Project: Spy

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INT. HOUSE - NIGHT

TOM

So let's try to ease into this one.

TOM, late 20s, the tech nerd, serves as mission control. He sits across SPY, mid 40s, in a dark room. A single table light illuminates the area.

Spy is tinkering with a gun. Tom a little annoyed.

TOM Are you even listening?

SPY

Mhmm.

TOM Then what did I tell you about that-

SPY

The estate has an L.F.E.M.P.D., Low frequency electromagnetic pulse disrupter which is capable of detecting foreign metals this side of the periodic table. Such metals can be found in a thing like this.

Spy shows gun then places it on table. Tom impressed.

TOM Very good... for someone who doesn't know how it works.

SPY Interesting from someone who doesn't know how to pull this trigger.

Tom shrugs then holds up a metal pen.

TOM

This is omah or as we like to call, one man army. Just introduced this year. GPS tracking, cyanide dart, high density laser- The other agents love this thing.

Tom hands Spy the pen.

SPY It's good to know I'm high priority.

TOM It even has 70 cubic millimetres of C4. Spy gives a concerning look and places the pen on the table. TOM It's in the casing so I would be careful. Sadly you can't use it for reasons previously stated. SPY Bummer. Alright enough with the teasing, just get on with what I can use. TOM Right. Tom pulls out a wooden pencil and hands it Spy. SPY Let me guess, another world ending device. TOM Nope. Just a wooden pencil. Spy inspects the pencil. SPY Great- bore these guys to death with my pros. TOM As you know the estate's fancy disrupter grants useless all my little gadgets. All except that. The lead lining conceals the tracker inside. SPY Tracker? TOM Yes, once inside I need you to hold out for twenty minutes. I'm hoping your game isn't in the cellar because if it is, you'll have to hold out for one hour.

Tom opens a laptop and a grabs a headset.

SPY And why is that?

TOM The tracker slowly uploads a low frequency transmission to me. And I need to bypass the estates detector.

Tom sets the computer up with the headset.

TOM

Once up, I need you to find a way to
excuse yourself from the game and
locate the physical documents.
 (more to himself)
I swear you old world people. If his
documents were in his network I could
have done this myself.

SPY Looks like there's still some use for me after all.

Spy smirks.

TOM

Alright so break the pencil then place the chip in your ear. It's one way so you'll be able to hear me but I will <u>not</u> be able hear you. I'll guide you to the room's location. Grab the package, and get out. Simple. Clean.

SPY

Got it.

TOM

Oh, and please for goodness sakes, whether you win or lose doesn't matter. Well losing one-hundred million isn't exactly preferable but nevertheless, finish the game and don't do anything stupid. As in don't do anything I wouldn't do.

SPY

Of course.

Tom gives Spy a look of distrust.

SPY

So how am I getting there. Please tell me there's still room left in the budget for that.

TOM Oh yes, of course.

Tom pulls out a Toyota key.

SPY

Wow, hundred-million dollars in gambling money and this is what I show up in. Who in the hell plans these missions anyway? Are you trying to get me killed--

TOM I'm kidding!

Tom has the biggest smile. He pulls out a different key. A Aston Martin key.

TOM I was kidding.

They trade smiles.

EXT. ESTATE - NIGHT

A silver Aston Martin pulls up into a large driveway. The estate is Mediterranean style.

Spy steps out and takes a moment to gaze at the estate. He then heads to the main doors and knocks.

The door opens to reveal a BUTLER, 40s.

BUTLER Good evening mister Roth. Please.

Spy nods and heads in.

INT. ESTATE

Spy follows the butler past the extravagant foyer which holds a grand staircase.

BUTLER This evening's game will be in the cellar. Mister Bravi awaits you down there.

They head into...

KITCHEN

... and walk past ultra-fine appliances.

BUTLER Care for a drink mister Roth? Mister Bravi has personally provided you an allowance of one bottle. His wine collection is tenth largest in the world.

SPY Only tenth? I'm shocked. I'm fine for now thank you.

BUTLER

Are you sure?

SPY I'll be sure to let you know if I change my mind.

They arrive at the cellar door. The Bulter gestures a hand down the cellar. Spy heads down.

INT. ESTATE - CELLAR

Spy adjusts his suit and enters to see:

A single overhead lit poker table holding the DEALER and LUCA BRAVI, 68, suave. A big GUARD stands in the corner arms crossed.

LUCA BRAVI Ahh, mister Roth. Pleasure.

SPY

Likewise.

LUCA BRAVI Please, have a seat.

Bravi Gestures to a seat across the poker table. Spy sits.

LUCA BRAVI I apologize for my abrupt leave during our last game. I had a serious matter

come up. But I must say, I am pleased to see you here as a token of my apology. Spy nods. Bravi nods to the dealer. The dealer distributes two trays of chips to Bravi and Spy. Spy's a little lighter. SPY And I must say, this is a nice place. Spy looks at the Guard. LUCA BRAVI Oh this? This place is more for my wife. I'm rarely here- too busy. SPY That's unfortunate. You hate to not be able to enjoy the fruits of your labor. Bravi grabs a chip and inspects it. Dealer shuffles cards. LUCA BRAVI No drink? SPY We'll see where the night takes me. Bravi shrugs. LUCA BRAVI Say, how much was I up on you? SPY Thirty-million give or take. LUCA BRAVI Thirty-million huh? Heh. SPY Yes and I can't wait to finish this. I felt things were turning around last time. LUCA BRAVI

Thirty seven point two-five million. You forfeited six and a half million on your last draw if I'm not mistaken. Spy and Bravi stare each other.

DEALER

His routing has been confirmed. No limit, ten-k, five-k. Mister Roth is big blind.

LUCA BRAVI So, let's begin.

SPY

Good luck.

LUCA BRAVI Oh, I should be saying that to you.

DEALER Big blind is ten-thousand.

Spy slides 2 chips in then Bravi. Dealer distributes cards. Bravi sees his cards then places \$700,000.

> DEALER Bravi raise seven-hundred thousand.

Dealer looks to Spy. Spy caught a little off-guard with the large bet.

SPY I see you don't waste anytime.

LUCA BRAVI What is it they say here?- Time is money?

Spy sees his cards:

2d 10s

Spy calls and slides in <u>\$700,000</u> in chips, matching Bravi's bet.

Dealer posts the Flop:

Jd Tomd 10d

Spy slides in <u>\$500,000</u>.

DEALER Bet is five-hundred thousand.

Bravi grabs a stack then a plate and slides it in.

LUCA BRAVI I cannot let you buy this one mister Roth.

DEALER Bravi raises two-million.

Dealer looks to Spy for action. Spy and Bravi stare.

Spy then throws his cards-folding.

DEALER Roth folds. Bravi plus one-million two hundred thousand.

Bravi shows suited aces. Dealer collects cards an shuffles.

LUCA BRAVI I've been playing cards for over thirty years mister Roth. And you're a young man. Five-hundred thousand after my seven hundred-k raise wasn't going to get you to where you would want to be with any good hand. So my question to you is, why throw away your money like that?

SPY Good call. As expected. (checks watch) Alright then. Let's play some cards.

INT. HOUSE - NIGHT

Tom grabs coffee and sits down in front of his laptop. A muffin half eaten next to it.

Screen reads: NO CONNECTION

TOM Cellar. Of course.

Tom checks his watch.

INT. ESTATE - CELLAR

Dealer slides the river card then looks to Spy for action.

Spy bets <u>\$500,000.</u>

DEALER Bet is five-hundred thousand.

Bravi thinks a little then slides in two plates and a stack.

DEALER Bravi raises thirty-million. (to Spy) All in to call.

Spy lets out a sigh- more frustrated this time. He looks to a clock.

SPY Mind if I excuse myself for a bit? Need to use the men's room.

LUCA BRAVI Sure. Take all the time you need.

Bravi nods to the big guard. Spy gets up and exits with the guard following.

INT. ESTATE - CORRIDOR

Spy heads to a door with the big guard following. Spy opens the door then pauses and gives the guard a look: Do you mind?

The guard holds position and looks away.

INT. ESTATE - BATHROOM

Spy stands in front of the mirror and takes out the pencil and snaps it.

INT. HOUSE - NIGHT

Tom sits lazy in his chair on his phone. The computer in front of him illuminates. Tom snaps to it and sees the screen:

CONNECTED

Tom places his headset on.

TOM

And look at that. We are on.

INT. ESTATE - BATHROOM

Spy places a tiny device in his ear.

TOM

Wow, twenty-nine million left. You almost didn't make it. Out of all the agents they picked you for this one. Completely baffles me.

Spy smiles in the mirror.

TOM

Whatever- remember you can hear me, I can't hear you. The way it should have been from the start.

Spy smirks and shrugs. Fixes his suit.

TOM

It seems you're on the first floor. The package is located on... second floor study. Oh yeah, the lead tip has a sleeping agent to take care of the babysitter you most likely have with you.

Spy picks up the pencil tip. Genuinely surprised.

TOM Alright, so let's get moving. I'll guide you. I see you're on first floor.

Spy conceals the pencil up his sleeve and exits.

INT. ESTATE - CORRIDOR

The guard signals for spy to walk past him. Spy nods and ever so slightly readies his hand.

He passes the guard and continues into...

KITCHEN

... where the butler awaits.

Just before Spy heads back downstairs.

SPY (to Butler)

Château Mouton, 1945 please.

BUTLER Excellent choice sir- right away.

INT. ESTATE - CELLAR

Bravi sits at the table on his phone.

LUCA BRAVI (on phone) Tell them that this is an offer they will soon find hard to refuse.

He hangs up. Spy sits.

SPY Business seems good.

LUCA BRAVI It is. You'll soon hit the age when life makes sense. Please let's continue.

SPY Of course.

INT. HOUSE - NIGHT

Tom stares at computer which now reads: CONNECTION LOST

Tom taps his computer confused, then realizes.

TOM Oh you motherf-

INT. ESTATE - CELLAR

DEALER All in to call.

Spy doesn't even look at Bravi and folds his cards to reveal: As,Kd

Bravi reveals his cards:

Toms, Tomc

LUCA BRAVI (more to himself) Interesting. Why would you fold that mister Roth?

SPY Just wasn't feeling that one. Maybe next time.

LUCA BRAVI (even more to himself) Why would you fold that?

Dealer distributes cards. Bravi lost in thought then gives Spy a different look.

> LUCA BRAVI Let's play some cards mister Roth.

Flop is: Ac,As,Kd

Spy looks at his cards: 8s,6c

Spy checks. Brazi checks.

Turn is: Ac, As, Kd, 9s

Spy checks. Brazi checks.

River is: Ac, As, Kd, 9s, 9d

Spy checks. Bravi raises \$10,000,000

Spy goes all in. Bravi caught a little off guard.

DEALER Mister Roth all in. Twenty-eight point five million to call.

LUCA BRAVI And somehow I'm trapped.

Bravi looks to Spy.

LUCA BRAVI For this hand I risk more than just ten million- I risk the respect of my play. That I cannot lose. Bravi folds and reveals his: Ks,9s

Spy reveals his: 8s,6c

DEALER Mister Roth plus ten-million.

Bravi shocked. Spy's demeanor more relaxed- ready for the next round. Butler enters with a glass of wine. Spy takes it and sips.

LUCA BRAVI Château Mouton, 1945. Exquisite taste.

Spy nods. Dealer posts cards.

Spy raises <u>\$4,000,000</u>.

DEALER Raise, four-million

Bravi Calls and slides \$4,000,000.

DEALER Call, four-million

Dealer posts the flop: 4h,10d,jd

Bravi checks. Spy checks

Dealer posts Turn: 4h,10d,jd,5c

Bravi raises \$7,000,000.

DEALER Raise, seven-million.

Spy calls immediately and slides \$7,000,000.

DEALER Call, seven-million.

Dealer posts the river: 4h,10d,jd,5c,9c

Spy raises \$10,000,000.

DEALER Raise, ten-million.

Bravi re-raise to <u>\$15,000,000</u>.

DEALER Bravi re-raise fifteen-million. Pot is sixty-two million. Spy immediately calls and slides all his chips in. DEALER Roth, all-in. Bravi and Spy reveal cards. Spy has Aces. Bravi reels back in disbelief. He laughs. DEALER Mister Roth- higher pair. Plus thirtytwo million. LUCA BRAVI Don't worry mister Roth. In due time. In due time. They both stare. Dealer distributes cards. Spy's chip stack larger than Bravi's. LUCA BRAVI It seems now I am the one who's is down. Spy looks at his cards: 7s,2h Bravi looks at his cards and calls: Dealer posts the flop: 9s,8s,7h Bravi raises then places keys on the table. Spy puzzled. LUCA BRAVI Let's make things more interesting. I am down right? SPY What would that be? LUCA BRAVI My Ferrari. Can't remember which one though. SPY Can't remember? Doubt that. I call then.

Bravi smirks then nods to the dealer. Dealer posts the turn: 9s,8s,7h,6s

The atmosphere more quite. Bravi plays with his chips then pulls out an **envelope.** Spy holds back a feeling of shock.

SPY You wouldn't mind telling me what that is?

LUCA BRAVI Oh you know what this is.

Spy keeps his cool.

LUCA BRAVI Please. Place your bet.

SPY Not quite sure what that's worth.

LUCA BRAVI However much do you think it's worth mister Roth.

A beat.

Spy slides in \$1,000,000. Bravi smirks and nods to dealer.

LUCA BRAVI Fair enough. But I'm afraid we might have to up the ante.

Brazi pulls out a <u>silver pistol</u> and places it on the table. Spy looks over to the guard who readies a handgun.

> LUCA BRAVI A spy from a world class organization after my accounts. You didn't think I would find out?

Spy sits speechless.

LUCA BRAVI

I would hate to ruin a good game so let's do this. You get this hand, you live, you don't, well... Bravi shakes his head. Spy sighs. His eyes fading.

SPY Guess I'm all in then.

Spy losing consciousness. Dealer posts the river then suddenly the lights go out.

BANG, BANG, BANG

Illumination from the gunshots show flashes of a PERSON in a skull mask and top hat.

INT. ESTATE - LATER

Spy slowly wakes up. Sweating and dazed. He gathers himself checks his body.

Bravi lays dead over the poker table. The guard dead on the floor in a pool of blood. Spy grabs the silver gun on the table, checks the filled magazine, and slowly heads upstairs.

INT. ESTATE - KITCHEN

He makes his way through the quietness of the estate with gun leading. Looks around.

Nothing.

He then heads to the backyard entrance. The sliding door is open. A dead guard laying adjacent. Spy heads through...

BACKYARD

... the backyard. Only noise from the water fountain. Another dead guard in the grass.

EXT.ESTATE

He walks cautiously through the backyard to the front driveway. His Aston Martin gone.

He makes his way to the street and starts walking.

INT. HOUSE - NIGHT

Tom sits with his head down and hands together. Distressed. Crying almost.

SPY V.O. (through headset) I know you can hear me. I'm not dead.

Tom in a state of shock. Can't utter words.

SPY V.O. (through headset) And I know this wasn't you. I'm gonna find out who did this.

TOM You're- You're fucking alive!

EXT. ESTATE - NIGHT

SPY (more to himself) Another agent? Possibly. Messy though.

Spy continues to walk down quite the street. Thinking.

SPY I'm very upset you know. They got my package, interrupted my game, ruined my mission. (a beat) And they took my car.

END.