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**ALLISYN:**

Why are Sharif and the People's Party of Pakistan not doing more? Why are they unable to enforce the laws that are in place to protect you?

**MEHREEN:**

How? How do you change the minds of people who have been told that it is their right to treat women this way since the day they were born? They believe they are within their rights. This kind of violence is pervasive all over Pakistan, Allisyn. A disregard for human life.

*(beat)*

**MEHREEN (cont'd):**

You've seen Sharif's statement?

**ALLISYN:**

Actually no. I couldn't get through to his press secretary. What does it say?

*Allisyn cocks her head holding the phone in place so she can type to record the statement:*

**MEHREEN:**

They just released it.

*(She reads)*

"Prime Minister Sharif has taken notice of the 'brutal killing' in the presence of police. This crime is totally unacceptable and has to be dealt with promptly by law." You'd think they'd be more invested in protecting their residents. *All* of their residents...

**ALLISYN:**

The Anti-Honour Killing laws went into effect in 2008 -while I was there. Sherry Rehman pushed them through--

**MEHREEN:**

The laws are in place, Allisyn. It's about getting people to respect and enforce them. So, we fight. We continue to raise our voices. To take action. And we will lose some heroes along the way.

**ALLISYN:**

That's very Darwinian of you, Mehreen.

**MEHREEN:**

Surviving is not something we all get the luxury of. The heroes are the people who fight.

*(Beat)*

**ALLISYN:**

I want to include your point of view in this piece. Do I have your permission?

**MEHREEN:**

As long as you don't paint it as another white girl trying to save the poor brown people, it should be ok. And I want to read it before it goes to print.

**ALLISYN:**

*(She smiles)*  
Understood.

*They hang up and Mehreen exits. We see Allisyn cutting and pasting Sharif's statement into the final form of her report. She hits save on her document. Skype rings- it's Ben. We see him and Abbas on the screens driving in Lahore.*

**BEN:**

Hey. I'm on my way back.

**ALLISYN:**

OK. Are you coming through Dubai?

**BEN:**

I don't think that's the best idea, Allisyn.

*We see and hear the noise of a car pulling up very quickly behind them. Ben turns quickly.*

**BEN:**

Shit. I'll call you back.

**ALLISYN:**

What was that? Ben? Ben?!!

*We hear gunshots and the sound of a speeding car. Blackout.*

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