NO SMOKING

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EXT. HIGHWAY - EVENING

A man is driving a white convertible car at precise rate. He looks at the empty long road ahead of him and rubs his eyes. His eyes are red and look extremely tired due to long driving. He takes out a cigarettes to light, but suddenly, He see a nearby motel along the road and decides to check in for a night. He turns his car and parks it, in the parking lot of the motel. He gets out of the car and looks at the several other cars and SUVs in the parking lot which is covered in dust.

It looks like they haven’t been moved in a long time.

INT. MOTEL LOUNGE -- EVENING

John open the door to the Hotel and walks in. He got a Nikon camera around his neck with some luggage. He looks up to the reception desk and it shows a sign

**NO SMOKING**

He rings the desk bell, but nobody responses, after one or two more hits at the bell. A person speaks from the other room right behind the wall of the reception.

TOM V.O. 
Coming..

A middle age man comes out with a mouth half-filled with food. He is wearing a White-shirt with a black Tie and black pants. He is a strange and eccentric man, with horn-rimmed glasses and a big smile on his face

TOM
Good evening, sir

Removing the napkin from his collar

TOM (CONT’D)
Hmm. Sorry sir, i was just having my Dinner.

JOHN
No, it’s ok, I didn’t mean to interrupt you. I was looking for a receptionist.

TOM
(Laughing)
Well i’m the receptionist here and also the manager. You see its a small motel, so i do all the work myself. Cleaner, plumber, cook, manager its all me. So what can i do for you tonight.

JOHN
Well i need a room for a night.

TOM
Yup, you like a room with AC or without AC

JOHN
With AC. Oh yeah can i get some food.

TOM
No Problemo
INT MOTEL HALLWAY -- EVENING

Tom takes out the key to the room 13 and John follows him by the empty corridor to his room. As John follows Tom room by room. He sees the sign of "NO SMOKING" after every single door.

Tom reaches room 13 and opens it, for John

INT. MOTEL ROOM -- NIGHT

TOM
Here you go sir

JOHN
Thanks

John enters the rooms and sees a "NO SMOKING" sign, hanging inside the room.

JOHN (CONT'D)
No Smoking, even here

TOM
Yeah, this whole motel is a No Smoking zone

JOHN
But, not even in the room

TOM
Sir, I advise you not to smoke in here. Sir, please cooperate with us.

JOHN
All right

TOM
I'll go and get some food and water for you.

John opens his bag and takes out his towel, toothbrush and goes into the bathroom for a bath.

John gets out of the bathroom in his towel and reaches for his Cigarette packet and then suddenly there's a knock on the door. Tom reaches for the door and opens it, Tom is standing on the door with food and drinks.

But as soon as he sees Cigarette in John hands, his big weird smile fades away.

TOM
Sir, I told you not to smoke in the lodge.

JOHN
Come on, Tom its just a smoke, Its doesn't make a difference.

TOM
It does, It did to my father. He died because of smoking.

JOHN
Sir, i feel bad for your father. But its just a smoke

Tom reaches out to John cigarette packet and took it away from him in a surprise
2 hours Later

John can’t sleep until he smokes at least one cigarette. He gets out of his room and approaches, the room of Tom where he is watching cartoons on the TV.

**INT MOTEL TOM ROOM -- NIGHT**

JOHN
I need my smoke

TOM
Sir, i told you, you can’t smoke in here.

JOHN
Yeah i can't smoke in here, but i can smoke outside this fucking motel

TOM
Im sorry sir, but i can’t let you smoke. You have no idea how dangerous smoking is to somebody's health

JOHN
That's its, Give me back my packet

TOM
I flushed it and you won’t even find any store in next 10 miles radius.

JOHN
Fucking faggot

A furious john goes back to his room, pack his back and decide to leave the motel. He leaves the hallway reaches to the door of the lodge and finds it locked.

**INT MOTEL -- NIGHT**

JOHN
Shit, open it

Tom comes out from his room with a gun in his hand, pointing towards John

JOHN (CONT’D)
What the fuck

TOM
Don’t worry sir, i know how hard it is for you to quit smoking, but trust me i have a cure for this

John is scared to death

JOHN
Listen, just please open the door. you are creeping
I can understand your problems sir. You can’t quit smoking even if you had too. But it’s a matter of months sir, I will cure your smoking problem forever.

JOHN
(Confused & Scared) Months, Listen I got a wife and a little girl.

TOM
Shhh. Shhh. Sir trust me, This therapy has worked on 80% peoples.

JOHN
(Looking scared) So, what happened to the rest of 20%.

TOM
Come on, I'll shows you

Tom takes John to a basement of sort and shows him piles of dead bodies, telling him that he tried but these people would not stop smoking.

"SIX MONTHS LATER"

INT MOTEL LOUNGE -- AFTERNOON

John is now seen working in the lodge, and acting strange and eccentric himself, just like Tom. He is even wearing the same outfit and clothes like Tom.

A customer walks in smoking and asks John for a room, John tells him politely that smoking is strongly prohibited and he should stop smoking immediately.

The Customer takes a huge puff of smoke and lean forward to John face and releases a huge pile of smoke on his face

CUSTOMER (LAUGHING)

BANG!!!

INT MOTEL TOM ROOM -- AFTERNOON

A gun shot is heard, Tom who is sitting inside his room, smiling and watching cartoon looks over the sound of Gun and nods his head and focus back his attention to the cartoons.

INT MOTEL LOUNGE -- AFTERNOON

The customer is been thrown back at the glass door with the force of the shot. The blood is spattered all around the entrance door.

INT MOTEL TOM ROOM -- AFTERNOON

John joins Tom in his room, both dressed in same attire. they look at each other, then take a look at the cartoons playing on the TV.

The cartoon playing on TV ended and a Commercial begins
"SMOKING IS INJURIOUS TO HEALTH"