

# Beijing Vampires

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0 FADE IN 0

1 INT. CASTLE - NIGHT 1

The cameras zoom in on four men with torches. They open the doors, throw ropes around the casket and pull.

LEADER

Oil!

They open the casket, throw the oil and light with the torch. The vampire is on fire, leaps and slashes one man's throat. The man drops.

MAN WITH SILVER SPEAR

Beast

The walls shake. Immense sound. The vampire withers and dies, turns to vapor. Rats scurry

2 EXT. STEPPES - NIGHT 2

The vampire's spirit flees. Pan over the vast Central Asia; following as the spirit enters a wolf, and lead packs. It arrives in Mongolia in wolf form and changes to a bat where it finds a young woman, changes to a bat and bites her on the back.

KUNKUN

Screams

3 INT. HOME DAY - DAY 3

MEI

Father, Kunkun is dying.

Her sister lay still turn pale then grey.

FATHER (HOLDING KUNKUN, TO MEI)

Some freshwater.

She bowed and moved to put wood and fire and put damp cloth on her sister.

MEI (WEPT)

Kunkun I will be back soon.

She carries a short bow across her back. Her horse kneels. Mei hops on the horse and raced to the stream.

4 EXT. STREAMSIDE - DAY

4

Mei picks two fish from traps, gathers water and hears a deep growl. A large wolf, six-foot-long, with thick black hair and red eyes, approaches. Mei pulls her long knife, and quickly cuts the rope for the horse to escape.

The wolf comes at Mei with head down. Mei stands, pulls her bow. The wolf circles.

MEI (EYES ON WOLF)  
Come, dear, today is my lucky day.  
We will use your fur.

She slings an arrow. The wolf circles, eyes never off Mei. It leaps. Mei's arrow hits the wolf. It leaps again, and Mei swipes the knife and cuts open the wolf's chest. It flees.

MEI (TO THE HORSE) (CONT'D)  
Don't worry, we are safe.

She pats and calms her horse, placed the water skins on both sides and mounts the horse.

MEI (CONT'D)  
Come now, and let's get home.

5 EXT. MOVING TO HOME - TWILIGHT

5

The door is open.

MEI (WHISPER)  
Odd,

She walks and the lights are out.

6 INT. HOME - TWILIGHT

6

MEI  
Father, we have two fish.

Mei sees Kunkun's bed empty, goes to her father's room. He is on the floor, neck ripped open and blood across the floor.

MEI (SCREAMING) (CONT'D)  
Father! no! Father, no!

She leaps to him, hugs and cries.

Mei is thrown to the ground. Kunkun puts her knee into Mei's chest and Kunkun has red eyes, sharp teeth, pushes Kunkun's shoulders down and bites into her neck.

7 EXT. SEAPORT - DAY 7

Steamboats carrying commodities sail into Tianjin port.

8 INT. MANDARIN HOME - TWILIGHT 8

Dressed as a distinguished merchant from the Ottoman Empire, DEGULA is the Vampire killed in Europe and now reconstituted in China.

WANG (POURING TEA)

That fire wagon and the 'fire sticks' and the big boom ghost. Fire ships are putting me out of business. I have no money now.

DEGULA (BOWING)

You are the smartest man I ever met. Yes, those fire items come from the foreign world, and more will come.

WANG

It is destroying my business, I cannot make a profit, these bring huge amounts of grain and goods, and take all our silver. I have lost most of my money.

DEGULA (SIPPING TEA)

Yes, we don't want to send silver offshore, you are right. How much gold is there in this area.

WANG

Oh, it is all in the foreign devil churches and the government. It is not used for day to day business.

DEGULA (SMILING)

Ah, the foreign devil churches, and the foreigners they do love the gold, don't they.

WANG

So, the opium trade is the best in all of China. This is impossible to fail. I need silver.

DEGULA

Yes. You are successful.

WANG (SMILING AND SAT BACK)  
Ah yes, I am a caring man

DEGULA (LEANING FORWARD)  
You cannot stop that unless you  
will need to partner with a person  
like me that can help you to sell  
around these.

WANG  
Oh, don't say that.

DEGULA  
Yes, we can sell your goods, and  
trade and let the other businesses  
fail and you will have the money to  
buy them.

WANG  
We are all doomed. I have business  
but no silver.

DEGULA  
No, your competitors are doomed,  
you will be the large remaining  
winner. Here, I can make payment in  
gold and can give it to you now if  
you can help me establish here.

The mandarin looked at the gold, five ounces, and his eyes  
grew big with lust.

WANG (REACHING FOR THE GOLD)  
Yes!

DEGULA (GRABBING THE GOLD)  
This would be enough to settle  
accounts, and to buy your rival.

WANG (STANDS)  
How can I buy my rivals?

DEGULA  
I will buy into this area. You can  
have more of this and expand your  
business and become the leader of  
the entire region, the richest and  
powerful businessman in China.

WANG  
Yes, I agree

DEGULA

We will be partners and there is more to come your way with this. OK, here is one coin and we will settle the accounts.

Degula held back the other four coins.

DEGULA (CONT'D)

I need to know how to get into the Palace as a businessman, and meet the powers there.

WANG

Oh, you are ambitious

DEGULA

Who is the most powerful person in China and the one that is afraid of losing power.

WANG

Oh, in Peking, in the Palace. The Empress Dowager Cixi. She controls the Emperor and all under Heaven

DEGULA

What does she want above all?

WANG

Ha, power, of course. Well she is the emperor's aunt and controls him and she believes she will never die

DEGULA (LIGHTING A CIGAR)

Yes, some people wont die. What about these Boxers?

WANG

Oh, they hate the situation in China, but they are dangerous, and seek to overthrow the government, and expel all foreign devils from the country,

DEGULA

I hear they have been tearing down churches in the countryside.

WANG (POURING TEA)

These locals are horrid, yes they will kill the foreigners.

(MORE)

WANG (POURING TEA) (CONT'D)  
 They hate the foreign religion and  
 their big buildings, and they hate  
 the foreigner. But the one thing  
 they hate above all is the Manchus  
 and the government.

DEGULA  
 Remember now, we are partners

Degula barred his fangs and flared his eyes.

WANG (SHAKING)  
 Yes, yes, of course,

He fell back and screamed and covered his eyes and started to  
 cry. He wet his pants

DEGULA (PLEASED)  
 So tell me.

WANG  
 You can get anything you want for  
 the right price. Trust me on this

He was standing now and walking to the window.

WANG (CONT'D)  
 Damn, these iron demons.

DEGULA  
 Yes, they are demons and they throw  
 the dead up into the suffering of  
 this earth.

WANG  
 Those are infected with foreign  
 ghosts that power the fire.

DEGULA  
 The trains also disturb the dead.  
 Look as they go, and the shaking  
 and the sound and they rumble, and  
 any dead buried near to the train  
 will be awoken.

WANG (SHAKING WITH FEAR)  
 My God, what if my mother is shaken  
 and cannot rest.

DEGULA  
 I must go.

9 EXT GRAVESITE - NIGHT 9

Degula at the fresh earth where Wang's mother is buried.

DEGULA

Dig here

The servant digs, the body is exposed. Degula pulls the body out, sticks a cross in the body's chest and it and throws the body on the roadside.

10 EXT. ROADSIDE - DAY 10

TOWNS PEOPLE (SCREAMING)

NO!!

11 EXT. LAKESIDE - DAY 11

RED and DAN, young friends on horse are racing and laughing

RED (LAUGHING)

Come! Keep up!

Dan in pursuit.

DAN

Red, to the lake.

Dan falls, they laugh. Birds follows to the edge of the water where Red and Dan find their favorite tree to sit against. Dan hugs Red, as they looked across the lake and feel the breeze that flutters Red's silk robe and Dan's light animal skin. Dan walks to the edge.

DAN (CONT'D)

Red, come over here and see this.

Dan finds a bird stuck in the bushes, with a broken wing, fluttering and chirping.

RED (IN DEEP THOUGHT)

Come, little friend, I will fix your wing.

Red bends down.

RED (CONT'D)

Oh dear.

She put the bird in her hand, and strokes the broken limb, put her fingers on it for a few seconds, and then opens her hand again and the bird flies away.

DAN (SMILED)  
Ha-ha, but you can't fix all  
animals that need help.

RED  
That one will do.

12 EXT. LAKESIDE - DAY

12

They sit. Two eagles fly circles and land next to Red. Red pulls Dan to the side of the lake.

RED (SMILED)  
Dan, we are together forever.

DAN  
Of course, Red.

Red pulls her knife and cuts her forearm on the back near the elbow, takes Dan's arm and cuts his arm on the outer forearm. She looks him in the eyes and grabbed his hand and with the cut arm pressed the two together so that blood touched.

RED  
We will never be apart.

DAN  
Yes, and Dan reached to kiss her.

At that moment Dan's feels dizzy and jumps.

DAN (YELLS) (CONT'D)  
Woooo. Red, look!

He runs up the side of the tree and leaps thirty feet.

RED (LAUGHING)  
Come

Red sings and birds fly around them, rabbits hop over their legs. They leap through the trees together laughing and yelling.

13 EXT. UNDER THE TREE - DAY

13

Sounds of horses as we see Red and Dan. Three armored warriors with weapons come straight to them. Red and Dan stand and Dan moves in front. The guards remove helmets.

GUARD  
Princess, your father calls you.

Red stood.

RED  
Where is he?

GUARD  
He returned from Peking

The three guards stayed mounted on the horses.

14

EXT. VILLAGE - DAY

14

RED's FATHER is with his military guard. He dismounts and removes his helmet.

FATHER (SERIOUS)  
Red, we have an alliance with the  
Emperor in Peking

Red stands still.

FATHER (CONT'D)  
You are grown now. You will be his  
and serve him.

Her father adjusts his armor.

RED (TURNS AWAY)  
No!

FATHER  
Heaven dictates this.

RED  
I will not leave

Red steps back. Her father stood where he was and said with a straight voice.

FATHER  
We have an alliance, determined by  
Heaven.

RED (SCREAMS)  
My life is here!

Red put her hair in a knot and adjusts herself. Dan was moving about, and tears come to his eyes.

DAN (CRIES)  
Why? why you?

RED (WEEPS)  
Dan, I don't want to go.

Dan strikes the guard and knocks him to the ground. Red stands with Dan and prepares to fight.

Red held her hands together, palms out.

FATHER (LOUD VOICE)  
Red, no! The guards are good.

Red pushes her hands forward, and the energy flows. The guard next to Dan flies back five horse lengths and slams against the tree.

FATHER (YELLING) (CONT'D)  
No!

Red raises her hands. Two eagles circle, her horse kicks one guard. The guards' horses all raise their forelegs and knock the guards to the ground.

Red's father walks to Red. Her powers have no effect on him.

FATHER (CONT'D)  
Please,

He places his hand on her shoulder. Red puts her hands down, kneels and weeps.

FATHER (TO THE GUARDS) (CONT'D)  
Let them have their time. Red, you have a higher purpose, and this is ordered by the gods.

Red says nothing. Cries.

FATHER (TO DAN) (CONT'D)  
Dan, you are a real friend. And we will honor you here in camp and you will get your love here.

Dan was silent and kneels next to Red. The father stands to get his daughter,

FATHER (CONT'D)  
Red remember your mother. Power works only for good.

RED (CRYING)  
Please don't send me. Father, Father, don't leave me! Dan, please come with me.

Dan rushes to Red. Dan and Red hugged and cried.

DAN  
I will find you

Dan mounts his horse and rides away

15 INT. CARRIAGE - NIGHT 15

Red is in the back of the carriage covered in blankets. She could hear yelling and fighting outside. Red hugs her blanket and shivers. Red hears a beast outside. Sits and alert. A large wolf (same as earlier) puts its head in the tent, eyes bright red, and sharp fangs. From Red's eyes the wolf has an evil spirit, a phantom glow. Red can see through its eyes. The wolf is at her feet and snarls.

RED (SCREAMED)  
'Devil!

She puts her hands together, palms facing the wolf and the force of energy blasts the wolf. It runs away.

16 EXT. ROAD TRAVEL - DAY 16

Pass young men carrying spears and swords. Red sees dead bodies along the road.

GUARD  
Don't worry Lady Tatara, just some minor disturbance and we will be in Peking in two days.

17 EXT. ENTER PALACE GATE - NIGHT 17

The night is very quiet and with no moonlight. The carriage arrives at DeShengmen Gate and the Emperor's Bannerman meet them. Red looks and can only see shades of massive thick walls.

22 INT. PALACE ROOM - NIGHT 22

She was brought to a room. Two older women dressed in silk.

WOMAN  
Lady Tatara, come and settle.

They take her gently, lay her on a bed, light candles, and prepare jasmine tea.

WOMAN (CONT'D)  
You must be very tired.

Red crossed her arms on her chest and grabbed at her back.

RED  
I miss home.

WOMAN  
Yes dear, yes you do.

The woman rubs her back, hugs her and pours tea. She lays silks and pillows on the bed.

23 INT. ROOM - NIGHT

23

Red is dreaming. She sees the wolf, dark and fiery red eyes. The wolf leaps at her. Red screams and sits up.

WOMEN  
The woman hugged her, 'Dear, we will be here.

They pour some tea and add honey.

24 INT. ROOM - DAY

24

The next morning, Red wakes and opens the window. The ladies enter, bringing porridge, buns, biscuits and a range of dishes that were far more than Red could eat.

WOMAN 1  
Good morning Lady Tatara.

WOMAN 2  
Lady, some tea for you

RED  
Where am I

WOMAN 1  
Lady You are in the Emperor's palace. You will see the Emperor in three days. Have you arranged a nice song and performance for him?

RED  
I cannot sing.

WOMAN 2

Oh, we have heard you have a lovely voice, you settle in and don't worry about that. All will be fine.

25 INT. CIXI PALACE - DAY

25

Red arrives at the palace of EMPRESS DOWAGER CIXI. Her face is old, weathered.

Red sits and fidgets with her hair

CIXI (FROWNING)

Ah, the new arrival. Well, you settle in and practice your music and singing and we will see you in due time.

RED

Yes, Empress Dowager

Red stands straight.

CIXI (RAISES VOICE)

Child, you show respect! Bow!

CARETAKER

Come

She put their hands on Red to kneel and bow. Red puts her head down and stayed quiet. A Eunuch steps forward.

EUNICH

Learn your place here!

The Eunuch grabs Red from behind and pushes her down with his foot on the back of her leg.

Red places palms down and blasts energy. The eunuch flies back twenty feet, slams into the wall and falls.

CIXI (SCREAMS)

Your insolent child!

Four and four eunuchs approach with ropes and rods and hold Red down. Red rises and pushes all back.

CiXi is shocked and runs.

WOMAN

Oh, my dear! Lady Tatara.

The women stand and help Red to return.

26 INT. REDS ROOM - DAY 26

WOMAN

My Lady, you must apologize.

Red looks away, and plays with the birds.

27 EXT. COUNTRYSIDE - DAY 27

The winter and bitter cold. A young lady is walking on the road and encounters a charming man, DEGULA the Vampire who escaped from the castle in the first scene and now regained shape.

DEGULA

Oh darling, how may I find some water?

GIRL

Here sir, and she smiled

DEGULA

Dear, come into my world,

He leans to bite her neck and she screams.

28 EXT GIRLS HOME -NIGHT 28

PARENTS (WEEPING AND PRAYING)

Pray for her. Please come home.

They put incense at the Buddha.

29 EXT. COUNTRYSIDE - DAY 29

DEGULA (SPITTING)

Ah this blood is horrible. This girl has been on opium.

30 EXT. BACKSTAGE OF OPERA HOUSE - DAY 30

26 Red is backstage. Red wipes her head. She hears the show 26 started with some singing and music.

27 The lady massages her hand and arm. Red puts her head down 27 and tears came forth. In fly sparrows and songbirds, and pigeons and waited at her feet. She sings small songs to them and they chirped, and her songs brought more birds who landed near her and listened to her angel voice.

She lightly played the guzheng while waiting and sang softly to the flying birds and songbirds and Red smiled the first time since leaving her home. She finished her song and drank some tea and was at ease.

RED (TO THE WOMAN)

I am ready

31 EXT. A CHURCH IN THE COUNTRYSIDE - TWILIGHT 31

Degula sees the Church and cringed. The symbols of the Church, the crosses and images

32 EXT. VILLAGE - NIGHT 32

Degula changes his appearance to look like a local farmer. Outside the court, he finds a farmer of about 40 years of age leaning against his pony and crying.

FARMER

This church and those horrible foreign devils are destroying my home.

DEGULA

Yes, yes, this church is bad. You can fix this, and we need more to help. Tomorrow come and we will go to the church and get your money.

FARMER (LOOKS UP)

It is impossible

DEGULA (SMILING)

No, I did this last week. I was a member of the church. We can do it. Bring your friends and weapons.

33 EXT. NEAR VILLAGE - NIGHT 33

Degula kills the daughter of the town leader and buries the cross into her chest. He leaves the daughter on the road where she is discovered the next morning. Scenes of townspeople screaming and wailing.

34 INT. CHURCH - TWILIGHT 34

Degula went to the church

DEGULA (IN BROKEN ENGLISH)  
Come to my village? We join the  
church. You save our souls.

PRIEST  
Yes, certainly and can you bring  
them into the church

DEGULA  
Oh, they are fear. Give a mass.  
Save us.

35 EXT. VILLAGE - DAY

35

DEGULA (TO THE TOWNSPEOPLE)  
If they claim that they can turn  
wine into blood or that if they  
offer to put their heads in to  
water and now they are certain to  
go to someplace in the outer space  
and their souls will leave the  
earth and be lost in the sky  
forever than if that happens then  
they need to kill the priests

FARMER AND CROWD  
Yes

36 INT VILLAGE MAIN BUILDING - TWILIGHT

36

Two German priests arrive, dressed in their robes and colors  
and brought their books and golden cross and bread and wine.

They give the mass

DEGULA (STANDS AND SAYS IN CHINESE)  
He says that the water becomes  
wine.

The man frown and look at each other.

DEGULA (TO THE PRIESTS IN GERMAN) (CONT'D)  
Can you show the changing wine to  
blood?

The men talk among themselves, Grumble.

DEGULA (IN CHINESE) (CONT'D)  
 They will take your soul to the sky  
 and you will be imprisoned to the  
 new God, and the local Catholic  
 converts said this, and it is true,  
 they will destroy you and eliminate  
 your family line. They killed your  
 daughter last night!

CROWD  
 Kill them!

They rush the priests and kill both.

Degula grabs the gold and leaves.

37 INT. PALACE THEATRE - DAY

37

Red is on stage. Red stood and played a lovely melody on  
 flute that quieted the entire audience. The emperor made no  
 movement and was stone-faced as was the Empress CiXi

Red changes to the guzheng and again starts slow and birds  
 come. Red increases the tempo to a crescendo of music. Red  
 sings with her angel voice, of her home, deep lost love. The  
 birds perch on the trees and sing along. Red runs, leaps up  
 to to the second level , leaps to bamboo stalks. Red finishes  
 on stage and kowtows to the Emperor.

EMPEROR (STANDING AND JOYFUL)  
 Yes, the Gods have blessed us!!.

He walks onto the stage. The Dowager Empress CiXi sat stone-  
 faced.

EMPEROR (CONT'D)  
 Your father, he told me about you.  
 Your mother was a God.

Red looked down and said nothing.

EMPEROR (TOUCHING RED) (CONT'D)  
 My Dear

RED (RAISED HER EYES)  
 Your highness

The emperor touched her cheek. Red was crying, tears falling  
 fast to her robe. Ciqi turned and walked away with her  
 guards.

38 INT. RED'S ROOM - DAY

38

Red was sleeping and crying.

WOMAN

My Lady, you are the one. You are the goddess.

The women excited, patting, and stroking Red's hair. RED

No, I am not.

WOMAN 1 (LAUGHING)

Oh yes dear, and the other young ladies were so jealous of you.

WOMAN 2

Dear, we hear you are the coming of the legend.

They covered here with silks and poured tea.

WOMAN 1

We hear you are the First Consort.

RED

What is that?

WOMAN 2

You are the Emperor's favorite. You will bear his son.

Red looks down, faints and falls on her bed.

39 INT. PALACE - DAY

39

Red arrived at the Emperor's throne room and prostrated herself before him.

EMPEROR (STANDS)

You are now my Consort and we will meet again often.

RED (BOWING)

Yes, your highness.

EMPEROR (SMILING)

I will call you Zhenfei. Yes, beautiful name.

RED

I wish I could please you, . And the Empress Dowager.

EMPEROR

Oh, she means no harm. My aunt can be a bit cold, and she will come to love you. Come see me as you wish. I enjoy your company and talk.

40 EXT. PALACE - DAY 40

Red walked in the gardens and wrote new songs.

Message: Xiaozhen, please come, I miss you and you are my favorite.

41 INT EMPEROR THRONE EMPEROR - DAY 41

RED (SMILING)

Oh great majesty

EMPEROR

Your father is a great man and secures our Northern frontier. I am pleased he sent you. Legend says your mother returned to the heavens and now lives in you.

RED

My mother died young and I don't remember. My father loves me very much. I miss him.

Mental flashback: Remembers the joy of flying among the bamboos and laughing, and Dan.

EMPEROR

My dear, what gift you have. You are sent by the gods.

RED

My Highness, he and I are your servants.

EMPEROR

Red, you come to see me, and you are my number one Consort. Red can you meet some foreigners outside and tell me what is happening. I am blind to the reality. My aunt is controlling the Grand Council and frustrating attempts to learn from the West and to compromise with them

RED

Yes, your majesty, Red stayed bowed with eyes down.

EMPEROR

We need details of the reforms underway and a general overview of the mind of these foreigners.

RED

Oh, dear majesty, can we make friends with the foreigners.

EMPEROR

Yes dear, we have scholars in the United States, and they come and help us. Yes, we can open up and reform and be allies and learn from each other.

RED

We can build on strength; we have a vast country and they have just a few thousands and we can overtake them and imagine we can become strong like Japan but much stronger and bigger.

EMPEROR (STOOD AND WALKED TO RED)

Yes Zhenfei, we will do that, and we will develop our country. You talk to staff in their dialect, and how did you learn this ability. Please stand and look at me.

RED (STANDS AND LOOKS DOWN)

I wasn't aware it is anything special. I like to speak in other's language to make them comfortable. It is manners my Father taught me. He can speak all the Northern languages and even Russian.

EMPEROR

You know Russian?

RED

Some

EMPEROR (SMILED)

My God. My son will have your intelligence and skills.

RED

We can even be friends with Japan,  
they can show us how they used this  
western technology and now are so  
strong.

EMPEROR

Oh, they took Korea and now push  
across the northern lands. Your  
father will see them.

RED (LOOKED DOWN)

I worry about him.

Red sat silent.

42

EXT. BRITISH EMBASSY SECOND FLOOR - NIGHT

42

Degula changes to a bat, and flies to Beijing's foreign  
district. Degula despises the British and finds the British  
Ambassador residence, and his daughter. Degula enters her  
room, seduces the daughter and drains her blood.

INT. BRITISH EMBASSY - DAY

Degula arrives dressed as a Turkish Priest

DEGULA

I hear your daughter has fallen  
ill. I have medicine

AMBASSADOR (TIRED, NO SLEEP FOR DAYS)

Yes

DEGULA

This medicine comes from Tibet and  
is sure to bring her energy back.  
It works in the Ottoman lands.

AMBASSADOR

Yes, please come in

DEGULA (LOOKED AT HIM)

Chinese gangs will seek to kill the  
missionaries and drive Britain out  
of the area and harm your families.  
I want you to know I care for you  
and your people.

AMBASSADOR

Yes, Thank you

AMBASSADOR'S WIFE

Who was that?

AMBASSADOR

Oh, some Orthodox priest with some medicine

WIFE

Oh, my daughter

43

EXT. EMBASSY - TWILIGHT

43

Red rides to the British Embassy. As she arrives, she sees Degula at the gate. He had just exited the grounds wearing his Turkish clothes and looked at Red. Red can see the evil aura

DEGULA (SMILES)

Ah, how lovely.

RED (LOOKS DIRECT AT HIS EYES)

Who are you?

DEGULA

Why, my dear? How may we work together?

RED (FROWNS, SERIOUS)

You or your spirit? I will not deal with your spirit.

DEGULA (SURPRISED)

What do you mean dear.

RED (STEPS FORWARD)

Yes, you are not real, you come from afar and are a spirit of death, a parasite.

DEGULA (STEPS BACK)

My, your words are lovely. Ah dear, I see you are quite aware of the world.

RED (PUTS HER HAND UP)

Leave this area. You don't belong here

DEGULA (SMILING)

No, I do belong here. This is the time and place for me

He bares his teeth, Degula pulled back. He attacks her and seeks to bite her, and she fights.

RED  
Ha, devil, I know your intentions  
and come and try me.

He leaps to strike, and she slides aside and slashes his ribs, and the silver creates a foul smell.

Degula flees.

44

INT. BRITISH EMBASSY - NIGHT

44

Red and the Ambassador's wife go up the stairs and look at the daughter. The daughter is sleeping but sweating and skin is very pale from lack of blood. The mother pulls back the sheets and they could see the girl is twitching.

AMBASSADOR'S WIFE (WEEPING)  
My daughter is lost. She is losing  
her life.

RED (TOUCHES HER ARM)  
Don't worry, you are safe here.

Red sits and places her hand on the girl's forehead. The girl breathed easier.

RED (CONT'D)  
My, her head is very hot.

Red helped the daughter to breathe and gave her acupuncture and some herbs.

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EXT. BOXERS HOME - NIGHT

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LEADER  
They killed my father.

DEGULA  
Fight them. There are thousands of  
you.

LEADER  
They will kill us.

DEGULA  
You are invincible. You must rid  
the Manchus and the foreign devils.  
You must do this now.

He gave a gun to the leader.

DEGULA (POINTS TO HIS OWN CHEST) (CONT'D)  
Shoot me here.

LEADER  
You are crazy

DEGULA  
If you follow me and eat what I  
eat, you will be invincible to the  
foreign bullets.

They walk away

DEGULA (CONT'D)  
Here look at these images, these  
are ghosts and the foreigners all  
have their ghosts.

Degula raises his fists. He grabs a young man.

DEGULA (CONT'D)  
You need to fight them in the body  
and the afterlife. Go and shoot me  
here, and he points to his right  
side.

The young man shoots the weapon. Degula falls and plays dead  
and using his power over his flesh form he was able to stay  
still.

CROWD  
Crazy fool, what a dumb ass, what  
silliness.

As they start to go, Degula moves a hand.

CROWD (CONT'D)  
Whoa, wow, he is moving.

The men come back.

Degula moves a leg and puts his knee up and now he is turning  
over slower for effect and he gets on hands and knees and the  
people there screaming.

CROWD (SCREAMING) (CONT'D)  
Look, look, he is back from the  
dead!

And the whole village, every woman and child rush to see the  
miracle.

Degula stands and wipes the dust off him, and he finds the bullet the passed through him and shows it. He stands erect. Degula opens his shirt and he shows the wound and laughs.

Now there are hundreds of men around him and he raises his fists and screams.

This throws the men into a frenzy and they believe that they are invincible and can rise from the dead if shot. The boxers scream and holler and rip off their shirts and beg him for the ritual to become invincible.

46

EXT. PEITUNG CHURCH - DAY

46

HUSBAND

This is the place we are safe.

WIFE

Come and let's take this time to raise our girl and give thanks for our good fortune to be here. Their daughter was four years old, cheerful and sharp.

HUSBAND

Yes

WIFE

No problems can come to Peking.

Red arrived on horse to check the Church.

RED (SMILING)

Oh you have a lovely daughter. So sweet.

WIFE

Oh, you can't imagine the horror we had, we lost our home, our parents, his brother is gone, homes burned, all our belonging, but we are together, and we have each other

Red looked at her and knelt to the daughter. She touched her arm.

RED (CRYING)

Yes I have a love, but he is lost.

WIFE

We have a burden I suppose. It's OK, you will find him.

RED

Maybe.

They went to the church and the guard recognized Red. He bowed and gathered guards

GUARD

First Consort, you are alone. It is not safe, we will assign protection.

The husband and wife look with wide eyes.

WIFE (SHOCKED)

First Consort?

She fell to the ground and kowtowed.

RED

Please, please, stop. No attention please,

The wife rises.

RED (TO THE GUARDS) (CONT'D)

Please, she is my friend. I would like to come again and visit here and with her.

47

INT. CHURCH -DAY

47

Red is sitting with the Bishop Pierre Marie Alphonse Five who designed the new cathedral.

BISHOP

Yes, we are worried, First Consort.

RED (IN FRENCH)

Nice to meet you

BISHOP

Your French is wonderful.

RED

Don't bother, it is very poor. I met some wonderful Chinese family and hope to come again and see the children and sing some songs.

BISHOP (SPEAKING QUICKLY)

Certainly, anytime, please as you wish. Thank you for coming to visit.

RED

We wish for peace and for your people to feel secure.

BISHOP

It means a lot to have the Great Emperor to support us.

RED (STOOD AND LOOKED IN THE EYES)

Could you help us to make better relationships with foreigners. We need to end this tension.

BISHOP

Certainly!

RED (STANDS)

Thank you.

She shook his hand softly. Red went to school and found the daughter and taught her a song. The Wife came.

WIFE (BOWED)

My honor, your highness.

Red's face was flush with blood as this excessive honor, but she played the game.

RED

We will see again in five days.

48

INT CIXI PALACE - NIGHT

48

CIXI (SCREAMING)

This horrible Zhenfei and her tricks and talk about submission to foreigners..

Degula arrived.

CIXI (CONT'D)

Quickly, what do you have.

Degula approached with a chest of gems and gold (he stole from churches). He brought in large jade, and kilograms of extravagant gold jewels.

Cixi looked at the treasure and sat calmly

DEGULA

My Great Empress the greatest under  
all heavens, and the most precious  
of all of the history of all under  
heaven

Empress dowager enjoyed the excessive praise and she was very  
receptive to his words.

DEGULA (CONFIDENT) (CONT'D)

The people from the West are here  
to kill you and they are using your  
closest helpers. The foreigners  
have a secret weapon as a big train  
that will come to kill you and  
enrich your rivals in your  
forbidden city. You are under  
attack. And this Zhen Fei is the  
biggest danger. He showed the  
Newspaper story.

CIXI (FACE TWITCHING)

Oh my! No! We cannot let this!

CW looked around quickly. Her eyes were shaking, and she  
grabbed her head.

DEGULA (STANDING FIRM)

Yes, they want you and kill you and  
seize all of China's wealth. They  
are led by Red. She is meeting with  
the foreigners and making ghosts.

CIXI (LEANS FORWARD)

That horrible witch.

DEGULA (PULLS OUT A PHOTOGRAPH)

She is a child. Look at this photo.  
Look, she put her image on this,  
feel the paper, and see here.

CIXI (SHAKING)

My God, She is a ghost. CW

DEGULA

Foreign Devils. The Turks will help  
China.

CIXI (LOWERED HER VOICE)

We hate these foreign powers.

CW said quietly.

DEGULA

If there is the worst situation, the Turks can meet the foreigners in the old capital Chang An, and drive these evil foreigners out of your glorious China.

The guard moves next to Degula.

DEGULA (BOWING) (CONT'D)

He is at her service, and this is a gift from my leader the Sultan of the Ottoman Empire and he assured you that this will happen,

And Degula had a forged letter from the Ottoman Empire Great Sultan with a seal.

DEGULA (CONT'D)

Here is a gift from the great Sultan who bows to you and begs for you to take him as your servant and slave. The proof is this great wealth and more promise of greater wealth to come.

CIXI

Oh, yes, the foreigners will break their agreements.

DEGULA (STOOD STRAIGHT)

This is your last chance. Don't you know that they had a very small and reasonable concession in China and always they will want more and the greed is with no end and they will defeat you unless you expel them now.

CIXI

Oh, the horrible barbarians.

DEGULA

Zhenfei is stirring trouble with the foreigners. She wants to corrupt China and make it like the west. You cannot allow her to do that. She is an animal and has a spell on the Emperor.

CIXI

Oh, that wretched tomboy with her tricks and the animals treat her as one of their own.

DEGULA

She is a terrible danger to China.  
Yes, yes, you need to stop her for  
good. Put her away, and keep her  
from the foreigners, she means harm  
to you and the Emperor, you much  
protect China and protect the  
Emperor, and it is your duty from  
God

There CiXi sat back and relaxed.

CIXI

So how can you help me, and how can  
we save China?

DEGULA

My dear, use the foreigner to  
enrich the government and make the  
mandarins poor, and you keep that  
revenue. Turn the Han against the  
foreigners and solve that problem  
it is all very simple when you  
think about it.

CIXI

Yes use the rebel boxers to fight  
our enemy

DEGULA

You must dispose of Zhen, you must  
kill her.

CIXI

Oh, no, I cannot kill her, the  
Emperor will act, he is docile and  
now and obedient, killing her will  
make him act. We can't have that.  
Take her away, out of our life.

DEGULA

The Sultan proposes that he can  
help you to rid the country of the  
foreign western powers. He has an  
army coming across Asia to help  
you. He brings you great wealth.

CIXI

We must crush the boxers as they  
are against the Manchus.

DEGULA

Yes, yes, you are brilliant

CIXI (SMILED)  
Yes I am brilliant.

DEGULA  
We do have the Mandate and they  
will push those foreigners out of  
the country.

CIXI  
Yes, yes.

DEGULA  
And you can move to Xi'an and we  
will protect you.

49 EXT. DONGZHIMEN GATE AREA - DAY

49

Degula becomes a bat and flies to a horse. It goes to the  
face to bite. Dan calms the horse, stabs the bat, it flies  
away

DAN  
Away you

50 EXT. ITALIAN EMBASSY - DAY

50

Red was teaching the children songs in Chinese. The children  
hug her, and grab the royal silk. She squats, smiles and make  
the playful panda gestures.

GIRLS  
Please more!

The girl has long brown hair covering her eyes. Red pulls the  
hair to the back and ties it, makes her smile and kisses her  
on the forehead.

RED  
Next week

GIRL  
Please more

RED (IN ITALIAN)  
Yes darlings.

Red smiles, holds their hands and walks to the British  
Embassy just a minute away.

51 INT. BRITISH EMBASSY SECOND FLOOR - DAY

51

AMBASSADOR'S WIFE

How are you dear. She is worse.

RED

Lets see.

Red puts her hands on the daughter's head. She gives acupuncture and sings to her. The daughter is pale and near death. Red presses her hands down and turned her head and sees wounds on her neck.

Red placed her palm on the wound and cut her own finger and place some blood on the wound and it closed and the breathing was imporves.

Degula in bat form watches from outside the window. Degula flies, sweeps to scare a horse and comes back. It sees Red give treatment.

Red places her hands on the girl and sings to her.

Degula (as bat slams the window): Bang!

RED (looks at the window)

Degula (as bat slams the window): Bang!

Red sat and sang to the girl

Bang! The window was hit.

Red walked and saw a creature circle and come again to the window - Bang!

Red watched, silently, and calmly. The Ambassador came to the room

RED (CONT'D)

Do you know how she was wounded on the neck?

He bent down

MINISTER

OH, my God

Now he flew away, tried to break the window but caused a stir, and he flew away.

Red walks downstairs.

RED

She will recover. But keep a guard  
in her room. There is evil about.

EXT. OUTSIDE BRITISH EMBASSY - DAY

Red the Ambassador, and his wife step outside and see Degula in a rage fighting two bodyguards.

Degula moves against Red's horse, and Red steps out to the street to confront him.

Degula leaps at Red with fangs exposed, and red eyes. Enraged. Degula tried to strike her dead. Red steps aside. Sparrows fly into Degula's face.

Red pulls a wire from her dress and puts a metal cap on the end and strikes Degula. Red pulls the rope back and makes a loop, throws it over Degula's neck and pulls sharply.

Degula throws her off, and Red leaps over him and cuts his scalp.

Degula screams, runs at Red and grabs her. Degula throws her against a wall and Red is stunned.

Guards come and Degula enraged impales one and lifts the whole body and sticks in the ground.

Dan arrives on horse and rushes, picks up Red, puts her on the horse and they ride off.

Red grabs Dan around the waist.

DAN

Hold on.

EXT. CITY STREETS - DAY

They race through the streets. Four Imperial Guards are chasing and they raced through the Chongwenmen city gate. They turned left through the streets and see a train moving out of Beijing station toward the East.

The Imperial guards blow a horn to signal others to come

RED

Quick!

They raced after the train. Red places her hands on the horse's head and whispers. The horse picks up speed, jumps an obstacle over a large ditch, races to the train.

EXT. TRAIN - DAY

Dan and Red jump into the train's open car.

DAN  
We made it!

The horses raced off to the right. The train crosses a bridge and the guards pull up short.

On the train, Dan and Red lay down and hug, laughing. They kiss.

The train traveled to Tianjin and on the way, they see gangs moving, fires, burned homes, destroyed churches, dead people in ditches.

EXT. TIANJIN - DAY

As the train pulled into Tianjin, they jump off and walk. Red sings and four horses arrive and two kneel to accept Dan and Red. Dan looks at Red and smiles.

DAN  
Red, lets go home.

RED  
Let's enjoy this time together.

DAN  
Leave Peking, it is terrible. Come home.

RED  
Yes, Peking is full of bad things. I am trapped there. Oh Dan, let's never be apart again.

They ride their horses throughout Tianjin and hear terrible sounds from the north near the ocean. They come to the oceanside and see four warships. One ship makes a huge sound with its horn. They see foreign soldiers, a fort, a port and activity in the distance.

Red rides toward the activity.

DAN  
Red, stay away

RED  
Come Dan

Red rides to the fort and six soldiers with weapons come to see and surround them.

Red and Dan hold still as the guards surround them, and an officer from the fort comes forward.

MAJOR HOOVER

I am Major Hoover, US Army  
Engineers.

RED

I am Zhen Fei, the First Consort of  
the Emperor of China who is the  
leader of All Under Heaven.

Red pushes energy to shine glow around her and this shocks the guards and Major Hoover. The guards and their horses move back. They put their weapons on the ground.

Dan looks at Red with awe.

They ride forward. Major Hoover shows Red the forts, weapons, ports and she walks on the Navy ship. That night, Dan and Red stay at the Fort

DAN

Red, let us return.

Red sat and wept.

RED (WEEPING)

Dan, I am returning to Peking.

52 EXT. TUNNEL - NIGHT

52

For weeks, a tunnel was built, to help move water to the west of town. A side tunnel was built under the church and children's hospital.

SCOUNDREL (LOOKING AT PLANS)

Come over here. Put the device  
here. Bring the rest.

A group of men brings boxes of explosives and place them in the tunnels under the Peitung Church.

53 EXT. JAPAN CONSULATE -DAY

53

Sugiyama the Chancellor of the Japanese legation was planning to meet foreign soldiers at the railway station. Degula heard this and moved quickly to tell the commander of the local guards.

DEGULA

He is moving to set up  
assassination of the emperor and  
will be on this road soon.

COMMANDER

Come now how can he have a weapons.

DEGULA

Of course, he does not have the  
weapons, the people coming brave  
the weapons. He knows how to bring  
it into the city, and it will  
destroy the emperor

COMMANDER

Nonsense

DEGULA

I can prove it. If he is wearing a  
white belt, in that belt is the  
plans.

COMMANDER

Sure, old man. We will look for it

The Japanese ambassador was wearing a white belt which had no  
significance except as fashion.

COMMANDER (CONT'D)

Men, take down the person with the  
white belt.

The soldiers moved out with lances and attacked the group and  
killed the Ambassador. They found the white belt had no  
documents or anything it was a belt only and now the  
Ambassador was killed and there were going to be diplomatic  
troubles.

COMMANDER (SHAKING) (CONT'D)

Oh, this is terrible, I will lose  
my head for this.

DEGULA

No, we can plant some evidence and  
we will swear that you did the  
right things.

COMMANDER

That is what we must do

DEGULA

You do not need to worry

54

EXT. DONGZHIMEN GATE - DAY

54

The busy market full of Han and Manchus, Degula is in Bat form. He finds a noble on a horse, and while flying like a bat, and in the twilight, he seeks this and goes to the horse and bits its neck throwing the horse into a frenzy. At first, the horse runs south but Degula flew in its face and guides it toward an older local man. Degula, as bat, bites on the cheek, and then into the horse's eye.

The Nobleman is trying frantically to control the horse but to no effect and he turns the horse into killing the old man.

Chaos erupts and the other locals in the area rush to see. Degula is gone and on a perch where it can see the riot.

MOB

You devil!!

The mob screams and surrounds the nobleman and pulls him off the horse. They destroy the horse with hand knives and a spear.

MOB (CONT'D)

Kill him!

The nobleman is stabbed. Within seconds guards arrive on horse and fight the mob. A is sounded, and more guards came from the walls and guardhouse.

EXT. SOUTH PEKING - NIGHT

That night Degula arrives as bat to watch the leader.

BOXER (SCREAMS)

The nobleman killed my uncle, ran him down and then he ran over ten others. This corruption from the Manchus will never end.

CROWD (YELLING)

Yes!! We must go after them!!

BOXER

My friend, they are too powerful, you need to go after the common enemy.

LEADER

A common saying was, within three years all will be accomplished. That was ten years ago!

CROWD

The bad will not escape the net!!!  
The goodness of the gods will be  
seen!!

LEADER

The foreigners disturb the dead.  
This caused riots in China. All who  
disagreed with the boxers, to them,  
were devils. Worst were the  
foreigners, the 'first-class  
devils'.

CROWD

Christian Chinese were second class  
devils. Those who worked for  
foreigners were third-class devils.  
The foreigner treats Chinese like  
dogs and kick them and with  
contempt. The leader of the boxers  
is a Royal person

LEADER

Now all foreigners must be killed  
and driven away from China. For  
forty years the Empire has become  
full of foreigners. They have  
divided the land.

55 EXT. SOUTH OF QIANMEN GATE - NIGHT 55

The Boxers attacked the Chinese Section and destroyed  
thousands of shops and these were the ones that helped the  
foreigners or the church. Many shops were owned by Degula's  
business partners, which gave him time to make good deals.

56 EXT. EMBASSY AREA - NIGHT 56

Chinese artillery was put on the City walls and faced the  
legation quarter.

Foreigners and Chinese Christians fled to the Legation  
Quarter and the Pei Tang Cathedral.

57 INT. BRITISH EMBASSY - NIGHT 57

The ministers gather and are in panic. Loud noises from the  
south are heard

JAPANESE VICE MINISTER (YELLS)  
Chancellor Sugiyama was murdered.  
Outrageous.

He throws his hat to the ground, pounds on the table.

AUSTRIAN MINISTER  
Yes, they say it was the bandits,  
but the fact is that it was the  
Government. The horror.

GERMAN MINISTER KETTERING  
They cannot treat us this way, we  
have a treaty. We demand this stop  
of they would call troops in from  
the coast.. We need to bring all  
forces up immediately.

ITALIAN MINISTER  
Now let's wait this out, what do we  
do here. Well, we can retreat to  
the coast and that will solve the  
immediate problem.

BRITISH MINISTER SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD  
Nonsense let's say the bandit story  
is true and there are thousands of  
boxers around us. They cannot stop  
this from happening to us.

RUSSIAN  
So, the Russian was thinking to  
stay.

ITALY  
We are exposed on the flank.

BRITISH MINISTER SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD  
We cannot leave tomorrow, we must  
get more time, and why do they give  
us ultimatums like this. I sent a  
message to Admiral Seymour at Taku  
and requested he advance on Peking.

GERMAN MINISTER  
I will go meet with the foreign  
minister and talk sense to him and  
ask for more time to cover treaty  
obligations. They must listen.

## JAPANESE MINISTER

Yes, they are weak, and it is true that with this they will take advantage of any situation and they have no honor, and we defeated them.

## RUSSIAN MINISTER

Russian, we can negotiate a suitable arrangement, as we did with Dalian.

## GERMAN MINISTER

We must band together, and help each other's

## FRENCH MINISTER

The church on the other side is isolated. We cannot reach them, and we have forty sailors and I don't know how they will hold out.

## ITALY MINISTER

Yes, we have some good marksmen, but how do they hold against thousands of these boxers and in their capital city.

## BRITISH MINISTER

Get the men and women to pitch in. The women will sew bags, the children can help with menial tasks.

## ITALY

The men can guard the walls, while we keep out marksmen on the towers and palace mines

They continue ...

58

EXT. GERMAN EMBASSY - DAY

58

Minister Baron von Kettering set out with his interpreter in two sedan chairs.

They curse and move north on the road to the foreign ministry and the distance less than one-half mile. A soldier stops them along with an imperial soldier in his uniform.

## SOLDIER

Halt! Announce who you are.

## GERMAN MINISTER KETTERING

I demand to be let through to the  
minister.

The guard pulls his rifle, aims it at the Minister, shoots  
him in the chest and kills him.

Shocked the interpreter turns around and flees back to the  
Embassy area.

EXT. ROAD FROM TIANJIN TO PEKING - DAY

Montage of calls for help and soldiers moving north to Peking

59 INT. EMPEROR THRONE - DAY 59

Red walked into to see the Emperor

RED

Emperor Guangxu, China must be  
stronger, and have reforms.

EMPEROR

Zhenfei, go find the meaning of  
these foreigners and what they want  
and make peace.

60 EXT SOUTHER GATE OF FORBIDDEN CITY - DAY 60

The foreign troops are around the forbidden city and some  
breakthrough the southern gate and start to advance north  
through the courtyards.

The American soldiers have burst through the south gate and  
are advancing through the courtyards of the Forbidden City.

61 EXT EMBASSY AREA - NIGHT 61

COMMANDER

The foreigners breached the  
southern gate. Hurry!!

Red rode from the east gate and went directly to the British  
Embassy. She wore her robe and the people Chinese and foreign  
recognized Red and she was cheered. She rode freely to the  
legation and the barricades. The leader came forth. She  
showed the seal of the emperor.

RED (STANDS HIGH ON HER HORSE)

I come to end this fight

The commander of the guards opened the barricade.

GUARD  
Do you need escort?

RED  
No

Red rushes and finds her friend, the wife of the Italian Ambassador,

RED (CONT'D)  
Please help me to stop this, and  
the Emperor wants peace!

62 EXT. OUTSIDE EMBASSY

62

Degula stood in his business attire, enjoying the chaos.

DEGULA (LAUGHING)  
Oh dear, the Emperor's favorite,  
scurrying in the war zone.

RED  
Go back to your lands, you evil.

DEGULA  
Oh, dear Zhenfei, today at dusk  
there will be a huge explosion  
underground, and this will end  
China.

RED (TURNS TO DEGULA)  
If you are certain!

Red stood in front of him, ready to fight.

DEGULA  
Yes, you will enjoy it, and I must  
say it will end the order of things  
here.

She turns and confronts him.

DEGULA (LAUGHS) (CONT'D)  
You cannot stop it.

RED  
Try me

DEGULA

Well, it is under your lovely  
foreigners and will kill many and  
it is in the church

RED

It's the Peitung Church!

DEGULA (SURPRISED)

Aren't you clever. You don't have  
the time to meet the Ambassador and  
save the church both.

He walked away.

DEGULA (CONT'D)

Yes, my dear, and do you know there  
is a bomb, Here, the bomb is under  
the hospital next to your  
cathedral. It goes off at midnight,  
my Lady.

Degula shows a small firecracker and sets it off.

RED

You monster

Degula bows, turns and leaves, laughing.

EXT. EMBASSY DISTRICT - DAY

WIFE

Oh, dear we are so afraid! Help

She rode to the British Embassy. Inside there was the council  
of the foreign armies and where she taught the children, but  
NOW the mothers and children were busy filling sandbags and  
carrying them to the barriers. Red raced to the Ambassador.

WIFE (CONT'D)

Come and she will help end this  
battle and stop the suffering, she  
brought relief supplies to the  
Peitung church, as you know.

Red arrived. She stood tall and let her hair to her waist and  
projected radiance and royalty. She let her energy flow  
freely and projected a sense of power and glory. She bound  
her silk robe tightly

RED

Please stop this. The Emperor and the Grand Council wish to meet you and will settle this fight.

MINISTER

No dear, the fighting will not stop.

Red stood close to him and looked eye to eye.

RED

Yes, Minister, why do you attack. If you attack and bring down the throne, there will be chaos and there is no number of soldiers and sailors that you can bring to protect against that firestorm. There will be complete wreckage. Please, the Emperor will rid the city of the gangs and thugs.

She showed the seal and his secretary translated it and it promised all demands.

MINISTER

Yes Zhenfei

The minister was impressed with the raw courage of Red, as she was alone and an unarmed woman among hundreds of armed combatants

MINISTER (CONT'D)

You have convinced me, and we will stop the attack now. You have our word!

He turns to the military commander.

MINISTER (CONT'D)

End the assault inside the palace, we will demand negotiations.

The Minister signed this document and Red put in her bag

RED

Remember we can be friends, and I swear to this.

She mounts the horse and rides quickly

63 INT. PALACE - DAY

63

The British Commander sends a liaison through the south gate of the Forbidden City and they catch the American commander

LIAISON  
Stop the advance.

The soldiers halted in place.

64 INT. CIXI PALACE -DAY

64

CiXi scowls like a cat on fire.

CIXI  
I promise great riches to the loyal patriots who will kill this traitor, Red.

EUNUCH  
Yes, your highness, the Eunuch bowed.

CIXI  
You and your crew cannot kill this wicked woman, then you will be murdered.

CiXi grabs one of the eunuchs who objected. The leader of her imperial guard steps forward.

CIXI (CONT'D)  
Cut him

With one slice he cuts off the skin from the eunich's thigh from hip to knee. He screams like a banshee.

CIXI (CONT'D)  
Now do you want this or not

EUNUCH  
We honor you, and he cried and fell to the ground.

CIXI  
See Red is a traitor and she conspired with the foreigners to attack the forbidden city. Now they are in the city and moving here.

She raises her hands high,

CIXI (CONT'D)

The Gods will kill you and kill your family and you will burn forever, the lady screamed at them.

GUARD

Do you want this, and the soldier cut off the eunuch's arm and as he was screaming, they put on a tourniquet to not allow him to die but to make him suffer, and all the eunuchs were terrified

CIXI

So, do you want death and eternal hell, or do you want treasure.

They all kowtow. CiXi leaves.

65 INT EMPEROR'S PALACE - DAY

65

CiXi enters.

EMPEROR

Yes, Auntie

CIXI

The barbarians are entering the city.

The Emperor sits, puts his head down.

CIXI (SCREAMING) (CONT'D)

If you stay, you will die. They will capture you and torture you in front of the masses. China will end forever!!

EMPEROR

What can we do?

CIXI

You must leave immediately. The Imperial Guards cleared a way to Xi'an.

EMPEROR

Yes, Zhenfei must come with me.

CIXI

Yes, absolutely. Zhenfei will come with you. Believe me. It is my clear command to bring her with you

66

EXT. EAST AND NORTH OF BEIJING - DAY

66

Red races to the Palace to drop the agreement and then to the Church. As she rounds the forbidden city on a horse and passes Russian and Japanese forces who all knew her by now. They all step aside and give her safe passage.

Red can see the church spire and was half a minute away and then BAMMM

The entire north wall and the hospital collapse. Smoke rises up and creates great chaos in all directions. She races to the edge but must pull away from it with the immense dust.

In the rubble Red sees dead children. She walks among them, and sees a figure so ghastly, there crouched was Degula with a child in his arms, and he opened his jaws and bites into the neck of one of the live children and kills her and he is sucking the blood.

RED

Demon!

Degula looks at Red, scowls at her, eats more and laughs.

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INT. FORBIDDEN CITY - DAY

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Red returns to the Palace and sees the Emperor and collapses and cries. Guards move to collect the Emperor.

EMPEROR

Bring Zhenfei with me

COMMANDER

Yes your highness

EMPEROR

Red we need you!

RED (SOBBING)

Demon!!!

EMPEROR

Zhenfei, I need you. China needs you. I will leave to Xi'an with you, and we will return after the battle ends.

RED (SEVERE WEeping)

My God, the children are all lost, and that monster and she is weeping and heaving her

EMPEROR

Yes, please my dear, your goodness  
will live forever. Come with me.

RED (PULLS HER HAIR)

I could have saved them.

EMPEROR

That's destiny. You tried, you  
tried, you did your best.

RED (COLLAPSES)

That beast, eating, the horror, the  
evil

EMPEROR (SPEAKS SOFTLY)

Zhenfei, You are my great strength.  
You are the first Consort of the  
Middle Kingdom. You have special  
powers that I cannot understand.  
Please recover and help us. Evil  
like this is like filth into the  
river. It is ugly and damages but  
with time, and if the evil is  
stopped, then good will clean out  
the rest. You can be that good, and  
you will prevail. I will see you in  
the future and when our time is  
right, we will make China great  
again and root out these parasites  
and the vampire's evil.

68

INT. EMPEROR PALACE - NIGHT

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RED

My dear,

She runs to see the Emperor, and he is gone.

CIXI

He is gone, my dear.

RED

Where? Why did he leave me?

CIXI

Oh, come on you don't think he  
loves you.

Red returns home and sees dead birds crushed and wings ripped  
apart at her door. She tries to bring back to life, but it is  
too late.

RED

Red sat, OH, who did such a terrible thing to you?

The lead eunuch gathers them together and soldiers are protecting Red.

GENERAL

Do not touch Red, the General said.  
This is the first Consort

The soldier beheads the eunuch who was near him.

Degula, dressed as a eunuch, whispers to the Eunuch next to him

DEGULA (WHISPERS)

But if the eunuch takes her out then this is the will of god.

She runs to get Dan, scares off the Eunuchs. She sees CIXI in her carriage.

CIXI

I would love to bring you with us but there is a terrible problem. Look how young and pretty you are. If we bring you, you will be raped by foreign soldiers along the way. You know what to do

DEGULA

She is the enemy of China

RED

No, I won't kill myself. I can make them stop

DEGULA

Oh Zhenfei is such a hero. She will say anything to overturn your rule, my Empress

Degula bows

Two battalions of soldiers line up and fling the banners.

The horsemen come up and horns are blowing, and the Emperor comes out and seeks Red. The guards bring him out the northern gate.

Red is alone and confused. After ten minutes, the soldiers deploy and to the gates and walls and two soldiers stay with Zhen.

In the chaos, Dan enters the gate and finds Red.

Degula enters wearing his Ottoman garments.

One eunuch comes to her with a sword and swings at her head.  
Dan jumps and knocks him down

DAN

Red!

She jumps.

Forty eunuchs loyal to CiXi move into the area. Red pulls a sword and fights, and kicks and kills the first one which pushes the others to step back.

Degula jumps in with a knife and tries to stab her in the back, but she leaps up and avoids this.

Dan attacks Degula and the eunuchs are gathering to get spears or throw rocks.

She screams for the soldiers, but they are occupied guarding against the approaching foreign soldiers and are gone.

Ropes are thrown around and four eunuchs attack together, and one grabs Red's legs. One eagle swooped down and grab the eunuch and scatters the others.

Red steps forward and with her sword, decapitates all three eunuchs.

Still more and came and now Dan was cut and stabbed in his chest. He kneeled and fought to stand.

DEGULA (YELLS)

She is a friend of the Japanese and  
British and she will kill all of  
you.

Zhenfei scares off the eunuchs and she run toward Degula. She leaps and strikes him in the head and knocks him down.

Degula stands, tries to corner against the palace walls.

Red pushes the energy out and pushes him and 20 attackers away. Many fall.

Degula grabs a lance and launches at her and she steps to the side.

DEGULA (SCREAMS) (CONT'D)

Foreign devil lover! Kill her!

Eight eunuchs rush her. Three clubs hit Red. She falls to her hands and knees.

Dan jumps in and attacks the eunuchs and kills two with kicks.

RED

Dan!

Red runs to him. She is hit from behind by two eunuchs who run away from her when she stands and confronts.

Degula steps in and swipes at her with a sword, and she dodges it.

Four eunuchs rush and throw bricks at Red and she is struck in the chest.

Degula returns, and sees the eunuch retreating. Degula changes form to a 30 foot tall demon.

DEGULA (TO THE EUNUCHS)

I will kill you.

The eunuchs run back to Red. She fights them.

Degula flies at Red in a rage. He picks up a large timber and knocks Red on the back, strikes her down.

She tries to rise. He strikes her again, and the eunuchs rush in, ten of them grab her, stab, and pierce her body with swords. The eunuchs subdue Red and impale her.

Eagles come but now cannot save Red or Dan

Dan is struck in the back of the head and now no movement.

EXT - WELL - DAY

Degula stabs Dan in the back and steps on him.

DEGULA

Into the well!

The eunuchs take Red and throw her in the well. They throw Dan right after her.

They drag large stone slabs and cover the well.

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CUT TO BLACK FOR  
FIVE SECONDS

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69 INT AIRPLANE CABIN - NIGHT

69

TERESA , mid 20s exotic, attractive Asian flight attendant with almond-shaped eyes

TERESA  
Another drink, sir?

DAN is a Chinese American with a military background and a gift for languages. Dan twitches slightly, reviewing documents.

DAN (WHISPER TO HIMSELF)  
Beijing--get papers signed; process the bank transfers; arrange for shipping

TERESA  
Sir, would you like another drink?

Dan pauses and glances upwards

DAN  
Hao, xie. Qing zai lai yi ping pijiu.

TERESA  
Ah, sir, your Chinese is wonderful. Where did you learn?

DAN  
I don't know. I always had it.

A small smirk crosses his face.

TERESA  
You like to travel to Beijing?

DAN  
Yes but its been a while.

Smiling with a shake of his head.

TERESA  
Oh, sir, you have to see the Great Wall and Forbidden City!

DAN

After my project is finished, I would love to go. You want to come with me?

He looks her in the eyes

TERESA

Ha, I would love to, You must look at the Forbidden City. There are legends and myths about it. Check the Map mausoleum - Mao is still buried there.

She gives him a drink and moved on.

DAN (THINKING)

Yea, see dead Mao.

TERESA

Sir, would you like a drink?

Dan heard from his immediate rear as Teresa moved on.

DAN (SMILES)

Might as well be a glorified paperboy.

He rustles around in his briefcase and spots another letter in his stack from the client. Dan rips open one edge of the envelope and can see that the paper inside was of heavy stock. Dan pulls out the letter and is intrigued by the formal penmanship.

Dear Dr. Zhang,

I accept your invitation to handle these transactions and affairs. You are well recommended by a mutual friend. I will meet your representative at my office, and we shall arrange everything at that time.

Please note the personal items in question.

Yours kindly, D

The calligraphy was a work of art. Dan settled back in his seat and typed some notes on his tablet and drifted to sleep.

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EXT. FORBIDDEN CITY BEIJING 1900 DREAM - DAY

70

DREAM: Explosions, he is helpless on the ground and sees attackers, and a woman stabbed.

Dan jerks around in his seat and made noises.

71 INT. AIRPLANE CABIN - NIGHT

71

TERESA  
Sir, are you fine?

Teresa was forcefully shaking his shoulders.

Dan wakes covered in a sheen of sweat. People look at him, scared, and disturbed by his frantic movements as he endured another hellish dream. He runs his fingers over his forehead, gathering sweat. Dan looks down to see he was white knuckling the seat beside him.

DAN  
Oh. Sorry.

She reaches over and covers him with a blanket.

ANNOUNCEMENT  
We will be landing shortly. Please,  
buckle your seat belts.

TERESA  
Here, let me help you.

Teresa reaches and buckles his belt. She pats his hip, smiled mischievously, and sticks a slip of paper in his right pocket

DAN  
Nice

Pulls out the paper with her name--WeChat account, and Beijing cell number. He settles back and prepares for landing, looking out the windows to his right. The lights below show an expansive metropolis.

Bump.

As they taxi onto the runway, Teresa shakes his shoulder.

TERESA (URGENT TONE)  
Sir, please gather your bags, Sir,  
please, you need to exit the plane  
now.

The plane stops short of the gate and stairs only for Dan arrive. Teresa stares at him. The captain opens the door. A van with stairs approaches the airplane.

TERESA (IMPATIENT) (CONT'D)  
 Sir, your hotel has arranged to  
 deliver your bags. Please they are  
 waiting for you.

CAPTAIN (ANNOYED AND POINTING)  
 Off the plane.

Dan leans against Teresa steadily down the external stairs.

72 EXT. RUNWAY - NIGHT

72

At the base of the steps are a large black Bentley with a man and woman standing beside it. The noise from the aircraft was deafening, and the duo stand rock still like monuments on the runway. The man is stocky, wearing an all-black suit, shirt, tie, and hat.

Next to him stands RED in an elegant blue uniform, taller than the man by a few inches, with flawless skin, shiny black hair, and striking eyes. On her shoulder is a small bird.

As Dan leaves the stairs, the two approach to help him.

RED  
 Hello, Dan, I am Xiao Hong. You can  
 call me Red.

DAN  
 Hello.

Dan looks at her closely. The man helps him into the Bentley with a grim expression.

73 INT. INSIDE CAR - NIGHT

73

Dan's hand brushes over the leather. He looks at the 27-inch widescreen, and a fully stocked bar with Johnny Walker Blue Label Whiskey and Grey Goose vodka.

RED  
 Mr. Dan, we are thrilled to have  
 you here. We will take you to the  
 hotel, where you can settle. Your  
 company has planned arrangements  
 and a colleague will meet you at  
 the hotel. I will stamp your  
 passport

Dan gives his passport to Red.

As they drive away from the airport, Dan looks out the window at the various new skyscrapers in the city, the eight-lane freeways, and the ubiquitous luxury cars.

74 EXT. DOWNTOWN BEIJING HOTEL - NIGHT

74

The hotel is an exclusive boutique near the city's old Embassy area, in the Central Business District. As the three exit the Bentley, they were greeted by the porter RAJA tall Indian, with dark eyes.

RAJA

Umm

RED (TO DAN)

You have my number. Your first meeting is tomorrow morning.

Raja picks up Dan's bag and led them directly to his room, bypassing reception altogether. Dan gave ten dollars to Raja then closed the door and settled into the room.

75 INT. HOTEL ROOM - NIGHT

75

The walls featured gold trim and inlaid jewelry, and the bedding is immaculate silk. Porcelain cups, a teapot, and a table in the corner.

Dan jumps into the shower, letting the hot water wash away the stress of the flight and the strangeness of the entire counter with everything. His hand presses up against the tile wall, as he draws in a deep breath to get his body to calm itself.

DAN

Just get the job done

On top of the antique desk he finds a note, featuring the same calligraphy as the letter he read on the airplane. This time sealed with wax.

Mr. Zhang,

Welcome to Beijing. We look forward to your stay with us. If there is anything you need, we are at your service.

Always. D

He set the note back and climbs under the sheets.

76 EXT. DREAM PEKING 1900 - DAY 76

DREAM: He is Running. Whump. He awoke and heard odd sounds, and what seems like a scream.

Dan wakes.

77 EXT OUTSIDE HOTEL - NIGHT 77

Dan swipes his cell phone and sent a text to his friend.

A taxi arrived, Dan entered. Raja scowled, teach had fangs. Raja looked at him long before opening the door.

78 EXT KEMPINSKI - NIGHT 78

MIKE, a U.S.Army Major working at the US Embassy. The taxi pulls up to the Kempinski, and Mike is waiting with a big grin.

MIKE

Dan, wow, you look great! So great to see you! How are you doing buddy?

Dan pulls his friend into a man hug, slaps him on the back a few times.

DAN

Hey, Mike, Great to see you.

MIKE

Dan, my wife Molly

MOLLY

Pleasure to meet

DAN

Oh how lovely, I can see why Mike never messed around

MIKE

Damn, you recovered well. Last time I saw you, you were out of it, on drugs and with a bloody stump. You were a mess!

Dan looks confused.

MIKE (CONT'D)

I saw you are running marathons now

DAN

Yea, man, well I had to burn off  
some anger.

Tea arrives at the table.

DAN (CONT'D)

We stopped the airplane while it  
was still on the runway like I was  
getting off a bus stop. Then the  
client's Bentley took me straight  
to the hotel from there, and they  
just put an entry stamp in my  
passport in the car. No  
immigration.

Dan paused for a moment.

MIKE

Never heard of that. Think you're  
the king, eh?

Mike slaps him on the back

DAN

Hell, maybe I know the king. I  
should be sleeping now, but can't  
sleep worth a damn.

Dan's phone rings

DAN (CONT'D)

Excuse me a bit

He stands to take the call.

MIKE (TURNS TO MOLLY)

We were in the same unit and he was  
quite gifted and capable. We don't  
know how he survived the explosion,  
the only one, and he wont talk  
about it. Real mysterious guy.

Dan returns

MIKE (CONT'D)

We got a message you were coming,  
and the Ambassador asked us to keep  
an eye on you. Looks like your firm  
has some pull.

DAN

Heavy hitters for sure. I was chosen, it is just a courier job really.

MIKE

There are some financial developments we need to discuss.

Mike leans against the counter, fingering his sweating beer glass.

DAN

By the way, I am here to meet a guy named Rainer Drago. He set me up to be in an exclusive hotel, which doesn't even have a name, and I can't find on-line.

MIKE

Yeah? What is it?.

Mike drinks a long swig of his beer and wipes the foam from his lips.

DAN

We meet tomorrow morning at the new China World Center. A few of my colleagues have done work for Drago, Do you know anything about him? Can you check the system and see what you come up with?

Runs his fingers through his hair.

MIKE

Yea, we'll check him out for you. Anything for you. What's the hotel, in case I need to find you?

Mike's eyes narrow. Dan looks up his GPS history on his smartphone, and a map with location pins loaded on the screen. He hands it over to Mike, indicating the pin for his hotel.

DAN

Right here, and yes it pretty much is a hole in the ground, except with silk sheets.

Reviewing the information for a minute or two, Mike's face twists with confusion.

MIKE

Well, this must have been the old American Embassy. How did you pull that one off? We sold that to the Government years ago. Do you have any brochures or business cards for this place?

Mike hands his phone back to him, his left eye slightly twitches

DAN

Interesting. Well, it making some strange sounds.

MIKE

Buddy, here's my number, and here is an emergency number if you get into any trouble. Better yet, Dan, here we will give you this locket. You put this somewhere out of sight, and if you ever need any help, if you are in any danger, just push the button. We will find you.

The locket opens with a mechanical whirl, revealing a simple mirror and a small black button.

MIKE (CONT'D)

I will make sure the ambassador and all the powers know you are here, and we will keep an eye on you.

Mike pats his back, but Dan notices the twitch hadn't left his eye. Mike folds his hands together, staring straight ahead for a minute as if lost in thought.

DAN

Thanks, Mike, I should be fine. It's not a big deal. We just need to do one simple transaction and then I'm off to the airport.

MIKE

By the way, Dan, if you have time while you are here, you should drop in on our Embassy Ball. The ambassador's daughter is visiting Beijing.

MOLLY

She's single. Can you escort her to the ball, by chance?

Mike winks at him.

MOLLY (CONT'D)  
She is good looking.

DAN  
Sure, we'll see..

Dan nods to the bartender, who takes the empty mug away.

MIKE  
Take care, Dan.

79 INT. HOTEL - NIGHT

79

The hotel was eerily silent when he enters through the main door, without doorman this time. The receptionist is sleeping. He enters his room throws his clothes on the floor, and climbs beneath the sheets.

While watching out the window, his phone rings.

MIKE  
Watch your back. Something doesn't quite check out. We'll give you one of our guys to help keep an eye on you.

DAN  
Sure

80 EXT OUTSIDE ROAD - DAY

80

Dan steps out onto Xiushui Road, soaking in the serene surroundings of swaying trees. He stretches and runs down the road past the British and Indian Embassies. He runs into Ritan Park. People in the park are doing TaiQi, tending pigeons, and flying kites.

81 INT OFFICE TOP FLOOR - DAY

81

The office is impressive, inside a penthouse in the New China Center, which was built the previous year and had become the premier business address in China's capital. The company offices are on the top three floors of the building. The elevator flies to the top and arrives one thousand feet higher in the penthouse, there were no floors indicated or any button. Doors open and DRAGO is waiting.

Rainer DRAGO appears to be fiftyish and is in great shape. His face features a thin nose with a high bridge, gleaming blue eyes, and a prominent--almost bony, long chin.

DRAGO (STANDING STRAIGHT)

My friend, Mr. Zhang, welcome to Beijing. I am so glad you could come. Can I get you a drink? We have some excellent whiskey.

They walk into the office. The ceilings are close to forty feet high. Walls were covered in hardwood inlaid with gold, like the furnishings in the hotel. The lighting system utilizes high-tech LEDs that avoids projecting any shadows.

DAN (SMILING)

Mr. Drago, it is great to meet you.

DRAGO

I am so glad that your firm could send someone on short notice. How was your flight?

DAN

Pleasant, Good sleep. Thank you for meeting me at the airport.

DRAGO (LOOKS CONFUSED)

I see. We have heard many great things about you and your firm. If there is anything you need, please let me or any of my servants help you. We hope to make your stay a pleasure.

They sit

DRAGO (CONT'D)

Please, accept my apologies for the lack of a banquet tonight. We will have one soon. Tonight, we will celebrate your arrival with some fun and excitement.

The man's eyes are of odd color, which startles Dan for a moment.

Dan gives Drago the letter from the law firm. Drago reads it and nods his approval. He pauses, and looks at Dan directly without saying anything for a long time.

DRAGO (CONT'D)

I need a law firm that is an expert in all these matters and am pleased you are here. We will arrange to move some items out of China in an expedited manner. Now the diplomatic channels are closed, and we must find a way. Your firm will be richly rewarded, and I can assure you that all the necessary approvals are in order.

DAN

All in all, things look simple to handle.

Dan, we will send a driver to you at seven and meet you at the club tonight.

82 INT. PRIVATE CAR - NIGHT

82

PEARL is late 20s, speaks excellent English and is a professional looking Chinese woman. Pearl drives the BMW and meets Dan at the hotel. It is a short drive and Dan notices the park from this morning.

PEARL (LOOKING INTO THE MIRROR)

Dan, you are single?

DAN (SMILES)

Now I am.

PEARL

Ah, yes, well you will enjoy some nights here.

The elevator doors open, and a tall blonde girl escorts them to the room. The room has a massive ten-foot high definition flat screen, two large rectangular tables, multiple couches.

Drago enters the room and sits on one of the sofas without comment or expression. The staff rush in and place a wide assortment of fruit, meat, and liquor on the tables.

Sitting with Drago are two Mongolian women

DRAGO

Hi, Dan, my lovely friends like you. Their names are Mei and Kunkun. They will show you around a bit later, but first things first. The choice is yours.

MEI and KUNKUN in their early twenties, twins, about five foot seven, with long black hair and high cheekbones. The two women had athletic builds, pale skin, and sharp black daggers for eyes.

They look at Dan and smile, and giggle with each other.

Now enter ten Chinese women, beauties, late teens or early twenties. As they enter the room, music begins to play in the background.

None of the girls smile. They look forward with a blank stare, shifting around on their feet, clenching their hands.

DRAGO (CONT'D)

Don't worry, Dan, there are more.  
We'll try another round,

Pearl leaves the room, and two minutes later returns with ten more girls, similar in disposition to the first group.

DRAGO (CONT'D)

Dan, let's trade.

Drago winks his eye and talked his girl into joining Dan, taking the other girl for himself.

DRAGO (CONT'D)

Dan look at this.

He lifts the shirt to show a QR code tattoo. He scans into his phone. Dan looked at the girls and saw in Chinese the characters for "Best if used by date" as a tattoo on their lower back.

DRAGO (CONT'D)

Dan, they also like to have  
microchips in their body. They get  
a bonus. Here..

Drago shows his smart phone app the details about the girl. Name, face, age, weight, account balances.

DAN

Very advanced.

DRAGO (SHOWING THE TATTOO AND THE APP)

Its linked to all their social  
media and tied to their blood type  
and genetic code. We tie in with  
our cryptocurrency Dan.

A girl sits next to Dan. GIRL is about 19 years old, short, and broken Mandarin, very talkative.

GIRL

I come from the countryside, help my family. My family will find a local farmer in the village to marry. This KTV hostess job was just something to endure. After one year, I will have enough money saved to return home and pay off her family's debt.

She peels apples, giving Dan a slice at a time.

DAN

Delicious

He savors the taste of the juicy fruit.

Her knife suddenly slips and cuts deep into her palm. She lets out a yelp of pain, tears instantly springing to her eyes.

DAN (CONT'D)

Here, let me help.

Dan reaches for a box of tissues. A cold feeling sweeps the room.

The girl screams in terror. Before Dan could move, he feels cold fingers throw him against the wall.

THUD! Darkness instantly consumes him.

84 INT. LARGER VIEW OF ROOM - NIGHT 84

While Dan is unconscious, Drago and the Mongolian twins grab the two hostesses and drag them toward a hidden back exit

85 INT. OFFICE - DAY 85

Information comes to the screen. Red writes some notes.

RED

We have more information about the missing bomb material. It looks to be near the Korean border.

SUPERVISOR

Yes, we will send agents

Red returns to her office and tracks Dan's movements.

86 INT. ROOM - NIGHT

86

The room's lights are off, and no one is around. The TV is a blank blue screen and items are scattered.

DAN

Oh... a train hit me.

Dan sits up, his hand on the back of his head. He saw double, and the music is still playing in the room. He turns off the music, straining to pick up any sound.

87 INT. HALLWAY - NIGHT

87

Dan limps into the hallway. He leans on the reception desk and grabs the chair behind it.

DAN

Why not be a simple accountant, why did I go down this ambitious path?

He walks down the hall and tried his fifth door, opening it he found another door.

He pulls his phone over closer to have a better look and noticed a line in the cracks of the wall that looked brighter than the rest. There between two lines of bricks, there was an unusual light and then a hole. He pushes a pen inward and a small brick popped out of the wall.

Click.

88 INT. TUNNELS - NIGHT

88

Dan scoots back in surprise as the wall shake and slide apart. Inside is deathly silent and pitch black. Dan shines his phone light down the tunnel.

DAN

My god, what is this? An unearthly fear struck him.

Thud. Thud. Thud.

With a deep rumble, the walls shut behind him with a thud.

Dan walks. He looks at his phone and sees no signal, and the battery was less than half-full, with just a few hours to go.

Breathing laboriously, he walks ahead to an intersection and then a room.

89 INT. ROOM OF GOLD - NIGHT

89

Dan steps into a room, shines the light on his phone and room shines full of gold, jewelry, antiques, treasures.

He steps further. He sees a coin, grabs it, and sees old engravings but shining like new. Dan shines his light down and sees piles of coins.

DAN

Oh, my god.

To the right, Dan pulls off cloth and sees a stack of gold bars. Dan picks up a bar and weighs it in his hand.

DAN (CONT'D)

My, this is twenty pounds.

On the back he saw the character for Gold in Chinese; one of the few characters he recognized, and an imprint saying .999 meaning 99.9 percent pure gold. He sees fifty bars high, then about one hundred wide, and perhaps another hundred back to the wall.

Dan takes a handful of coins and places them into his pocket and exits the room.

90 INT. FURTHER TUNNEL - NIGHT

90

He returns to the intersection and walks down the other direction.

After walking, Dan sees the outline of something lumpy up ahead. His light suddenly illuminates ghostly white skin and a twisted body covered in grime and muck--his hostess from the KTV room.

DAN

Oh my god.

Dan notices her neck had puncture marks and dried blood caked on it like a mini river down her pale skin. She is dead. He sits and cries

91 INT. LARGE ROOM - NIGHT

91

Dan enters a large room without a door. His phone light outlines several caskets on stone pilings. There were three caskets, one of which is far larger and more substantial than the others.

Against his better judgment, Dan takes photos and reaches his phone over the edge of the large casket and takes a photo.

DAN

I've been in this tunnel the entire night. If I don't get out of here soon.

His phone runs out of power and the light is off. Dan clicks on the locket that Mike gave him.

Dan sits in despair, and then flying insects like butterflies flew by and landed on his shoulder. The insects fly around him, fly forward, and return. He follows them.

A rumble shakes the tunnel beyond the room with the caskets. Dan moves down the tunnel and hears rumbling again. Dan comes to a dead end and the fireflies land in one spot.

Dan puts his pen in and the wall moves.

92 INT. SUBWAY TUNNEL - EARLY MORNING 92

The door opens into a subway tunnel.

Just as he is about to jump down, the whirl of a train passes Dan and almost ends the story here.

With a gasp, Dan steps back to let it pass then slowly drops into the tunnel.

Dan walks along the tracks and could feel the electricity from the main rail, but it does not kill him.

93 INT. SUBWAY STATION - EARLY MORNING 93

Dan exits the tunnel to one of the subway stations, but he cannot climb up on the platform. After the next train passes by, he hops on the rear of the last train and jumps onto the platform.

A few people are startled to see him suddenly appear.

The subway guard didn't bother. Dan walks up the stairs to exit the subway. He goes to the turnstiles but could not exit--he had no subway ticket. He walks to the ticket clerk

DAN

Help me leave

CLERK points at a paper saying that he needs to pay two renminbi to exit.

Dan has no Chinese money. He pulls out a US twenty-dollar bill, but the clerk had no interest in that. She points at the paper again.

DAN (CONT'D)  
Ma'am, I need to get out of here,  
please,

Dan tries others but his clothing is covered in the muck from the tunnels. Nobody talks to him.

DAN (CONT'D)  
Come on people!

He pulls out a gold coin.

Nobody talks with Dan. He jumps the turnstiles and tries to get out of the subway. Then four police arrest him.

94

INT. POLICE STATION - MORNING

94

POLICE  
Where did you get this gold coin?

Dan sits in the police station, now half asleep.

POLICE (CONT'D)  
Hello, pengyou, wake up. Where did  
you get this coin? What happened to  
you?

Dan wakes to see a man, about 25 years old, wearing a black coat, with a badge that says POLICE in English and Chinese.

DAN  
I don't know.

Dan rubbed a hand down his face,

POLICE  
Your passport, please.

DAN (REACHES TO HIS POCKET)  
I forgot to bring his passport

POLICE  
Are you drunk?

The man looks at Dan's suit that is covered with grime and grease, and Dan's general appearance of a homeless person. Dan tries to make a call to Mike but there is no power.

DAN

No. Just tired. Darn, the battery's dead. Could you help me charge my phone?

The policeman ignores the request and leaves

POLICE

How did you get this gold coin? Do you know it is illegal to have gold and antiquities that are unregistered?

Stared at him with a steely expression.

DAN

It's a birthday gift from my friend. I didn't know it is illegal.

The police officer rose and walked to the office

POLICE

Dan, do you know you are supposed to register with your local police station. We have no record of where you are staying.

Dan showed the hotel card. They all left the room. Dan was sitting alone, exhausted, agitated, Soon, he fell asleep.

RED

Dan, dear, let's go.

Red pushes on his shoulder. She helps him up.

As Dan walks out, he sees the officers at work on other issues with no care for him.

95

INT. RED'S BENTLEY CAR - DAY

95

Red is sitting in the front

RED

Dan, dear, could you let me have that coin? I want to show it to someone.

DAN

Sure, keep that.

His eyes linger on Red, staring at her. He sweats. They arrive at the hotel, Dan slept

DREAM: Red, fight, well, lakeside

96

INT PENTHOUSE - NIGHT

96

The leaders of the international gangs meet.

DRAGO

Gentlemen, thank you for coming to witness the new world. Lackey will outline the agreements in place

LACKEY

So, we will crash the economy and you will all take over the world.

EVERYONE

Laughed

LACKEY

John, you will get the oil monopoly of inance, we will run everything through our asset management companies and take control of the old style world finances. The partnership will then control all finance, transportation, land holdings, set all wages and control all transactions. Throughout crypt-blood accounts, all everyone will be monitored for their health and any problems we will bring them in for health care.

BUSINESSMAN

Who is going to pay for health care?

The others look at him and laugh.

LACKEY

Dumb ass, the people themselves will pay for it

Ha-ha

BUSINESSMAN

OK, got it, stupid me

Starts laughing.

LACKEY

Well with that health care thing, there is no other need for population reduction. We will reduce world population by five percent a year to get to our goal. There is a new law that will link all bank accounts in the world to new cryptocurrency and blockchain. The most popular account is the blood and DNA account and then we track the perfect blood, and this is how we can track the tastiest delicious blood donors, and we.

97 EXT. SUN PARK - NIGHT

97

TONY was a young Marine working at the US Embassy. He stands looking at two heavy, magnificent wooden doors--hundreds of years old, dark red, and with polished brass.

He is with his close friend ROB, a young sergeant, one of the toughest fighters in the whole Marine Corps.

Tony walks into the bar and heard Springsteen's Born to Run playing. At the bar, Chinese women were hustling drinks from old, overweight, white-haired men.

ROB

Tony, come on man. Let's get a few beers.

TONY

Hotties galore

ROB

You are here to do a job. You need to protect your career and security status. It's not a problem if you take a girl home with you, but she can't sleepover. If you lose your mind, blackout, and fall asleep--you'll be sure to lose whatever you have on you.

TONY (NEXT TO A WOMAN)

Two Qingdao beers.

Drago is at the bar. Quiet and two young women stroke his suit and face.

TONY (CONT'D)

Who is that guy over there? Is he the owner of this place?

ROB

No, he doesn't own this place, but he owns a chunk of the city. One of the few foreigners to make it rich here.

Two Mongolian women, Kunkun and Mei, strong, fit, busty, and vibrant, are at his side. To his right is a taller and slim Kazakh woman. They are laughing and giggling.

A Russian woman comes over.

DRAGO

Ah, darling, you light up the place.

He kisses her hand gently.

DRAGO (CONT'D)

You are lovely, and may I ask why I have never seen you before?

The girl shrugs her shoulders.

TONY

I'm Tony. And you?

DRAGO (WITH A BOW)

My friend, it is a pleasure to meet you. I am Rainer Drago. Here is my card.

Tony accepts it

TONY

My first time here.

DRAGO

I can tell both of you are very distinguished Americans. I am always happy to meet Americans.

In Chinese, he orders MacCallen 30 years.

DRAGO (CONT'D)

Let's try some whiskey, shall we?

The bartender pours double shots for everyone. The Russian girl gulps it down too fast until she started to cough, the whiskey dripping down her chin.

TONY

This is the best whiskey I've ever  
had in my life.

Tony stares at the glass for a moment, savoring the taste.  
Drago watches them all.

Kunkun and Mei, the Mongolian twins stand with Rob and Tony  
and touch their arms with light strokes of their fingertips.  
Teasing smiles and they giggle, cooing at the two Americans,  
and talk excitedly in Mongolian.

DRAGO

My friend, this is Mei and Kunkun.  
They want you.

Tony and Rob smile at the women.

TONY

Damn. A girl like this in America  
would never talk to me.

The twins pull Tony and Rob across the room to play pool. At  
the table, players finish their game early and let them take  
the table. Tony was missing the shots due to the whiskey.

ROB

Tony, your girl is gone,

Tony's bends over a bit, holding his belly.

TONY

Ugh, shouldn't have eaten that  
nasty street food. I need to take a  
dump and fast.

He runs over to the washroom.

TONY (CONT'D)

Damn, Rob, the door is locked. I  
got to go, I think that squid got  
me.

ROB

You can just go outside, man.

Pulling Tony along.

ROB (CONT'D)

I think your Russian girl is gone.  
Come on.

98 EXT. PARK - NIGHT

98

TONY  
Guess there is plenty of covers.

They go along the fence, and Tony finds a place to squat and do his thing while Rob looks out for police.

TONY (CONT'D)  
Rob, some paper, man.

Rob digs around in his pockets, producing used tissues that he'd used to blow his nose on.

ROB (LAUGHING)  
Tony, you got to be prepared, ha.

TONY  
I hate you right now.

Tony finishes up quickly, and they walk.

All paths led to the altar, which dominated the center of the park. The moon cast silvery shadows around them, and silence enveloped them. A woman's piercing scream shatters the stillness.

They exchange a quick look and run toward the sound. They spot two people standing on the altar.

ROB  
Come on.

99 EXT. SUN ALTAR - NIGHT

99

Tony ran to the altar.

TONY (YELLING)  
Rob, no, man, come back.

Rob leaps upon the altar and approaches Drago. The Russian girl lay on the altar, still.

ROB  
Tony, that's your girl!

Drago turns. He has blood on his chin.

Tony runs and grabs the girl. He punches Drago.

ROB (CONT'D)  
Tony, cool it.

Rob jumps between Tony and Drago and punches Drago. Drago takes the punches and laughs.

Tony elbows Drago in the back. Drago grabs Tony and throws him off the altar.

Drago grabs Robs next punch and crushes his hand. Drago yanks Robs arm out of its shoulder socket. Drago stomps on Robs leg and then smashes his face. Drago stomps on Rob's head crushing it. holds his hand, crushing it

Drago walks to Tony. He lifts Tony with one arm.

Tony gazes into the dark orbs trying to find a hint of humanity.

TONY

Oh my god.

All Tony sees is a limitless amount of evil. Drago smiles.

DRAGO

Ah, my friend Mei likes you. I won't kill you now, but I shall let you suffer your friend's loss. Let's put you to sleep next to your precious friend here.

Blinding lights flash in Tony's eyes, and the sharp sound of whistles hits his ears.

101 EXT. SUN ALTAR - DAY

101

A face peers above Tony. GUNNY Perez is the senior non-commissioned officer at the Marine detachment at the US Embassy. He is 5 foot 10, muscular, and smart.

GUNNY

Tony. Come on.

TONY

Who are you? What happened?

GUNNY

Can you see me? We will get you back. Corporal.

He helps Tony stand.

TONY

Where is Rob?

GUNNY

Rob is dead.

102 INT. HOTEL ROOM - DAY

102

Dan is lost in a deep sleep and is dreaming of traveling on the airplane again, but now the plane was twisting side to side.

RED

Dan, get up.

Dan wakes, and sees Red standing next to his bed, looking serious.

RED (CONT'D)

We don't have much time. You have to tell us some things about these coins you found last night.

Dan still tried to sit up

DAN

Wait a minute. You work for Rainer Drago.

RED (HER EYEBROW ARCHED)

Why do you think that?

DAN

You picked me up at the airport.

Dan rubs both hands down his face.

RED

So, what.

DAN

Well, weren't you picking me up to bring me to meet Drago?

RED

Drago is Drago. I work for who I work for. Now, you are going to help us. You have no choice.

Her voice grow frigid.

DAN (ANNOYED)

What do you mean I have no choice?

RED

You must help us. Don't ask me to tell you the consequences.

The stare from Red is convincing enough to not question.

RED (CONT'D)

Your company is involved in some unlicensed finance here with Drago

DAN

No. I mean, we just do business

The muscles in Dan's neck tighten.

RED

These coins are historical artifacts.

Red's dark eyes look into him merely six inches away.

DAN

Drago gave the coin as a gift, but that was all.

Red keeps her face free of emotion.

103

INT. US EMBASSY AMBASSADORS OFFICE - DAY

103

The Ambassador is extremely anxious about Rob's death

AMBASSADOR

Corporal Ruiz, Sergeant Smith was killed last night. His body was crushed and mutilated. The police saw you there. What happened?

TONY (MUMBLED, RUBBING IN-BETWEEN HIS EYES)

It was an old man, He is a blood sucking psycho

AMBASSADOR

I have been getting calls from all directions--China's Foreign Ministry, The US State Department, and the Vice President. Two tough Marines trained, and fit were tossed around by some old guy in a suit, a guy who is a vicious blood-sucking psycho.

GUNNY (STANDING BEFORE HIM)  
Tell us what went wrong.

TONY  
We did nothing wrong. We came to  
the aid of a stranger. The woman  
was being attacked, and the  
corporal stepped in to save her.

Tony's hands shook, his head still throbbing.

GUNNY (WALKING BACK AND FORTH)  
Besides the obvious problems, the  
ambassador is coming down hard on  
all of us. Are you sure that's what  
happened, Tony?

TONY  
Yes, I swear to God. The guy, who  
killed Rob, was abnormal. He tossed  
Rob around like he was a bag of  
air.

He rubs his temples in slow circles.

He waits outside the office for fifteen minutes, then Gunny  
comes out and they walk.

GUNNY  
Get back to work. You still do the  
drill at the Embassy Ball.

TONY  
Now Rob's dead, and everyone thinks  
I'm a nut case. I got it. Easy as  
breathing air.

GUNNY  
Get your head on straight. Don't  
mess up or we will all pay.

TONY  
This is the chance to redeem me a  
bit.

NOTRON (SHOUTING)  
Dan, what the hell is going on? You  
missed your meeting, and Drago is  
calling us hopping mad.

DAN

I am sorry, after the visit to the KTV, I got knocked out by someone in Drago's group.

NOTRON

You can't carry out a simple task? Get your act together. Get the papers signed, and come back.

105 INT. WESTON - DAY

105

Dan meets Mike at the Weston near the Embassy. They walk outside in the chilly air.

DAN

Mike, I had a miserable night two nights ago. My phone was off, and I ended up in the police station

MIKE (BROW SCRUNCHEd IN THOUGHT)

Damn, man, how did you get there?

DAN

I went out with Rainer Drago. What am I dealing with here?

MIKE

There is not much out there about this guy. He's tied into the old money and the World Bank. He is on the board of directors of some big non-governmental organizations. He checks out as a legitimate, big player, but we don't know much about him. His business dealings are hard to pick apart. He seems to have his hand in the flow of commodities into China and could have wealth in the tens of billions. We don't even know his birthplace

DAN

How did he get to own the old Embassy?

MIKE

He simply overbid on the place. Drago was able to work a deal with the local government as part of some land swaps and get his hands on the old US Embassy complex.

(MORE)

MIKE (CONT'D)

All we know is that he comes from  
some old money hundreds of years  
ago. Mystery for sure.

Dan pulls out some of the gold coins and starts to go through  
the events of that evening.

DAN

Mike, I've heard some interesting  
things about these coins. Maybe  
these can help answer some  
questions.

Mike observes the two that Dan showed him, takes photos of  
them with his phone, and sent by WeChat to his old Professor.  
They have lunch, and twenty minutes later, the phone rings.

MIKE

I can set up a meeting with some  
Sinologist that could look at this  
coin, and maybe give you some more  
information. Ten minutes we leave

106

INT. OLD IMPERIAL COLLEGE - DAY

106

On the Northside of Beijing, there is a Tibetan Lama Temple,  
one of the most popular tourist spots in Beijing. Down the  
road from there is an old Confucian Temple and Imperial  
School, which was a college for young men preparing to enter  
the civil service under the Imperial System.

They arrive early, pay a small entrance fee, and enter the  
old Confucian courtyard. They walk around.

MIKE

This Professor was my favorite when  
I came.

DAN

Well, I wonder if he will know  
about these coins

MIKE

He is the foremost scholar of late  
Qing Dynasty. Brilliant mind, knows  
such details.

After a few more minutes of waiting, they meet PROFESSOR XU,  
an older man, with a small beard and a little dab of hair on  
his head. (Unknown to anyone, he was an Immortal, and was the  
Emperor of China, Guangxu, seen earlier in this story.)

PROFESSOR

How are you dear Mike? Long-time no see. Now you are back in an official capacity.

MIKE

It's good to see you, Professor Xu. I am doing just fine. Let me introduce my old friend from the Army, Dan Zhang. Dan is here meeting some people and came across some historical items. I thought you might like to have a look at these.

Dan gives the coins to the professor who looks them over for about five minutes.

PROFESSOR (SILENT, AND DOUBTFUL)

These are fascinating. Say, you found these where

The Professor looks Dan in the eyes for a long time without blinking.

DAN

A gift from a client

PROFESSOR (KEEPING EYE CONTACT)

Yes, of course. A gift. This looks like something. I need to get a book.

He stands to return to back, his feet shuffling.

DAN

Very interesting man

MIKE

Oh yes, he taught me a lot.

He pulls out his phone and receives a WeChat message.

MIKE (CONT'D)

My wife said that your date is set with the Ambassador's daughter.

After a few minutes, the Professor returns

PROFESSOR (LOOKED AT DAN EYE TO EYE)

This coin is from the Qing Dynasty. It is Imperial gold; this is very rare. Where did you get this?

DAN  
A gift.... From Drago.

Dan was sticking to his story.

PROFESSOR (TILTING HIS HEAD)  
Drago. Who is that?

MIKE  
Drago is a big player, runs some of  
the largest companies in the world.  
He runs from behind the scenes and  
has an office in the new China  
World Tower downtown.

The professor went to the backroom.

MIKE (CONT'D)  
Marie is the daughter of the  
ambassador. It's all on you, buddy.  
We are trusting you with this  
pretty, little lady.

DAN  
I like how you worry about  
everything. You know I'm the  
perfect gentleman

The professor returned.

PROFESSOR (CONFUSED LOOK)  
There is a legend but we thought it  
is not true.

His gnarled fingers clutch some ancient-looking books,  
covered in a film of dust. He spreads them out before Dan and  
Mike, opening them up.

DAN  
That looks familiar,

PROFESSOR  
What do you mean?

Dan shows the photo of the casket underground and on it were  
some Chinese characters.

The professor leans forward and almost falls into the table.  
Mike steadies him.

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)  
How so? Mike, I am wishing you are  
not playing a joke with me. Is this  
American prank?

Mike looked at Dan.

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)

This is unbelievable. If this is true, it is a legendary criminal that comes from the end of the Qing Dynasty. At that time some bad elements came from Europe and helped to rot away the Manchu Government,

MIKE

Let me see this.

PROFESSOR

Here are some photos of correspondence.

Dan looks at it and lost his breath for a moment.

DAN

OH, AH

The handwriting in the photo matches the exotic handwriting Dan had seen in the letters written by Rainer Drago which Dan read on the airplane and in the hotel.

MIKE

Dan, are you OK?

PROFESSOR

There is some speculation that some of this legend could be based on truth. For years, we assumed this story was just propaganda to stir up xenophobia during the Boxer rebellion. It is rumored that he feeds on the blood of the living and that if it was enemy flesh then his allies did not care or notice.

MIKE

Professor, let's say this is all true. What kind of creature is he?

PROFESSOR

Legend has it that he can change shape to any number of animals and see in the dark. He makes neither shadow nor reflection. He likes to play games with his prey and loves to use the law and distort language to cover his evil.

(MORE)

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)  
I believe in the West you have some similar legends, for the creature known as a vampire--the Degula. Dracula in the West.

MIKE (LOOKS SKEPTICAL)  
Dan, do you think this could be Drago?

DAN  
I don't know.

PROFESSOR (LOOKING AT DAN)  
Who are you?

DAN (NERVOUS LAUGH)  
Well, I am Dan?

PROFESSOR (LEANS BACK)  
I know you from somewhere. I swear I do. You found a lot more than these coins, didn't you.

Dan shifts in his seat. He looks at Mike with some shock.

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)  
This police chief you met, tell me about her.

DAN (STUTTERED)  
Well she first saw me at the airport.

MIKE  
Special deal, met on the runway, made everyone wait. No immigration

PROFESSOR  
Unusual. At the airport? Why did she meet you there?

DAN  
And it is odd she had a bird on her shoulder there and when she came to the station

PROFESSOR  
A bird?

DAN  
Yes, and she found me in the a few other times

PROFESSOR  
So, she is following you.

DAN  
More like stalking

Dan tried to make a joke but even he could not laugh. The professor shifted in his set and he sat back.

PROFESSOR  
Dan, where are you from? Where were you born?

Dan shifted and looked at Mike.

MIKE (LOOKING AT DAN)  
Dan, I never asked you and am curious

DAN  
I can't remember any time before the injury in Iraq, and waking in the hospital

PROFESSOR  
Wait, you remember Iraq, how about before that time?

DAN  
Don't remember anything

The professor rubs his chin and sat for a while. Dan and Mike were both quiet and sat still.

PROFESSOR  
Oh Dan, this woman, does she know you?

DAN (NERVOUS)  
I don't know, I mean, we never met before. Maybe she has a file on me.

PROFESSOR  
No, Dan do you ever have any dreams about old China?

DAN  
Oh maybe

PROFESSOR (STOOD)  
Dan, this woman. Give me some time.

He walks back to his office in the museum.

DAN (LOOKS AT MIKE)  
Oh wow, This guy is intense

MIKE (SMILES AND LOOKS AT DAN)  
He is not like this. He is very relaxed. But this is something I have never seen in him. Well you got yourself into a bit of an adventure, Dan

The professor returns with a folder and sits. He pulls an old black and white photo and put it on the table.

PROFESSOR  
Have a look at this photo.

DAN (EYES GET BIG)  
That's her!

The professor shakes and almost falls over. He puts his hands down to steady himself.

MIKE (REACHES OVER TO HOLD HIS ARM)  
Professor, are you fine?

PROFESSOR  
Yes Mike, yes

MIKE  
Is something wrong?

PROFESSOR (SPEAKS SLOWLY)  
No, I need to rest

107 INT. HOTEL - NIGHT

107

The US Embassy Ball in Beijing is called the Marine Corps Ball and happens each November. Military officers from various embassies in Beijing attend and it was a good time to show off uniforms, and build relationships.

Mike and Molly walk Dan over to a side room where they see a small group of people, a few Marines, the Marine Commandant, and then through a curtain, they came to meet the Ambassador and his daughter Marie.

MIKE  
Dan, you will sit with us. Let me introduce you to Marie, and her father, the Ambassador.

MARIE was in her late twenties, medium height and attractive. She dressed formally.

AMBASSADOR (JOKING TO DAN)  
Can you be trusted?

Dan shakes hands with the Ambassador. Dan, Mike, and their partners enter the auditorium, have formal pictures and start to mingle.

Red enters the room alone. Her hair is held high with a hairpin and flowers. As she walks, men and women turn to see her radiant eyes, porcelain skin, and a ten-thousand-dollar dress that allowed her to show off stunningly shapely legs. Red has no man with her. She walks alone, elegant, poised, and confident. Dan and Red see each other and nod to each other.

A short time later, the premier of China walks in, along with many other dignitaries.

Dan and Marie sit at the table with Mike, Molly, and six others. The next table over is the head table with the Ambassador, Commandant of the Marines, the Premier of China, a few others, and Drago himself.

DAN  
What is he doing here?

Dan feels a wave of shock, and adjusts his suit.

MAN AT THE TABLE  
He has immense financial power, hospital, philanthropy, schools, orphanages, cryptocurrency, and is tied in tight with the worldwide political system. He is a philanthropist and in charge of the blood banks and the hospital chains and clinics. He has a new patented blood system that prevents disease. It is tied in with in-body computer chips and cryptocurrency.

108 INT OUTSIDE HALL - NIGHT 108

Outside the hall, the Marines are preparing. Five Marines are lined up with flags and rifles. Tony is on the right-side carrying a rifle.

109 INT MAIN HALL - NIGHT 109

As they walk into the hall, the music plays. Tony walks as he had done hundreds of times and in a very professional manner.

He keeps his eyes straight and marches lined up with the other Marines. Then they stop to do the elaborate marching turn

At that moment that Tony sees Drago sitting at the head table next to the Commandant of the Marine Corps and the Ambassador. Drago looks right at Tony and smiles. Tony falls to his knee and drops his rifle making a loud metallic sound of the rifle hitting the floor.

CROWD

AHHHH

Murmurs of shock in the crowd. The Commandant frowns, the Ambassador covers his eyes, and many people look away. Tony kneels, shaking. Gunny goes, takes, and another Marine walks with Tony to the side out of sight.

Things get back to normal for the rest of the audience. Dinner is served, the Ambassador gave a dinner speech, and then things started to loosen up.

Marie is having a nice conversation with Dan, warming up to him. Dan sees Red talking with various dignitaries. Red is working the room with no man by her side.

The Philippine band starts to play cover music from Madonna, Lady Gaga, and people dance and mingle. Drago chats with many people, and Dan sees he is joking with the Ambassador.

Drago goes to the band as they were completing a set. He picks up a violin and starts to play, charming the audience.

MARIE

Dan, please walk me to the entrance area.

Marie goes to the washroom. Dan sees Tony to the side talking with Gunny. Dan enters the men's room checking his tuxedo and tie.

DRAGO

I see you like to collect coins.

Dan shook. Drago's voice is out of thin air.

Dan twirls around and falls against the sink as he sees Drago right behind him. He looks back to the mirror and sees no reflection of the man, vampire, standing behind him.

DRAGO (CONT'D)

Dan, you mustn't look at places that are private.

The once black pupils fill with a filter of red, sharp white fangs slid down. Drago walks out. Dan breathed deeply to calm himself.

MARIE

Dan!

Dan hears a scream from Marie.

He runs out of the washroom and sees the Mongolian twins, Mei and Kunkun, grabbing and forcing Marie into the stairwell. They giggle and then see Dan and scowl.

DRAGO

(TURNED TO DAN)

My friend, won't it be fun watching you on television having to suffer for the loss of the Ambassador's lovely daughter. Dan the murderer.

His hand smashes against the side of Dan's face. Pain explodes through Dan's jaw. He groans, falling back a few steps, tripping and crashing to the floor in a heap. Drago follows the Mongolians and Marie down the stairs.

RED

Dan, Dan, we have to go. We follow them and find it.

Red grabs his jaw, forcing him nose-to-nose, eyes to eyes. The pain left his face, like magic.

To Dan's left is Tony

TONY

I'm coming with you. I want a piece of that guy

Dan stands, stumbling.

DAN

We must get her back. That's the Ambassador's Daughter.

He pushes the button on the locket for Mike to come.

TONY AND DAN

I'm Tony. Dan

Dan shook his hand quickly. Red jumps down the stairs in one leap. Tony grabs Dan and they quickly follow.

110 INT. BASEMENT, KITCHEN AREA - NIGHT

110

They run through the main preparation area, past six people working on cakes and ice cream, and knock over one tray of cakes.

As she runs, Red holds out her badge, which put a sense of awe into a few.

TONY

Got you, man.

Tony grabs his arm, and they hobble along at times as if they are doing a three-legged race.

She grabs a man and shoves the badge in his face and smacks his right cheek three times. She twists his ear and shouts in his face.

One of the shelves was turned over and there was a heap of flour on the ground. He pointed below a sign that said, 'Bomb Shelter' in Chinese

MAN

There!

The door is still ajar--another entrance to the underground tunnels.

INT. UNDERGROUND - NIGHT

In they go.

MARIE

Dan!!!

Marie's scream echoes off the walls, followed by the sound of maniacal laughing from the twins. Red moves forward. They hear Drago and the twins yelling at each other, with screams from Marie.

DAN

Marie!

Dan's voice bounces off the walls. The three of them stand there and listen, hearing the twins in the tunnel to the left. They run that way.

Ahead of them is a door with two Mongolian soldiers guarding the entrance. The twin girls, Mei and Kunkun, scream at the soldiers who hold their rifles ready to use. The twins are stuck between Red, Tony, and Dan on one side and the Mongolian soldiers on another.

The soldiers pull out silver crosses and garlic and advance on the girls who run back. Kunkun kicks Dan. Mei slams him against the wall and giggles. Mei stabs at him. Red kicks Mei, knocking the knife out of her hand.

RED  
Come on, Dan.

Red picks him up, brushing off the front of him. Tony returns and grabs his shoulder and helps him move.

The Mongolian soldiers approach carrying rifles. They stop and give two small pouches and motioned for them to go down the tunnel. Red is in the front, followed by Dan and Tony. No more than thirty feet were the twins. A hand twisted in Dan's gut as he watched Red and Tony enter the room first.

Dan is knocked over by someone standing to the side. Raja, holds a club in his hand, a wicked grin on his face.

TONY  
Hey!

Tony turns, and one of the twins grabs him. Red leaps over Dan and kicks Raja straight in the head. Raja screams, and his teeth flash fangs as he hisses. Raja squeezes the club as he turns to Red and strikes. Red jumps aside and is perfectly calm. Raja leaps at Red. Red pulls from her hair, silver hairpin, six inches, and strikes Raja in the chest - pushing her hairpin in deep. Raja let out a loud gasp, falling back, trying to pull out the hairpin. Red kicks him in the chest hard, pushing it in further.

MEI AND KUNKUN (RUNNING DOWN THE  
TUNNEL)  
Drago! Drago!

Red stomps on Raja and pulls her belt off, and puts the end through a buckle and makes a large loop. Red continues to push the silver pin into Raja. Raja screams and gets up again. Red wraps the loop around his head and neck, pushes him on the ground, stomps on his back with her right foot, then pulls on the belt with both hands, jerking it again and again. SNAP!

Red flies backward against the wall. Raja's head spins in the air and lands near Dan's feet. Dark blood spews from Raja's neck, and the body goes limp and shrivels.

TONY AND DAN (LOOK AT EACH OTHER)  
Holy shit!

She stands to her feet, wiping off the belt on Raja's shirt.

RED (LOOKS AT TONY AND DAN)  
Let's go.

TONY (GRABBING DANS ARM)  
Come on.

MEI AND KUNKUN  
Drago, Drago!

They are trapped. Their eyes flare with madness. Tony runs after Mei and grabs her around the neck, but Mei throws him off like he was a small child trying to play piggyback. Kunkun jumps at Red, screaming, and hissing. Red blocks her left leg, then parries her fist, then leans back as the head and fangs struck at her. Dan watches as Red stabs at her with the hairpin that leaves a deep cut on her arm.

The Mongolian let out a high-pitched wail. Mei yelled ferociously in Mongolian, slams Tony against the wall, and hit Dan in the face. Mei flees down the tunnel to the left, cursing

MEI  
(SCREAMING)  
Drago!!

Kunkun hits Dan, knocking him back again with a huff. She avoids Red's kicks, jumps at her, and knocks Red off her feet. Dan rips open the bag and finds a silver cross, rosaries, and garlic.

KUNKUN  
(SCREAM)  
Mei!

Kunkun's scream bounced down the tunnel toward her sister.

Mei suddenly jumps into the room, kicking Tony in his lower back. She got up and runs headfirst at Red, who pushes her to the side like a child.

Now enters Drago, his eyes red and glowing with power. He pushes Dan aside, his fist flying into Tony's shoulder. Red stand in front of him.

Marie is behind on the ground, alive, hands tied.

Drago lunges at Red, a blur of flesh. Red barely dodges his blows. Red's body moved like liquid as she jumps, skips, and hops backward. She is suddenly behind Drago.

Red's hands are empty. Dan sees a fearful look cross her eyes.

Drago grabs a pole and throws it at her with such force that it smashes into the wall, shattering fragments around the room and sticking out of the wall. Red's chest rises and falls quickly as she tries to catch her breath.

Red gives a helpless glance toward Dan.

RED

Dan, Help me!

Dan lunges, stabs Drago in the back with a metal construction rod. Drago screams and he turns toward Dan and drops Red to the ground.

DRAGO

Damn you, lawyers. You all should die.

DAN

You first, you Degula, blood-sucking leech!

Dan's words shock him for a moment. He walks over to Dan and Tony, changing form as he did. The room is suddenly lit up with a dark red glow, as Drago's eyes transformed. His arms began to crack and morph, growing out into large bat-like wings. His clothes shred into rags.

DAN (TREMBLED) (CONT'D)

Oh my God!

He pulls out garlic cloves, stuffs them in his mouth, and spits them out at the monster. Drago's face paled in shock but soon was followed by a twisted look of anger. His right arm smacks Dan across the floor. Now the creature went after Dan, his red eyes glowing with glee. From behind, Tony kicks Drago's knee.

With a cat-like scream, Mei runs at Tony, striking him in the ribs. Drago leaps to the ceiling, clinging there like a bat, then jumps down on Tony, yelling.

Tony crashes onto the floor, as the creature stomps on his chest. Red leaps to help him, but Kunkun slaps her back, and Mei struck at Dan. Drago's heavy foot stomps again and crushes Tony's skull, killing him instantly.

DAN (SCREAMED) (CONT'D)

No!

Mei smacks Dan across the face, knocking him down again.

Red pulls a silver cross and jumps in front of the monster, her eyes narrow with determination.

Dan holds out his rosary, praying under his breath as he did. A low hiss comes from Drago's mouth as he moves back with jerky movements. The twins hover to his left, their eyes darting to the cross and rosary with skittish movements.

DRAGO

Dan, you are a traitor. I will come after you and your kindred. You are my enemy forever.

Dan hold the cross and garlic, his eyes boring into the three monsters before him. Drago hisses, furious. He grabs Marie and turns. Red suddenly pulls her silver hairpin dagger and makes a noose with the belt.

RED (IN RUSSIAN)

I will kill you and feed you to the rats.

Drago screams and lunges at her. Red moves, cutting the monster's arm, and slicing the tendons. She faces Drago down with a glare.

RED (CONT'D)

Demon, come and die!

They hear a large group of people behind them, lights getting brighter and brighter. Drago reaches into his belt and pulls out a device. He squeezes it, an earth-rattling boom fills the room. He pulls Marie with him and flees.

The wall on the far side crumbles, spewing dust into the air. Red stabs his side with the silver dagger. Drago gives a deafening scream and runs down the tunnel with Marie.

Dan and Red chase after him. The tunnels start to tremor, a low rumble shaking the walls. Dan's fingers grab Red and pull her backward. Rubble crashes to the ground where she had stood just moments before.

RED (CONT'D)

Hell!

Rocks far too heavy to lift now blocked the pathway. Drago escapes with Marie.

DAN

Marie!!

Coughs racked both of their bodies as dust got in their lungs. They return and see Tony lying dead.

Soldiers from the People's Liberation Army burst into the room with flashlights and weapons drawn.

RED (ORDERED SOLDIERS)  
There... down the tunnel, here.

Then five US Marines enter with Mike. They find Tony's body, crushed.

MIKE (TO DAN)  
What the hell. Where is Marie?

DAN  
Kidnapped. If you only knew.

MIKE  
My God!

DAN (LOOKED AROUND)  
Red, where are you?

The Chinese soldiers put in place three guards, and the rest left. Red was gone.

DAN (CONT'D)  
Red, Red, Red!

Dan continues to search for Red, who was gone. Mike is in the corner, and four Marines were putting Tony in a bag. Three Chinese soldiers stood guard.

112 INT. EXIT OF TUNNEL - NIGHT 112

Dan sees the ambassador in the side room with Mike. He enters. The Ambassador grabs a knife and runs toward Dan.

GUNNY  
Ambassador! No!

Two Marines stepped in, saving Dan's life.

113 INT. GARAGE - NIGHT 113

The four men drive into the garage at 2 am. Show the Weston sign

The guard was away, counting his million RMB in cash.

GUARD  
The hotel had been inspected three times as and that is what came in with the secured truck.

The Weston Hotel at northeast third ring road is the location of the ceremony of the Presidents of China and the USA in a week. There, a great economic treaty would be signed as well as massive cooperation between the two countries. The stock markets of the countries were up 50 percent with the prospects.

Security is very tight and only a special military unit could enter the area. The air conditioning unit was sabotaged and needs to be replaced.

LEADER

Come over here.

The leader opens the truck door and as the lift pulls down the device, announces.

LACKEY

The door is open

The bomb is placed at the bottom level next to the elevator shafts and central support of the hotel.

LACKEY (CONT'D)

Set the trigger

The man slipped

LACKEY (CONT'D)

Damn, you. This thing will destroy five buildings, and vaporize us

He pulls the technician back, set the switches to explode at Friday at 10pm

114 INT RESTAURANT - DAY

114

On the television and interview with Drago

DRAGO

We will get to the bottom of this.  
My heart goes out to the  
Ambassador. We will help to find  
the guilty parties.

Drago meets the ambassador and is as charming as any distinguished businessman could be.

115 INT. NEW HOTEL ROOM - DAY

115

Dan is stunned. Dan looks at the photos from his venture and settles in on the photos from the first trip in the tunnel.

He scrolls through the photos in the tunnel. A faint image of the gold and the tunnels meets his eyes. Then Dan sees the photo when he had reached up over the casket. As the photo came on the screen,

DAN (SCREAMS)  
OH MY GOD!

116 INT. MIKES HOME - NIGHT 116

Mike Opens the door and sees Dan.

MIKE  
Quick come in. If they see me with you, all hell will break loose.

DAN  
Need your help

Dan rushes in.

MIKE  
Dan, we are wondering what the hell is going on there with the stock market. Dan, your company is involved in this.

117 EXT. WATCHING TV SCREEN - DAY 117

News hit.

REPORTER  
China has outlawed most of their stocks and the stock market has plummeted creating a financial collapse worldwide.

MIKE  
The Chinese companies took the guidelines of what happened to Enron, and they did the same thing except in reverse. With Enron, the main company had put some fake paper to the side, and they put bad debt into the fake company. Chinese companies affiliated with these wall street firms did the opposite. The real company is in China and the listed company is in the USA listed as a Variable Interest Entity.

(MORE)

MIKE (CONT'D)

So, the listed company has nothing of the real company and only has a simple paper contract that has no assets at all.

DAN

The only thing of value is a simple piece of paper. The company has no dividends, and it has no real company.

MIKE

The Supreme Court in China outlawed these and simply marked the companies to the real value based on the paper contract and these one hundred plus companies are now worthless. Over ten trillion dollars in assets are gone.

DAN

My God. Yes, major meltdown and the investors are screwed. This dropped the markets around the world about five percent as it wiped out some liquidity and created a major disruption.

Mike's phone rings. The Ambassador's face comes up on the screen. Mike turns away so the camera cannot show Dan

AMBASSADOR (YELLING)

Where is he? Find him now. What is going on!

MIKE

We hear some rumblings. We are calling off the President's trip.

AMBASSADOR

No, he insists on coming and cannot call off. He will lose face.

MIKE

The President can reschedule.

AMBASSADOR

No, now is the time. The trade war and security issues. Damn, find out what is going on here, what does that message mean. It haunts me

118 INT. BEDROOM, DAN DREAMS - NIGHT 118  
 Mike gives Dan a place to sleep. Dan dreams of a fight in old Beijing.

119 INT. DAN DREAMS FORBIDDEN CITY - DAY 119  
 He is in the Emperors Palace, fighting with Red against Drago and the Eunuchs. He sees Red throw, then a net thrown on her. The Drago jumps in, He rushes and yells. He is hit, and is knocked down.

He is thrown in the well and sees darkness, and is crippled, cannot move. Red comes in the well and they drift off to another world and escape this world.

120 INT. RED PLACE - NIGHT 120  
 Red is looking for Dan through data, satellites

121 INT. MIKES HOUSE - NIGHT 121  
 Using Mike's phone, Dan calls back and the boss says

NOTRON

Dan, what is going on with you. We got a report from the embassy, very troubling.

DAN

Sorry, I have been not well and now on and will do it soon

NOTRON

We must get those docs and transfer and transmission from Drago. Dan very troubling

122 INT. LAIR - NIGHT 122

LACKEY

Drago, we operated on the girl and took one of her kidneys.

In the background is Marie, crying and in pain.

DRAGO

Did you sedate her?

LACKEY

Yes, but she is still in pain.

DRAGO

Good, let her suffer, take a photo of the girl and send to me. Bring the kidney on ice. I have dinner with the Ambassador tomorrow.

123

INT. RESTAURANT - NIGHT

123

DRAGO

O yes ambassador, yes, we think we can find your daughter. Here is a great dish, we have kidney, sautéed from one of our finest cattle.

AMBASSADOR (NOT LISTENING, FATIGUED)

Where is she? Is she alive?

DRAGO (IGNORING THE AMBASSADOR)

We slaughter only one per year and take all resources and time imaginable to make sure the cattle are well fed and cared for.

AMBASSADOR (CRYING)

My daughter.

DRAGO (LOOKS UP)

Well, you can see she is not happy, but she is still alive, and we think we can find the location. You can see here, the timestamp on the photo is yesterday. You will like this kidney. Unique taste.

AMBASSADOR (PLEADING)

Please before Friday, we have the presidents at the Weston.

He eats part of his daughter's kidney.

AMBASSADOR (CONT'D)

This tastes very new. Never imagine a taste like this.

DRAGO (SMILING)

Yes sir, I guarantee you will be excited to see Friday. Yes, your kidney there is one of a kind.

124 INT. OFFICE - DAY

124

PLA OFFICER

We are missing a major bomb and  
need your help

MIKE

Sure, we will help.

PLA OFFICER

Use your sensors, this bomb can  
wipe out five city blocks, we are  
concerned about the visit.

MIKE

Yes

125 INT. PENTHOUSE - NIGHT

125

LACKEY

The air conditioner is fixed.

DRAGO

Set for when?

LACKEY

Friday at 10 pm Beijing time. Right  
after the markets open in New York.

DRAGO (LEANS BACK AND SMILES)

Good work. Call the board. Come  
over Friday and we will celebrate  
the New World Order.

126 INT. ROOM - NIGHT

126

PROFESSOR

I loved you.

RED

Well, you were the Emperor could  
have anyone.

PROFESSOR

No, No, it's real. Zhenfei, you  
were the one, the only

RED

That's old history and has no  
meaning now

PROFESSOR

I mention it to let you know.

He moves to Red

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)

You represent all of China, all the ancestors of every person in china, all Chinese no matter where they live. Ancestors all call out to you, and only you can save us.

RED

No, I cannot

She looks down.

PROFESSOR

Dan, he is your good Friend. I met him here a few weeks ago

RED

He is gone.

PROFESSOR

Red, Dan is with the Vampires. You must go get him.

RED

I can't do it.

PROFESSOR

Red you have the power.

RED

We need you. Help me. We can do together

PROFESSOR

No, Red, this is only you that can do it.

She sits there stunned.

RED

How could I take on the world and it will end in?

PROFESSOR

Do you remember you rode through the chaos, when the country was failing and we had the rebellion, and the demons stirring trouble and you made peace with the foreigners?

RED

Yes

PROFESSOR

I know, they told me you rode through them, and they loved you

RED

I didn't know this.

PROFESSOR

Yes, you taught the children, stirred the wives to love Chinese staff, and everyone loved you. My aunt was so jealous of you.

Red looks up

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)

You made her blood boil.

RED (CHUCKLED)

Oh yes, I was young then

He sits next to her, and holds her shoulder

PROFESSOR

After that, we made peace with the foreigners but still, we had internal evil and bureaucrats who turned on their people and only cared for their selfish interests. All those evildoers are dead now, except that evil has grown

RED

Yes,

PROFESSOR

My Auntie was not that bad. She meant well.

RED

She was evil and attacked me and they threw me in the well and killed me.

PROFESSOR

Don't hold a grudge for 125 years. Well, you weren't killed forever, it was needed at that time

RED

Oh, nonsense.

PROFESSOR

Red, you are bitter about the past. You are better than that. Auntie was a woman of the time and place of who she was, and she did nothing strange given her situation. Forgive her. It is over. Here we are now, with that evil that tricked her.

Red looks down - and then up.

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)

No, you are grown now. Back then you were very young. Trust your power.

She hugs him.

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)

Come here and let me. Here, accept this and win this ordeal and drive the evil away. Release me from this world. My time is done.

He puts his hand to her face and starts to transfer energy

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)

You go get your man and save China from the new evil forces.

He places his palm down and pushes the air around and the glow.

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)

Come and let me see your Palm

He touches and pushes and says push back. And they push against each other and the energy is balanced. Red's face is fixed and closed eyes.

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)

Red, you are the one, and this is it.

The wind whips around her and she lifts off the ground with outstretched arms, the glow, silk hair, and gleam in the eyes, and flashes. The Emperor, raises hands more and Red lifts a whirlwind, and he pushes more energy to her. Red comes down and stomps on the earth, and shook the building. Red raises her head, and eyes, fixed and total confidence.

The Emperor falls to his hands and knees and looks up. Now he is barren, and near-death, wrinkled lost much weight and weak. Red stands, lifts him and brings him to the room and lays him. Red caresses him and kisses his forehead.

RED

My dear, we will do this.

He looks up, near death. She kisses his forehead, and he lays back.

PROFESSOR

Red, only you.

RED wept. She knelt and prayed. Red felt the Earth shake slightly.

Red grabs her weapons and placed them on her body and prepare. She calls for help and the eagles come.

127 INT. EMBASSY - NIGHT

127

MIKE

This financial model says the transfer of half the wealth into your organization.

We have elevated traffic that something is going to happen, the derivatives and options markets are all over the place and AI systems point to trouble.

EMBASSY MESSAGE

Bombs missing and they think this will be at a rail station and there is a diversion to get all the people away.

128 EXT. ROAD - NIGHT

128

Dan escapes and is on the run. He is captured by Red and taken to a safe area.

129 INT. RED PLACE - NIGHT

129

RED

They will kill you and there is a big financial crime between them and Drago.

(MORE)

RED (CONT'D)

Can you remember in the Forbidden City have you ever had any memories or dreams of a Prince and a young girl, or anything of that sort?

DAN

I dreamed of old Beijing and you and I. And North and running and riding with you.

Red brings out a silk scarf, she shows some photos of the city.

RED

Do you know this person, can you remember anything?

DAN

Yes, that one.

RED

What do you remember from your childhood?

DAN

No memories, I don't remember because of a terrible accident.

130 INT. PHONE CONNECTION, VIDEO - NIGHT

130

NOTRON

Dan, we hear you are in a lot of trouble. What did you do?

DAN

Nothing, I am being framed.

NOTRON

Look, Dan, you still have a job to do and we will get you out of there. Dan, you made a mess of things, but the deal is still on and just get to Drago, he will get all the paperwork signed, have new documents for you and get you over the border. He has a private jet and will get you out of the country.

DAN

Thank you

NOTRON

Where are you now? What is that painting in the background? We cannot track your GPS or anything. You need to go to the Global Oil and Finance Tower, Lobby X and the penthouse.

Dan escapes and flags a taxi.

131 INT- REDS OFFICE - NIGHT

131

RED

Let him go and see where he goes. Get our people on this, and we will arrive in due course.

132 EXT. GLOBAL TOWER - NIGHT

132

Dan arrives at the South Entrance of Global Tower. Two men, about six-foot-tall, Chinese large cheekbones, stone-cold eyes come from behind and stand there, and the doors open, and two more men are dressed in black and step out and grab Dan, the two men behind push him forward.

DRAGO

Welcome, my friend, we have been expecting you. Our friends in New York have said you need some help to leave.

DAN

Thank you,

To the right he saw Marie's scarf. Dan stepped to the room.

DRAGO

Dan come and talk to your firm. They are quite interested in what you have been doing and I do have the papers where to sign and we will get on our way. We have a small airfield and have a helicopter upstairs.

DAN

Yes, give me Marie.

They bring Marie out and she is half dead with large cuts on her body. She has lost a lot of blood and is been food for the vampires.

DRAGO

Dan, I am disappointed in you a bit, and it seems you have been trying to trick me.

Now three men enter the room and the front door is locked. He is frisked for phones and chips and such.

Dan has a homing chip embedded by Mike and they find this.

DRAGO (CONT'D)

'Not yet. Just the chip'

He cuts it out, and they put it on a plate, give it to the lovely girl and she walks funny.

NOTRON

Men on the screen are pushing for the signature to the documents.

DRAGO

Certainly, my friends, this is already signed, and we will send you the transmission over the right way. Signatures are a formality.

NOTRON

Let's tidy this up.

DRAGO

Oh, Dan, you know too much.

NOTRON

Yes, Drago, we agree.

They turn to Dan.

NOTRON (CONT'D)

You should have played in your league. You think you can play at this level and do business at this level. Drago, we have the wires and authorizations and we are putting the trades in line for you. Your options are in play and activated, and we should see action

They turn off the screen

DRAGO

Yes, I remember you. You were the man, friend of the Emperor's wife, that foolishly tried to keep China in the Dark Ages, he struck Dan in the skull.

QUICK FLASHBACK: Dan remembers the time, and he drifts to semi coma, and dreams of the day in the Palace where he tried to save Red, and he was attacked by twenty eunuchs and DRAGO himself.

DRAGO (CONT'D)

Yes, we will have the action in hand shortly. The bombs will wipe out the Vice President and start havoc in a few hours.

DAN (SHOCKED)

What havoc?

DRAGO

Dan, you and Marie are going nowhere. She is delicious and you are dangerous.

They kept the discussions while Dan was bound.

NOTRON

Drago, we expect the stock markets to collapse tomorrow, and bond markets will collapse. The USA and Euro Currencies, China, will drop and break the bank. Options will be worth trillions, and enough to break all rules of the financial system. No less than half the wealth of the world will be transferred with these derivatives collapsing.

DRAGO

Dan, you failed your mission. What are we going to do with you? Why do you question our motives?

Vampires sit on the wall and climb the walls like a lizard.

Dan is stabbed in the side and collapses.

NOTRON (SMILING)

Yes, my dear friend, you lose  
everything. Drago, exterminate him

Dan is on his knees and DRAGO bites into his neck and back. One other takes him and throw on the table and they tie him down with ropes. They eat flesh from his back, cut into his face and start to devour him. Dan screams.

REPORTER

We don't know who this is, and all  
things point to the major player in  
the market and betting that the  
whole market will collapse.

She stood. A sparrow came to her shoulder and eagle landed at her side. Red pulls out equipment and prepared.

134 EXT. ROOFTOP - NIGHT

134

Red arrives on the roof. Two eagles enter, land and stand firm there. They are ten feet when wings spread, and regal.

She lays out the equipment, puts her hair up into a ball and pins into them, grabs wires and rope and then gets her silk clothes and she puts that on and wraps it and then throws the various ropes into the air and twirls.

RED (TO SELF)

Red, ok, no more time this is it.

She throws a line out. Red connects to the with hooks and the eagles bring them into the air. They drop from there and throw the explosives against the windows blowing them open and Red follows into the room. The place is quiet at first and now a vampire comes to attack and she slices it with the sword.

135 INT. PENTHOUSE - NIGHT

135

Red throws light into the room and makes them shiver and run away. They grab Dan and pull him off.

Red fights off the vampires that are devouring Dan and kills one outright with a silver stake through his entire body, and she throws items at the others and they scamper away,

Eagles fly in and take out the vampires that are lurking on the walls, and help Red to survive and Man will be fighting like mad, and even with the Drago at full strength

136 INT. CORNER OF PENTHOUSE - NIGHT 136

She has fought them off and comes to Dan who is near Dead. Now she pulls out from her side some medicine and puts acupuncture in selected spots. Red stops the bleeding from his arm and neck.

She bounds him, and then she is attacked by two vampires which she kills. Red cuts herself in the arm and bleeds onto Dan, and he closes his worst wound almost immediately. She puts pressure on his head, where they cut out the eye.

137 INT. PENTHOUSE - NIGHT 137

Drago enters. Red calls for the eagles which attack Drago and rip flesh off his face and back. Red stabs and impales two more vampires and cuts their heads off.

Birds carry Dan out the open glass and below.

138 EXT. SKY - NIGHT 138

Fireworks go off nearby.

139 EXT. STREETSIDE BEIJING - NIGHT 139

Below, she arrives and gives Dan more qi. Red sings to Dan and cuts her arm again, and puts blood to cure his wounds.

Flashback: to their time in the forbidden city,

RED

Dear. Wake.

DAN

We must stop the bomb, at the  
Weston

RED

Degula is exposed, if I don't  
finish him, he will return in  
another form and ever more  
powerful. Dan, I must go,

Gives more medicine and cuts again. Red sings and Dan remembers everything now.

RED (CONT'D)

Dan, you must go. The eagles will  
take you.

(MORE)

RED (CONT'D)

When you get there, throw this on the ground and the police will help you.

She pulls out a bag and gives to Dan.

RED (CONT'D)

I must get him before he flies away.

Red leaves.

140 EXT WESTON HOTEL NIGHT 140

Dan flies off carried by Eagles across the city.

141 EXT NIGHT SKY NIGHT 141

RED fights Drago among the fireworks.

142 EXT WESTON HOTEL NIGHT 142

Dan lands on a car, and throws the powder lighting up the area.

MIKE

Drop weapons! Don't Shoot!

Dan takes people to diffuse the bombs under the hotel.

143 EXT. RED CARRIED BY EAGLES TO TIANANMEN. NIGHT 143

Red lands and walks to Mao's mausoleum. Drago watches from his perch above the Great Hall of the People

RED

I am here to see the Chairman.

The guards look at each other. Red raises her hand and they allowed her in. Inside, Mao's body is gone and the crypt is opens to a dark room below.

Drago comes behind her and attacks immediately. Red thrusts energy and stuns Drago who jumps into the opening to below. Red follows.

Red chases Drago to the treasure room.

144 INT. TREASURE ROOM NIGHT 144

DRAGO

You die

Red pushes energy and from behind a spear thrusts through Drago. Drago falls. Forward steps Mao Zedong.

MAO

Well, that is a truly bad man.

RED

You must leave

MAO

Yes I want to go home

RED

Me too.

145 EXT. LARGE TV SCREENS AROUND THE WORLD NIGHT 145

NEWS STORY

Major bankruptcy in the world financial system as three major firms and several brokerages that had placed massive bets on the world markets to fall have now gone belly up. Here is our reporter in Shanghai

REPORTER

Major firms here are wiped out and the Government stepped in with some financial guarantees to stabilize the markets. And the options and such will be worthless and will collapse the economic fortunes that turned against the evil people in NY. The value of the cryptographies has taken a hit and people are wipe out.

146 EXT. LAKESIDE - DAY 146

Red rides on a horse in silks. She meets Dan in her childhood home at the lake and the same willow tree in the beginning of the story. Sitting under the tree, Red put her head on Dan's shoulder.

RED

Nice to have you back

DAN  
Yea, it's been a journey, hasn't  
it?

RED  
Yea, like yesterday.

DAN  
Hey, I found Mao Zedong in the  
tunnels when I was lost in the  
tunnels.

Red squeezes his nose.

RED  
Yea, I knew that when I saw you in  
the police station.

Red kisses him, puts her head on his chest and relaxes. They  
both fall asleep.

147 INT. USA AMBASSADORS HOME, SECOND FLOOR - NIGHT

147

Marie is in bed. The Ambassador enters.

AMBASSADOR (CRYING)  
Marie, welcome home

She grabs his neck, bites and rips his throat out