RENDEZVOUS

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EXT. STREET – DAY

We see a TRUCK with open doors and black smoke coming at the end of street, DRIVER with blood all over his t-shirt tries to get out of the vehicle. On the same street, MIKE (45) lies on the sidewalk with a STRANGER wearing BLACK TRENCH COAT and FELT HAT. An OLD MAN runs towards them and kneels down. We don’t see his face, STRANGER gets on his knees.

OLD MAN
(worried)
Oh my God! Are you allright?
(to Stranger)
You did good job man, you saved him.

STRANGER
(modest)
It’s okay.

Old Man looks at the TRUCK. Old Man on his knees points at the broken truck.

OLD MAN
(stressed)
It hit the wall, must be a break failure something.

Stranger stands up. Two street people run to truck to check the driver.

OLD MAN
(to Mike)
I’ll call 911.

Stranger walks away while Old Man talks to Mike.

MIKE
(anxious)
No no! I’m allright, I got to go.
OLD MAN
No! You can’t go
anywhere, you need
help.

Mike stands up, cleans his dress and picks his items
on the walkway.

MIKE
(still picking)
I must go.
(decisive)
I must go.

Mike stands still and looks into the Old Man’s eyes.

MIKE
I have a rendezvous,
it’s important.

OLD MAN
You crazy! A date?

Old Man turns back, walks with fast steps and leaves
Mike behind.

OLD MAN
He just survived and
worries about a date.
My ass rendezvous!

CUT TO

INT. BAR – NIGHT

BAR KEEPER turns on interior and exterior lights of
the bar by a switch box on the wall and goes behind
the bar, serves a drink to Stranger. Stranger with
trench coat sits on a bar chair and his FELT HAT on
the bar. A DRINKER sits next to stranger. They both
watch TV news.

SPEAKER (T.V.)
At least 43 people died
in a passenger plane
crash at 70 miles north-
east of N.Y. There were
37 passenger and 8 crew
members on board...
BAR KEEPER
I watched it before at noon.

SPEAKER (T.V.)
...Of the 45 people nobody survived.

BAR KEEPER (to Stranger)
I think, you’re new here, you don’t know our Mike, do you?

STRANGER
No.

BAR KEEPER
Can you believe that? He just survived in a car accident in the morning and dead at airplane crash at the same day. Hah! He was on his way to a rendezvous.

DRINKER
Yeah, I heard about it, they said Mike left short after the accident in a hurry for a vital rendezvous.

Stranger stands up, leaves some money on counter.

STRANGER
Keep the change.

Bar Keeper and drinker look behind Stranger, they look at each other and both shrug. Stranger walks to the door.

STRANGER (V.O.)
(still walking)
Nobody was late for a rendezvous with me. I keep them on time, nobody was late.

FADE OUT

THE END