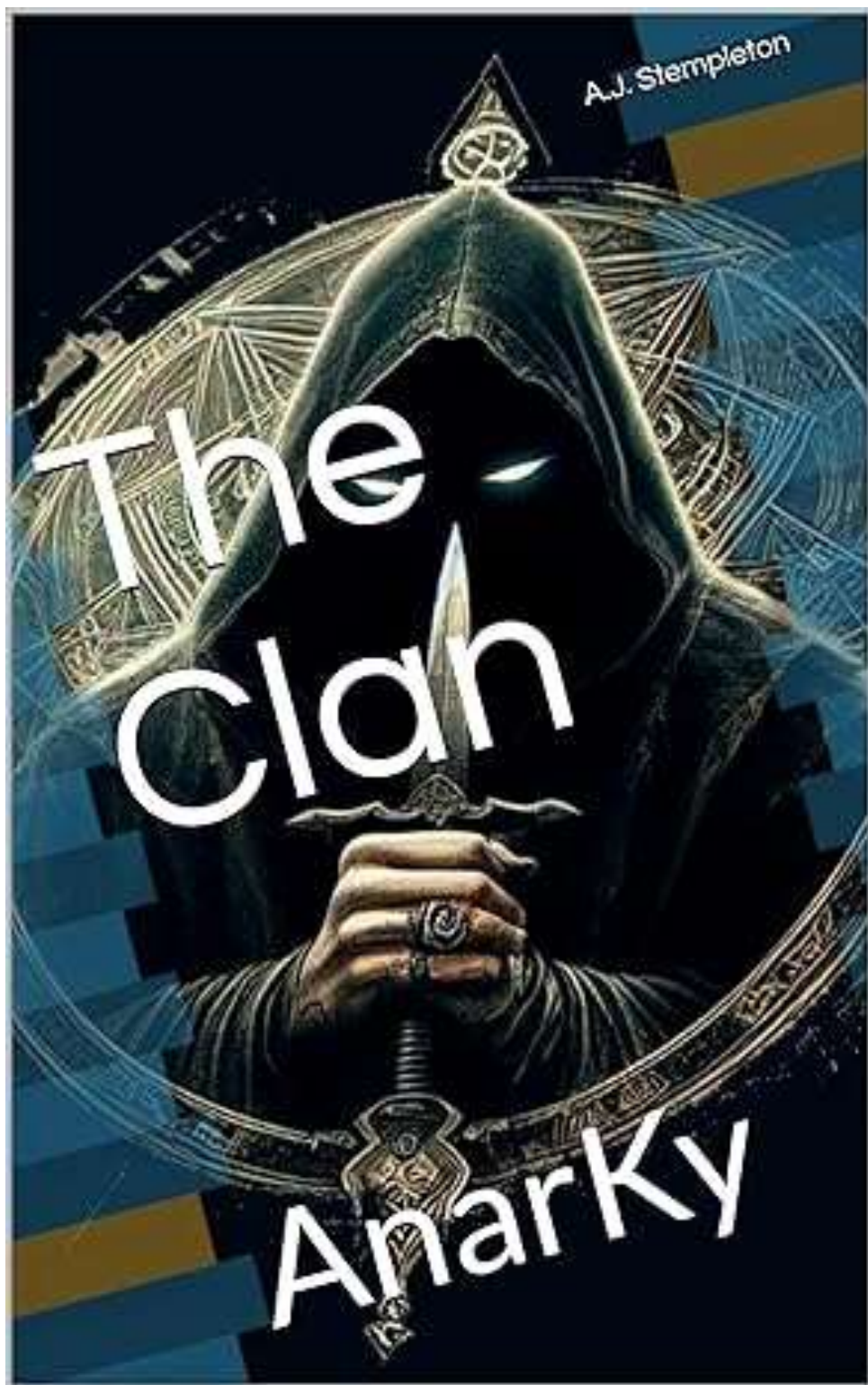


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The Clan

AnarKy



*To all those who find in letters a refuge and a company. Thank you for
allowing me to share my worlds with you and for believing in the magic of words.*

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Preface

This morning when I heard the news I heard the following: "The President of the Republic attended the central sports complex of the country early in the morning to say goodbye to the soccer team that will attend the World Cup to be held this year." The next news I heard was that, in a nearby city, a heavy rain was expected with fear announced for the afternoon. The fear of rain lay in the fact that half of the city was living outdoors due to a gigantic forest fire that was not possible to control and that destroyed the homes of thousands of people. These people were more than 5000 and they were totally alone and isolated, without assistance of any kind.

The above is a small example that reflects the devastating lack of judgment, when assigning priorities, of the country's first authority; an authority that citizens elect for their publicized leadership skills, their judicious way of making decisions, their impeccable rectitude and their great human quality. Imaginary qualities that, in this case, clash violently with reality. The traits that are seen, on the other hand, are laziness and indolence, Absolute irresponsibility at best. Attributes shared by individuals who hold public office at all levels, by government institutions and even by private companies whose size and volume of sales allow them to become an irreplaceable entity, which must be put up with any fault, at least for a longer period, to the maximum that most human beings are capable of tolerating. whether economically, politically, or even physically.

The following pages are a work of fiction that begins a saga, which will try to reflect on these issues that are part of the activities of the different groups that make up societies universally.

Introduction

Since immemorial time, humanity has dreamed of a better world. A place where wars are only distant echoes of the past, where justice prevails and where peace is not a mere utopia, but a tangible reality. But history has taught us a bitter lesson: power corrupts, and corruption destroys. Peace, that goal that so many leaders, activists, and dreamers have proclaimed over the centuries, has become an unattainable illusion, something that seems more distant the more you fight for it.

In this dark and disenchanted world, a group is born that sees in chaos the opportunity to create a new order. This group are not just dreamers; They are strategists, tacticians, and most dangerous of all: idealists with a clear mission. They call themselves "The Anarky clan" and their goal is simple but radical: to overthrow the current system and build a new, more just one. However, his plan does not follow peaceful paths or public protests. Its motto is clear: "The end justifies the means". And those means, though brutal, are necessary for them.

Daniel is the leader of this clan. A man scarred by tragedy, who has lost everyone he ever loved and has been forced to rebuild his life from the ashes of his despair. The death of his parents, in what seemed like a common accident, was the straw that broke the camel's back and left him devastated, without purpose, without direction. But out of that same devastation a new conviction was born. Daniel was not only looking to survive; he sought to change the world from the root. I wanted to correct the mistakes I saw in every corner of society, those failures that I felt were so personal, so deeply unjust. But he couldn't do it alone.

The Anarky clan arose as a response to his call. All its members shared one factor in common: a much higher than average intelligence and a perception of reality that placed them one step ahead of the rest of humanity. But his conscience—that keen sense of justice—surpassed even his intellect. For them, laws, norms, and moral codes were only obstacles in their way. His vision was bigger, bolder. They wanted world peace, yes; but they knew that, in order to achieve it, they would first have to destroy everything that was standing.

Laura, Javier, María and Andrés, the four original members of the clan, were as complex and broken as Daniel. Each had faced their own demons and come to the same conclusion: the system was rotten to the root. Laura, a brilliant computer engineer, had seen how large tech corporations exploited their employees and devastated the environment in the name of progress. Javier, a former military man, had witnessed the incompetence and corruption of political leaders on the battlefield, where thousands of lives were lost to ill-informed decisions. Maria, a psychologist, had dedicated her life to helping victims of abuse and neglect, only to see

the legal system abandon them again and again. Andrew, a financial genius, had left behind his career on Wall Street after witnessing the impunity with which the powerful destroyed entire economies, without suffering the consequences.

Together, they made a formidable team. Their complementary skills and unwavering determination made them an unstoppable force. From their first operations, they knew that their impact would be devastating, but they always kept their eyes on their ultimate goal: a fairer society. What began as small sabotages and surgical attacks on corrupt figures, quickly transformed into a larger mission. They became hitmen, financing themselves through clandestine work, while perfecting their techniques. They knew that every life they took took them away from morality, but they firmly believed that their cause was just and these "jobs" were collateral damage, necessary to reach their ultimate goal.

The assassination of the president was just one more step in his plan. A big step, no doubt, but necessary. They had discussed it for months, evaluated every possible scenario, and prepared every detail with the precision of a Swiss watch. It wasn't just about eliminating a man; it was a symbol. A symbol of oppression, corruption and injustice. If they succeeded in taking him down, their message would be clear: no one was safe from the consequences of their actions, not even the most powerful.

However, this mission was different. Although the AnarKy clan had done similar work in the past, they knew that they were entering dangerous territory. The president was not just a political leader; He was a figure revered by many. If they failed, not only would they lose their lives, but their cause would be destroyed, branded as purposeless terrorism. But if they succeeded, they would open the doors to a new era. One was where fear would change sides.

And so, Daniel and the rest of the AnarKy clan prepared for what they knew would be a point of no return. The night of the president's assassination was near. Everything they had planned, all the sacrifices they had made would culminate in that charity gala. The country's elite would be present, unaware that, among them, the architects of a new future would walk. A future that, for better or worse, would be born of chaos.

Chapter 1: The Clan's Origin - Part I

The sky that morning was covered with dense, gray clouds, as if the world were attuned to Daniel's sadness. Ten years had passed since the tragedy that had marked him forever, but the pain was still present, as vivid as on that fateful day when he lost his parents. One call, an unexpected twist of fate, and her whole world fell apart in a matter of minutes.

Daniel used to be a different man, one who looked for answers in books, in philosophical theories, and in hard work. He had been an engineer, dedicated and efficient, always with a mind focused on solving problems. But the death of his parents stripped him of everything that gave meaning to his life. There were no warning signs, there were no goodbyes, just a road accident that took those he loved the most. When he found himself alone, in front of their corpses, something inside him broke forever.

For months, he lived like a ghost. Each day was a repetition of the previous one, an endless succession of empty hours. He tried to resume his routine, but his mind was trapped in a kind of emotional prison. The world no longer made sense to him. He did not believe in God or any higher entity; There was no comfort in the idea that his parents were in a better place. For Daniel, the accident was a cruel reminder that life was a mass of chaos and randomness, and that those who sought to control it were destined to fail.

That feeling of existential emptiness brought him to the brink of despair. He spent hours at home, going through old family photos, mentally replaying moments from his childhood that now seemed to belong to another life. What was the meaning of it all? Why continue fighting if fate could take everything away in the blink of an eye?

But pain, sometimes, is a powerful catalyst. During their grief, an idea began to germinate. Tragedy could not be an end in itself; it had to serve a purpose. He didn't want to believe that his parents' suffering was simply a senseless accident, so he began to shape a new mission. In their minds, the injustice of their deaths was a reflection of a larger truth: the system in which they lived, modern society, was rotten. It was a structure built on lies, corruption, and exploitation. The powerful maintained their privileges while the weak suffered in silence, and everyone played to move forward as if the rules of the game were not fixed from the beginning.

It was then that the seed of what would become the AnarKy clan was born.

Daniel wasn't the only one who became disillusioned with the system. Somehow, during the months that followed, his desperation led him to connect with others who shared his vision. In clandestine meetings, late-night chats in dark bars, and conversations behind closed doors, Daniel encountered those who, like him, had witnessed corruption, injustice, and the failure of humanity. Together, they would form something bigger, something with the potential to change the course of history.

The first to join Daniel were his four closest friends, those who had remained by his side even after the accident changed him forever. They were people who, like him, had seen the darker side of society and could no longer sit idly by.

Laura was the first to appear. A former computer engineer with a prodigious talent for programming and technology. He had worked for a large Silicon Valley corporation for years, developing innovations that promised to change the world. But he soon discovered that behind the shiny facades of tech companies were hidden dehumanizing practices. Employees were treated like disposable gears, and profits always took precedence over any ethics. Laura, tired of participating in that cycle of exploitation, abandoned her career and decided that if she was going to use her skills, it would be for a cause she truly believed in.

Javier was the next to arrive. A former military man who had fought in more than one war and had witnessed the brutality of armed conflicts. He had seen thousands of lives destroyed while the leaders who caused those wars remained untouched. Disillusioned and jaded with military policy, he left the armed forces with a deep rage toward those who managed the fate of others from a distance, never feeling the real consequences of their decisions.

Then there was Maria, the psychologist. She had dedicated her life to helping the most vulnerable people, those who suffered abuse and neglect. But over time, he had lost faith in the judicial and social system. The laws that were supposed to protect the most defenseless seemed designed to fail. Maria saw how her patients returned again and again to the same situations of despair, while the perpetrators of those injustices remained unpunished.

Finally, Andrés. A financial genius who had worked on Wall Street, navigating the turbulent waters of the global economy. But the financial collapse of 2008 had marked him deeply. He had seen how those responsible for that crisis, those who played with the fate of millions, escaped without consequences. For Andrés, the financial system was a monster that devoured the weakest and rewarded the worst criminals. He left his career behind and joined Daniel, determined to use his skills to bring down the system he despised so much.

Together, these five individuals formed the core of the AnarKy clan. A group with exceptional talents, but, more importantly, with a determination that went beyond any moral consideration. Daniel, who had once looked for answers in logic and reasoning, was now clinging to a brutal

truth: to change the world, the system had to be destroyed from within, and there was no way to do it without getting his hands dirty.

Over time, his hatred of the corrupt structure of society was transformed into action. What began as an underground resistance movement gradually became a perfectly synchronized and lethal organization. Each of them had left their old lives behind to embrace a cause that, though dark and dangerous, gave them meaning in a world that had ceased to have meaning.

And now, after years of planning, the AnarKy clan was about to face its most ambitious mission yet: to eliminate the president. A task that, although brutal, was only one more step on their way to the final goal. Daniel had no doubts: the system must fall, and they would be responsible for destroying it, no matter what.

Chapter 2: The Clan's Origin - Part II

Daniel was sitting at the head of the long wooden table in the "social club," a place that from the outside seemed harmless, just a poorly maintained old house on the outskirts of town. Yet that room, with its peeling walls and simple furnishings, had witnessed the most crucial discussions about the future of the world. In that room, the fates of influential people, companies, and now, the president of the country were decided. The atmosphere was full of tension, but also of camaraderie. There was something almost mystical about the way these five individuals, so different from each other, had converged on the same path.

The other members of the Anarky clan took their seats around the table, each with their own air of concentration. To his right was Laura, checking the details of the security system that she herself had hacked. Beyond that, Javier sharpened a knife, although it would not be necessary for this mission; He simply enjoyed the precision that the process required. Andrés and María argued in low voices about the funds they had secured for the operation, while Daniel observed everyone with a mixture of pride and coldness.

He remembered clearly the day when the Anarky clan was formed. Although the circumstances that brought them together had been tragic, the purpose they shared had given renewed meaning to their lives. Each of them had arrived at that place by a different path, marked by betrayal, corruption or suffering. However, they were not victims; No more. Now, they were the architects of a new order.

Laura was the first to approach Daniel after he decided that the only way to change the world was through the destruction of the corrupt system. Laura, a computer engineer, had worked on developing cutting-edge technology at one of Silicon Valley's largest companies. There, he had witnessed the callousness of business leaders, who did not hesitate to sacrifice both their employees and the environment for greater profits. Although he initially tried to reform things from within, he quickly realized that the corporation's machinery was too large and powerful to be stopped.

One day, after working for weeks on a project for an oil company that intended to use advanced technology for extraction in protected areas, Laura decided she had had enough. Instead of continuing his work, he infiltrated the company's systems and leaked sensitive information to environmental organizations. The results were devastating: the corporation lost billions, and although Laura was fired and sued, she felt no remorse. He had learned a valuable lesson: the only way to do justice was to strike from the shadows, with technology as his ally.

When she met Daniel, she saw in him the same anger and disappointment that had motivated her to act. She knew that together they could accomplish much more than she could do alone. Not only did she join the clan, but she became one of its chief strategists, using her skills to hack into systems, manipulate information, and keep the group one step ahead of the authorities.

Javier was the next to join. A decorated former military officer, he had fought in several wars, where he saw first-hand the chaos and brutality of the conflict. But what marked him most were not the bullets or bombs, but the incompetence of political leaders who sent young people to die for causes that, in the end, were mere excuses to accumulate power. He had lost friends in combat, men and women who gave their lives for empty ideals, while politicians enjoyed opulent dinners and secret deals that only enriched a few.

After his last deployment, Javier resigned from the army. I couldn't stand the hypocrisy anymore. He immersed himself in tactical training, looking for a way to channel his rage and skills into something more meaningful. When she crossed paths with Daniel, she knew she had found real purpose. The clan offered him something he had never had: a cause worth fighting for. It was not a question of defending a flag or a nation, but of freeing humanity from the parasites that controlled it.

Mary had a different, but equally devastating perspective. As a psychologist, she had dedicated her career to treating people traumatized by the system. Victims of sexual abuse, domestic violence, and state neglect had passed through her practice, telling horror stories that never made the headlines. But what hurt Maria most was not the violent nature of her attackers, but the indifference of the judicial system. On countless occasions, he had seen his patients' cases fall apart in court over technicalities or corruption. Justice, which was supposed to protect the weak, was at the service of the powerful.

In time, Mary stopped believing in the redemption of the system. He had seen too much. He could no longer encourage his patients to seek justice in a system that was designed to fail them. That's when she decided to join Daniel. Her knowledge of the human mind, her ability to manipulate and persuade, made her a valuable asset to the AnarKy clan. He no longer saw his former patients as victims, but as living evidence of the need for revolution.

Finally, Andrés, the genius of finance, arrived. Her story was not marked by emotional pain or physical violence, but by the betrayal of her own ideals. On Wall Street, he had witnessed the financial collapse of 2008. What disturbed him most was not the market crash, but the way in which those responsible for the disaster escaped without consequences. The top executives, politicians, and banks that had rigged the system for their own gain not only survived, but thrived. While millions lost their jobs and homes, they received government bailouts and bonuses.

Andrés tried to expose these practices, but quickly realized that the financial system was an impenetrable web of vested interests. Frustrated and disillusioned, he abandoned his career and joined the AnarKy clan, using his vast knowledge to ensure that the group had the necessary resources to carry out its operations. His work wasn't as visceral as Javier's or as technical as Laura's, but it was just as crucial: Andrés kept the clan financially viable, investing in the chaos as they planned their attacks on the system.

Daniel looked at his team with a mixture of respect and determination. I knew that what they were doing was not morally acceptable to the majority, but for them, morality was one more tool that the system used to keep people in line. They had transcended those restrictions. The world they lived in was broken, and only the destruction of that world could allow the birth of a new one.

And that destruction would begin very soon, with the death of the president. Each of the members of the AnarKy clan was ready. They had trained, they had planned, and they knew there was no turning back. What they had started together so many years ago was about to culminate in an act that would forever change the history of their country. It wouldn't be easy, but the AnarKy clan had never sought ease. They sought chaos, because in chaos lay their only chance of justice.

Chapter 3: The Mission

The air in the meeting room of the "social club" felt heavy, loaded with a mixture of nervousness and planning. The task ahead was the most ambitious the clan had undertaken to date. To some, removing a president might seem like an almost impossible task, but for Daniel and his team, it was simply another hurdle they had to overcome. The plan had been in place for months, and every detail had been revised and adjusted repeatedly until perfection was reached. However, everyone knew that any slight mistake could cost them not only the mission, but also their lives.

At the head of the table, Daniel looked at the planes and notes that covered the wooden surface. Next to him, Laura, María, Javier and Andrés reviewed their respective roles. Each had a vital part in the success of the operation, and none of them could afford to fail.

"Laura, I want you to go over the security again," Daniel said without taking his eyes off the plans.

Laura, always meticulous, had already checked the security systems of the presidential palace to exhaustion. But he did not mind repeating the information; on the contrary, he found a kind of reassurance in repetition, in making sure that no loose ends were left.

"The palace's security system is sophisticated, but not impenetrable," Laura began, projecting on the screen the digital diagram she had hacked weeks ago. The surveillance cameras are connected to an internal server that manages all access and movements within the palace. I managed to get into their network through a vulnerability in the personnel monitoring software. I've inserted a program that allows me to manipulate the images you see in real time. During the event, they will be able to move around without being detected by the cameras.

Javier, who was listening attentively, nodded. His military experience had taught him that, in any mission, the key was to go unnoticed until the precise moment of attack. He was in charge of designing the tactical scheme, the choreography of movements that would allow Daniel to get close enough to the president to execute the assassination.

"Perfect, Laura," Javier said, taking the floor. The guards will be focused on protecting the outer perimeter and keeping an eye on important guests. What they do not expect is an attack from within. Maria and Laura will blend in with the crowd, while Daniel and I will enter as part of the

security team. Once inside, the operation will be quick and clean. We have a window of less than five minutes.

María, always attentive to psychological details, intervened.

The president will be surrounded by people who flatter and flatter him. Your ego will make you vulnerable. Even if additional security measures have been taken for recent threats, you won't see an attack coming from someone who looks like part of your security team. You are likely to feel comfortable and invulnerable in that environment. That's our advantage.

Daniel nodded, while Andrés reviewed the financial data that supported the operation. Although he was not directly involved in the attack, his role was crucial. Without the necessary funds, none of the clan's operations would have been possible.

"The funds are secured," Andrés reported. We have moved money through multiple accounts to avoid being traced. Even in the unlikely event that something goes wrong, they won't be able to trace back to us. Weapons, equipment and bribes to key contacts are already covered.

Everyone was ready. They knew it wasn't a common mission. The assassination of a president, even if it was an act of extreme violence, had a much larger purpose. It wasn't just about killing a man, it was about sending a message. For them, the president represented the visible face of a corrupt system, an essential cog in the machinery that kept the elites in power at the expense of the majority.

"It's time to send the message," Daniel said, with the same calculated coolness he had shown from the beginning. This is just the beginning.

****The detailed plan****

For months, the group had studied the president thoroughly. They knew everything about him: his daily routine, his habits, his weaknesses, and his strengths. They even knew intimate details of her personal life, which Maria had discovered thanks to a rigorous psychological analysis and with the help of key contacts. They knew he was a deeply narcissistic man, someone who valued admiration above all else, and that made him predictable.

The event chosen for the attack was a charity gala at the presidential palace, an event filled with important figures in the country. For the attendees, it was an opportunity to rub shoulders with

power, to strengthen relationships, and for the president, it was a showcase where he could shine in front of the cameras and the media.

The infiltration plan was simple in its concept, but complex in its execution. Laura and Maria, thanks to their contacts in the elite world, had obtained invitations to attend as two philanthropic entrepreneurs. Andres would make sure that the funds got into the right hands to ensure that security measures were lax at best, at some key points. Javier and Daniel, posing as members of the security personnel, would enter armed with the necessary tools to carry out the murder.

The weapon chosen was as lethal as it was silent. Daniel would carry a syringe with an undetectable poison. It had been a choice discussed and perfected for weeks. Laura had investigated the components, and Maria, with her medical knowledge, had confirmed that the poison would not leave obvious traces in an autopsy. It would cause an almost instantaneous heart attack, leaving little doubt that the death would be attributed to natural causes.

"What if something goes wrong?" Laura asked, knowing that perfection did not exist.

"If something goes wrong, we have a plan B," Javier replied, with military calm. The building has several emergency exits. In case things get complicated, we will split up and take pre-set escape routes. I have placed distraction devices that, if activated, will give us a window of time to disappear before they realize what is happening.

Mary, who had been silent until that moment, added:

"Nothing will go wrong. We have planned everything to the millimeter. We know which buttons to press, which people to manipulate, and how to disappear once the job is done. The president will be just one more number in the long list of people who believe they are above the consequences.

****Persistent doubts****

Despite the confidence and meticulousness with which they had prepared the mission, a shadow of doubt hung in the air. Not about their abilities, but about the impact of what they were about to do. The president's death was only the first step in a series of actions aimed at dismantling the system they considered rotten to the core. But would it be enough? Or were they simply perpetuating the cycle of violence they despised so much?

Daniel, as a leader, felt the weight of those questions more than anyone else. He was not a blind idealist; He knew that even with the president dead, the system would not fall immediately. It would be a long war of attrition. What kept him steadfast, however, was his belief that someone had to start. Someone had to be the spark that lit the fuse.

He looked at his companions, the faces of the people who had followed him up to that moment. I knew he wasn't a hero. There were no illusions in their minds about the morality of what they were doing. But for them, justice was not achieved with words, but with actions.

"It's time," he said at last, ending the discussion. The plan is underway. There is no turning back.

The group nodded silently. There was no need for more words. Each one knew what he had to do. They had trained, planned and, now, all that remained was to execute. The president's fate was already sealed.

The mission began now.

Chapter 4: The Gala

The night was perfect. Outside, the presidential palace glowed with golden lights and a red carpet that stretched from the front doors to the street, where luxury cars were arriving one after another. Inside, the country's elite strolled between luxury and opulence, champagne glasses in hand and artificial smiles on their faces. For them, this was a night of celebration, of seeing and being seen. For the clan, it was the night where everything would begin to change...

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