

CARLY'S LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

(CARLY, DANTE)

DANTE IS WORKING FOR CARLY AS A BODYGUARD. HE'S CHARMING, FLIRTATIOJS, ARROGANT - AND HIDING MORE THAN ONE SECRET. HE AND CARLY HAVE SLEPT TOGETHER - AND DANTE KNOWS IT WAS A MISTAKE. CARLY HURRIES IN, HAPPY TO SEE HIM.

CARLY

Have you been waiting long?

DANTE

I'm paid to wait.

CARLY

It's still no fun. So I'll make it up to you. How do you feel about frozen pizza?

DANTE

Never given it a lot of thought.

CARLY

Don't be like that. I'm asking you to dinner.

DANTE

I'm paid to guard you. Not eat with you.

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"DANTE"

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CARLY

You weren't paid to sleep with
me either - but you managed.

DANTE

I already apologized.

CARLY

I don't want an apology.

DANTE

No, you want a repeat but it's
not going to happen.

CARLY

(SNAPS, HURT) What if I pay
extra?

DANTE CAN SEE HE'S HURT CARLY.
IT MAKES HIM ANGRY - AT HIMSELF
AND THE IMPOSSIBLE SITUATION.

DANTE

Why can't you let this go?

CARLY

Because I like you.

DANTE

My life is complicated. It's
got nothing to do with you -
it's about me.

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CARLY

You live alone, Dante. You
don't have any family. So how -
[complicated can your life
really be]

DANTE

(OVER) The only way I do my job
is by shutting down. Staying
objective. If I start to get
attached, I'm useless. So do us
both a favor and leave me the
hell alone. I'm not who you
want anyway. I'm a substitute
for the ex-husband you can't
have. Almost as crazy as Sonny.
Just not nearly as rich.

CARLY

You're not a substitute for
anyone. I want you for
yourself.

DANTE

You don't even know who I am.
ON DANTE, FADE TO BLACK.

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