

TIFF stands near the bar, composed but alert. She already knows where everything is.

VAUGHN enters from the hallway. Jacket off. Tie loosened.

VAUGHN

You came.

TIFF

You asked.

VAUGHN

I didn't think you would.

TIFF

I always do.

He pours a drink. Doesn't offer her one.

VAUGHN

Vanessa's gone for the night. So we have the house all to ourselves.

TIFF

I know.

VAUGHN

You've been quiet lately.

TIFF

I've been thinking.

VAUGHN

That's never good.

TIFF

I knew about her.

He stops pouring.

VAUGHN

About who?

TIFF

Chloe.

VAUGHN

And?

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TIFF

And? And... you told me she was temporary.

VAUGHN

She was.

TIFF

She didn't know about me.

VAUGHN

No.

TIFF

You made sure of that.

He finally turns to face her.

VAUGHN

I manage my life carefully.

TIFF

You managed us.

VAUGHN

You understood the arrangement.

TIFF

I understood I wasn't the only one.

I didn't understand I was the backup plan.

VAUGHN

You weren't backup.

TIFF

Then what was I?

He steps closer.

VAUGHN

You were smart enough not to ask questions.

TIFF

Until now.

VAUGHN

Why now?

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