

THE **DEATH** **FACTOR**

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INT. INDUSTRIAL BUILDING - DAY

AIDEN is engaged in hand-to-hand combat with a "BAD GUY". The "Bad guy" is getting some solid double taps in on Aiden. Aiden's phone begins to ring as the "Bad guy" throws another punch. Aiden grabs his hand stopping the punch then slams him down to the floor and pins him down to answer the call.

AIDEN, 27, Mercenary, Rugged, Serious

AIDEN

Now is not a good time GAGE.

CUT TO:

GAGE, 30's, business type

Gage is overlooking Los Angeles on his phone.

GAGE

(on phone, desperate)

They took her. They took Mary.

AIDEN

(on phone)

Who took her?

GAGE

(on phone)

Aiden, just listen, the last thing we need is you running through the streets creating a river of blood.

AIDEN

(on phone)

Tell me who did it and I'll just leave a puddle.

There's a knock on Gage's door.

GAGE

(on phone)

Let me...call you right back.

Gage hangs up.

CUT TO:

Aiden looks at the "Bad guy" as he is still pinned down. The "Bad guy" is turning purple.

AIDEN

Look, sorry. We're gonna have to cut this short.

BAD GUY

(barely breathing)
Fuck you man.

Aiden lets up on the "bad guy" and then the bad guy jumps up and pulls out a gun. Aiden immediately kicks it out of his hand.

AIDEN

I'm not that easy.

The "bad guy" charges Aiden. Aiden double taps him then grabs his arm twisting it. It snaps. Aiden swing kicks him as he falls to the ground. Aiden then stomps his face killing him instantly.

Aiden starts to head out.

INT. GAGE'S APARTMENT - LIVING ROOM - NIGHT

Gage gets up to answer the door but before he does he grabs a pistol and conceals it behind his back. He cautiously opens the door and peaks his head out. He looks side to side but no one is there. He then closes the door. He sets his pistol down near the door and grabs a bottle of whiskey and pours it into a glass. He sits down in his chair and smells the glass as he prepares to take the first sip.

Without warning the front door bursts open and three henchman enter and two of them pin Gage down. Gage's whiskey glass hits the floor. The third henchman, DRAKE, has a sadistic smirk on his face.

DRAKE

You really fucked up now didn't ya Gage.

GAGE

(pinned down)
What? Man! What the fuck are y'all talking about?

DRAKE

(to the other henchman)
Man, tie this motherfucker up.

The other henchman tie Gage to his chair so he can't move and then stand behind Drake.

Drake looks around the room.

DRAKE (CONT'D)

Now where are my motherfuckin manners? I see you're a whiskey guy. Here, let me pour you a drink.

Drake pours him a drink. He puts the glass against Gage's teeth.

DRAKE (CONT'D)

Go ahead. Open your mouth. Take a drink. This doesn't have to get ugly. That is unless you want it to. Do you want it to?

GAGE

No. Please. Please don't kill me.

DRAKE

Then open your fuckin mouth.

Gage swallows a gulp of whiskey. Drake looks at Gage's hands.

DRAKE (CONT'D)

You got pretty hands. Most snitches have pretty hands. No callus. No soul.

Drake pulls out a big crimping tool.

DRAKE (CONT'D)

You ever seen one these? It's amazing what a simple tool like this can do to a man. The beauty is it doesn't even break the skin but it gets the job done.

GAGE

Look man, I'm telling you I ain't no snitch. I swear. I really don't even know what's happening.

Drake grabs one of Gage's fingers with the crimping tool and breaks it.

DRAKE

You know why the fuck we're here. So stop lying.

Gage is screaming in a lot of pain.

GAGE

Look, I just know you took her.

DRAKE

Took who?

GAGE

Mary! But I swear I didn't say anything.

The henchmen look at each other making eye contact.

HENCHMAN #3

I think he's lying.

DRAKE

Who did you call on the phone before we got here?

GAGE

Nobody. I swear.

Drake takes the crimping tool and breaks another finger on Gage's hand. Gage screams again.

DRAKE

Man, your hand is starting to looked really fucked up now.

GAGE

Alright. Alright. Aiden. Aiden. It was Aiden. Please just stop.

DRAKE

See. If you would of said that in the first fuckin place I wouldn't have had to fuck up your pretty hand.

HENCHMAN #2

(shaking his hand in a joking gesture)

Haha. His hands aren't so pretty now.

DRAKE

Nor is his face.

Drake pulls out a gun and aims it at Gage shooting him in his face.

DRAKE (CONT'D)

Lesson number one boys, you always leave a calling card. Now let that Aiden motherfucker come to us.

EXT. BUILDING - NIGHT

Aiden walks out of the building onto the strip and walks to his car and gets inside.

EXT. FREEWAY - NIGHT

Aiden drives with the Los Angeles skyline in the foreground.

EXT. GAGE'S APARTMENT COMPLEX - NIGHT

Aiden carefully walks up to Gage's front door and knocks. The door is slightly ajar.

AIDEN

Gage? You in there?

Aiden takes a deep sigh and focuses to clear his mind. He pushes the door open. He sees signs that something isn't right. He cautiously steps inside.

He sees Gage's body in the living room with his eyes still wide open.

AIDEN (CONT'D)

Goddamn it Gage.

Aiden closes Gage's eyes with his fingers. Then he hears a creaking noise behind him. As he turns around Henchman #2 swings a bat at his head. Aiden falls down to the floor unconscious.

DRAKE

Good work. Now bag that piece of shit up and toss him in the trunk.

The henchmen put a sack over Aiden's head and tie him up.

DRAKE (CONT'D)

Now let's roll.

CUT TO:

INT. PARKING GARAGE - NIGHT

The bag is removed from Aiden's head. He sees his daughter tied up next to SCORPIO who is holding a gun.

Scorpio, 30's, main boss

Two henchmen stand behind Aiden as Drake stands next to Scorpio.

DAUGHTER

Daddy!

AIDEN

It's going to be ok baby!

SCORPIO

Finally, I get to meet the great and mysterious Aiden from the 557.

AIDEN

Give me back my daughter Scorpio!

Aiden struggles to get free from the rope.

SCORPIO

Oh, so you know who I am?

AIDEN

(spits out some blood)
You've been on my list. I knew it was just a matter of time.

SCORPIO

I assure you the feeling is quite mutual.

AIDEN

Give me back my daughter right now and I'll do you a favor and make your death less painful.

Aiden continues to wiggle his hands struggling to get free.

SCORPIO

Haha. You're very sure of yourself Mr. Aiden. And do you mean this daughter? This little bitch right here?

Scorpio points the gun at the Daughters head.

AIDEN

Don't you lay a hand on her!

SCORPIO

I need the drive Aiden.

AIDEN

Fuck you.

SCORPIO

Aiden, I need the drive. What an advantage it would be to have the locations, bank accounts, social security numbers of the world's most infamous spies and mercenaries.

AIDEN

Kiss my ass.

SCORPIO

OK then your wish is my command.

Scorpio pulls the trigger and executes Aiden's daughter.

SCORPIO (CONT'D)

You see. I didn't even touch her.

AIDEN

No! You motherfucker! I'm gonna kill you. I'm gonna kill all four of you.

SCORPIO

Sure you will. This ain't a fucking movie Aiden and now you know not to fuck with me. Now give me the fucking drive.

AIDEN

I'm not giving you shit except the biggest ass kicking you will ever have in your short filled life.

SCORPIO

Mr. Aiden, you might be good but I assure you, you couldn't even take out my weakest man.

DRAKE

Let me kill him boss.

Aiden dislocates his thumb and slides one hand out of the rope.

SCORPIO

Untie him. Let's see what you got.

Henchmen #2 leans down to untie him but realizes his hands aren't tied.

HENCHMAN #2

Hey boss...

Aiden leaps from his chair at Henchman #2 like a banshee. Aiden double taps Henchman #2 as he is caught off-guard. He goes down fairly easy. From behind Henchman #3 swings a punch at Aiden. Aiden turns around and swing kicks him in the face then does a double tap knocking him down. He then does a finishing move stomping his chest in.

SCORPIO

Wow. I'm impressed Mr. Aiden but no more playing around. Take him out.

DRAKE

My pleasure.

Drake takes off his jacket throwing it on the ground approaching Aiden. He pulls out a gun and aims it at Aiden. Aiden drop kicks it out of Drake's hand.

DRAKE (CONT'D)

Fine. We'll do this your way.

Drake and Aiden face off circling each other. Drake takes swing. Aiden dodges it and upper cuts him. Drake spits out some blood and swings again with a miss. Aiden kicks his face then double taps and drops him to the ground.

AIDEN

Now it's your turn.

SCORPIO

I'm going to enjoy this.

Scorpio rolls up his sleeves and gets in a fighting stance.

SCORPIO (CONT'D)

Even if you kill me you won't stop us.

AIDEN

This all ends now.

Aiden swings at Scorpio but misses. Scorpio counteracts the punch with double tap.

SCORPIO

You see you're weak Aiden. Your'e letting your anger get the best of you.

Aiden double taps Scorpio and follows through with a swing kick.

AIDEN

I don't think so.

Aiden does a double kick. Scorpio double taps back. Aiden throws multiple punches to Scorpio's face. Scorpio spits out some blood and tastes it looking at Aiden and then charges him. Scorpio comes at him like a freight train throwing kicks and punches. Aiden blocks as many hits as he can before he is able to counteract. He does a double tap followed by a lower sweep kick knocking Scorpio down. Aiden gets on top of him and begins to pulverize him. Scorpio looks up at Aiden in a daze.

SCORPIO
(barely breathing)
The battle is far from over.

Aiden delivers a death blow taking Scorpio out.

Aiden gets back on his feet and walks up to his daughter and picks her dead body up. He proceeds to walk away.