VIEW

LOPEZ

Yes she is

SILVIA

When I was smaller I used to come up here and would stare for hours, I never thought I'd see anything more beautiful, and even though it has its dark corners from here everything looks beautiful and calm, I couldn't see myself being anywhere else, what about you?

LOPEZ

I think this country has the potential to be great, were a strong proud nation, resourceful but could be much more if the government invested in its people more

SILVIA

I never knew you were so political

LOPEZ

I try to read as much as can, plus, I see how hard my father works and think, will I have to work that hard just to be something in life, everyone says life isn't fair, I think you just have to work smart with what life gives you.

SILVIA

I like who you are Lopez

LOPEZ

You like Lopez the the farm boy

SILVIA

No, I like Lopez the man, tell me the truth, when you knew who I was with was you scared?

LOPEZ

Truthfully, yes, but no matter what I can't let that fear control me, let me ask you something, why are you with a man like that knowing what he does.

SILVIA Are you judging me?

LOPEZ

I'm just curious

SILVIA

Well, he wasn't always like this, there was a point when he was nice, kind, gentle and I guess thats what I hope one day he will turn back into, but the more he gets is the more he wants, I guess thats why I like you, you have a kindness about you, you're not like the others

LOPEZ

How do you mean?

SILVIA

Even now, you know how to wait and take your time.

LOPEZ Well I might not have all the time I'd want soon your boyfriend finds me

SILVIA

Maybe we should make the most of every opportunity in life then before we run out of time.

LOPEZ STEPS CLOSER TO LOPEZ AND GENTLY LEANS FORWARD AND KISSES HER.

WE SEE LOPEZ AND SILVIA BY A WINDOW, A NET CURTAIN IS BLOWING AND MUSIC IS PLAYING IN THE STREET AS THEY KISS, SITTING IN A CAR LOOKING UP AT THE APARTMENT IS MANUEL.

CUT TO THE MORNING

THE SUN PIERCES THROUGH THE WINDOW AND CAUSES LOPEZ'S EYES TO TWITCH AND OPEN, HE SEES SILVIA ASLEEP WITH THE SHEET COVERING HALF OF HER BODY, HE SMILES, BUT NOTICES A SHADOW OVER HIM, LOPEZ TURNS OVER TO SEE MANUEL POINTING A GUN DIRECTLY AT LOPEZ

MANUEL

Get up

LOPEZ SLOWLY GETS OUT OF BED IN JUST HIS UNDERPANTS AND IS LEAD OUT OF THE APARTMENT, THEY GET DOWNSTAIRS OUT OF THE BUILDING WHERE ANOTHER MAN (TITO) IS WAITNG WITH THE TRUNK OPEN.

MANUEL

Get in

LOPEZ LOOKS AT MANUEL AND TITO, LOPEZ IS HESITANT TO GET IN

MANUEL Get in or ill shoot you then put you in anyway

LOPEZ CAUTIOUSLY GETS INTO THE TRUNK

TITO

Watch your head

TITO SHUTS THE TRUNK AND TAPS IT WITH HIS FINGER AS HE BEGINS TO WHISTLE AS HE HEADS BACK INTO THE CAR AND DRIVES OFF WITH MANUEL IN THE PASSENGER SEAT.

THE TRUNK OPENS AND THE SUNLIGHT BLINDS LOPEZ FOR A MOMENT UNTIL HE SEES TITO HOLDING A GUN POINTING IT AT HIM

TITO Out cabron (bastard)

LOPEZ SLOWLY GETS OUT IN HIS UNDERWEAR AND IS DIRT WITH GREASE AND SWEAT, LOPEZ LOOKS AT HIS SURROUNDINGS, THEY ARE AT THE TOP OF A HILL OVERLOOKING THE SEA WHICH CAN BE HEARD CRASHING BELOW.

> MANUEL You know who I am?

LOPEZ NODS

MANUEL

Why do you have a death wish then, is this woman worth dying for?

LOPEZ

She is

MANUEL LOOKS AT TITO WHO LAUGHS

MANUEL

You're not wrong hermano (brother) she is beautiful, but thats not worth loosing your life over, you know I know your father, he could of been something you know, but he like you chose the love of a woman rather than his destiny, but then he wouldn't of had you ey hermano (brother)

TITO

Maybe it's a Lopez curse.

MANUEL

Maybe..... So what are we to do? Martez wants you dead. so here is the proposal, I can shoot you, you can jump or you can leave and don't come back, because if you do then I will shoot you, so you choose hermano (brother) LOPEZ

I'll leave

TITO Conyo (fuck)

TITO REACHES INTO HIS POCKET AND TAKES OUT SOME MONEY AND HANDS IT TO MANUEL

TITO I thought you was a man, next time jump. But thee won't be a next time will there cabron (bastard)

MANUEL

Come on lets go

MANUEL LOWERS HIS GUN AND LOOKS AT LOPEZ AS HE GETS BACK INTO THE CAR AND DRIVES AWAY LEAVING LOPEZ ON THE HILL TOP IN HIS UNDERWEAR.

DRIVING IN THE CAR TITO TURNS TO MANUEL

TITO What about the girl?

CUT TO SILVIA ASLEEP

A FIGURE IS SITTING AT THE TAIL OF THE BED WATCHING SILVIA SLEEP, SILVIA MOANS AND SLOWLY REACHES OUT TO THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BED AND FEELS THAT NO ONE IS THERE, SILVIA SITS UP AND SEES THE PERSON AT THE END OF THE BED, ITS DON MARTEZ SITTING IN HIS WHITE SUIT HOLDING A CIGAR IN HIS HAND, HE PUTS IT TO HIS MOUTH AND LIGHTS IT, SILVIA LOOKS SHOCKED.

> DON MARTEZ Did you miss me? It's ok you don't have to answer that.

SILVIA What have you done with him?

DON MARTEZ Who? the farm boy, he's gone my love, he's not coming back. Ever. And you. This is how you betray me, (MORE)

DON MARTEZ (CONT'D)

like this.

SILVIA

I don't love you anymore Fernando, why can't you understand that, you're not the same person anymore, you fuck around with those putts (whores) and you expect me to just sit here and take it, you forget that I know you, not this person you are now, you was never like this

DON MARTEZ

Know me! You know nothing, everything I do is for us, it's all going to change now, a new start, a new life.

SILVIA

US! You do it for YOU! Cabron! (bastard) I never asked for any of this, nothing. the only time I'm happy is when you are not here, just leave me be, go back to your whores, money and drugs I want nothing, the last thing I had you've taken away, there's nothing else here between us.

DON MARTEZ JUMPS OUT OF THE CHAIR AND ONTO THE BED PUTTING HIS HAND AROUND SILVIA'S THROAT CHOKING HER.

DON MARTEZ

Know this mi amor (my love), you are mine and only mine, nobody else's. You ain't going anywhere. Understand.

DON MARTEZ LOOSENS HIS GRIP AND SILVIA COKES FOR AIR

DON MARTEZ

(Laughs) why do we always do this my love, you know we can't live without each other, it's like what my mother would always say, you (MORE)

DON MARTEZ (CONT'D) only fight with the ones you love the most, if I didn't, I'd just kill you.

DON MARTEZ LOOKS AT SILVIA AND WALKS OUT, AS HE GETS DOWNSTAIRS HE SEES MANUEL AND TITO.

DON MARTEZ

Is it done?

MANUEL He won't be back. How was the meeting.

DON MARTEZ

(Looks at Manuel with concern) it was good, things are going to change, I did a deal with Alejandro, we're going to manage his transportation, delivering through our routes, it's going to be a good move for us.

MANUEL

Now were delivery guys

DON MARTEZ

Hermano (brother) don't look at it like that, we will do this and get in tight with the operation and then we can get our own supply chain, he has the connections and the product, we have the know how, it's a win win, we can't loose.

MANUEL

But we take all the risk, what are we getting out of this shit deal

DON MARTEZ

HEY! This is the deal I've made, get drivers ready, we have our first shipment coming through in two nights. MANUEL What about our shipment from the Jamaicans

DON MARTEZ

Forget that, this is bigger, we leave that shit behind, this right here, we make more money, have more power, you know what your problem is hermano (brother) you're not dreaming big enough

DON MARTEZ GETS INTO HIS CAR AND IS DRIVEN AWAY, MANUEL AND TITO LOOK AS HE DEPARTS THEN LOOKS AT EACH OTHER.

TITO

I don't like it

MANUEL

Me either hermano (brother) come on lets get out of here

TITO

Why didn't you tell him about the farm boy

MANUEL

If he wants him dead he can kill him himself.

MANUEL AND TITO GET INTO THEIR CAR AND DRIVE AWAY

SILVIA IS SOBBING IN HER BED AND SCREAMS OUT IN RAGE.

AMIGOS

EXT/DAY/THE COUNTRY

LOPEZ IS WALKING ALONG THE ROAD SIDE, A FARMERS TRUCK STOPS AND ALLOWS HIM TO GET IN THE BACK, LOPEZ SITS WITH THE POUTRY AND THE TRUCK CONTINUES, LOPEZ JUMPS OFF AND THANKS THE DRIVER HAS HE IS DROPPED OFF AND KNOCKS OF JOSE DOOR IN HIS UNDERWEAR, JOSE OPENS THE DOOR

JOSE Calm down I'm coming (OPENS THE DOOR) mama did you order a chicken

LOPEZ Let me in cabron (bastard)

JOSE

Lopez, you look like a plucked chicken.

LOPEZ Just give me some clothes I'm freezing

JOSE Take what you want, you want some coffee

LOPEZ TAKES SOME OF JOSE'S CLOTHES

JOSE

Here, drink up and tell me what husband caught you in bed with their wife, was it ChiChi's woman, I know you can't resist the blondes

LOPEZ

No it was Silvia

JOSE Silvia! Are you suicidal hermano (brother)

LOPEZ It's ok Don Martez didn't catch me it was Manuel

JOSE

Hermano, you say that, like its any better, he's a killer, how the hell are you still alive LOPEZ I don't know, all I know is I have to leave

JOSE Leave, what leave, leave Havana?

LOPEZ

I have to, If I don't I'm dead, I don't even want to go home just incase he's there, shit!

JOSE

Listen lover boy, calm down, you can stay at my uncle in Santa Cruz. He works on the ports, they always want workers, don't worry all of this will blow over, so tell me, Silvia, does she look as good out of her clothes as she does in them?

LOPEZ GIVES JOSE A SERIOUS LOOK AND THEY BOTH HOLD A STARE UNTIL LOPEZ BREAKS AND STARTS SMILING

LOPEZ

I'm not telling you anything, listen can I stay here for a while.

JOSE

Why are you asking me stupid things, stay here I have to go to work, I'll be back at lunchtime, I'll tell Carlos what's going on, he can go a tell your Papa so don't worry about it.

LOPEZ And Silvia, you need to tell her to

JOSE Sure. Ok, I have to go, don't eat all my food.

JOSE LEAVES AND LOPEZ, LOPEZ LAYS ON THE COUCH AND LOOKS UP WITH HEAVY EYES, THE RADIO IS PLAYING CUBAN JAZZ MUSIC AND LOPEZ CLOSES HIS EYES AND SLEEPS

CARLOS AND JOSE BURST IN.

LOPEZ JUMPS UP IN A PANIC OUT OF HIS SLEEP TO SEE HIS TWO FRIENDS SCARING HIM, LOPEZ LOOKS OUTSIDE AND SEES THE SUN SETTING

CARLOS

Hermano (brother) why you always letting your chorizo (sausage) get you messed up. Listen let me drive you down to Santa Cruz, I borrowed Antonio's car.

JOSE

Antonio hates Don Martez, when he found out what you did it made him laugh

LOPEZ Fuck, who else knows

JOSE Practically everyone, but get this, your dead

LOPEZ

What! What do you mean?

CARLOS

Everyone thinks that you're dead, that Manuel killed you, don't worry I saw your papa and told him what's happening, no one will talk, well unless Antonio gets drunk, which is most likely.

LOPEZ Jose, have you see Silvia yet?

JOSE

I haven't seen her, I went to the apartment but no one answered, maybe she's with Don Martez, I don't know, you know what I think, forget about this one amigo (friend), new place, new start, (MORE)

JOSE (CONT'D) girl like her they usually go back to the money

LOPEZ She's not like that, she's different

CARLOS

Jose is right, they might like you for something different but your not the type to bring back to her papa and say she loves you, they just come to the slums to get the rough and ready to make themselves feel better you know, we know who we are, them, they live in a fantasy, they stay on top and look down at us, they always have and always will.

LOPEZ

Well, thats all going to change, come with me, both of you, we can all start again.

CARLOS

And how are we going to do that, none of us have money, I practically scrapped the gas money to get you there and back.

LOPEZ

Listen, we take the car get down there, and sell the car

JOSE

Lopez are you crazy, I think this guys crazy.

LOPEZ

We sell the car, we can make money, we know what works, we've seen how they do it here, we just do the same there

CARLOS

Lopez, I'm no gangster, what are you talking about, and amigo, please, you don't you think they have their own ways in Santa Cruz, here we have order, there they have chaos.

LOPEZ

If we don't do this now, we never will, I can't d it without you guys I couldn't, I couldn't trust anyone else with my life but you guys. I'm sick of this, look around us, look how were living, we live hand to mouth with best getting some ass on the side, we need to make a move otherwise were just waiting to die

JOSE Let's do it.

LOPEZ

Yeah!

JOSE What do you say Carlos?

CARLOS

Well I can't let you guys go at it alone now can I. So what's the plan.

JOSE

We need to find out the main players, the ones that set the price and the best way is through the dealers, we tell them we will give them a better percentage if they work for us, if we can control the price we can control the play, this isn't about quick money, this is about the long game CARLOS Were going to need guns

JOSE My uncle has a gun, that will do for now

LOPEZ We have to be smart, WE! US! Nothing comes between us, nothing.

LOPEZ, CARLOS, JOSE ARE DRIVING OUT OF HAVANA AND HEADING TO SANTA CRUZ.

FADE OUT

SANTA CRUZ

EXT/SANTA CRUZ/NIGHT

THE CAR ARRIVES AT SANTA CRUZ, LOPEZ, CARLOS AND JOSE ARE DRIVING SLOWLY TAKING IN THE ATMOSPHERE, THE PLACE IS VIBRANT AND BUSY

> CARLOS Where does your uncle live?

> > JOSE

Not fa from here, what do you think? You think we can make it here?

LOPEZ

With us three we can make it anywhere, we just have to put our minds to it, we have to be smart you know, we need to know who is doing what and at what price

CARLOS

And how are we going to do that, if we go around asking questions people will get suspicious 26.

JOSE

We get jobs

CARLOS Are you crazy, we leave one shit hole to work in another shit hole

JOSE

This is what I mean Carlos, you're not thinking, you're just flying off the handle, we cant be like this, this isn't the Wild West, Jose is right, we have to listen to the streets, In Havana we. Knew everyone, who did what, its the same thing here, we just have to be quick about it, make friends, connect, but whoever we bring in we all have to agree on them

JOSE

Organised, thats how we will do this, here, we are here.

CARLOS

Do you think your uncle can help us?

JOSE

We can ask him, he's lived here all his life. Just don't piss him of, sometimes he can be funny about things.

CARLOS

Like what?

LOPEZ

Funny how?

JOSE GETS OUT OF THE CAR, HIS UNCLE IS AT THE DOOR WAY LOOKING INTENSE AT THE ARRIVAL OF HIS NEPHEW AND HIS FRIENDS, LOPEZ AND CARLOS LOOK AT EACH OTHER IN THE CAR

INSIDE THE THREE MEN ARE SITTING AT THE TABLE WHILE THE UNCLE IS POURING SOME SOUP INTO A BOWL FOR HIMSELF, THE UNCLE SITS AT THE TABLE, CARLOS IS STARING AT THE BOWL OF HOT SOUP AS THE UNCLE BEGINS TO EAT.

> UNCLE So what brings you to Santa Cruz nephew, you in trouble?

JOSE No too (uncle) we're here for business

UNCLE Business, you three? What business?

THE UNCLE CONTINUES TO EAT AND CARLOS CONTINUES TO STARE

LOPEZ The type of business that can make a lot of money for us

UNCLE

And who are you

LOPEZ

Lopez, this is what we want to do, we want to take over some of the supply chains coming out of here, so we need your help on who is who and what is what.

UNCLE So you are that guy

THE TABLE LOOKS CONFUSED AND THEY ALL STARE AT THE UNCLE

LOPEZ

What guy?

UNCLE You are the one that will get men killed so that you can get rich, the man with the plan, the man with (MORE)

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UNCLE (CONT'D) the balls, that man.

LOPEZ

I don't want to get anyone killed.

UNCLE

Amigo (friend) if you aren't prepared to die for it then you aren't going to make it, people will die, everyone dies, but if you hesitate then you will die.. (slurps soup) I can get you what you need, what do you have for me?

LOPEZ What do you need?

UNCLE

Money, pussy, your car (smiles) Jose.

JOSE Si TIo (yes uncle)

UNCLE Tell this hungry cabron (bastard) to go get a bowl of soup and to stop staring at mine, he's giving me ingestion

CARLOS LAUGHS AND GETS UP TO GET A BOWL, THE UNCLE LOOKS AT LOPEZ

UNCLE

When its time to make your move you have to do it big and loud, make the world hear your name, you understand? This life is a hard one to leave alive.

CARLOS PLACES A BOWL OF SOUP IN FRONT OF LOPEZ, LOPEZ LOOKS AT THE UNCLE AND NODS IN APPROVAL AND UNDERSTANDING AND THEN TUCKS INTO HIS SOUP.

Fade out

INT/UNCLES HOUSE/DAY

CARLOS, LOPEZ AND JOSE ARE ALL ASLEEP, THE UNCLE WALKS IN WITH A SWAN OFF SHOTGUN AND A CUP OF COFFEE, HE FIRES A SHOT INTO THE CEILING MAKING THEM ALL JUMP OUT OF BED, CARLOS LOOKS AT THE GUN WITH FEAR THEN SLOWLY LOOKS UP A THE HOLE IN THE CEILING, JOSE AND LOPEZ JUST STARE AT THE UNCLE.

UNCLE

Lets go, we have a lot to do

THE UNCLE WALKS OUT OF THE ROOM, CARLOS TURNS TO JOSE

CARLOS Your uncle, scares me, seriously..

JOSE

Come on lets get up

LOPEZ HAS. LOOK OF DETERMINATION.

THE UNCLE IS DRIVING, LOPEZ IS IN THE PASSENGER SIDE AND CARLOS AND JOSE ARE IN THE BACK

UNCLE

This town is ready to explode, ask me why?

CARLOS

Why?

UNCLE

Let me tell you, Cuba overall is a haven, the middle man for distribution to America, things get lost out here so that means things cant get tracked, now you have two options, transportation or protection, in Cuba we all work together to maintain the power of the island, the top end is closest to Cancun and Florida the south to the islands, our highest commodity (MORE)

UNCLE (CONT'D)

is rum, but the Jamaicans they bring in the Marajuana sure you can get it from Mexico or even Columbia but we get it from the Jamaicans and we can get it out the quickest, dealers don't like to wait, but now we have heroin, this is the preferred drug, this is the one.

CARLOS

So what do we do?

UNCLE

Whoever is controlling the transportation from the south to the north will take control, the person who has that power is EL GORDO (the fatman) he controls everything, he's also protected

JOSE

but if he wasn't

UNCLE

Then the hand of power could change, but to do this you will have to wipe him out, publicly and with cause, the people have to see you, know you, trust you and fear you.

LOPEZ How do we do that?

UNCLE

First we are going to steal a shipment 4 to be exact, in five days we have a festival, this is when our biggest shipments come in, this is when we do it. We hit him before he distributes it out which will leaving him open, he will panic and thats when mistakes will be made. CARLOS A hijack, ok, no big deal

UNCLE It's never been done, you can't steal from EL GORDO, if anyone of us is caught we all die.

LOPEZ

Can it be done

UNCLE Before, no but now, Yes, it can be done, but you have to do it my way, no questions, understand?

LOPEZ NODS

JOSE Were going to need guns

CARLOS Where are we going

UNCLE To get some guns.

THE UNCLE STOPS AT A FARM AND EVERYONE GETS OUT, LOPEZ LOOKS AROUND THE FARM AT THE ROAMING CHICKENS, SUDDENLY A BARN DOOR OPENS AND A SKINNY OLD MAN (FRANSISCO) EXITS, THE OLD MAN STARES HARD AT THE UNCLE THEN GOES BACK INTO THE BARN.

> UNCLE It's ok we can go in

JOSE How do you know Tio (uncle)

UNCLE

Because you're still alive, come on

AS THEY WALK INTO THE BARN THE OLD SKINNY MAN LIGHTS UP A CIGAR, IN THE BAR ARE JUST BAYS OF HAY, THE HAY HAS CRATES OF GUNS HIDDEN INSIDE, AS THE FOUR WALK IN THE BARN DOOR CLOSES BEHIND THEM BUY A MAN WITH A GUN, ANOTHER MAN WITH A GUN COMES OUT OF NOWHERE AND THE OLD MAN BLOWS OUT SOME

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SMOKE.

FRANSISCO

I know you don't I

UNCLE Si (yes) you sold me a shotgun

FRANSISCO

Ah yes the rabbit hunter, you know, that was my favourite shotgun, so who have you brought to me today rabbit man.

UNCLE

These are my nephews, we need something that can handle some big rabbits

FRANSISCO Big rabbits, ok, tell me, (Lopez) you ever shot a rabbit before?

LOPEZ

No?

I didn't think so, I think I have the thing for you

THE OLD MAN CLICKS HIS TEETH AT ONE OF THE MEN AND THEY BRING DOWN A BARREL OF HAY AND OPEN IS UP, INSIDE WAS A PISTOL, M1 RIFLE AND SHOTGUNS, THE OLD MAN PICKS UP THE PISTOL AND HANDS IT TO LOPEZ.

FRANSISCO

This one here will do you well, good for rabbits that are close and those that make a run of it, you can pay me when you have gotten rid of all the rabbits.

OUT BACK IN THE FIELD EVERYONE IS SHOOTING CANS AND BOTTLE OFF THE FENCE, LOPEZ TAKES AIM AND SHOTTS ALL SIX SHOTS

HITTING ALL SIX TARGETS, HE HAS DETERMINATION IN HIS EYES, FRANSISCO IS STANDING WITH THE UNCLE AS THEY WATCH.

> FRANSISCO This one has the courage and the heart

> UNCLE I know, I saw it in his eyes, he reminded me of you, is there anything you need.

FRANSISCO

More cigars

CUT TO THE FOUR OF THEM SITTING IN THE CAR OVER LOOKING A BROTHEL

EXT/DAY/FINDING OUT WHO THE MAJOR PLAYERS ARE.

LOPEZ AND THE UNCLE ARE SITTING IN THE FRONT WITH CARLOS AND JOSE IN THE BACK. THE UNCLE IS LAYING OUT THE PLAYERS OF THE AREA AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

UNCLE

This area right her belongs to EL GORDO he operates the brothels and the docks, everything in Santa Cruz goes through him, he calls the shots, he knows everything, he knows you are here right now.

CARLOS

How does he know who we are

UNCLE

Everyone speaks, a new car arrives, people don't know your face, people talk, information is key and EL GORDO pays for information, so as soon as we make any noise, he will know, two things will happen, you pay the toll or you die, as long as well don't interfere with the docks we will be ok, anything in transport is game, however

JOSE However! What!

UNCLE Transport is protected, things can go bad

LOPEZ Who runs the transport

UNCLE They call him CONEJO (The Rabbit)

JOSE

CONEJO?

UNCLE

Yeah apparently its because he fucks like a rabbit, he has a small crew, vicious bunch if they catch you, you are better of putting a bullet in your own head

LOPEZ

Where are they from?

UNCLE

These guys are columbians

LOPEZ

Columbians

UNCLE

Things are going to be changing in Cuba, we are going to have to change with it or die fighting to keep it the way it is

CARLOS

I don't like those columbians, well, maybe the woman, but even those are vicious UNCLE Chico (man) All women are vicious in one form or another.

LOPEZ So what's the move Tio

UNCLE

There is a shipment of Heroin coming in two nights, from what I hear it will be a full truck.

LOPEZ

I didn't come here to hit one truck, I want it all.

JOSE What are you talking about

UNCLE

Are you crazy

CARLOS

What going on? Lopez what are you talking about

UNCLE

This guys going to get us killed, this is a simple heist

LOPEZ

EVERYONE SHUT UP! I don't know why you came here, I know why I did. All our lives were told to work hard raise a family, I worked hard and have nothing, you guys are my family, if we want something were going to have to take it, you want the big house, the money and power then we have to take it, so if you want more than heist money then lets do that, lets take it all. CARLOS Is that worth dying for Lopez

LOPEZ CARLOS, were already dying, you just cant see it, how we are now is not living hermano (brother)

JOSE So what's the plan?

LOPEZ We kill the rabbit

UNCLE

It cant be done, first he has an army and second he's protected, he has an alliance with EL GORDO, if you take out the Conejo (the rabbit) and thats a BIG IF! EL GORDO will take us out before the nights out, it's a death trap, this plan isn't going to work. Let me tell you a story, three years ago I did a job for CONEJO, he was starting out making a name for himself, he made me an offer but I had to betray my JEFE (boss) he said once it was done then I would be the boss and he and I would work together, I had to do this to win his trust, I did what I did and when I went back to CONEJO he had a sit squad waiting, his sicarios (motorbike gang) I went after then and spilled blood. But never had my revenge. Do you know why? He cannot be gotten, you'll need an army, you cant just walk up to the front door.

LOPEZ

It will work, We hit them both at the same time, first the rabbit then we wait, when EL GORDO gets the word he will come and thats (MORE)

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LOPEZ (CONT'D) when we will have him in a position that he will want to listen.

CARLOS What position is that.

LOPEZ

One thing you have to remember, greed is a disease, it doesn't matter how much you have, you always want more, never underestimate another persons greed.

UNCLE And what about you

LOPEZ

I'm different.

EVERYONE IS BACK AT UNCLES WEARING DARK CLOTHES AND LOADING UP GUNS

V.O (LOPEZ GIVING A DESCRIPTIVE ACCOUNT OF ACTION AS IT HAPPENS)

LOPEZ

TIO (uncle) YOU AND CARLOS HEAD OVER TO LA GORDA AND WATCH HIM, ONCE HE HEARS ABOUT CONEJO AND LEAVES THATS WHEN YOU TAKE HIM, BRING HIM TO ME AND WE WILL NEGOTIATE, IF HE AGREES THE MEN WILL DO TO

UNCLE And if he doesn't?

LOPEZ

THEN WE TAKE OVER THE OPERATION, BUT I DON'T WANT TO DO THAT, LA GORDO HAS THE CONNECTIONS AND THE TRUST BUT CONEJO IS GOING TO BE DIFFERENT. JOSE YOU COME WITH ME. ONE THE TRUCKS ARE ON THE MOVE AND ARE HEADING BACK THATS WHEN WE MAKE (MORE)

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LOPEZ (CONT'D)

OUR MOVE

JOSE How will get in?

LOPEZ We're going to walk right up to the front door.

CARLOS

When?

LOPEZ The shipment is coming tomorrow night, thats when we do it.

FADE OUT

THE NIGHT BEFORE.

LOPEZ AND JOSE ARE IN TOWN TOGETHER, THE NIGHT IS LOUD AND FIESTAS (CELEBRATIONS) ARE TAKING PLACE, LOPEZ AND JOSE OVER LOOK THE PARTY WHILE SIPPING SOME RUM, LOPEZ SEES A BEAUTIFUL BLOND HEADED WOMAN AND THEY CATCH EYES, SHE SMILES AT HIM AND LOPEZ SMILES BACK, LOPEZ TURNS TO JOSE.

LOPEZ

JOSE

JOSE Si hermano (yes brother)

LOPEZ

You know when your uncle was telling his story about CONEJO he said that everyone feared him, I know people say it is better to be feared than to be loved, especially in this business but for me with you and CARLOS there is nothing but love.

JOSE Why are you telling me this

LOPEZ

I have something to tell you about your uncle, he's going to betray us, it took me a while to figure it all out, while you were all asleep I followed your uncle, he met with LA GORDA, they are friends, he's going to come after we get rid of CONEJO and your UNCLE is going to try and get rid of me so that he can be the boss, when that time comes hermano (brother) I will close my eyes and I will see what is better love or fear.

LOPEZ PUTS DOWN HIS BEER AS JOSE STARES AT HIM, LOPEZ SMILES AND GETS UP

LOPEZ Since it might be my last night, I'm going to dance it away.

LOPEZ HEADS OVER TO THE FIESTA (Celebrations) AND PRESENTS HIMSELF TO THE BLONDE WOMAN THAT SMILED AT HIM AND THEY LAUGH AND DANCE, JOSE SIPS HIS BEER AND WATCHES FROM ACROSS THE STREET.

FADE OUT

CHANGE OF PLAN

EXT/NIGHT/ THE DOCKS

A SMALL BOAT COMES INTO THE HARBOUR, AS IT DOCKS MEN JUMP OUT OF THREE TRUCKS AND HEAD TOWARDS IT, EL GORDO GETS OUT OF HIS CAR AND WALKS OVER TO THE POLICE OFFICER IN THEIR CAR AND HANDS THEM AN ENVELOPE, THE POLICE CAR DRIVES AWAY AS THE WORKERS START LOADING THE HEROIN ONTO THE TRUCK CARLOS BLENDS IN WITH THE WORKERS AND TAKES ONE OF THE BRICKS OF HEROIN HIDES IT UNDER THE SEAT OF EL GORDOS CAR, NOBODY SEES HIM, HE JOINS THE WORKERS, AS THE JOB IS DONE CARLOS IS STRUCK FROM BEHIND AND KNOCKED OUT.

THE THREE TRUCKS DRIVE BACK INTO TOWN, BACK TO CONEJO'S WAREHOUSE WHERE IT IS SEPARATED FOR DISTRIBUTION, JOSE AND LOPEZ WATCH AT THE TRUCKS PULL IN, OUT OF AN OFFICE THEY SEE

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CONEJO WALKING ACROSS THE COMPOUND TO THE TRUCKS GIVING ORDERS

CONEJO Ok lets get moving, here's the list, we have a lot of product to move before the suns up

CONEJO MAKES HIS WAY BACK TO HIS OFFICE, JOSE AND LOPEZ LOOK AT EACH OTHER JUST BEFORE THEY GO LOPEZ STOPS.

JOSE What's the matter

LOPEZ It's not right, where is everyone

JOSE What do you mean?

LOPEZ The security, where are they?

JOSE I don't know, I haven't seen anyone, you want to call it off

LOPEZ No, if we don't do this now, we never will. Come on.

LOPEZ AND JOSE MAKE THEIR WAY INTO THE COMPOUND WALKING THROUGH THE SHADOWS TOWARDS THE MAIN THE OFFICE WHERE CONEJO IS, THE TWO MEN GET TO THE FRONT OF THE OFFICE JOSE TAKES OUT HIS GUN AND BURST IN POINTING HIS GUN AT AN EMPTY DESK, THEY LOOK AT EACH OTHER IN PANIC.

ALL OF A SUDDEN THEY HEAR A VOICE COMING FROM OUTSIDE WITH THE COCKING OF GUNS

CONEJO Gentlemen, I applaud you for your efforts, but, as you see you, it was all done in vain. Let's talk (MORE)

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CONEJO (CONT'D) about this, drop the guns and come out.

LOPEZ LOOKS AT JOSE

LOPEZ Let me go out, you wait here

JOSE If you go out there they will shoot you down

LOPEZ Don't worry, OK! IM COMING OUT TO TALK!

CONEJO TURNS TO ONE OF HIS MEN WITH A SMIRK ON HIS FACE

CONEJO Who said anything about talking, cabron (bastard)

THE OFFICE DOOR SLOWLY OPENS AND LOPEZ COMES OUT WITH HIS HANDS UP AND LOOKS AT A SMIRKING CONEJO SURROUNDED BUY HIS MEN HOLDING GUNS.

CONEJO

Talk, (lights a cigarette) you have until I finish this

LOPEZ Señor (sir) whatever you have been told is false, I've come here to warn you, see I don't even have a gun, I've come to inform you what is actually going on, what you was told is a lie

CONEJO

Really, so what lie was I told?

LOPEZ You was told that two men from Havana were sent to kill you CONEJO

I see you are well informed, and it was true, two men came no? so what do I do with you then.

LOPEZ

Let me me work for you, let me take over the docks, let me make sure you are not getting ripped off again.

CONEJO

Again! Who's ripping me off Cabron (bastard)

LOPEZ

EL GORDO, he and his partner have been taking from the load for them selves, networking

CONEJO Networking, with who?

LOPEZ That I don't know. Yet.

CONEJO SHOUTS TO HIS WORKER

CONEJO CHICHI, Count the load, let me know the count.

CONEJO TURNS BACK TO LOPEZ

CONEJO

You see amigo, there is a specific number of drugs on those trucks, and if the number doesn't match the number that I have then amigo, I'm going to hang you and your friend off the bridge by your balls.

JOSE COMES OUT OF THE BUILDING WITH HIS HANDS UP AND WHISPERS TO LOPEZ

JOSE What are you doing? This wasn't the plan.

LOPEZ Forgive me amigo, I couldn't tell you the real plan.

CONEJO TAKES A LONG DRAG FROM HIS CIGARETTE AND THE LAST BIT OF ASH FALLS TO THE FLOOR, CHICHI COMES BACK TO THE OPENING OF THE WAREHOUSE

CHICHI

Jefe, 89

CONEJO SLOWLY TURNS HIS EYES BACK TO LOPEZ, LOPEZ WAITS IN ANTICIPATION.

CONEJO Baja las armas (lower your guns)

LOPEZ AND JOSE LOWER THIER ARMS AND CONEJO WALKS OVER TO THEM AND ADDRESSES LOPEZ.

CONEJO You bought yourself some time Amigo, just a bit, TAKE THEM INSIDE!

Two men take Lopez and Jose inside and put them into a secure room.

Fade out

A PHONE RINGS ON A DESK, WE HEAR THE FOOTSTEPS OF A HEAVY MAN APPROACHING AND ANSWERS THE PHONE OUT OF BREATH, ITS LA GORDO (THE FATMAN)

> EL GORDO Digame (answer)

CONEJO My shipment has arrived EL GORDO Conejo, is it ok?

CONEJO Yeah yeah everything is fine, listen I have something I want to discuss with you, a new type of business, but we cant discuss these things over the phone no.

EL GORDO Of course, when.

CONEJO

Come over later, I just got a new case of Johnny walker in, we can sit, drink and discuss

EL GORDO

Sounds good, let me finish up here and I will see you in a few hours

CONEJO HANGS UP THE PHONE AND LOOKS UP AT ONE OF HIS MEN

CONEJO When he leaves, search the place

THE MAN NODS IN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND LEAVES THE OFFICE, CONEJO PICKS UP HIS DRINK AND TAKES A SIP WHILE SUCKING HIS TEETH.

LA GORDO LOOKS UP AT UNCLE AND GIVES HIM THE NOD, UNCLE HAS BLOOD ON HIS HANDS THAT HE IS WIPING OFF.

EL GORDO Why haven't they killed him yet

UNCLE It doesn't matter, if it's not done tonight, I will kill him myself, then you and I cant partner up.

CARLOS IS SHOWN DEAD TIED TO A CHAIR.

LOPEZ AND JOSE ARE SITTING ON THE FLOOR IN A SMALL ROOM.

JOSE So what's the plan LOPEZ, I thought we were all in this together

LOPEZ

We are

JOSE So why am I last to know what's going on

LOPEZ

Because blood is thicker than water hermano (brother), that is your uncle, I couldn't risk it, even if you knew, would you of betrayed him? Would you? See, you not answering straight away is what I meant, I love you like a brother Jose but I couldn't chance it, forgive me.

JOSE

There's nothing to forgive hermano, he never told me his plan knowing id be here infant of the firing line, so what now.

LOPEZ

Everything is in motion, if anything had gone wrong we would be dead by now, all we have to do is wait.

LOPEZ SMILES AT JOSE

JOSE What's so funny?

LOPEZ

Remember when we were younger and we went to the bodega (shop) to steal the empanadas (pastries) and old man JOSE LUIS would chase us (MORE)

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LOPEZ (CONT'D)

with the machete

JOSE

Yeah always screaming " Cabrons (bastards) I'll cut your dicks off so you don't populate the world with more thieves" yeah good times.

LOPEZ

Its like every Wednesday we would do the same thing and every time we did it he knew but would let us take them, I think that old man just loved the thrill of it all, it made him feel alive I guess, its funny what you think about at certain times

JOSE

Well let's hope CONEJO doesn't cut our dicks of, especially mine, your ones ok it won't be missed, how long do you think.

LOPEZ What? Your dick

JOSE No, how long before they come

LOPEZ

Not long

JOSE You still haven't told me the plan

LOPEZ

I know, but you'll see it soon enough.

Fade out.

LOVE AND LOYALTY

INT/NIGHT/CONEJO'S COMPOUND

EL GORDO HAS ARRIVED AT CONEJO'S WITH UNCLE, CONEJO IS SITTING OUT FRONT WITH A WHISKY, THE NIGHT IS STILL AND THE LAST OF THE TRANSPORT TRUCKS LEAVES THE COMPOUND, EL GORDO EXITS HIS CAR WITH UNCLE AND APPROACHES CONEJO

> EL GORDO Compañero (partner) I see trucks and smell money

CONEJO Yes its been a very busy night, here, come, have a drink and relax

CONEJO LOOKS AT UNCLE BUT DOESN'T SMILE

CONEJO

New muscle? Do you have problems?

EL GORDO No,no,no just an old friend, we are doing some business after, I thought it easier if I brought him with me, you don't mind do you.

CONEJO Not at all, please sit, lets talk

EL GORDO Yes, I'm curious as to what you have in mind

JUST AS HE IS ABOUT TO START TALKING HE SEES ONE OF HIS MEN SIGNAL HIM TO COME OVER (SAME MAN THAT WAS SENT TO SEARCH EL GORDOS COMPOUND)

> CONEJO Sorry, I just have to attend to this.

CONEJO LEAVES HIS SEAT AND EL GORDO WATCHES HIM WALK OVER TO THE MAN, EL GORDO AND UNCLE LOOK AT EACH OTHER, CONEJO IS TALKING TO THE MAN, CONEJO PATS HIM ON THE SHOULDER AND

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STARTS TO WALK BACK TO HIS CHAIR, HE SITS DOWN AND TAKES A SIP OF HIS DRINK, HIS FACE IS ANGRY AND CONFUSED.

EL GORDO Everything ok amigo (friend)

CONEJO Not really, I have a slight problem, my delivery was short

EL GORDO Short, how?

CONEJO I'm short a kilo, 1 kilo, we searched all over.

EL GORDO Maybe it dropped during the delivery, have you checked the roads

CONEJO No, it's not that, it's somewhere, you haven't seen it have you?

EL GORDO What do you mean, what is this? Are you saying I stole

CONEJO Well someone did

EL GORDO Maybe it was your men

CONEJO

My men value their lives as well as their families, they have loyalty, but it's ok I think I have the culprits right here.

THE GUARDS COCK THEIR GUNS AND EL GORDO AND UNCLE TENSE UP

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EL GORDO What is this!

CONEJO

Wait here.

CONEJO GETS UP AND LEAVES.

THE DOOR OPENS OF THE ROOM JOSE AND LOPEZ ARE IN, THEY BOTH LOOK UP FROM THE FLOOR, TWO GUARDS COME IN AND GRAB THEM UP AND MARCH THEM OUT TO THE FRONT, ALL THE GUNS ARE NOW ON THEM AS THEY STAND IN FRONT OF EL GORDO AND UNCLE, JOSE LOOKS AT HIS UNCLE AS DOES LOPEZ, CONEJO SITS BACK DOWN.

EL GORDO

Who are they?

CONEJO I'm not sure yet, they just turned up, do you know them?

EL GORDO

NO

CONEJO How about you UNCLE?

UNCLE

NO!

JOSE LOOKS AT HIS UNCLE AND SPITS TO THE SIDE

CONEJO Well they say that you have my kilo

EL GORDO WHAT! I don't even know who the hell they are

EL GORDO GETS UP IN A RAGE AND STORMS OVER TO THEM INSTANTLY OUT OF BREATH AND PUNCHES LOPEZ IN THE MOUTH

EL GORDO Who the fuck are you! 50.

LOPEZ LOOKS AT UNCLE THEN SMIRKS AT EL GORDO, EL GORDO TURNS BACK TO CONEJO

EL GORDO Let me kill this lying thief

EL GORDO TAKES OUT A SMALL REVOLVER AND POINTS IT AT LOPEZ

CONEJO

NO!

EL GORDO LOWERS HIS GUN IN FRUSTRATION AND SHARPLY TURNS TO CONEJO, CONEJO TAKES OUT HIS GUN AND HEADS OVER TO LOPEZ, EL GORDO STEPS TO THE SIDE AND WATCHES

> CONEJO So amigo, it looks like you was wrong

LOPEZ I'm not, I know what I know

CONEJO Well everywhere was checked and it looks like you are out of options now.

LOPEZ TURNS HIS HEAD AND LOOKS AT EL GORDO'S CAR, CONEJO LOOKS AT THE SAME DIRECTION THAT LOPEZ IS LOOKING AT

CONEJO

Check it

EL GORDO Hey, what's going on?

CONEJO POINTS HIS GUN AT EL GORDO, GORDO FREEZES AS THE CAR IS BEING CHECKED.

EL GORDO You're making a mistake CONEJO

CONEJO Well if I'm wrong then I'll apologise won't I THE MAN AT THE CAR IS LOOKING AROUND THE CAR AND UNDER THE SEATS, HE STOPS AS HE REACHES AND THEN TURNS AROUND HOLDING THE KILO, EL GORDO LOOKS IN SHOCK AS DOES UNCLE, CONEJO STILL HAS HIS GUN POINTED AT EL GORDO BUT IS LOOKING AT LOPEZ, CONEJO SQUEEZES THE TRIGGER AND KILLS EL GORGO.

CONEJO

How did you know?

LOPEZ My friend CARLOS works at the docks and told me what was what, where is CARLOS (looks at UNCLE)

UNCLE

He's dead

JOSE Hijo de puta (son of a bitch) why did you kill my friend.

UNCLE (Smirks) all part of the plan amigo, I wanted you dead (LOOKS AT CONEJO) and I would sacrifice everyone and everything to see it through. Every dog has its day as they say,

JOSE TURNS LOOKS AT HIS UNCLE EMOTIONLESS AS CONEJO LOOKS AT LOPEZ AND SLIDES HIM A CUT THROAT RAZOR, LOPEZ TURNS TO UNCLE AND IN ONE MOVE SLICES HIM ACROSS HIS THROAT, UNCLE DROPS TO HIS KNEES HOLDING HIS THROAT AS BLOOD SEEPS THROUGH HIS FINGER, UNCLE LOOKS UP AT LOPEZ FOR THE LAST TIME AND FALLS TO THE GROUND DEAD, LOPEZ HEARS THE SOUND OND CONEJO'S GUN COCK BEHIND HIM AS HE TURNS AROUND HOLDING THE BLOODY RAZOR

> CONEJO So, you want to be the boss now?

> > LOPEZ

Yes

CONEJO SMILES, THEN LOWERS HIS GUN.

CONEJO

Good.

LOPEZ WATCHES MEN DRAG THE DEAD BODIES OF UNCLE AND EL GORDO AWAY.

CUT.

EXT/DAY/THE DOCKS

THE END OF A CIGAR IS CUT AND LIT AND PUT TO THE MOUTH OF LOPEZ, LOPEZ AND JOSE ARE OPERATING THE DOCKS AND CONTROLLING THE IMPORT AND EXPORT, LOPEZ PUTS HIS NAME ON THE SIDE OF THE BUILDING AND JOSE IS HIS RIGHT HAND MAN, THEY HAVE BOTH EXCELLED, AND ARE RESPECTED, LOPEZ SMILES WHERE EVER HE GOES AND THE COMMUNITY LOVE HIM, HE IS GENEROUS AND KIND.

LOPEZ BUYS A NEW CAR AND HAS A NICE APARTMENT, THINGS ARE GOING WELL.

LOPEZ IS STANDING AT THE DOCKS WATCHING THE SUN GOES DOWN

FADES IN TO SILVIA STANDING AT THE CLOCK TOWER AS THE SETS

FADE OUT

HAVANA

INT/DAY/DON MARTEZ

DON MARTEZ PREPARES A LINE OF COCAINE AND SNORTS IT, HE FALLS BACK INTO THE COUCH LOOKING UP AS THE DRUG TAKES EFFECT, HE LOOKS ROUGH, UNSHAVEN AND ERRATIC, SILVIA LOOKS AT HIM FROM THE DOORWAY, HE LOOKS AT HER BACK WITH NO EMOTION.

> DON MARTEZ What are you looking at

SILVIA Some one who was once a man DON MARTEZ (Laughs) I'm beyond the image of a man, your idea of a man is submissive to a woman needs, I don't need anyone

SILVIA

I'm leaving you

DON MARTEZ

Leaving me! NO! Im leaving you. Good, go, you cant give me what I need, you've never given me what I needed, you were a trophy that has gathered dust and no-one remembers, you are the past, me, I'm the future, leave, go then, see how long you last out there princess

SILVIA WALKS OUT

DON MARTEZ

LEAVE! (Laughs) leave. Who needs you, nobody wants you (laughs louder)

DON MARTEZ LEANS FORWARD AND DOES ANOTHER LINE OF COCAINE, AS SILVIA LEAVES MANUEL COMES IN AND PASSES HER

SILVIA

He's in there with his new bitch

MANUEL WALKS INTO THE ROOM WHERE DON MARTEZ IS AND SEES HIM COKED UP

MANUEL Jefe (boss)

DON MARTEZ

What is it?

MANUEL What are we going to do with the Jamaicans

DON MARTEZ

Forget the Jamaican's leave that to whoever wants it, we're in business with Alejandro now. Get the men ready we have a delivery to make

MANUEL

Why are we in business with him, he's cutting into everything and we take all the risks for what?

DON MARTEZ

Don't (puts his hand on his pistol) question what needs to be done, I control the routes, he needs me, we will make good of this and live like kings, you don't think I know what I'm doing? You want to be the boss Manuel is that it, you know best do you?

MANUEL Thats not what I'm saying

DON MARTEZ

Then do as I say, we are partners, this here will take over the world, marajuana is out, la coca (cocaine) is the future and Alejandro has it, and I want it, he needs me

DON MARTEZ GETS UP AND GOES TO MANUEL, GUN STILL IN HAND.

DON MARTEZ You trust me hermano (brother)

MANUEL

Si jefe (yes boss)

DON MARTEZ

Good, good, you are the only one I trust hermano (brother). Together we can rule, we will be kings, HAVANA! We will own it, this world is big enough for both of us. now is there anything else? 55.

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MANUEL

EL GORDO is dead, there's a new operative down there, were going to need to negotiate with them

DON MARTEZ

You go, I hate going down there, and if they give you any shit put a bullet in between their eyes

MANUEL

We cant afford to start a war with the south, I'll go and negotiate

DON MARTEZ

You do that

MANUEL GOES TO LEAVE

DON MARTEZ

Manuel! do the deal with the Jamaican's we might need them when we go to war

MANUEL LEAVES,

DON MARTEZ

Jamaicans, southern rats, they all want a piece, I'll war with them all, SILVIA! SILVIA! Where the fuck is she.

Fade out.

NEGOTIATIONS

EXT/DAY/SANTA CRUZ

MANUEL IS DRIVING WITH ONE OF HIS MEN AS THEY ENTER SANTA CRUZ, LOPEZ IS SEEN AROUND THE TOWN PAYING RESPECT TO EVERYONE, THE PEOPLE LOVE LOPEZ, MANUEL DRIVES RIGHT PAST HIM WITHOUT NOTICING HIM AS THEY DRIVE TO THE DOCKS TO WHAT WAS EL GORDO'S OFFICE, MANUEL PARKS THE CAR AND WALKS INTO THE OFFICE WHERE JOSE IS SITTING, MANUEL DOES NOT RECOGNISE HIM BUT JOSE DOES. JOSE IS SITTING BEHIND THE DESK AND MANUEL ASSUMES THAT HE IS IN CHARGE. JOSE SLOWLY OPENS THE

(CONTINUED)

DRAW NEXT TO HIM WHERE THERE IS A GUN AS HE LOOKS UP AT MANUEL.

MANUEL

I heard that EL GORDO is no longer the man in charge of this operation

JOSE

Where did you hear that

MANUEL

Oh you know, word gets around, you see I had an arrangement with him but as he isn't here anymore I would like to keep that same arrangement with you

JOSE

What arrangements was that

MANUEL

I have a import business, a lot of business in fact, enough to keep you working for a long time

JOSE

What import business is that

MANUEL

Well you see thats my business but I can cut you in for say 5 percent at first and then we can discuss an increase if it goes well

JOSE

5 percent, I don't get out of bed for less than 10

MANUEL

I don't think you understand, my operation is very unique, what we bring in is special and I would appreciate this favour to me, as a sign of good faith. JOSE Ok, lets compromise, 7 percent but you transport it yourself to HAVANA

MANUEL Who said I was from HAVANA?

JOSE

Arn't you DON MARTEZ men

MANUEL

Amigo (friend) you are well informed, I admire that, I see I'm dealing with a man of know how, ok amigo how about this, 10 percent and then when we become friends we take it down to 7

JOSE That sounds good.

MANUEL

I like that, what's your name? You know so much about me it's nice to know a little about you.

JOSE

Jose

MANUEL Jose, good, the shipment will be here tonight, here is the buy money plus your fee

MANUEL'S MAN HANDS OVER THE BAG

JOSE

Buy money?

MANUEL

Si, you see I have to head back to HAVANA, so if you could do the exchange for me, I would appreciate it, from one friend to another, just this one time of course. MANUEL LOOKS AT JOSE, JOSE HOLDS HIS LOOK

JOSE

No problem

MANUEL

Buy bien (very good) well, that concludes that, nice doing business with you JOSE

MANUEL

Like wise.

MANUEL GETS UP FROM HIS CHAIR AND PUTS ON HIS SUN GLASSES SMILES A JOSE AND WALKS OUT WITH HIS MAN AND WALK TO THEIR CAR, AS THEY GET IN HER TURNS TO HIS MAN

MANUEL

How the fuck did he know where we are from?

MAN I don't know, what about the Jamaicans

MANUEL What about them

MAN

We only gave him one bag of the money you know they will kill him

MANUEL

Lets see how he handles it, if he was good enough to get rid off EL GORDO then he can handle this, if not then we put our own people on it, having these docks is puro (pure) he must have made a deal with CONEJO soil we let the Jamaicans do it then we can move in clean, Find out about him, then meet me back at the cantina (bar) 59.

MAN

Ok

MANUEL DRIVES OFF

JOSE OPENS THE BAG OF MONEY ON THE TABLE THEN SITS BACK IN THE CHAIR AND LOOKS AT THE GUN IN THE DRAW

JOSE

Where the fuck is LOPEZ

LOPEZ EXITS THE SHOP HE WAS IN SAYING GOOD BYE TO THE OWNER, SOME KIDS CALL HIS NAME OUT IN THE STREET, LOPEZ GIVES THEM SOME MONEY AND THEY RUN OFF HAPPY, LOPEZ MAKES HIS WAY TO THE CANTINA, HE SITS AT THE BAR AND THE WAITRESS COMES OVER

> WAITRESS Hola guava (hello handsome)

> > LOPEZ

Maria

WAITRESS Are you coming to the fiesta tonight? You know you have to come and dance with me

LOPEZ

Maria if I dance with you then everyone one will want to dance with me

WAITRESS

Tell me who? I'll protect you from them

LOPEZ Who's going to protect me from you

WAITRESS

You're such a tease LOPEZ, here have a beer but tonight you buy me champagne

LOPEZ

Of course mi amor (my love)

MARIA GIVES LOPEZ A SMILE AND WALKS OFF AS SOMEONE ELSE COMES INTO THE BAR

WAITRESS Si siñor what can I get for you

MANUEL

Whisky

LOPEZ EYES GO INTO SHOCK AS HE HEARS THE FAMILIAR VOICE, HE TURNS TO SEE IF HE IS RIGHT AND MANUEL TURNS ALSO AND SEES LOPEZ

MANUEL

Well well, look who is here, I hardly recognised you, I see you have made a new life here, I didn't think I would ever see you again

LOPEZ

What are you doing here?

MANUEL

Don't worry, I'm not here for you, just business, who's girlfriend are you fucking now farm boy

LOPEZ

No one.....How is SILVIA

MANUEL

SILVIA (smirks) well SILVIA is SILVIA how is she? Well the last I saw she was leaving DON MARTEZ house yesterday morning and I don't think she is coming back, why? You still have a thing for that HAVANA girl?

LOPEZ Does she think I'm dead? MANUEL Does it matter, you are here she is there, plus there is plenty of beautiful women here no? Well, here's to you farm boy.

MANUEL LIFTS HIS BOTTLE UP AS A SIGN OF CHEERS, LOPEZ RETURNS THE GESTURE AND DOWNS HIS DRINK AND FORCES A SMILE.

CUT TO THE NIGHT

THE FESTIVAL IS ON THE WAY AND MUSIC AND DANCING IS TAKING PLACE, MARIA IS DRESSED UP AND IS WAITING AND LOOKING FOR LOPEZ.

LOPEZ IS ON A MOTORBIKE HEADING TO HAVANA (PASSES A ROAD SIGN)

JOSE GRABS THE BAG OF MONEY AND LOOKS AT ANGEL

JOSE Vamanos (come on)

JOSE AND ANGEL WALK DOWN TO THE DOCKS AND LOOK OUT INTO THE NIGHT, TUCKED INTO THE BACK OF THEIR TROUSERS ARE PISTOLS, ALL OF A SUDDEN A LIGHT FLASHES FROM THE SEA, JOSE FLASHES A TORCH WITH THE TWO FLASHES AND THE BOAT CONTINUES.

ON THE BOAT THE JAMAICANS ARE ON ROUTE, THE BOAT DOCKS AND THE CARGO IS QUICKLY TRANSFERRED, THE DRUGS ARE INSTANTLY TAKEN TO A TRUCK, FOUR OF THE JAMAICANS EMBARK AND JOSE GREETS THEM, THEY NOTICE THAT MANUEL ISN'T THERE AND GET ON THE DEFENCE AND SHOW THEIR GUNS

> JAMAICAN 1 Who are you? Where's MANUEL?

JOSE Calm down! (Shows hands) MANUEL could not make it, he asked me to give this to you JOSE HANDS OVER THE BAG, THE JAMAICAN LOOKS AT THE LIGHT BAG AND LAUGHS

JAMAICAN 1 What the fuck is this? Where's my money?

ANGEL is about to go for his gun but JOSE stops him

JOSE I don't understand how much is missing?

JAMAICAN 1

Fifty,

THE JAMAICAN AND JOSE STAND FACING EACH OTHER JOSE LOOKS AT ONE OF THE MENS WHO SLOWLY MOVES HIS FINGER ON TO THE TRIGGER.

JOSE

Listen Amigo, I don't know the arrangement you have with MANUEL it has nothing to do with me, let me see what I can do ok, let me go back to the office

JAMAICAN 1 Ok, but he stays here (looking at ANGEL)

JOSE LOOKS AT ANGEL AND ANGEL NODS, JOSE WALKS BACK OVER THE DOCKS AND TO HIS OFFICE, HE GETS IN AND OPENS UP A SAFE

JOSE That hijo de puta (son of a whore) set me up

JOSE STUFFS THE MONEY INTO ANOTHER BAG, AS HE PUTS THE LAST ONE IN HE LOOKS AT THE GUN IN THE SAFE.

JOSE WALKS BACK TO THE DOCKS PASSING THE WORKERS WHO HAVE JUST LOADED UP THE TRUCK

WORKER We're all ready boss

JOSE Don't go anywhere just yet

JOSE WALKS DOWN TO THE PIER TOWARDS THE JAMAICANS, HOLDING THE BAG OF MONEY, JOSE WALKS STRAIGHT UP TO THE JAMAICANS WHO HAS ANGEL STANDING NEXT TO THEM, HE HANDS THE BAG OVER, THE JAMAICAN PAUSES AND THEN SMILES

JAMAICAN 1

Amigo

ONE OF THE OTHER MEN TAKE THE BAG OF MONEY AND THEY LOWER THEIR GUNS AND HEAD BAVK TO THEIR BOAT AND SAIL AWAY

ANGEL He fucked us over didn't he

JOSE

Yeah, it was a test

ANGEL

What now?

JOSE

Now we give him what he paid for.

CUT TO LOPEZ

LOPEZ IS DRINKING A RUM ENJOYING THE MUSIC WHEN HIS MAN WALKS UP TO HIM.

MANUEL What did you find out about him?

MAN Nothing much, he runs the docks, he's from HAVANA

MANUEL Thats how he knew who we were, what about family? MAN

No one in Havana, some have said that he killed his uncles to get the business, but here's the interesting thing, he has a partner.

MANUEL

Ok, who?

MAN Someone called Lopez

MANUEL

Lopez! I saw him earlier today, he didn't say anything of this, hermano (brother) this is about to get really interesting, now I recognise that puto (whore) JOSE, you know if you didn't mention LOPEZ I wouldn't have looked twice at him, Did you get an address?

MAN He lives here in town, thats all I know

MANUEL LOOKS AROUND THE SQUARE AND SEES THE BARTENDER MARIA STILL LOOKING AROUND FOR LOPEZ

MANUEL rv I will

Don't worry I will find out, get the car ready I want to pay a visit back to the docks, I want to see if I got a shipment of marajuana or just a pile of dead cabrons (bastards)

THE MAN LEAVES AND GETS THE CAR READY AS MANUEL SLOWLY WALKS UP TO MARIA WHO IS STILL LOOKING OUT FOR LOPEZ

MANUEL I don't think he is coming WAITRESS Ah the man from out of town

MANUEL

You remember

WAITRESS

Yes, you was speaking to LOPEZ, do you know him.

MANUEL

We um, met in HAVANA a while back but I've known of him for a while, we have a mutural friend, so MARIA is it, are you going to wait here all night or would you want to have some fun, any man thats leaves such a beautiful woman out here on a night like this alone must have a very important live to pass up such beautiful woman.

WAITRESS

You think I'm beautiful?

MANUEL

I would say your the most beautiful woman in Santa Cruz, here let me buy you a few drinks, it s your birthday right, sorry I overheard you say it in the bar

WAITRESS

You don't have to my girlfriends would of taken care of me

MANUEL

Well now they don't have to, listen I'm I need to go, you wouldn't happen to know where LOPEZ lives, he told me but for the life of it I cant remember where he said

WAITRESS

No problem, you need to go through the square and its the building with the blue door, and do me a favour when you see him you tell him I don't want to see him again

MANUEL

Of course.

MARIA'S FRIENDS ARRIVE AND SHE IS TAKEN AWAY BY THEM, MANUEL, MAKES HIS WAY TO THE CAR WHERE HIS DRIVER IS WAITING, THE CAR MAKES IT'S WAY BACK TO THE DOCKS.

AT THE DOCKS THE WORKERS ARE UNLOADING HALF OF THE DRUGS FROM THE TRUCK AND PUTTING THEM IN TO THE WAREHOUSE, JOSE MAKES HIS WAY BACK TO THE OFFICE AND TAKES OUT A BOTTLE OF WHISKY FROM THE DRAW, MANUEL IS STANDING AT THE DOOR WATCHING WITH HIS MAN.

MANUEL

I hope that truck out there isn't my one

JOSE LOOKS UP SHOCKED BUT SEES THAT THERE IS A GUN ON HIM FROM MANUEL'S MAN

JOSE Why don't you think thats your truck, thats what you paid for so thats what you got.

MANUEL

JOSE I don't think you understand, EL GORDO was in debt to me, so since you have taken him over from him, you! acquire the debt that comes with it.

JOSE

And if I say no

MANUEL

Then you will have to pay another way, maybe this way is more friendlier than the other way, I (MORE) MANUEL (CONT'D) mean that is if you want to keep your eyes amigo then we can negotiate, no?

JOSE

You know back in HAVANA you might be able to do this, but down here is Santa Cruz, you have nothing, you're nothing but a cockroach, so no, no negotiations with you Cabron (bastard) I paid for the Marajuana from the Jamaicans so that belongs to me, but if you want to buy it, I'll give you a good price

MANUEL

SO! Now you're You going to sell me my own drugs, me? OKAY! How much?

JOSE

80

MANUEL

NO!

MANUEL'S MAN SHOOTS JOSE IN THE CHEST, JOSE FALLS AROUND ONTO HIS DESK, BLOOD IS BEING SOAKED UP INTO HIS SHIRT, JOSE TURNS TO GET HIS GUN AND THE MAN SHOOTS HIM TWICE MORE IN THE BACK, JOSE SLOWLY SLIDES TO THE GROUND DEAD, MANUEL LOOKS AT HIS MAN.

> MANUEL Reload those trucks were leaving for HAVANA tonight

JOSE IS LEFT DEAD ON THE FLOOR.

Fade out

REAL LOVE

EXT/NIGHT/THE PIER

SILVIA IS STANDING OVERLOOKING THE SEA BY THE CLOCK TOWER,

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THE NIGHT IS CRISP AND CLEAR AS THE MOON, THE WIND GENTLY BLOWS HER HAIR AND THE NOISE OF THE NIGHT CONTINUES AS MAKES HER SMILE AS SHE SEES YOUNG LOVERS WALK BY, THE SOUND OF A MOTORBIKE IS HEARD AS LOPEZ PULLS UP TO THE LOCATION, HIS INSTINCTS WERE RIGHT AS HE LOOKS AT SILVIA OVERLOOKING THE WORLD, LOPEZ DISMOUNTS AND WALKS OVER TO HER APPROACHING FROM THE REAR

LOPEZ

You know if you close your eyes in HAVANA when you open them you see the rest of the world

SILVIA

Thats a tale for people scared to leave

SILVIA TURNS AROUND TO SEE WHO IS QUOTING OLD FOLK QUOTES AND SEES LOPEZ, SHE IS SHOCKED, EXCITED AND SCARED

SILVIA

LOPEZ!

SILVIA APPROACHES HIM AND SLAPS HIM

SILVIA

I thought you was killed

LOPEZ

I was, and you slap me for it (smiles)

SILVIA What happened, where have you been?

LOPEZ

Santa Cruz

SILVIA

Santa Cruz? Why? I don't understand

LOPEZ

I didn't leave you, I was warned off and given a choice, I was told if I came back they would kill me SILVIA So what are you doing here, are you crazy?

LOPEZ

Yes, and I have never been more sane, MANUEL, he is in Santa Cruz, so I thought while he is there I would come back and get you, thats if you still want to see the world with me.

SILVIA

Are you really here?

LOPEZ PULLS SILVIA CLOSE TO HIM AND KISSES HER, SMOKING A CIGARETTE IN THE BACKGROUND IN DON MARTEZ WATCHING SILVIA. TWO KIDS ARE RUNNING IN THE STREET BEING CHASED BY AN OLD MAN ONE OF THE KIDS SHOUTS OUT "TONY THIS WAY" DON MARTEZ GLANCES AT THE KIDS AND FLICKS HIS CIGARETTE AWAY.

LOPEZ

I want you to come back with me, I have a good job and money, but that means nothing without you, what do you say?

SILVIA UM, I don't know (smiles)

LOPEZ (Smiles) why don't you know

SILVIA How do I know this is real?

LOPEZ

Mi Amor (my love) look at the motorbike, its real, look, its so real, here take a seat, now put your arms around me, eso (thats it)

SILVIA PRESSES HER BODY ONTO LOPEZ"S BACK

LOPEZ How does that feel?

SILVIA

Nice

LOPEZ Hold on tight

LOPEZ PULLS AWAY AND THEY DRIVE AWAY OUT OF HAVANA

CUT TO MORNING

MANUEL DRIVES UP TO DON MARTEZ HOUSE, DON MARTEZ IS HIGH WALKING AROUND WITH A GUN IN HIS HAND AND HIS SHIRT OPEN WHISLT MUTTERING TO HIMSELF

DON MARTEZ

That guy, who is he? It doesn't matter, thats ok they can go, he can go, she can go, THEY CAN ALL GO TO HELL! I got this world and I got this (looks at the gun) so now we going to. Yes, now we take over this entire country.

DON MARTEZ PICKS UP A PHONE AND MAKES A CALL, AS IT RINGS HE SNORTS A SMALL BIT OF COCAINE, THE PHONE ANSWERS.

DON MARTEZ

Alejandro

ALEJANDRO

Martez is there a problem with the routes

DON MARTEZ

No, all of that is going ok, but I wan to talk to you about the other thing we spoke about.

ALEJANDRO

Yes, I have thought about it, I'm just not looking for a partner right now, what I need is good transport and you have the best, it (MORE)

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ALEJANDRO (CONT'D)

will be good for us..... This is a good partnership

DON MARTEZ It's good for you Alejandro, not so

good for me

ALEJANDRO

What can I do? What can I do to make you happy?

DON MARTEZ How about you let me have the Miami contract

ALEJANDRO

Thats too big for you, I don't think you are ready for that one yet, its to risky for me and my associates.

DON MARTEZ

Too big, for me, me. Ok I see how this is going Alejandro, you know I don't think this is going to work, maybe I'll go into business for myself, maybe I'll come over there and.....

Alejandro hangs up the phone, DON MARTEZ looks at the phone and drops it on the floor

> DON MARTEZ Cabron (bastard) I don't need you, or her, bitch.

MANUEL DRIVES INTO THE COMPOUND OF DON MARTEZ WITH THE SHIPMENT FROM THE JAMAICANS

DON MARTEZ COMES OUTSIDE AND MANUEL STEPS OUT OF THE TRUCK

DON MARTEZ

Whats this?

MANUEL I done the deal with the Jamaicans,

DON MARTEZ You, you done the deal? We're with Alejandro now remember.

MANUAL

We don't need to be, we can do what we have been doing, business is good, we have it all ready and waiting

DON MARTEZ

But the coca is better MANUEL, and were going to do our own thing now, I want it all,

MANUAL

With Alejandro?

DON MARTEZ

Fuck Alejandro, we gonna take that Maricon (faggot) OUT! but first you do a job for me ok

MANUAL

What job?

DON MARTEZ

SILVIA, she's left me MANUEL, she went with that hijo de puta (son of a whore) LOPEZ

MANUAL

LOPEZ, he was here?

DON MARTEZ

Yeah, he was here, last night I saw them, find them and kill them both, NO! Find them, I'll put the bullet in them myself.

DON MARTEZ LOOKS AT THE TRUCK THEN MANUEL, THE LOOK IS TO SHOW MANUEL TAHT HE ISN'T HAPPY WITH THE SHIPMENT

DON MARTEZ Get it out there and lets make some money hermano (brother)

DON MARTEZ PULLS HIS NOSES BACK INTO THE HOUSE. MANUEL ORDERS THE WORKERS TO UNLOAD THE TRUCKS, HE LOOKS AT DON MARTEZ WITH DISAPPOINTMENT AS HE WALKS BACK INTO THE HOUSE.

MANUEL PULLS HIS MAN TO THE SIDE THE SAME ONE WHO WAS IN Santa Cruz WITH HIM

MANUAL LOPEZ was here, we can use this to our advantage

MAN What are you thinking

MANUAL We use LOPEZ and his docks

MAN You trust this LOPEZ?

MANUAL

He's not like us, he's just a farm boy trying to be a business man, we can get him to manage our shipments and transport them and we cut him in on Alejandros deal but we don't do any of the heavy work, just collect.

MAN

How will you do that?

MANUAL

Leave it to me, not a word about LOPEZ, lets get this ready to go, the streets are calling MAN What about DON MARTEZ

MANUAL That man is soft, he's losing it all because of some puta (whore)

Fade Out

LOPEZ AND SILVIA HAVE FINISHED MAKING LOVE AND ARE LOOKING AT EACH OTHER EYE TO EYE.

SILVIA What are you thinking?

LOPEZ

You know when I was back in Havana I had everything and nothing in the same breath, I had my father and my friends, yet no money or ambition, just living day by day you know, and it was hard, somedays I couldn't even feel my hands, however on the weekend we had fun, we had to make our own, but as you get older your belly gets hungrier and you realise that there is a world out there ready to be eaten, your worst day could turn out to be your best day

SILVIA

What was your worst day?

LOPEZ

The day I met you. It was my worst day because I had to leave you, or die, but that demotivated me to make something of myself, change my direction in life and now things are finally going right for me, this moment right here with you couldn't get any better (smiles)

SILVIA I bet I can make it better

SILVIA REACHES DOWN INTO THE SHEETS AND LOPEZ AND SILVIA BEGIN TO MAKE LOVE AGAIN

FADE OUT

AN EYE FOR ANOTHER EYE

DAY/SANTA CRUZ/ EXT

LOPEZ LEAVES HIS APARTMENT WALKING DOWN THE STREET TOWARDS THE DOCKS, HE SEES AL HIS MEN STANDING AROUND THE OFFICE, LOPEZ LOOKS WITH CONCERN AT THEM

> LOPEZ What's going on?

WORKER It's JOSE jefe (boss)

LOPEZ

What?

WORKER He's been killed.

LOPEZ WALKS THROUGH INTO THE OFFICE WHERE JOSE IS LAYING OVER THE DESK WITH TWO BULLETS IN HIS BACK, LOPEZ TURNS TO THE MEN

> LOPEZ Who did this?

WORKER I don't know jefe (boss) we came looking for you but couldn't find you

LOPEZ Who did he meet with? WORKER

He was with some Jamaicans and did a deal with them but they left

LOPEZ Who was the deal for?

WORKER

No se (I don't know) they wasn't from here, the trucks went out yesterday, JOSE was alive at the time

LOPEZ

So you are telling me no one saw anything, the trucks are gone, the money is gone and my brother is dead and no one saw a fucking thing, NOT ONE? No new faces in town?

WORKER

Some men from HAVANA were here but they left over a day ago

LOPEZ

MANUEL.

WORKER What do you want to do jefe (boss)

LOPEZ Nothing, get back to work.

THE WORKERS LEAVE LOPEZ LOOKING AT JOSE'S DEAD BODY.

LOPEZ MAKES HIS WAY TO CONEJO, HE MEETS HIM AT A WAREHOUSE WEHER CONEJO IS WAITING WITH A CAR FULL OF GUNS

> CONEJO I heard about JOSE are you really going to do this

LOPEZ It all adds up, I'm going to put a bullet in his head, I saw him, he was here, there can be no one else

CONEJO

But why, hermano (brother) you know you have to think, don't act on those instincts just yet, be smart, you want to start a war, get the revenge another day, just wait, they're expecting a reaction, they will make another move, they will come with words now, trust me, this isn't the first time, those carbons (bastards) want the docks, listen to experience.

LOPEZ LOOKS AT CONEJO WITH ANGER AND RAGE BUT KNOWS HE IS RIGHT.

FADE OUT

LOPEZ IS BACK AT THE BAR, HE WAS DIRT ON HIS SHOES AND HIS HANDS ARE DIRTY THE BAR TENDER HANDS HIM A SHOT OF RUM AND THEN PUTS ANOTHER SHOT ON THE BAR

BAR TENDER

For JOSE

LOPEZ NODS IN APPRECIATION AND DOWNS THEM BOTH, SUDDENLY A FIGURE COMES INTO THE BAR AND SITS NEXT TO LOPEZ, THEY LIGHT A CIGARETTE, LOPEZ TURNS AND SEES ITS MANUEL, AND AUTOMATICALLY SLOWLY REACHES INTO HIS WAIST FOR HIS GUN

MANUAL

Tranquilo (calm) I come in peace hermano (brother)

LOPEZ Peace, was YOU here the other day with peace or was that just bullshit?

MANUAL

Careful Cabron (bastard) That wasn't me, thats why I'm hear Now, I knew how it would look LOPEZ , but that wasn't me

LOPEZ

No, then who?

MANUAL

I did a deal with JOSE and left after the fiesta, when I got back, I saw SILVIA she had left DON MARTEZ, he got it in his head that she left him for you, he's on that coca you know, all the time banging up his nose, constantly paranoid, he knew I didn't kill you on that day on the mountain and he sent out men everywhere, they found JOSE and he wouldn't give you up so they killed him.

LOPEZ

Why are you telling me this? Aren't you loyal to him?

MANUAL

He is my friend but things have gone to far, this killing business isn't good for business, I don't want a war, nobody does

LOPEZ

I tell you now, I'm going to put a bullet in his head and anyone who stands in my way

MANUAL

You do what you have to do, I won't stand in your way, JOSE was a good man, he helped me with the Jamaicans, I want no part of what happens next, understand. You can find him at the Hacienda. MANUEL SHOOTS HIS GLASS OF RUM DOWN AND LEAVES THE BAR, LOPEZ LOOKS INTO HIS REFLECTION WITH VENGEANCE IN HIS EYES.

LOPEZ IS BACK AT HIS APARTMENT, DRUNK, AS HE WALKS IN SILVIA WATCHES HIM AND HE GOES INTO THE CUPBOARD AND GRAB A BOTTLE AND POUR HIMSELF A DRINK

> SILVIA You cant just drink the pain away LOPEZ

LOPEZ

Drink the pain away, I haven't begun to drink, then, I'll drink some more before I head back to Havana AND CUT THAT CABRRONS (bastards) HEAD OFF!

SILVIA

Who?

LOPEZ Don MARTEZ, he ordered the hit that was meant for me.

SILVIA PUTS HER ARMS AROUND LOPEZ

SILVIA

Don't let anger consume you my love, don't act out of anger, DON MARTEZ will expect it and he will kill you and it would be all for nothing, we have just found each other again, I don't want to loose you mi amor (my love) I'm sorry JOSE is gone, I know he was like a brother to you, but this is not the way. If you do this then we just end up moving backwards.

LOPEZ PUTS DOW THE GLASS THAT HE HAS POURED AND LOOKS AT SILVIA, SILVIA BURY'S LOPEZ HEAD INTO HER NECK.

THE NIGHT IS BRIGHT WITH A FULL MOON, SILVIA AND LOPEZ ARE

80.

ASLEEP, LOPEZ OPENS HIS EYES.

LOPEZ IS ON HIS MOTORBIKE ENTERING HAVANA

LOPEZ STOPS IN SIGHT OF DON MARTEZ HOUSE, ONE OF THE LIGHTS IS ON AND THE PERSON ON WATCH IS ASLEEP, LOPEZ SLOWLY MAKES HIS WAY TO THE HOUSE SNEAKING PAST THE GUARD, HE SNEAKS INTO HE HOUSE DIPPING IN AND OUT OF THE SHADOWS HEADING TOWARD THE ROOM WITH THE LIGHT ON, MUSIC BEGINS TO PLAY CAUSING LOPEZ TO FREEZE. LOPEZ TAKES OUT HIS REVOLVER AND ENTERS THE ROOM, DON MARTEZ IS ON THE COUCH WITH A COFFEE TABLE IN FRON TOF HIM WITH A MOUNTAIN OF COCAINE ON IT WITH A GUN, DON MARTEZ IS LOOKING TOWARDS THE CEILING WITH A CIGAR IN HIS MOUTH. HE BRINGS HIS HEAD FORWARD AND SEES LOPEZ

DON MARTEZ LOPEZ!(smiles)

LOPEZ RAISES HIS GUN AND SHOOTS DONE MARTEZ TWICE IN THE CHEST

THE GUARD WAKES UP AND RUNS IN, LOPEZ IS BEHIND THE DOOR, THE GUARDS SEES DON MARTEZ SHOT, LOPEZ STEPS FORWARD AND SHOOTS THE GUARD IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD.

DON MARTEZ IS STARING AT THE HOLES IN HIS CHEST IN SHOCK, HE LOOKS AT HIS GUN ON THE TABLE AND REACHES FOR IT AND JUMPS OUT OF HIS SEAT, AT THE SAME TIME KNOCKING THE COCAINE OVER CAUSING A CLOUD OF SMOKE, DON MARTEZ SHOOTS WILDLY INTO THE CLOUD OF COKE TRYING TO HIT LOPEZ UNTIL THE GUN CLICKS EMPTY.

> DON MARTEZ Maricon (queer) HEY YOU THERE MARICON!

DON MARTEZ LOOKS AT HIS CHEST AGAIN

DON MARTEZ You shot me. Shit.

LOPEZ COMES THROUGH THE CLOUD OF COCAINE WITH A PISTOL AT DON MARTEZ HEAD AND PUTS A BULLET IN BETWEEN HIS EYES LEAVING HIM DEAD.

FADE OUT

SILVIA WAKES UP AND SEES THAT SHE IS ALONE IN BED, SHE SITS UP AND THE PLCE IS QUIET, SILVIA LOOKS WORRIED, SUDDENLY THE DOOR OPENS AND LOPEZ COMES IN, CLEAN, AND WEARING DIFFERENT CLOSES

> LOPEZ Good morning

SILVIA

Where was you

LOPEZ I went out this morning to get some eggs for breakfast, you hungry

SILVIA SMILES AND NODS

SILVIA You have some coffee on

LOPEZ SMILES BACK

LOPEZ Of course, un cafe (one coffee) coming up.

SILVIA I could get used to this

LOPEZ Me too, listen, thank you for last night, you were right. We need to look to the future now

LOPEZ SHUTS THE DOOR AND CALLS OUT AS HE HEADS FOR THE KITCHEN

LOPEZ 2 eggs for the sinorita (woman)

SILVIA SMILES AS SHE PUTS HER HEAD BACK DOWN ON THE PILLOW, LOPEZ LOOKS AT THE BLOOD SPLATTERED COCAINE FILLED SHIRT HE HAD ON AND PUTS IT THE BIN.

FADE OUT.

LETS DO A DEAL

EXT/DAY/THE DOCKS

LOPEZ IS DOING HIS PAPER WORK IN HIS OFFICE AND GLANCES OVER THE PART OF THE DESK WHERE JOSE LAY DEAD, LOPEZ TAKES OUT A CIGAR AND LIGHTS IT,

> MANUAL Nothing but the best eh

LOPEZ LOOKS UP TO SEE MANUEL

MANUAL

Tranquilo (calm down) I'm here to do a little business, if you are interested

LOPEZ OFFERS A SEAT

LOPEZ

Whats the deal

MANUAL

Straight to business, I like that, well DON MARTEZ had a deal with the Bolivians, a distribution chain, but when you got rid of him, well the routes went as well

LOPEZ Arn't you the boss now? You can make new routes no?

MANUAL

It's not that easy, but I hear that you have alternative routes that can be used

LOPEZ What's the product?

MANUEL

Coca

LOPEZ Coca, what's in it for me?

MANUAL

We need your docks, trucks and drivers, with that I can cut you in for 20% and believe me thats at a push, you'll make so much money you'll be expanding these docks within a few months

LOPEZ

No!

MANUAL

No?

LOPEZ

You want to use my docks, men, and trucks for 20% conjo (fuck) what do you think I am, I'm not that farm boy from Havana anymore, lets face it, you did me a favour with DON MARTEZ, but I did you a bigger one, you want to go into business I'm going to want 30%

MANUAL

30, I don't even get 30

LOPEZ

Thats because you don't have the men, the trucks or the docks... ok, you tell me, your at 20 I'm and 30 what you want to do?

MANUAL

25

LOPEZ

25

LOPEZ OPENS HIS DRAW WHERE HIS PISTOL IS AND REACHES INTO THE DRAW, LOPEZ TAKES OUT A BOTTLE OF FIRE WATER AND TWO SHOT GLASES AND PUTS THEM ON THE TABLE. LOPEZ 25 sounds good to me

MANUEL POURS THE DRINKS AND THEY BOTH CHEERS

MANUAL Buy Bien (very good) to good business and good fortune

LOPEZ

Salute (cheers)

THE SHIPMENTS START COMING IN AND LOPEZ STARTS GETTING THE PRODUCT TRANSPORTED OUT, LOPEZ IS MOVING THE PRODUCT FASTER THAN HE CAN GET IT, MONEY IS COMING IN AND LOPEZ AND SILVIA BUY A NICE HOUSE IN THE COUNTRY WITH HORSES AND WORKERS, LOPEZ DONATES MONEY INTO THE COMMUNITY AND OPENS A SCHOOL, THE TOWN PEOPLE LOVE HIM, ANY NEW RIVALS WHO ARE COMING TO TAKE OVER ARE TAKEN CARE OFF BY CONEJO..... MANUEL IS SITTING AT HIS DESK IN HAVANA WHEN THERE IS A KNOCK AT THE DOOR.

MANUAL

Come!

IN WALKS MANUEL'S TRUSTED MAN (SAME ONE WHO WAS WITH HIM WHEN THEY THREATENED LOPEZ ON THE CLIFF) TITO

TITO

We lost another one Jefe (boss)

MANUAL What happened?

TITO

We sent some guys to look for work, you know find out the routes, they get hired and then they go missing, apparently some cabron (bastard) called conejo (the rabbit) he's a connected guy, guns, soldiers, everything

MANUAL

Can we get to him?

TITO

It's going to be hard, he doesn't leave that compound very often and even when he does he's never alone, also.

MANUAL

What?

TITO

LOPEZ is expanding, he is buying land on all parts of the island, bringing Ports on each side of Cuba, soon he will be heading up to HAVANA no?

MANUAL

Well I'll say this about LOPEZ, be had a better vision that DON MARTEZ however, DON MARTEZ stuck to HAVANA and never stepped on anyone else's toes, do you see me setting up in Santa Cruz? No! It's about respect, this cabron (bastard) he hasn't showed me any, and who brought who into what eh. See how they forget TITO. Maybe we need to teach LOPEZ a lesson, bring him back down to reality, so since he won't give up these routes we will have to persuade him another way.

TITO

What do you want me to do?

MANUAL

We need a political influence to handle this situation, force LOPEZ into hiding, he gives up the routes then we get rid of him, who have we got on the payroll? TITO Governor Solero, he can make noise with the best of them.

MANUAL

Set it up.

LOPEZ IS AT HOME SITTING LISTENING TO THE RADIO AS SILVIA IS COOKING EMPANADAS NEWS COMES OVER THE RADIO ABOUT LOPEZ.

NEWS REPORTER

Governor Solero today is cleaning up the island, the criminal underworld is being head hunted in what is called The Nation of Shame, Governor plans to rid Cuba of those that bring others down, tasks forces have been recruited and placed in every town and port to undergo this vital operation, governor Solero had this to say.

SOLERO

This has been a passion of mine which is long overdue, these criminals have profited from the misery of others for to long and is is time to bring back a decency and pride back to CUBA I have been given a list of names through our intelligent agency of those that are the big players, these are not your everyday criminals, these are organised, and these organisation need to be crushed, no more killings with mothers burying their children. This way of life must be eradicated from our culture, the list of names will be advertised tonight, those on the list I strongly recommend you turn yourself in or face the (MORE)

SOLERO (CONT'D) consequences, members of the community, stay vigilant, and pray that our beautiful county can wash away the stain that these criminals have left upon us.

NEWS REPORTER

In tomorrows publication governor Solero will name the names of those that are involved, these are the top 10 most wanted for drug trafficking, murder, extortion, people trafficking, arms dealing and kidnapping.

LOPEZ SITS BACK AND CONTINUES TO SIP HIS DRINK AS THE NEWS CHANGES FROM THE NEWS TO MUSIC SILVIA COMES TO JOIN HIM, LOPEZ HAS A WORRIED LOOK ON HIS FACE.

SILVIA

Don't worry my love I'm sure they are not looking for dock workers, this Solero, I like him, he's cleaning CUBA up, little by little it will make a difference, it gives us hope you know, to know children can be raised in a safe way.

SILVIA LOOKS AT LOPEZ WITH THE HOPE OF HAVING CHILDREN TOGETHER, LOPEZ SMILES AND PULLS HER IN CLOSER AND THEY SIT AND APPRECIATE THE VIEW, LOPEZ MIND IS ELSEWHERE

FADE OUT

EXT/NIGHT/ MIDDLE OF NO WHERE

LOPEZ IS LEANING AGAINST HIS CAR SMOKING A CIGAR, HEADLIGHTS FROM ANOTHER CAR SHINE ON THE APPROACH, LOPEZ PUTS HIS CIGAR OUT AS THE CAR COMES TO A STOP, CONEJO GET OUT

> LOPEZ Did you hear that broadcast today?

88.

CONEJO

Yeah, this is no coincidence, hermano (brother) we pay off all the officials, this is something new

LOPEZ You think they want more money?

CONEJO

No this is bigger than that, this is about power and control, someone is out to make a move, a real big move.

LOPEZ This list, do you know who is on it

CONEJO

No idea, I have a guy who works for the newspaper and he said no one knows, the papers will be printed at the last minute so that there is no leaks, I can tell you this hermano (brother) I'm not going to jail, never again, I'd rather die in these streets than go back there.

LOPEZ Well lets hope it doesn't come to that

CONEJO Lets hope hermano (brother)

CONEJO AND LOPEZ SAY GOODBYE TO EACH OTHER AND CONEJO DRIVES AWAY.

LOPEZ PARKS HIS CAR OUTSIDE OF THE BODEGA SMOKING A CIGAR, THE STREET IS QUIET.

DAWN BREAKS AND LOPEZ IS AWAKEN BY THE SOUND OF A DELIVERY TRUCK OF WHICH LOPEZ SEES IN HIS WING MIRROR, THE TRUCK STOPS OUTSIDE OF THE BODEGA AND ONE OF THE MEN THROWS A BUNDLE OF NEWSPAPERS DOWN THEN JUMPS BACK ONTO THE TRUCK AND

DRIVES AWAY, LOPEZ EXITS HIS CAR AND OPENS HIS KNIFE TO CUT THE ROPE HOLDING THE PAPERS TOGETHER, LOPEZ TAKES OUT A PAPER AND READS THE FRONT COVER

TOP 10 CRIMINALS OF CUBA

LOPEZ LOOKS DOWN THE LIST, AMONG THE LIST HE SEES CONEJO AND AT NUMBER 9 HE SEES LOPEZ OF SANTA CRUZ, LOPEZ OPENS THE PAPER AND SEES A PICTURE OF HIS FACE, LOPEZ PICKS UP THE REST OF THE PAPERS AND THROWS THEM IN THE BOOT OF HIS CAR AND DRIVES OFF.

LOPEZ MAKES HIS WAY TO HIS OFFICE, HE CLEARS OUT THE SAFE OF MONEY, AS HE IS LEAVING HE SEES THE FLASHING LIGHTS OF THE POLICE DRIVING AROUND, LOPEZ DRIVES TO AN ABANDONED BUILDING, LOPEZ GOES INSIDE TO A WRECKED BURNT OUT ROOM, HE REMOVES SOME OF THE FLOOR BOARDS AND TAKES OUT TWO BIG BAGS FULL OF MONEY AND GUNS, LOPEZ PUT THE BAGS IN TO THE BACK OF HIS CAR THEN DRIVES TO ANOTHER LOCATION WHERE THERE IS A PARKED CAR IN A ALLY FROM THE MAIN ROAD, LOPEZ LOOKS AROUND TO MAKE SURE ITS CLEAR THEN PUTS THE MONEY BAGS INTO THE PARKED CAR.

LOPEZ HEADS BACK TO HIS HOUSE WHERE SILVIA IS JUST GETTING INTO HER CAR AND LEAVE TO GO TO TOWN, LOPEZ CUTS HER OFF CAUSING HER TO BREAK HARD.

SILVIA

Jesus LOPEZ

LOPEZ GETS OUT OF HIS CAR AND OPENS HER CAR DOOR ANXIOUSLY

SILVIA Whats going on? What's happened

LOPEZ You don't know?

SILVIA No, what's happened?

LOPEZ My name is in the paper

SILVIA What paper? What are you talking about, the newspaper about the criminals? You?

LOPEZ

Listen I don't have time to explain, we need to pack and leave before the police come

SILVIA

Leave? Where, why, what have you done LOPEZ? LOPEZ!

LOPEZ

Silvia, I haven't done anything, let's just go, please.

SILVIA

Ok LOPEZ, let me just get some things

LOPEZ

We don't have time for that, lets just go

SILVIA AND LOPEZ GET INTO LOPEZ CAR AND DRIVE OFF

SILVIA Where will we go?

LOPEZ

America

SILVIA

America, how are we going to get there?

LOPEZ

I'm going to arrange it, I have a place we can go to and stay.

SILVIA LOPEZ, talk to me, what's really going on

LOPEZ DIVES IN SILENCE

SILVIA

It's true isn't it? What was it extortion, robbery, what? Ok, you know I've never asked you your business, but I'm going to ask, how did you acquire the docks? Who did you kill LOPEZ? ANSWER ME!

LOPEZ HITS THE BRAKES ON THE CAR BRINGING IT TO A HALT

LOPEZ

I didn't kill anyone who didn't deserve it, it was either me or them, all of my friends are dead because of greed, all I wanted was to have enough money so that I can make something of myself and now I have and now someone else is out for me and I'm not going to let them and I'm not loosing you over this. Just give me two days and we are out of here ok, I never wanted to tell you thats why I never spoke about it, I didn't want to lie to you.

SILVIA HOLDS LOPEZ HAND AND LOPEZ DRIVES OFF

LOPEZ OPENS THE DOOT TO A RUN DOWN APARTMENT, SILVIA LOOKS SHOCKED AS HER EYES LOOK OVER THE AREA IN DISGUST, LOPEZ LOOKS AT SILVIA CLUTCHING HER BAG, HE REACHES INTO HIS POCKET AND GIVES HER SOME MONEY

> LOPEZ Here, go to the store and get what you need

SILVIA Where are you going?

LOPEZ

I have to make the arrangements to get us out, I'll be back in a few hours, don't worry, don't make eye (MORE)

LOPEZ (CONT'D) contact or make conversation with anyone, the police are going to be out and about so just act normal, remember they're not looking for you.

SILVIA Lopez, please be careful

LOPEZ Don't worry, I'll see you later

LOPEZ KISSES SILVIA AND SHUTS THE DOOR AND LEAVES.

CUT

MANUEL IS DRIVING INTO TOWN AND STOPS AT A RESTAURANT, HE GETS OUT AND WALKS RIGHT THROUGH THE RESTAURANT, THROUGH THE KITCHEN TOWARDS THE BACK DOOR WHERE LOPEZ IS WAITING SIPPING A COFFEE.

LOPEZ

café

MANUAL

Lopez

THE TWO SHAKE HANDS

LOPEZ I see that you didn't make the list

MANUAL

Me, they're not looking for me hermano (brother) who am I? As far as they're concerned I'm just a soldier, no soy un jefe (I'm not a boss) anyway I got your message

LOPEZ

This is it for me MANUEL I need some paperwork and I know the best one is HAVANA but I cant move around so freely. MANUAL I heard CONEJO was taken out

LOPEZ FUCK! I was just with him

MANUAL

When?

LOPEZ Last night, what happened?

MANUAL

I don't know, all I heard was that he didn't go quietly, killed two officers during the raid, now its a shoot to kill on anyone on that list, i can get the paperwork, but its going to cost

LOPEZ

How much

MANUAL

We need to do a big shipment, we do this we make enough money to disappear for a long time.

LOPEZ

When for

MANUAL

We will do it tonight, by the time the sun comes back up the papers will be here and ready, I can arrange a boat to take us over to MIAMI obviously we're going to have to pay our way so this job makes sense.

LOPEZ

Wont the docks be guarded with police now

MANUAL

Leave that to me. Don't worry. I will see you tonight. Then we meet back here in the morning ok.

LOPEZ NODS AND WATCHES MANUEL LEAVE, LOPEZ WALKS ANOTHER WAY OUT OF THE ALLY.

LOPEZ KNOCKS ON THE APARTMENT DOOR MAKING SILVIA JUMP WITH ANXIETY, THE DOOR OPENS

SILVIA

LOPEZ

SILVIA HUGS LOPEZ

SILVIA Can we go now?

LOPEZ

Not yet, we go tomorrow, it's all arranged, but I have to do something tonight.

SILVIA

What, what do you have to do, WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO DO! Just stay here LOPEZ I'm scared.

LOPEZ

Theres no need to worry, it will be ok, I do this thing, we go and we disappear, just you and me ok, just one more day ok, here..

LOPEZ HANDS HER A SET OF KEYS

SILVIA What are these for?

LOPEZ

If anything happens, take this car and go, get to MIAMI and I will meet you there, don't stop for anyone or anything ok

SILVIA

LOPEZ

SILVIA WRAPS HER ARMS AROUND LOPEZ AND KISSES HIM

CUT

WE SEE TITO LOOKING AT THE PARKED CAR LOPEZ LEFT WITH THE MONEY INSIDE OF IT, TITO DRIVES AWAY

FADE OUT

THE LAST RUN

NIGHT/EXT/THE HILLS

FOUR TRUCKS FULLY LOADED WITH COCAINE SIT BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD WITH DRIVERS WAITING, LOPEZ AND MANUEL MEET EACH OTHER AT THE FRONT OF THE CONVEY

MANUAL

Ok so where do we go?

LOPEZ TAKES OUT THE MAP AND LAYS IT OUT FLAT

LOPEZ

Ok so we are here, this path here is not on the map, it's an old trail that was created a long time ago, alternatively we can take this route but thats only when there is flooding, thats it straight forward.

MANUAL

Thats it?

LOPEZ Yeah, the lost and forgotten, is everything lined up MANUAL

Everything is ready, this time tomorrow you'll be in MIAMI

LOPEZ SMILES AT MANUEL, MANUEL SMILES BACK THEN DOESN'T, AS HIS FACIAL EXPRESSION CHANGES SO DOES LOPEZ, MANUEL TAKES OUT HIS GUN AND SHOOTS LOPEZ IN THE STOMACH, LOPEZ FALLS DOWN IN SHOCK AND LOOKS UP AT MANUEL WHO IS STANDING OVER HIM WITH A SMOKING GUN

MANUAL

Do you know how long I've wanted to do this? Ever since you came into my life, first you was a pain in my ass with that whole Silvia thing but then you opened up a new opportunity for me, now I can move unnoticed and control it all so for that I thank you

LOPEZ

Why don't you just kill me then?

MANUAL

CABRON! (Bastard) I don't hate you that much, the police will find you and throw you in jail, that will break you, but if you die before they get he, then amigo (friend) thats gods willing, oh and don't worry about SILVIA she has a bright future ahead of her (does an explosion expression) hasta luego cabron (until next time you bastard)

MANUEL WACKS LOPEZ WITH THE BUTT OF THE GUN THEN SIGNALS THE DRIVER

MANUAL Let's go! muevete cabrons (move you bastards)

THE TRUCKS ALL START UP AND DRIVE AWAY LEAVING A BLOODY UNCONSCIOUS LOPEZ ON THE SIDE ROAD.

LOPEZ QUICKLY REGAINS CONSCIOUS AND IS DISORIENTATED ON TOP OF HIS GUNSHOT WOUND, ALL HE CAN THINK OF IS SILVIA

LOPEZ

Silvia!

LOPEZ DRAGS HIMSELF TO HIS FEET AND STUMBLES TOWARDS TOWN.

SILVIA LOOKS AT HER WATCH AND GRABS HER BAG AND MAKES HER WAY OUT OF THE APARTMENTS, SHE WALKS DOWN THE STREET, LOPEZ IS A BLOODY MESS AS HE ENTERS THE TOWN, SILVIA WALKS TOWARDS THE PARKED CAR, LOPEZ SEES SILVIA AS SHE UNLOCKS THE DOOR, LOPEZ CALLS OUT BUT AS HE DOES A TRUCK PASSES BY AND DROWNS OUT HIS VOICE, SILVIA GETS INTO THE CAR AS LOPEZ DESPERATELY TRIES TO WARN SILVIA, SILVIA PUTS THE KEY INTO THE IGNITION AND THE CAR EXPLODES THROWING LOPEZ BACK INTO THE STREET, SCREAMS FILL THE AIR ALONG WITH BURNT MONEY, LOPEZ IS UNCONSCIOUS.

FADE OUT

FADE IN

LOPEZ OPENS HIS EYE AND LOOKS UP AT A BRIGHT LIGHT SHINNG DOWN ON HIM, LOPEZ QUICKLY TURNS HIS HEAD TO LOOK AROUND AND SEES FRANSISCO.

> FRANSISCO LOPEZ, god must have his eye on you.

LOPEZ WOUND HAS BEEN ATTENDED TO AND HE IS BANDAGED UP, LOPEZ CAN SEE THE BULLET IN A GLASS OF RUM.

FRANSISCO

My son found you, if it was anyone else they would of cashed you in by now, but don't worry, you are safe here, we know what you do for the community and I respect that, men like you and me will never see heaven so while we are here we try and do as much good as we can.

LOPEZ

Silvia

FRANSISCO

I'm sorry, there was nothing left, that bomb was personal, I know this is going to hurt to listen to but now you have a chance, a second chance, you have been reported dead, no one is looking for you.

LOPEZ

Old man, you've been around and seen things that others have nightmares about, am I right?

FRANSISCO NODS

LOPEZ

Then don't tell me that I have a second chance, there is only one thing that I need to do.

FRANSISCO I know, but I had to try

FRANSISCO WALKS OVER TO A TABLE AND TAKES THE COVER OFF, UNDERNEATH IS GUNS AND AMMO AND A BULLET PROOF VEST WITH HOLES IN IT, FRANSISCO PICKS UP THE VEST

FRANSISCO

It's seen a few battles, but it still works, rest, eat, gather back your strength, you lost a lot of blood LOPEZ, don't worry the killings will wait for you.

LOPEZ CLOSES BACK HIS EYES

FADE OUT

MANUELS FATE

INT/DAY/MANUEL'S NEW LOCATION

MANUEL IS IN A BIG HOUSE WITH GUARDS POSTED EVERYWHERE, NEW

CARS IN THE GARAGE AND EVERYTHING LOOKS EXPENSIVE, MANUEL IS SITTING WITH TITO AND THEY ARE BOTH LAUGHING

TITO

So listen this little bastard and his crew are trying to rob this guy for his motorbike with a knife a rock and a pipe, they don't think I know who they are but I know who he is, one of the putos (bitches) throws the rock and it hits him in the head, then the other one beats him with the pipe, the last one with the knife stabs the man in the leg and they all try to get on the bike, the man pulls out a gun and shoots at the kids, imagine that

MANUAL

Did he kill them

TITO

NO! That cabron (bastard) cant shoot, but he did hit one in the side of the head, thats going to leave a nasty scar

MANUAL

Little carbons (bastards) they are lucky, if that was me, I'd of killed them

TITO

Anyway the guy looks at me like, help me, help me, NO! Cabron (bastard) I'm wearing white

MANUAL

Cabron (bastard)

MANUEL AND TITO LAUGH, SUDDENLY THE PHONE RINGS AND MANUEL ANSWERS IT

ALEJANDRO

I hear that you are having problems in HAVANA

MANUAL

No! I don't know where you are getting this information from, everything is fine here

ALEJANDRO

I have a lot of investors that I don't need nervous MANUEL, we have big things coming and we want you to be apart of it, the last shipment how did it go?

MANUAL

It went well

ALEJANDRO

I heard there was a fatality

MANUAL

There was, but that is all been taken care of. Listen Alejandro, I don't know where you are getting this information from but here, in CUBA there is no one else that can do what I do, you just ship it in and we ship it out, don't worry about the politics over here, you tell your investors to keep drinking their champagne and relax ok.

ALEJANDRO

Good to hear MAUNEL

MANUAL

So what's this big thing

ALEJANDRO

We are working it out, we have a new source with the Columbians that will be very lucrative for everyone, I will be in touch MANUAL

Ok, you do that.

MANUEL HANGS UP THE PHONE AND LOOKS AT TITO, TITO LOOKS BACK AND SHRUGS HIS SHOULDERS

MANUAL

Someone is talking, how does he know what we're doing and how we do it, this Alejandro thinks he can control everything, this is HAVANA my HAVANA.

TITO

Whats happening with the shipments

MANUAL

I don't know, let's see, what are the Jamaicans doing?

TITO

Thats steady coming along, but I hear the Mexicans are controlling the marajuana now so we can get it from them cheap now.

MANUAL

I'm trying to avoid the Mexicans but now Alejandro wants us doing business with the Columbians

TITO

Fucking Columbians

MANUAL

It doesn't matter if its the Columbians or anyone else the money is still the same colour all I know is this new play in the game will change the world TITO, and I want to be a part of it, this now, how we are, is nothing!, the real power isn't the money, its the control, control the market, control the distribution, thats the power. the money is just a tool, its no (MORE)

MANUAL (CONT'D) different to a gun, TITO we have keep control, control of what happens here comprende (understand)

MANUEL LIGHTS A CIGARETTE AS TITO POURS SOME DRINKS

MANUAL

Did you find his body?

TITO

No, we looked everywhere, he couldn't get far though not with a bullet in his stomach, you left him in the middle of nowhere half dead no? That putos (Whore's) dead for sure jefe (boss)

MANUAL

I know.

MANUEL BLOWS OUT THE SMOKE WITH A SERIOUS LOOK ON HIS FACE.

CUT TO LOPEZ

LOPEZ HAS A SERIOUS FOCUSED LOOK ON HIS FACE, FRANSISCO HANDS HIS A PISTOL

FRANSISCO The rest is in the car.

LOPEZ I won't forget what you have done for me

FRANSISCO

I never told you this, but when I first saw you I knew you were, you look like your father, he was good to me a very long time ago, this is the least I could do for you LOPEZ, via con dies (go with god) LOPEZ Siñor Fransisco where I'm going god is going to have to turn a blind eye.

LOPEZ LEAVES AND GETS INTO THE CAR AND HEADS TOWARDS HAVANA

NIGHT/EXT/HAVANA NIGHT LIFE/CLUB

THE STREETS AND THE NIGHT LIFE IS ALIVE, LOPEZ PARKS THE CAR OFF THE MAIN ROAD AND TUCKS TWO GUNS INTO THE BACK OF HIS TROUSERS, HE WALKS DOWN THE MAIN ROAD TOWARDS A CUBAN BAR EL GATO NEGRO (THE BLACK CAT) AND WALKS IN, THE MUSIC IS LOUD AND ALL THE GIRLS ARE DANCING, EVERYONE IS HAVING A GOOD TIME, LOPEZ IS FOCUSED AND MAKES HIS WAY TO THE BAR WHERE HE SEES TITO WITH SOME (2) OF MANUEL'S MEN ALL DRINKING AND HAVING A GOOD TIME, LOPEZ KEEPS HIS DISTANCE, A WOMAN COMES UP TO LOPEZ AND STARTS DANCING BUT LOPEZ WALKS PAST HER (SHE SWEARS AT HIM) LOPEZ WALKS TOWARDS TITO AND TAKES OUT HIS GUNS AND BEGINS SHOOTING HITTING TITO IN THE LEG AND ONE OF HIS MEN IN THE CHEST, THE OTHER MAN STARTS SHOOTING BACK AS SCREAMS AND BULLETS ECHO OUT

> TITO MATALO ESTA CABRON (kill that bastard)

TITO LIMPS OUT WHILST SHOOTING AT LOPEZ DIRECTION, LOPEZ FOCUSES ON THE SECOND SHOOTER AS HE TAKES OVER IN THE BAR, HE RUNS OUT OF BULLETS AND REACHES FOR THE SECOND GUN, AS THE SHOOTER HERES THE FIRST GUN SOUND EMPTY HE LOOKS AND CONFIDENTLY APPROACHES NOT KNOWING LOPEZ HAS ALREADY DRAWN THE SECOND GUN, LOPEZ STANDS UP FROM BEHIND ONE OF THE BOOTHS

> MAN Looks like your luck has run out Vendejo (fool)

THE CONFIDENCE IS MET BY LOPEZ POINTED THE NEW LOADED GUN AND PUTTING 3 HOLES IN THE MANS CHEST.

OUT SIDE TITO HAS LIMPED TO HIS CAR SCREAMING AND CURSING AS THE CROWD OF PEOPLE CONTINUE TO RUN PETRIFIED, TITO GETS INTO THE CAR AND DRIVES AWAY, LOPEZ WATCHES THE CAR GO.

CUT TO MANUEL'S HOUSE

TITO ARRIVES AT MANUEL'S HOUSE, TIRES SCREECHING, MANUEL COMES TO SEE WHAT THE COMMOTION IS ALL ABOUT WITH SEVERAL MEN, TITO FALLS OUT OF THE CAR ONTO THE FLOOR, MEN RUSH TO HIS AID

> TITO He's alive Manuel

MANUAL Who, who? Cabron (bastard)

TITO That hijo de puta (son of a bitch) LOPEZ

MANUAL

He's here?

TITO No I got away, help me MANUEL

MANUAL

Vendejo (fool) you just led him here. (talks to men) looks like were going to have a guest amigos, I WANT THIS CABRONS HEAD, get ready. Someone help TITO, he's bleeding all over the place.

MANUEL WALKS BACK INTO THE HOUSE AND GRABS A MACHINE GUN AND MAKES HIS WAY TO HIS BALCONY WHERE HE CAN SEE EVERYTHING

MANUAL

JOSE anything

JOSE

No Jefe!

MANUAL He's coming, come on Maricon (fagot) I'm waiting!

EVERYONE IS WAITING. And listening

MANUAL

JOSE (x2)

THERE IS NO RESPONSE AS MANUEL CALLS OUT AGAIN

MANUAL

He's here.

THE LIGHTS ON THE COMPOUND COME ON AND EVERYONE SEES JOSE DEAD WITH HIS THROAT CUT, EVERYONE IS AIMING THEIR GUNS LOOKING AROUND. FROM THE BALCONY WHERE MANUEL IS WATCHING HE SEES CAR LIGHTS COME ON AND A CAR HEADS TOWARDS THE COMPOUND.

MANUAL

AY ESTA! (There he is) matalo este cabron (kill the bastard)

THE CAR APPROACHES WITH SPEAD AS IT HEADS FOR THE GATES, AS SOON AS IT CRASHES THROUGH MANUEL'S MEN OPEN FIRE BUT THE CAR EXPLODES TAKING OUT MOST OF THE MEN, LOPEZ EMERGES OUT OF NOWHERE EXECUTING THE LEFT OVER MEN, MANUEL OPENS FIRE FROM THE BALCONY (THEY EXCHANGE EYES)BUT SOON RUNS OUT OF BULLETS AND HEADS INSIDE TO GRAB ANOTHER GUN.

OUTSIDE LOPEZ HAS EXECUTED THE SMALL GROUP OF MEN AND ENTERS INSIDE THE HOUSE, ONE OF THE MEN IS WAITING BEHIND A WALL, LISTENING, AS LOPEZ APPROACHES HE COMES OUT AND SHOOTS HITTING LOPEZ IN THE ARM AND CHEST (HITTING THE VEST) LOPEZ LETS OUT A SCREAM AS HE FIRES BACK SHOOTING THE MAN IN THE THROAT. LOPEZ CALLS OUT AS HE LOOKS UP THE STAIRS

> LOPEZ MANUEL! You killed SILVIA cabron (bastard)

MANUAL THAT PUTA (WHORE) HAS BEEN A PROBLEM FROM DAY ONE, JUST LIKE YOU!

LOPEZ TONIGHT YOU DIE! MANUAL If I go I'm taking you with me CABRON! (Bastard) vamanos CABRON, (come on bastard) come and get some.

LOPEZ MAKES HIS WAY UP THE STAIRS SLOWLY, MANUEL IS WAITING BEHIND A WALL, LOPEZ GETS TO THE LANDING, MANUEL JUMPS OUT BUT LOPEZ ISN'T THERE ANYMORE, MANUEL SEES A SHADOW COMING FROM A WAYS AND SMILES, MANUEL AIM HIGH AS HE APPROACHES, AS HE GETS TO THE DOOR HE OPENS FIRE WITH RAGE BUT NOTHING IS THERE THE SHAHOW IS THE BREEZE MOVING THE DOOR, MANUEL CLOSES HIS EYES AS HE KNOWS LOPEZ IS BEHIND HIM, WITH ARROGANCE HE TURNS TO SHOOT LOPEZ BUT LOPEZ OPENS FIRE AND HITS MANUEL IN THE UPPER CHEST, MANUEL DROPS HIS GUN AS HE HITS THE FLOOR LOOKING UP AT LOPEZ WHO PUTS IN A NEW MAGAZINE INTO THE MACHINE GUN.

LOPEZ STANDS OVER MANUEL.

MANUAL

Okay, OKAY! YOU GOT ME CABRON! Lets talk about this, I give you 2 million cash right now, COME ON! You owe me cabron (bastard) when DON MARTEZ wanted you dead I, me, I let you live.

LOPEZ

You killed SILVIA, you killed JOSE

MANUAL

COME ON! You killed to cabron (bastard), you're no saint, you walk around like you're a businessman, a friend to everyone, but you're no different to me, I just hide behind your bullshit smile.

MANUEL LOOKS INTO LOPEZ'S EYES, LOPEZ UNLOADS ALL HIS BULLETS INTO MANUEL.

A LAST AIR OF BREATH LEAVES MANUEL'S MOUTH, LOPEZ LEAVES THE COMPOUND.

FADE OUT

MIAMI

INT/LOPEZ MIAMI HOUSE/ DAY

ONE YEAR LATER

LOPEZ IS GETTING READY GO OUT DRESSED IN A WHITE SUIT AND THE PHONE RINGS, LOPEZ LOOKS AT HIS WATCH AND CALLS OUT

LOPEZ

JUAN!

JUAN COMES RUNNING FROM ANOTHER ROOM

JUAN

Yes Boss

LOPEZ Go see what's taking Elvira so long

JUAN

Ok boss

LOPEZ PICKS UP THE PHONE

LOPEZ

Lopez

ALEJANDRO

Hello Frank

LOPEZ

Sousa, what can I do for you?

ALEJANDRO

I'm looking for someone who can handle some product Frank, are you interested.

LOPEZ LOOKS BLANKLY

LOPEZ

Si (yes)

CUT TO BLACK

END.