

CHARACTER: AYIKO

AGE:Mid 20s

4. INT. AYIKO'S APARTMENT- NIGHT- CONTINUOUS

Lottie walks into the apartment, her anger evident as she shuts the door forcefully and barges into her room without a word to Ayiko, who is surprised. Ayiko shouts to Lottie who is busy banging things around in her room

AYIKO

Babe! I was worried about you! I thought that crazy lunatic girl had kidnapped you

Lottie doesn't appear for a few moments, and then finally she opens the door and barges out and stands in front of Ayiko, eyes full of angry tears

AYIKO (CONT'D)

Uh...I take it your meeting didn't go well, eh?

LOTTIE

She is pregnant, Ayi! Can you believe it?

AYIKO

Binta is pregnant? Is that why you are...

LOTTIE

No, no: Kalifah's wife is pregnant, Ayi! Can you imagine? He...I went and got rid of mine and now *she* will...I cant believe this

Lottie growls and covers her face, giving into angry sobs as she plops on the sofa next to Ayiko. Ayiko rubs her back, comforting

AYIKO

Who told you this- Binta? And you still believe her?

Lottie looks up, makeup smeared, still angry

LOTTIE

I do, Ayi. I believe her in this one. He used me and threw me away and I let him!

AYIKO

Babe, please...take it easy

Lottie grits her teeth, more tears coming

LOTTIE

Take it easy how? How, Ayiko? And then he gets away with it? No..no! He has to feel pain...the pain I feel

AYIKO

What are you going to do: kill him?

Lottie lets out a harsh laugh

LOTTIE

Doesn't sound like a bad idea. Maybe Binta can arrange it...

Ayiko's countenance changes to one of suspicion

AYIKO

Babe, something doesn't sit right with me concerning that chick. Something is off. She is using you

LOTTIE

She told me that Kalifah and his two friends killed her father when she was young...a hit and run.

AYIKO

Wait...his two friends? Isn't she dating one of them?

LOTTIE

Both Dikko and Nuhu want her and she's playing them both...

AYIKO

Ah! Odikwa risky tinz!

Lottie wipes her eye, momentarily distracted from her rage

LOTTIE

Ayiko, you should have seen her face...her eyes...like she was possessed. She swore she would destroy them and she asked me to help...since Kalifah betrayed me

AYIKO

Shooo? Stay away from that woman,  
Lottie. She sounds like  
trouble...and dangerous too

LOTTIE

But what if what she said is true?

AYIKO

Even if it is, she is ready to take  
everybody down, Lottie. And trust  
me when it comes down to it, she  
will find a way to drag you too

LOTTIE

I...I must confess, Ayi, I told her  
I would help her. I did. I was so  
angry about Kalifah and so hurt...

AYIKO

Ah, better not involve yourself in  
any way, Lottie. Don't get dragged  
into her...revenge plans. If she  
managed to sneak into their lives  
like this trust me, she will  
destroy you

LOTTIE

...and Kalifah too

AYIKO

Lottie, be smart about this. Know  
when to back down and move on. This  
is not about him but you now.

LOTTIE

So...what do you suggest?

Ayiko appears to think

AYIKO

I think...truly Lottie, maybe it  
will be good for you just to give  
him a heads up about this Binta  
girl...just so it is clear you have  
nothing to do with whatever plans  
she has cooked up.

LOTTIE

Well in that case, I sent him a  
text just before I became all  
angry. I hope he will get it and  
call me back.

AYIKO

For his own good I hope he calls  
you back

LOTTIE

Maybe I should try calling him  
now...

Lottie is silent for a moment. Then she sighs, picks her  
phone then calls Kalifah

LOTTIE (CONT'D)

Hmmmm...mmmmhmmmm...

She puts her hand down and shrugs.

LOTTIE (CONT'D)

His number is unavailable.

LOTTIE (CONT'D)

Ehn! Then wait and call him tomorrow  
or better still still wait for him  
to call you.

LOTTIE (CONT'D)

But what if we are wasting precious  
time, and that crazy girl does  
something stupid this night?

LOTTIE (CONT'D)

Babe calm down, Kalifah is in far  
away Kowa its not like she can  
reach him there this night...she be  
winch?

LOTTIE (CONT'D)

Well I just feel we should warn  
someone.

AYIKO

Oya nah! Call any of his other two  
friends.

LOTTIE

(Springs up with a bit of  
relief)

You know that is not a bad Idea.  
Let me call Dikko.

She dials Dikko and he picks

DIKKO (V.O)

Eh hehn? Waye ke magana?

LOTTIE  
Dikko, it's Lottie

DIKKO  
Ohhh Lottie baby! How far? Kwana  
biyu fa?

LOTTIE  
Yes..yes. Listen, I need to get a  
message to...

There is noise in the background and Dikko speaking in rapid  
fire Hausa

DIKKO  
Lottie, I have to go now, sorry. I  
am in a meeting. I will call you  
back, okay?

He hangs up and Lottie is frustrated. She then sighs and  
dials another number

LOTTIE  
Dikko is busy. Looks like the only  
option is Nuhu

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