

SEXY BEAST

EXT. SPAIN - DOVE'S SWIMMING POOL/PATIO -DAY

GAL STANDS GLUGGING A COLD BEER WHILEST OCCASIONALLY LOOKING DOWN AT DON WHO SITS GLUGGING HIS, OCCASIONALLY LOOKING AT GAL

DON

What did Jackie say?

GAL

...Just that something was happening...

DON

Which it is!... And?

GAL

Well... just that you were planning something.

DON

Yeah?

GAL

Yeah

DON

And you said?

GAL

Well, I didn't say much... I just listened...

DON

She put a question to you...

GAL

Yeah...

DON

Which was?

GAL

Well... that you'd thought of me...

DON

To which you said...?

GAL

Look, Don...

DON
Look, Don?

GAL
...Don, look... it's like this....

DON
Like what?

GAL
I'm....

DON
Mm?

GAL
...retired.

Pause. Silence. Nobody moves.

DON
...are you?

GAL
Fraid so.... I've not got a lot of
money.... But I've got enough...
and I'll do anything not to offend
you... but I can't take part. I'm
not really up to it...

DON
Not up to it....

GAL
...No...I'm not.

DON
I see...

GAL
I'd be useless!

DON
Useless...

GAL
...I would be.

DON
In what way?

GAL
In every fucking way!

DON
 Why're you swearin'? I'm not
 swearing.

Silence. Don smiles. Gets up... walks around. Grinning.
 Looking at things. Eventually....

DON (CONT'D)
 Listen, Gal. Listen to me...
 listen to your uncle Don. I'm
 gonna tell you a story. I know a
 bloke.... Who knows a bloke... who
 knows a bloke... Now, you know
 this bloke...

GAL
 Do I?

DON
 This is a bloke you know....

GAL
 Stan?... Stan Higgins?

DON
 (nodding slowly. Smiling)
 Wants me to put a team together!
 Who do you think is behind this,
 Gal?

GAL
 Dunno, who?

DON
 Teddy.

GAL
 Teddy Bass?

DON
 He worked it all out. When there's
 a will there's a way.

GAL
 Yeah, and there's always a fucking
 way to get caught and all!
 Anything can happen. I'm living
 testament to that!

DON
 Oh turn the record off for fuck's
 sake! Gal wake up, this is Teddy!
 Teddy Bass! Einstein a go go! He's
 a beast, mate!

(MORE)

DON (CONT'D)

You don't know the way his mind works. This is beautiful! They'll bring back hanging for this one, Gal! It's a fucking insult!!! We're gonna cream their arses with a golden dildo and they're gonna wake up sore! Red faces all around -
- read all about it!

Gal sits there

DON (CONT'D)

Unbelievable! Unbefuckin'lievable!
(pause) We're looking at Saturday... but you're needed in London this Friday.

GAL

Bit Sudden isn't it?

DON

Sudden?... No! It's very far from sudden. Teddy's been working on this for five months! Stan almost that. I've been in on it for two! It's not sudden. Preparation! Preparation! Preparation! But as far as the actual jobs concerned, it's a piece of piss. A monkey could do it. That's why I thought of you!

GAL

Cheers, Don!

DON

You're at the Grosvenor... your name's Rowntree -- like Smarties --- like Shaft... if they give you a pull, you're just back to see your friends.... Social visit... family... that sort of thing. Someone'll call you. Pick you up... probably Mike...

Gal is nodding non-committally.

DON (CONT'D)

What's that supposed to mean?

GAL

What?

DON
That stupid nodding you're doing?

Gal is looking at the ground. Don stares at him.
Eventually.

DON (CONT'D)
Is this a fuck off, Gal?

GAL
Course not, Don.

DON
Are you saying no?

GAL
(trying to appease)
No....

DON
Is that what you're saying?

GAL
No, not exactly....

DON
What are you saying?

GAL
(carefully)
I'm saying thanks and all that...
thanks for thinking of me... but
I'm just gonna have to turn this
opportunity down.

DON
No, you're just gonna have to turn
this opportunity yes!

GAL
I can't, Don...

DON
Can, cunt, can! Can you cunt, can!
"Can't"! You cunt!

GAL
I'm not exactly a match fit...

DON
You seem alright to me!

GAL
...well, not really, Don...

DON
Y'look fine.

GAL
O, Im not, I'm...

DON
Do the job.

GAL
What?

DON
Do the job.

GAL
No, Don...

DON
Yes.

GAL
No.

DON
Yes.

GAL
No.

DON
Yes.

GAL
I can't!

DON
You can!

GAL
I can't...

DON
Fat Cunt.

GAL
...Don't do this, Don.

DON
Do what?

GAL
...Look...

DON
What am I doing?

GAL
This...all this... this!

DON
This?!..... This what?

GAL
Oh, Don, come on...

DON
...Alright, we'll drop it... it's
dropped.

(CONT'D)