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WAREHOUSE - DAY (NZT) INT.

LUCY is getting her gear together, hardly paying attention to Brian as she expertly checks her weapon, gathers stuff she may need and generally makes ready to move out.

BRIAN

So, you've been undercover pretty much since what, Quantico?

LUCY

On my way to the Yellow Brick Road, the final run of training, I get pulled out by SAC Barnes, asking if I'm interested in a "special assignment..."

BRIAN

Meaning you must have been exhibiting some serious badass potential.

LUCY

For a posting in an escort service? Doesn't exactly beg for '80s Linda Hamilton.

BRIAN

Well, I mean -- I'm sure there are a lot of... dangerous...

LUCY

(off Brian's fumbling --) The subject make you uncomfortable?

BRIAN

No! I just, I mean --

LUCY

You want to ask me something, ask. I've got nothing to hide.

She watches Brian, the challenge in her eyes. Off that look --

BRIAN

You stopped an attack.

LUCY

I passed along information.

BRIAN

Information that stopped an attack.

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LUCY

(then --)

How much field experience do you have, exactly?

BRIAN

Some. Not none. See, I'm really kind of more like a consultant --

LUCY

Listen. I know there's a whole origin story you're probably dying to tell me, you and the drug and how you got here -- but the fact is I don't care about any of that. We've got forty-two hours: I just need to know if you're gonna be an asset or a liability out here.

BRIAN

I can help you. But, I have to know what you want.

LUCY

I'll tell you what you need to know when you need to know it.

BRIAN

Which, okay, is so far... nothing?

LUCY

Wow, you are a quick study. (finished) Let's go.

INT. APARTMENT BUILDING HALLWAY - DAY

Lucy and Brian getting ready to make entry. Brian looks a little nervous. Lucy, checking her weapon, notices --

LUCY

You good?

BRIAN

Shouldn't we be like, calling for backup or something?

Flashing a grin --

LUCY

You are my backup, Finch.

BRIAN

Right. It's just --

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LUCY

You're a consultant.

BRIAN

It's that, yeah. And the fact that I don't really know what "backing you up" entails...

Lucy reaches behind her back, comes up with a little BERETTA STORM in a PANCAKE HOLSTER. Hands it off to Brian, who regards it blankly.

LUCY

You've taken the tac course?

BRIAN

Yeah --

LUCY

Good, you know enough not to shoot \underline{me} at least.

BRIAN

Maybe we should talk out, I don't know, a plan, or something --

LUCY

It's a studio apartment. Guy's either in there or he isn't. If he is, and he tries to shoot me, you shoot him. If not, don't shoot anybody. Okay?

BRIAN

Okay, good plan. I can see you've thought it through. About the gun --

LUCY

One in the chamber and the safety's on. It's just a 9, so don't be shy about laying on that trigger, in case our guy decides to Conan through the little bullets.

BRIAN

Right. So then we're --

Lucy, gun out and tactical, ready to breach the door --

LUCY

Three... two... one --

SMASH! She capably kicks in the door and has moved in. As Brian follows...

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