

PETER
Why won't you sign?

EICHMANN
I'm an Argentine citizen
accused of crimes committed in Germany.

PETER
Don't be modest.
Lithuania, Hungary, Poland.
You were quite the traveler.

EICHMANN
I should be tried
in one of those countries.

PETER
Nah. I don't buy it.

EICHMANN
You can't win a war
if soldiers don't follow their orders.

PETER
No, that's not good enough.
-The truth will out.

EICHMANN
-What is truth? Whose truth?
-No one will listen to me.

PETER
-I wanna listen.

EICHMANN

To pin everything on me.
We held those, too, you know. Show trials.
The preening prosecutors, the compliant judges.
My God. This— That's--

PETER

You look like shit.
Don't worry. I'm not gonna hurt you.

EICHMANN

Some of your men want to.
I can smell it when they're in the room.

PETER

-May I ask you something?

EICHMANN

-I'm not in a position to refuse.

PETER

Is it true you called the camps
"liquidation machines"?

EICHMANN

Mengele called you all kosher salami.
Everyone used flippant terms
for dirty work.

PETER

-To make us seem like animals.

EICHMANN

-We're all animals.
Fighting for scraps on the Serengeti.
Some of us just have bigger teeth than others.

You know I tried to help.
For years, I got your people out of the country.
That was my solution.
I wanted the Jews sent to Madagascar.

PETER

Yes, dying of malaria is nicer
than poisoned gas. Very thoughtful of you.

EICHMANN

Other countries wouldn't take you.
But that didn't stop me
from trying. I negotiated.
With your Dr. Kasztner in Hungary.
Trucks for lives.
We tried to save Jewish lives.
He was a hero, yet your people shot
him in cold blood. Imagine what they'd do to me.

PETER

I didn't know about that.

EICHMANN

-Hmm.

That's why you're here, Herr Captor.
To make me think Israel will listen to me.

PETER

My Papa died in Israel.
One of those pesky Jews who survived.

EICHMANN

Oh. So, you didn't lose anyone.
I'm glad.
I don't know what I'd have become
if my family had...

Tell me about you, Herr Captor.
I want to know what it was that
brought our lives together like this.

PETER
How about this? You sign, I'll tell you
anything you want to know.

EICHMANN
Ah-ha. You're striking a deal.

PETER
I'm establishing a trading post.
But I'm fresh out of trucks
before you ask.

EICHMANN
It is poor form to negotiate
from a position of weakness.
There's an art to these things.
Always know the man
who sits across the bargaining table.

PETER
Well, now's your chance.
You sign, I'll tell you anything
you wanna know.

EICHMANN
I would like to offer a counter.
Your name in return
for my consideration of your terms.
Just your name.
Is that asking so much?