

CAROLINA 2nd Side

A few days after the Wisconsin concert. Back in Chicago, Logan Square to be exact. They're waiting for Alicia at her new place.

YESENIA

Sangano descarado, que se pudra. Pero si se me cruza ese hijo de su* puta madre...

CAROLINA

Yessie, what did we say in the car? It's not going to work if you're like this in front of Ali. You're taking it worse than she is. Aplacate.

YESENIA

I swear to God I almost threw up in his face. Couldn't stand to look at him. For how many years now...for how many years—

CAROLINA

I know...

YESENIA

Every Monday night I'm at this fool's house watching the game. Fucking asshole.

CAROLINA

I know.... I know.

Beat.

YESENIA

I can't fucking handle this shit...

CAROLINA

Imagine how la pobre de Alicia must feel.

YESENIA

I can't. If I feel like I've been stabbed through the throat, I can only imagine.

CAROLINA

Oooh, Yessie. I remembered what I was trying to say in the car. Vic gave in. About the house. Yesterday he woke up and was like "baby, let's buy that place you've been wanting." I was like, "ohmygawd!" I didn't even mind his morning halitosis and rewarded him the way only I know how. Sorry, Lulu. Graphic.

(To YESENIA)

Can you believe it? We're going to look in Wicker Park. And if Vic's saying get a three bedroom, you know what that means, right?

(She stomps her left foot a few times)

I need to keep at this. Even if all the other stuff is freaking me out, I'm going to keep at this.

YESENIA

Start the registry at Babies-R-Us, my friend.

CAROLINA

YouWillSayYESTomeYouWillSayYESTomeYouWillSayYESTome...

(She stops. Tired her self out, boy.)

This one definitely took longer than the ring, man. He's a hard one, my Vic.

Beat.

CAROLINA

Hey Yessie, did you think... I don't know. I didn't think that tacky little skank* would look like that.

YESENIA

Descarada. I swear to God I wanted to punch her on her fucking nose.

CAROLINA

Her?! Punch him!

YESENIA

Gringa descarada.

CAROLINA

But did you think she'd look like that? I don't know why but I thought she'd be prettier. She's got a nose like Miss Piggy.

YESENIA

Busted ass white girl. She looks like she don't shower.

CAROLINA

Why would he leave Alicia for that? There's no comparison. I will say though, Yessi. She does have a good body. Tacky little skank.

YESENIA

Please.

CAROLINA

(To LULU)

She's got those gringita legs like they have, you know? All shapely*. Like a rockette.

YESENIA

Descarada* sitting there in shorts.

CAROLINA

Girl, was it me or did she look 16?

YESENIA

This shit's going to hit Ali like a ton of bricks. Y todo porque se le metio a Diego esta pinche gringa—

CAROLINA

You know, I'm not usually the type to hate on white girls. That's like so 1992, you know? My friends in highschool were all a bunch of Beckies. I mean, in Texas, what else were they going to be, you know? And two of them even stood up at my wedding and everything. I'm not a hater. And I love living in Roscoe Village with all the yuppies. It gives me a sense of— I don't know, I

feel safe. I know my car's not going to be vandalized; I know there's not going to be loud music playing at all hours of the day like in your neighborhood—

YESENIA

I'm going to smack you flat on your nose.

CAROLINA

(Lightly)

Shut up, you know what I mean. I'm just saying I *like* white people.

YESENIA

That's cuz you didn't grow up in Chicago.