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Zoe

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EXT.ALLEY.NIGHT

Quick montage of a man running away from something.

This is followed up by a brutal kill and brief showing of a mangled body.

INT.BAR TABLE.AFTERNOON

CHLOE collects a few glasses from a table and carries them back to the bar. After putting them on the corner of the bar she turns around and walks over to collect more glasses.

Chloe walks up to table with LEN,DANIEL,WILL and JACK sitting on it and takes a few of their empties.

CHLOE
Shall I start doing the next round.

The lads murmer a response of being all good/not needing anything.

CHLOE (cont'd)
Well give me a shout if you need anything.

She smiles at LEN then turns and walks back to the bar.

DANIEL
She seems friendly

JACK
Ha, that's because someone... is taking her out tomorrow night.

WILL looks from Jack to the other lads confused then looking toward LEN it dawned on him

WILL
You were gonna tell us when ?!

LEN
Urm probably never.

WILL
O.K so Len is gonna piss of the new girl in record time

DANIEL
I give it a day.

LEN
bit harsh.

DANIEL
don't get me wrong we enjoy you but
you do tend to get on girls bad
sides. Usually cause you're an ass.

LEN
Alright alright, I will be on my best
behavior.

JACK
Good can we move on, felt like a
bloody support group for a minute
there.

DANIEL
Aye, we can always talk about Will
striking out again last night.

Turning to face WILL.

WILL
Jog on assholes.

DANIEL, LEN and JACK start laughing and continued to poke
fun at WILL.

INT.BAR ACTUAL BAR.AFTERNOON

CHLOE is at the bar putting glasses away slowly. She looks
up and notices Zoe standing at the bar.

CHLOE
Hi, sorry I'm still figuring out
where everything goes. What can I get
you.

ZOE
It's ok. Can I just get a glass of
red wine.

CHLOE
Yeah sure, would you like a small,
medium or large

ZOE
Medium, thank you.

Chloe starts to prepare the drink.

ZOE (cont'd)

Your new?

CHLOE

Yeah, just started a week ago.

ZOE

Do you like it here?

CHLOE

Yeah it's nice, its like a little family here all the customers and staff are all close. It's kinda scary to come into as a newbie

Chloe, passes the finished drink to ZOE.

ZOE

Thank you and don't worry, everyone feels nervous in a new job. Give it time.

CHLOE

Thanks, I didn't catch your name

LEN looking around the bar notices CHLOE standing at the bar chatting to a girl. ZOE turns to go with her drink and makes direct eye contact with him.

The room goes dark as we see Zoe slowly pull down her scarf to show off her face. Her lips slowly move. Whispering

ZOE

Do you think I'm beautiful.

Len shocked stands up and knocked the table with the drinks on.

WILL

Oh come on what the hell

DANIEL

Haha, you prat.

LEN not paying attention has lost sight of the girl

JACK

Chloe can we get some towels or something over here (shouting)

DANIEL

Oi dickhead, what planet you on

A regular at the bar (ANDREW) playfully hits Len on the head and shouts over to his friends.

ANDREW
Len's wasting beer again lads

Andrews mates jeer and laugh at Len in response to Andrew's comment

As Andrew walks off we cut to that same brief image of Andrew

LEN
Sorry lads I got the next round

Chloe comes over to the table to start helping with the clean up

DANIEL
You better its your fault. Best help
Chloe as well she shouldn't have to
clean up your mess

CHLOE
Ahh so it was you who caused this
then?

LEN
Ha, yeah sorry Chlo, don't worry
about this I've got it.

LEN offers out his hand for the cloth and CHLOE gives it to him.

LEN (cont'd)
Can we get the same drinks again
please?

CHLOE
Yea sure, just try to drink them this
time.

CHLOE leans in to LEN so that only he can hear

CHLOE (cont'd)
I hope your wont be this clumsy
tomorrow night, I have been looking
forward to it after all

CHLOE turns and heads off to the bar

JACK
Sooo what did she say

LEN
Nothing nothing.

DANIEL
Naw, hes blushing what are you 14.

JACK
Lets just ask Chloe I'm sure she
won't mind

The lads continues teasing LEN while he cleans.

FADE TO BLACK

INT.HOUSE.EVENING

LEN is ironing a shirt in his living room and listening to
some music. His phone rings stopping the music

LEN sighing picks up the phone

LEN
Hey jack whats up.

Len's face drops as the fone call continues

FADE TO BLACK

INT.BAR.EVENING

A gloomy atmosphere is in the bar, with most if not all the
customers wearing black of some sort, shifting focus over to
the lads table again it is far more sedate atmosphere as
they nurse their drinks.

DANIEL
Did you hear apparently Zeke is
missing at the moment

JACK
Shit, do you think he was involved
with what happened to Andrew

WILL
They were good mates and drank here
all the time so .. no.

JACK
Well then there is one person missing
and one dead from the same bar
something is up with that.

WILL

Zeke always goes "missing" people have just forgotten he has a "office assistant" in London he goes to work with. No one spreads it around cause his missus drinks here as well!

JACK

Yeah I suppose

WILL

Exactly so can we stop chatting shit. What happened was shit don't make it worse with stupid gossip!

The Lads all go quiet. Will Calming down.

WILL (cont'd)

Len, how did the date go the other day

Len looks a little weirded out by the change in conversation.

LEN

Ah, we didn't go out in the end she was pretty shook up about the whole Andrew thing.

JACK

She doing alright now?

LEN

I dunno haven't really spoken since them

Jack sighs

JACK

You idiot, I know your not the most touchy feely lad out there but you could at least see if she was ok.

LEN

Yeah .. alright

LEN stands up and is about to head up to the bar

DANIEL

Len, incase you need an excuse as to why you were going up to the bar why dont you get a round of whiskeys in

DANIEL smiles and gives LEN a thumbs up, LEN returns the gesture with a middle finger then walks up to the bar.

INT.BAR.EVENING

LEN standing at the bar and waiting to be served. CHLOE and the Gaffer are behind the bar serving a few other customers.

CHLOE comes down to the end of the bar to serve LEN

CHLOE
Hey, what you drinking

LEN
Four whiskeys please Chlo.

CHLOE
Any particular one and singles or doubles.

LEN
Do you really have to ask

CHLOE has her back turned while she is pouring the drinks

CHLOE
One day your gonna change it up a little

CHLOE turns around and puts the drinks on the bar.

CHLOE (cont'd)
So shall I stick these on your tab.

LEN
Na, Dan is getting this round so stick it on his.

CHLOE
Yeah no problem, so how you doing

LEN
Ha, that's what I came over to ask you. I'm alright, what about you.

CHLOE
Yeah I'm fine, just keeping busy. I didn't really know him that well so not much to be upset about.

LEN

Yeah... Sorry I haven't messaged
since last week. Honestly I just had
no idea what to say.

Pause for a moment

CHLOE

Don't be silly its not like we are
dating or anything you don't have to
apologise

LEN

Yeah but still. As long as your ok
thats the main thing.

CHLOE laughs

CHLOE

Well thank you I'm ok

Customer callong for service

CHLOE

Best sort this out, if your free
tomorrow maybe we can try dinner
again if your free

LEN

Yeah definitely

CHLOE heads over to the other customer.

LEN picks up his drinks and heads back to his table on the
way he see's ZOE out the corner of his eye. Turning around
she is no longer there.

Dazed he gets back to the table as JACK and DANIEL are
talking in disbelief.

JACK

You are never gonna guess what just
happened

LEN

In a sec I gotta go toilet

Jack calls after Len as he heads off.

INT.BATHROOM.EVENING

LEN walks into the bathroom to splash some water on his face. Looking at his reflection and breathing slowly. Turning around we see Zoe briefly with he wounds on display right in front of Len.

She disappears leaving him alone sweating and panicked

JACK (O.S.)
LEN.. you all good.

Jack comes into the bathroom

JACK
Mate you look like shit.

LEN
Yeah just been a long day.

JACK

LEN coming back to reality, he rubs his eyes and wipes his forehead

LEN
why'd you come out here then

JACK
Was just saying if you wanted to split a cab back, Will managed to pull while you were getting drinks so hes gone and Daniel left a second ago

LEN
WHAT?! Will pulled?! I was barely at the bar for a few minutes.

JACK
I dunno how he did it either we just saw him getting up to leave with her and to be honest he was punching above his weight as well she was stunning.

LEN
Well shit me.. yeah lets head after I finish me drinks

They start heading back

JACK

I'm feeling a cheeky kebab what about you.

LEN

Yeahhhh ok kebab then taxi home. good shout.

They open the door back to the bar and head in still talking about the kebab.

CUT TO BLACK AS
THE DOOR SLAMS

INT.BEDROOM.NIGHT

LEN is asleep in his room when he wakes up needing the bathroom he heads over to the door and opens it.

INT.BAR.NIGHT

Len confused as to where he is looks around in the dark for a moment before spotting a girl walking out of the bar, Len calls after her before following her.

INT.BAR HALLWAY.NIGHT

Walking into the corridor the girl leaves quickly at the other end. Len walks down the corridor then stops and picks up a jacket that was on the ground. The jacket and now lens hand is wet with blood after a moment len continues on jacket in hand with a little more urgency.

INT.HOUSE HALLWAY.NIGHT

Turning into a hallway Len continues to walk down it when the bathroom door slams closed. Len heads towards it and tries to open it. With more urgency his slams his body against it over and over till it finally opens.

INT.HOUSE BEDROOM.NIGHT

Len falls into a room, dazed he looks around. Spotting a body on the floor he gets up and heads over towards it. Slowly turning the body to see its face showing Will mangled and covered in blood. Len vision getting blurry falls over backwards and starts retching.

As his vision starts getting darker we see Zoe appears in front of him briefly before passing out.

INT.LIVING ROOM.AFTERNOON

LEN looking like a mess is slouched on the chair. CHLOE also in the room is sitting on the sofa with him.

Len rubs his eyes looking tired as he has just finished recounting his dream to Chloe

CHLOE
Of course your gonna have dreams like that he just died.

LEN
Your not listening I had this dream before I knew he had been killed.

CHLOE
That's just not possible.

LEN
It happened.

Chloe pauses and looks around the room now in disarray with rubbish everywhere

CHLOE
I know this is a hard time for you but you can't blame yourself just look your slowly killing yourself for things that aren't your fault.

LEN
I didn't ask for your opinion. You have no clue what your talking about.

CHLOE
So sitting here in the dark is the right thing to do.

LEN
I will do what I want.

Len starting to get annoyed

LEN (cont'd)
And don't sit there and preach to me about what to do. You have no idea whats going on or what I should do so just shut up.

Len turns likely away from Chloe

CHLOE
Well fine then clearly I am just
wasting my time here.

LEN
yeah probably for the best.

CHLOE gets up to head out she turns at the door briefly.

CHLOE
Your not the only one that's like
this you know. The world doesn't
revolve around you so the least you
could do is check on your friends

LEN finally turns to look her way and Zoe is standing next
to her.

LEN
Why are you still here.

CHLOE
Asshole.

Len turns away again to continue looking back at the wall
sighing.

Len muttering to himself

LEN
So stupid.

EXT.LEN'S HOUSE.AFTERNOON

Closing the front door behind her and pausing for a moment
at the door.

Turning around she heads over to the stairs just before
getting to the door she starts going through her bag looking
for her phone. As soon as she gets it she looks up to see
Zoe standing there.

CHLOE
Jesus, you scared me. What are you..

Zoe cuts off her speaking by stabbing her in the stomach.

Zoe pushes her back against the door and then lets her slide
down leaving blood along the door.

Zoe then crouches down in front of Chloe to finish her off.

CUT TO BLACK

INT.LIVING ROOM.EVENING

Muttering to himself, his head down until someone touches his hand. Tilting his head up slightly he see's ZOE.

LEN
(sigh) why won't you leave me alone.

No response. LEN more resigned puts his head against the wall.

LEN (cont'd)
You've been killing people.. to what
get back to me? I haven't done
anything wrong you were the one who
decided to ...

Cut off mid sentence.

ZOE
Do you think I'm beautiful?

Len stares at her as Zoe stands still and looks at him.

Zoe drops CHLOE's bag on the couch with blood on it.

LEN
Yes.

Zoe slowly removes her scarf showing the damage, LEN winces and looks away

ZOE
Do you think I'm beautiful.

Pause again Zoe leans in to him while he is turned away

ZOE (cont'd)
Do you think I'm beautiful

Len shaking a little turns to look at her properly.

LEN
No.

Zoe stands still looking at Len, then disappears from sight.

Len exhales slowly and begins to move off the couch, then arms grab him and pull him back violently.

One hand covers his mouth while another drives a knife into his chest.

Stabbing the chest over and over Len has a bit of blood coming out of his mouth.

After a good eight or nine stabs it stops.

Zoe appears on top of Len and pulls his head up to look at her. Len still clinging to life barely tries to speak but as the first sound escapes his mouth Zoe drives the knife through his chin and into his head.

CUT TO BLACK