

Caina-Kankrin.
November 3, 2016.

10:44 a.m.



Did you find a place?



I did, ma'am. It's about two and a half hours northwest.

I completed the purchase earlier this morning, and all the expected guests should arrive within the next two hours. We're set for sundown.

I've also arranged for the remainder of the board to ride together. Would you like to ride up with them?



No, I'll be going in a separate car.

If you could, please handle that as well, Thomas.

Of course, ma'am.

Is there anything else I need to know?





There is...

The Black Pope won't be attending. However, a cardinal was sent to preside over the ceremony in the pontiff's place.



That's to be expected. She hasn't officially left the Vatican in almost twenty years.

What else?



The police...they couldn't hold Viktor Bresko. He made bail this morning.

You should prepare yourself -- he might be in attendance as well.



Of course he will be. It's how all wars start. With hollow words and posturing over corpses.

That will be all, Thomas.



Thank you, ma'am.