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EP87/SC2. INT. ST PHIL'S HOSPITAL. CORRIDOR/ SIDE ROOM. DAY. 08:30

[MUSIC OVER: PROPELLERHEADS.

A POISED ZARA MAKES HER WAY DOWN A CORRIDOR IN ICU AND NODS A GREETING TO A BORED ROB, WHO SITS ON A CHAIR GUARDING A DOOR WITH ANOTHER NSE POLICE OFFICER.

ZARA LOOKS THROUGH THE DOOR

REECE, UNCONSCIOUS IN BED, ATTACHED TO INTENSIVE CARE EQUIPMENT.

BY HIS SIDE, CARLENE, HOLDS HIS HAND, AND STARES AT EVERY ASSISTED BREATH HE TAKES.

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<u>EP87/SC4. INT. THE MILL HEALTH CENTRE. CORRIDOR/</u> <u>CONSULTING ROOM 1. DAY. 09:02</u>

[MUSIC OVER: PROPELLERHEADS.

CLOSE UP: A GLITTERY SIGN ABOVE THE DOOR OF CONSULTING ROOM ONE THE JUST TALK BOOTH

AL STARES AT IT OPEN-MOUTHED AS HE ENTERS ROOM

IT HAS BEEN TRANSFORMED INTO A CAMP GRAHAM NORTON-ESQUE BOOTH (USING FLATS) WITH A COLOURFUL CHAIR CENTRE-STAGE LIT BY BRIGHT LIGHTS.

AN NSE SOUND MAN SETS UP HIS EQUIPMENT, AS **TRISTAM KNIGHT (30'S)** THE DIRECTOR - LINES UP THE CAMERA. THEY ARE ENJOYING THE MUSIC PLAYING ON A STEREO.

AL IS GOBSMACKED. TRISTAM NOTICES HIM]

TRISTAM:

AL: What?

TRISTAM:

In the chair, there. The big red thing. So I can focus?

AL:

TRISTAM:

Oh, suit yourself then. Tell me you brought some shoes in though?

<u>AL:</u>

Shoes?

TRISTAM: Things you wear on your feet? <u>AL:</u> (BEMUSED) No.

TRISTAM: No? Are you lost?

[ON AL, PERPLEXED]

EP87/SC5. INT. ST PHIL'S HOSPITAL. SIDE ROOM/ CORRIDOR. DAY. 09:02

[ZARA AND CARLENE SIT IN SILENCE.

REECE IS STILL AND UNRESPONSIVE.

THE WHIRR AND BEEP OF HIS LIFE SUPPORT MACHINES (VENTILATOR/HEART MONITOR ETC.) IS HYPNOTIC.

CARLENE YAWNS]

ZARA: Would you like a coffee?

CARLENE:

(NODDING) Mmm.	. Need to stretch my legs.	Can
you keep an eye?		

ZARA:

Of course.

[CARLENE STANDS, CHECKS HER BAG. TUTS]

CARLENE:

You got change?

ZARA:

I might.

[ZARA CHECKS HER COAT THAT HANGS BY THE DOOR]

ZARA:

No. Maybe Sergeant Hollins... (TO ROB, IN CORRIDOR) Rob? Have you got change? Carlene wants a drink from the machine.

[ROB ENTERS, CHECKING HIS POCKETS]

ROB:

Yep. (TO CARLENE)

I need one too.

[ZARA WATCHES ROB AND CARLENE HEAD DOWN THE DESERTED CORRIDOR] [BEHIND HER, ARMS SUDDENLY JERK AND TWITCH (THIS IS A MUSCLE SPASM NOT A CONVULSION).

THEM]

EP87/SC6. INT. THE MILL HEALTH CENTRE. CONSULTING ROOM 1. DAY. 09:04

[BOOTH: RUHMA SETTLES INTO THE CHAIR, HOLDING A BAG]

TRISTAM (OOV):

Ready whenever you are.

[RUHMA LOOKS DIRECTLY AT THE CAMERA. SHE PULLS HER WORN BOOTS FROM HER BAG]

RUHMA:

These are my boots. Look at the state of them.toe, the heels worn, andhonest (SHE SNIFFS THEM)bit whiffy. Bute had them for years.

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[RUHMA HOLDS UP HER BOOTS WITH PRIDE]

EP87/SC7. INT. ST PHIL'S HOSPITAL. CORRIDOR. DAY. 09:06

[A COFFEE MACHINE COUGHS AND SPLUTTERS INTO A PLASTIC CUP.

ROB RETRIEVES IT AND HANDS IT TO CARLENE. HE INSERTS MONEY FOR HIS COFFEE. THE MACHINE STARTS

AN ALARM STARTS. PERSISTENT AND PIERCING.

DOORS FLING OPEN, AND A NSE CRASH TEAM MATERIALISES. THEY SPRINT DOWN THE CORRIDOR WITH A CRASH TROLLEY, PASSING CARLENE AND ROB.

CARLENE KNOWS INSTINCTIVELY WHERE THEY

CLOSE UP: HER COFFEE HITS THE FLOOR]

EP87/SC8. INT.

EP87/SC9. INT. THE MILL HEALTH CENTRE. PRACTICE MANAGER'S OFFICE. DAY. 09:10

[AN IRRITATED AL OFFLOADS TO MRS TEMBE]

AL:

...How is anybody supposed to do any work?

out there!!

MRS TEMBE:

I am sorry you feel this way Doctor Haskey. Doctor Sharma organised it before she left. It is to promote talking therapies...

AL:

How does being filmed by an artsy-fartsy director help anyone?

MRS TEMBE:

Doctor Knight is a respected psychologist

<u>AL:</u>

Yeah, right.

MRS TEMBE:

He is. And his initiative has a proven track record. Would you like to see his credentials?

[AL REINS HIMSELF IN]

AL:

Fine.

MRS TEMBE: It is mainly for patients, but Doctor

EP87/SC10. INT. THE MILL HEALTH CENTRE. RECEPTION. DAY. 09:12

[RECEPTION IS BUSY. NSE PATIENTS CHAT AND A BIT OF A SOCIAL EVENT.

RALPHY ASPDEN (60S) LOUD, GREGARIOUS, AND SMARTLY DRESSED STANDS BY RUHMA ON THE PATIENT SIDE OF RECEPTION. VALERIE STANDS BEHIND THE COUNTER.

ON THE COUNTER, NEXT DILAPIDATED BOOTS, A COMBAT BOOTS]

RALPHY:

My boots are over forty years old and look at the state of yours. You are a disgrace Sister Carter!

[RUHMA HOLDS UP HER HANDS, LAUGHING]

RUHMA:

I am, I agree!

VALERIE: You need to get yourself to Wi

RUHMA: Wi

RALPHY:

Oh yes, t

Behind the Co-op. They can fix anything

[RALPHY SPOTS A SCOWLING AL EXITING MRS]

RALPHY:

Morning, Doctor Haskey!

g forward to hearing your story.

AL:

, Ralphy.

RALPHY:

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EP87/SC11. INT. ST PHIL'S HOSPITAL. CORRIDOR/ SIDE ROOM. DAY. 10:00

[ROB IS ON THE PHONE TO THE STATION]

ROB:

(INTO PHONE) Yep, th

now

[THROUGH THE WINDOW, ROB WATCHES ZARA AND A BROKEN CARLENE.

IN SILENCE, THEY WATCH BODY AS A SHEET IS PULLED OVER HIM BY NSE NURSING STAFF.

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EP87/SC14. INT. THE MILL HEALTH CENTRE. RECEPTION. DAY. 10:32

[ENTERING THE QUIETER RECEPTION, AL PICKS UP SOME NOTES.

HE SPOTS RALPHY CHATTING ANIMATEDLY WITH PEGGY. THEY ONLY HAVE EYES FOR EACH OTHER]

PEGGY:

... The carpets! It was like someb

RALPHY:

I know! And you had to knock on the window to be let in after eleven

PEGGY:

What was his name the landlord? The Irish bloke who never smiled.

RALPHY:

Brendan.

PEGGY:

Brendan!

[AL WATCHES THEM LAUGH FOR A MOMENT.

HE LOOKS AT HIS FEET. A TIRED PAIR OF TRAINERS.

SIGHING, HE SLOUCHES OFF]

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[VALERIE CONSIDERS THE QUESTION]

VALERIE: No.

EP87/SC18. INT. ST PHIL'S HOSPITAL. NURSES STATION. DAY. 14:10

[A COMMOTION.

AUSTIN IS IN A BLIND FURY SHOUTING AT AN NSE NURSE. SHOCKED NSE PATIENTS LOOK ON]

AUSTIN:

Where is he?!

What have you done with him?

[SPOND. AUSTIN SWIPES THE DESK, PAPERS FLY]

AUSTIN:

Tell me!

ZARA: (STEPPING FORWARD) Austin?

[AUSTIN TURNS TO ZARA. A FACE HE KNOWS]

ZARA: You need to stop this.

Y STALLS]

AUSTIN: He

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[ZARA WATCHES AS AUST

EP87/SC20. EXT. HOSPITAL MORTUARY. DAY. 15:30

[ZARA SITS WITH CARLENE

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EP87/SC21. EXT. THE MILL HEALTH CENTRE. CAR PARK. DAY. 18:02

[END OF DAY - DUSK. WITH THE HELP OF THE SOUNDMAN, TRISTAM LOADS THE EQUIPMENT INTO HIS VAN]

TRISTAM:

Outstanding! We got great stories from the patients, and loads from the Thanks for getting them involved. Made our job a whole lot easier.

MRS TEMBE:

My pleasure. I am glad that it has gone well. Did Doctor Haskey contribute anything?

TRISTAM:

Not a sausage. S

[ON MRS TEMBE, DISAPPOINTED]

EP87/SC22. INT. CARTER HOUSE. KITCHEN. NIGHT. 19:30

[RUHMA COOKS. SHE IS NOT IN UNIFORM.

BUT SHE IS IN A GOOD MOOD, SINGING NI, AND STRUTTING AROUND IN HER GOOD-AS-NEW BOOTS]

RUHMA:

(SINGING) Hey, I put some new shoes on and suddenly everything is

[HESTON SMILES AT HER]

HESTON:

freshen up for dinner.

<u>RUHMA:</u>

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[A LONG BEAT.

ZARA BARELY HOLDS IT TOGETHER]

ZARA:

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EP87/SC26. INT. CARTER HOUSE. BEDROOM. NIGHT. 20:06

[RUHMA ENTERS TO FIND HESTON, IN DRESSING

RUHMA:

And?

[HESTON TAKES HER HANDS, SMILING]

HESTON:

I want to treat you.

RUHMA:

To what?

HESTON:

A complete new wardrobe. Take a day off and shopper. Three thousand should cover it. Call it a belated wedding present.

[RUHMA, STUNNED, LETS GO OF HIS HANDS]

RUHMA:

What are you talking about?

HESTON:

What do you mean?

RUHMA:

Who spends three thousand pounds on clothes?

[HESTON BACKTRACKS]

HESTON:

That was crass. S

RUHMA:

Try living in the real world. Three thousand pounds?! Are you mad?

HESTON:

Forget the three thousand pounds! That was a mistake. I meant, I care for you, I want to spoil you. I have money, you need new clothes.

<u>RUHMA:</u>

I need new clothes?

[HESTON WISHES HE HAD

]

HESTON:

Really, Listen,

t we set up a joint account

awful conversations; and you can just take whatever money you need whenever you need it.

[RUHMA BRISTLES]

EP87/SC27. INT. EDITING SUITE. NIGHT. 21:00

[A BEAT.

CLOSE UP: A MONITOR.

THE STORIES FROM THE BOOTH BEING FAST FORWARDED.

SUDDENLY, WE SEE A FAMILIAR FACE FLASH UP (INSERT SCENE 28). HE SITS IN THE CHAIR TALKING. THE SCREEN FREEZES.

WE PULL OUT TO REVEAL: A PUZZLED TRISTAM IN THE GLOOM OF AN EDITING SUITE.

HE IS SURPRISED TO SEE AL. HE REWINDS THE TAPE,

EP87/SC29. INT. ST PHIL'S HOSPITAL. CORRIDOR/ SIDE ROOM. DAY.

[MUSIC OVER: THE END PROPELLERHEADS.

CLOSE UP: A PAIR OF TRAINERS (WITH BLOOD STAINS) HELD TO A WOMA

WE PULL OUT TO REVEAL: THE WOMAN IS CARLENE, AND THE TRA

AN NSE POLICE OFFICER APPEARS (NB: WE STAY ON CARLENE THE OFFICER IS BARELY SEEN).

THE OFFICER GENTLY PRISES THE TRAINERS AWAY FROM CARLENE AND PLACES THEM IN A CLEAR EVIDENCE BAG.

CARLENE FIGHTS HER EMOTIONS]

[SERIAL HOOK: THE POLICE OFFICER GOES, TAKING THE SHOES, LEAVING CARLENE BEREFT]

END OF EPISODE