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**MYSTERY ROAD – GENEVIEVE and JORGE scene – BACKPACKERS**

47 **EXT. BALLANTYNE CATTLE STATION - DAY** 47

GENEVIEVE has been crying. She’s sitting on the verandah outside the room she shares with ERIC. JORJE hovers near them.

**GENEVIEVE**

You can’t talk to us without a lawyer.

**JAY**

We just want to tell you what’s happening.

She looks, wary.

**EMMA**

Tyson is saying he found Eric with a kilo of pills on him. Combined with his previous arrest, it’s all over. He’s been refused bail this time. We’ve remanded him in custody and he’s being shipped to a detention centre before being extradited.

**GENEVIEVE**

(stunned) To Germany?

**EMMA**

Eventually. The legal process could take up to a year.

**GENEVIEVE**

He will be in gaol all that time?!

EMMA nods.

**GENEVIEVE**

Can I see him?

**JAY**

He leaves in an hour.

**GENEVIEVE**

It’s not fair. It’s a lie. He wasn’t selling pills.

**JORJE**

(warning)

Gen-

**JAY**

No.

She stares. He believes her?

**JAY**

He was selling ice. You all were.

JORJE is alarmed, but all GENEVIEVE can think about is her boyfriend.

**JAY**

So where did the pills come from?

**JORJE**

We don’t know-

**GENEVIEVE**

Tyson.

**JORJE**

Genevieve!

**GENEVIEVE**

What! Tyson is the one who should be in gaol.

**JAY**

Why?

GENEVIEVE is torn. She doesn’t want to implicate herself.

**JORJE**

We tell you, like it’s a made up story.

**EMMA**

Hypothetically.

**JORJE**

Yes. We not confess.

JAY nods. JORJE nods to GENEVIEVE.

**GENEVIEVE**

The drugs Marley and Reese had.

They stole from Tyson.

**EMMA**

Don’t be ridiculous-

JAY stops her with a look.

**JORJE**

(to Genevieve) See? They won’t believe. Better to say nothing. Otherwise they

come after us.

**JAY**

Who? Who comes after you?

Silence. JAY takes out his phone.

**JAY**

I can ring the station. Stop the transport. You can have two hours with Eric before he leaves. Sort out a plan.

But now JORJE is backing out.

**JORJE**

(urgent, to Genevieve) Genevieve - they’ll kill us.

**JAY**

We can protect you.

**JORJE**

Like Marley and Reese?

**JAY**

Do you know what happened to them?

BUT JORJE is saying no more.

**GENEVIEVE**

Two hours?

JAY nods.

**JORJE**

Genevieve - no!

**GENEVIEVE**

Tyson controls the drugs in this town. He sells them through the

pub. Through his security people.

And to dealers who meet him there.

EMMA is shocked.

**JAY**

What sort of dealers?

**GENEVIEVE**

Young women. Aboriginal. One comes with a pram.

It’s the proof she’s telling the truth. EMMA feels sick.

**JAY**

Where does he get them?

**GENEVIEVE**

I don’t know. Someone brings them to town.

**JAY**

So how did Reese get involved?

**GENEVIEVE**

(shrugs) All I know is Reese said he got a stash off Tyson.

**JORJE**

Reese was happy that he tricked him.

**JAY**

So how did you get it?

**GENEVIEVE**

Hypothetically?

JAY nods.

**GENEVIEVE**

When they went missing, Eric went to his room, found the small bag. We went to The Mission, found the stash.