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MAGNUM'S VOICE (CONT'D)

Bad guys: they're just like us -too lazy to invent new passcodes.

SIDE THE SAFE, REVEAL: a BOARDING PASS with a name on i (JUNIAN LAGRANGE) and several FAKE PASSPORTS.

MAGNUM

Nice to meet you, Julian.

EXT. MOTEL - INTERCUTTING

Julian has returned and is approaching I At the same time room. He spies Magnum through the blinds ...

BACK TO: Magnum. He photographs the documents, texts the pics to Higgins, and heads for the exit. But as the door opens --

CLICK. There's a gun in his face, and a pissed-off Julian on the other end of it (with the duffle bag in tow).

JULIAN

Hi. And you are?

Hands in the fir, Magnum freezes.

MAGNUM

Thomas Magnum, P.I. And much as love to stay and chat, I'm actuall due at a wedding.

JULIAN

(cracking a smile) I think you're gonna be late.

21 INT. BRIDAL SUITE - DAY (D2)

> KNOCK-KNOCK. Back at the chapel, Higgins enters a spacious, multi-room bridal suite. Serena is in her wedding dress.

START →

HIGGINS

Hey. They're almost ready for you.

SERENA

Thanks...

The vibe is still a little unfriendly.

HIGGINS

And since we got off on the wrong foot, I come bearing gifts...

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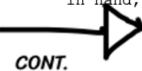
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In hand, she holds an expensive blue-bottled scotch whiskey.



HIGGINS (CONT'D)

Champagne's classic, but I thought you could use something stronger.

SERENA

(relaxing)

Can you tell I'm nervous? Must've re-read my vows ten times already.

HIGGINS

Well, you're in luck, because, in a reversal of roles, I actually nicked this from my partner. So it can be your 'something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue' -- all in one.

Serena smiles, appreciative, and downs a drink.

HIGGINS (CONT'D)

No sign of your ex, by the way. But I did have a few more questions...

SERENA

(suddenly wary)

Oh? Like what?

HIGGINS

You said you fled two years ago... but far as I can tell Kate Mulligan disappeared in 2010. What happened?

SERENA

(evasive, annoyed)

You're still looking into me? Why would you do that? Aiden and I are fine.

Higgins tries a different tack --

HIGGINS

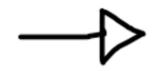
Serena, I know you have a past you'd sooner forget. But if your ex is as dangerous as you say, how can you be so sure he'll walk away?

(beat)

I'm trying to protect you...

SERENA

I don't need protection. I've handled it.



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ly definitive. Higgins takes note.

HIGGINS

You sure? According to my partner, he's still in town -- hasn't even checked out of the motel.

Fear flashes across Serena's face. She steadies her voice:

SERENA

Your partner's at the motel?

OFF Higgins, tipping to the sudden chill in the room...

22 INT. MOTEL - ROOM - SAME (D2) 22

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Magnum and Julian. Julian checks Magnum's ID and PI lig se, while holding the gun on him. As he tosses them back

MAGNUM

Look, I don't want trouble. Just had to make sure the bride's exwasn't crashing the ceremony.

JULIAN

(laughing)

ex?

MAGNUM

You're not?

JULIAN

Let's just orked together.

Oak, exactly? What line of

But Julian evades the question, suddenly preoccupied. He rubs his temples, starts to look a little clammy...

JULIAN

go. I have no interest in that sham of a wedding. Groom woldn't ither, if he knew what was for him.

MAGNUM

You think she's after his money?

JULIAN

I think he'll be lucky to live past the honeymoon. They'll find him dead of a heart attack, or a tragic accident. She's good that way.

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