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TEASER

FADE IN:

EXT. RUNWAY - NIGHT - (STOCK) - SHOOTING INTO LIGHTS OF A LARGE JET THAT HAS JUST HIT THE RUNWAY

It comes up to CAMERA with blinding brilliance.

ZIP TO:

OUT

CLOSE ANGLE - LOUDSPEAKER

2

P.A. VOICE (filter)
Passengers from Flight 19, originating in Washington, are now debarking at Gate 31.

CAMERA BACK AND DOWN to focus on DR. MATSU among several passengers moving down a ramp. He's in his forties, carries a briefcase. Suddenly, two figures materialize, flank Dr. Matsu, fall into step beside him. They are NAPOLEON SOLO and ILLYA KURYAKIN.

Dr. Matsu starts as his darting eyes take them in, then smiles faintly.

SOLO

Straight ahead, Dr. Matsu. Our car's at Gate 34.

MATSU (after a beat; his smile widens) Two U.N.C.L.E. agents meeting me at this ungodly hour! What have I done now, gentlemen?

SOLO

It's not what you've done, doctor -it's what someone might do to you.
We've learned there may be an attempt
to steal the plans of your project.

MATSU (shakes head)
You've made your trip for nothing,
gentlemen. The plans aren't with
me. They're perfectly safe in my
house.

CONT'D (2)

2X1

ILLYA (doesn't like it)

Your house?

MATSU (nods)

My wall safe has six-inch plate and an automatic alarm system. It's quite burglar-proof. There's really nothing to be concerned about.

(a slight twinkle)
But you can drive me home, if you'd like.

ZIP PAN TO:

EXT. STREET IN FRONT OF MATSU HOUSE - DAY - (DAWN)

The street is lined with fashionable homes. A milk truck drives into scene, parks in front of the house soon to be established as Dr. Matsu's. Suddenly, MUSIC is heard coming from the truck; ostensibly, the MILKMAN has turned on the vehicle's radio. We hear an orchestral arrangement of The Merry Widow Waltz.

Now the milkman emerges from the truck with his bottles, steps to the front door of the house, deposits them. Then, after looking about rather surreptitiously, he moves to one of the side windows. The window is open. He checks once again to make sure that no one else is about, then climbs in.

ZIP PAN TO:

INT. U.N.C.L.E. CAR - DAY - (DAWN)

3

Illya drives, Dr. Matsu is beside him, Solo is in the back seat.

SOLO

You live alone, Doctor?

MATSU

I have a housekeeper. And right now my daughter Miki is visiting. SOLO

Mickey?

3 CONT'D (2)

MATSU (a smile)

M-i-k-i. She's home from school

for the weekend.

(to Illya, indicating)
You can park right in front of
that milk truck.

EXT. STREET IN FRONT OF MATSU HOUSE - DAY (DAWN)

4

as the car stops in front of the milk truck. Solo and Dr. Matsu emerge. Solo leans into the car.

SOLO (to Illya)
You want to wait for us?

ILLYA (a shrug; gestures off)
I'm enjoying the music.

Solo looks toward the milk truck, from which the strains of <u>The Merry Widow</u> still emanate. As he and Matsu start toward the house into which the milkman climbed earlier:

SOLO

Your -- uh -- your milkman really gives service.

MATSU

I only hope it doesn't wake up the whole neighborhood.

Mr. Matsu opens the door, he and Solo enter.

INT. MATSU HOUSE - DAY - LIVING ROOM

5

Touches of Japanese decor. The pair enter quietly.

MATSU (a whisper)
I'm sure Miki's still asleep.

SOLO (whisper)

I hope we won't dis--

He breaks off as, from o.s.:

VOICE (soft, even)
Have you memorized it?

Solo and Dr. Matsu exchange glances. Matsu looks understandably alarmed.

CONT'D

MATSU (whisper)
It's -- it's from the den. Miki --

Solo puts his finger to his lips, draws his gun, starts for the den.

INT. DEN - DAY

6

We see the milkman (GRATZ) a very obvious scar on his face, standing not far from the window through which he has come, talking to a nightgowned MIKI MATSU. She's a very attractive teenager. She stands before an open safe set into the wall behind a painting. In her hand is a sheaf of papers which she is intently studying. From outside, we still hear The Merry Widow.

GRATZ (to Miki)
You haven't answered me.

MIKI (mesmerized)
Yes. I know it all.

Her eyes stay on the papers.

GRATZ

You're sure, Miki? Down to the last comma?

MIKI

Shall I recite it?

CAMERA ANGLES to include Solo, who's digesting the startling scene before taking action. Dr. Matsu is behind him. Both, of course, are unseen by Miki and Gratz.

GRATZ

That won't be necessary. I want you to put the papers back in the safe now. And lock it. Then no one will ever know that it's been opened....
Not even you.

MIKI

Not even me.

SOLO

All right -- put your hands up and don't move!

The milkman reacts as CAMERA ANGLES to take in Solo coming through the door, gun out with Matsu after him, then leaps for the window, pulling the drapes with him as he turns to obscure Solo's vision. Solo fires after him	6 CONT'D (2)
7-1	.3 OUT
INT. CAR - ILLYA	14
His head against the back of the seat resting with his eyes half shut. He's been listening to the music. He comes alive, reaching for his gun and opening the car door at the same time.	
EXT. MATSU HOUSE - ANGLE TO DEN WINDOW	15
As the milkman emerges through it, crouches low pulling out his own gun to fire at Illya coming around from the car. Running for his truck, he whips around to get a shot off at Solo.	
ANGLE - SOLO AT WINDOW	16
He pulls back as he fires.	
ANGLE - ILLYA BEHIND CAR	17
He fires, then ducks back as he gets a shot.	
ANGLE TO TRUCK	18
The milkman leaps aboard, still firing, starts the truck.	
ANGLE - ILLYA	19
He has to jump back to avoid the truck careening past him.	
U.N.C.L.E. CAR - TIGHT ON TIRE	19X1
as a bullet hits it and it goes fzzzz.	

him.

21

SOLO (calling to Illya) What are you waiting for? Go after

ILLYA (glance at tire)

On three tires?

SOLO (frowns)
You have a point...All right, come on in.

Illya starts for the window.

INT. DEN

Matsu is holding Miki by the shoulders as she stares back blankly. Illya comes through the window to observe the scene.

MATSU (pleading)
Miki, what's wrong?! Wake up!

She continues to look blank as Matsu looks at her helplessly.

SOLO Try slapping her.

Matsu brings his hand across her face in a smart, quick slap and Miki's eyes blink, then start to focus in the manner of one coming out of a heavy sleep.

MATSU Miki! ... Miki!

A moment as she looks from the papers still in her hand to her father...to Solo and Illya, then back again.

MIKI (awake)
What is it? What happened!?

On her look of bewilderment...

FADE OUT:

END TEASER

FADE IN: INT. WAVERLY OFFICE - DAY

22

ELLIOT, a psychiatrist is talking. Present are Waverly, Miki, Dr. Matsu, Solo and Illya.

ELLIOT

There is no doubt, Dr. Matsu that your daughter has acted under the influence of some extremely deepseated psychic interference. The condition still exists, and though she is completely normal in every other respect she is programmed to unconsciously obey certain commands at a pre-arranged signal.

WAVERLY

And you've been unable to -- deprogram her?

ELLIOT (nods) We've tried everything. The best we can hope for is that time will be the healer. That it will erase itself of its own accord.

WAVERLY Thank you, Dr. Elliot.

Elliot rises, exits. Waverly looks to Matsu.

WAVERLY

You, of course realize the implication, Dr. Matsu?

MATSU (grimly) I'm afraid I do, Mr. Waverly. (glances at Miki) My daughter has become a walking file of top-secret information.

WAVERLY And she can be forced to reveal it to whoever made her that way.

ILLYA

THRUSH.

Yes.

WAVERLY

Since THRUSH has made two previous attempts to steal the plans, there is no reason to doubt that they're behind this piece of deviltry.

SOLO (glance at Miki)
It seems to me, sir, that under the circumstances, Miss Matsu should be put under lock and key.

CONT'D (2)

WAVERLY

Indeed.

MIKI

But I have to go to school!

WAVERLY (to Miki)
It would be best if you didn't,
Miss Matsu.

MIKI

But I have to -- I'm on the debating team!

SOLO

It would only be till work has been completed on the Matsu project. A few weeks at the most.

Miki looks to her father for support, but gets none.

MATSU (to Miki)

I'm afraid the debating team will have to do without you, Miki. For a little while, anyway.

MIKI (obediently)

Yes, father.

MATSU (to Waverly)

..Which means I'll have to engage a tutor as well as a bodyguard.

WAVERLY

If you'll leave that to us, Dr. Matsu. We have a man in this very room who fits both requirements perfectly.

Solo's head comes up with an unconscious touch of confidence as Matsu and Miki's eyes automatically go to him.

WAVERLY

Mr. Kuryakin.

(as Illya reacts)

Black belt in judo. Did postgraduate work at the Sorbonne, PhD from Cambridge.

(to Illya)

Medieval Architecture, wasn't it?

ILLYA

Uh, no sir. That was Mr. Barlow's field. Mine was quantum mechanics.

CONT'D

MATSU (impressed, to

Illya)

'I didn't know we were colleagues.

ILLYA (modestly)

I'll -- have to brush up on New Math.

WAVERLY

Do that.

(to Solo)

You, Mr. Solo, will check into the school...the Partridge Academy for Young Ladies...I would think you're ideally suited for that task.

SOLO

Thank you, sir.

WAVERLY

The school has an excellent reputation, as does its owner and Head Mistress, Miss Hester Partridge. Let me caution you, Mr. Solo. Extreme tact.

SOLO

I think I'll find a way to handle it, sir.

WE ZIP PAN TO:

EXT. PARTRIDGE ACADEMY - DAY

22X1

to establish.

INT. PARTRIDGE PARLOUR - DAY - CLOSE SHOT

23

of HESTER PARTRIDGE. She looks exactly like her name. The study is early American with a touch of old lace. At the moment, Partridge is seated at a sofa, pouring tea from a tea service. Near her, at another table, the framed picture of a man smiling out at us. We will find out his name is JASON SUTRO.

PARTRIDGE Lemon or cream, Mr. Solo?

23 CONT'D (2)

WIDEN to take in Solo facing her in a chair. He's in white ducks, holds a pith helmet in his lap.

SOLO
Uh..just plain...thank you.

PARTRIDGE (pouring)
I'm very flattered that you've come
halfway around the world to look
us over.

SOLO
The reputation of your school more that warrants it, Miss Partridge. It was only after a careful study of a few selected institutions did her Highness the Begum insist

that I come here.

PARTRIDGE

The Begum of Bangerpole -- you are her...

Solo Secretary, to be precise. Her private, confidential secretary. I also serve the Maharajah... The final decision, of course, rests with him.

PARTRIDGE (sipping her tea)
Naturally. And how old is the young lady, Mr. Solo?

SOLO The Maharanee has just turned sixteen.

(sips and smiles)
My, time flies. It seems only yesterday that I was taking little Gigi
on her first tiger hunt. Have you
ever hunted tiger, Miss Partridge?

PARTRIDGE (a bit repelled) I must admit, never, Mr. Solo.

SOLO
The Maharajah maintains his own
private game preserve. If you should
ever have the urge for a little
sport, you'd be more than welcome.

PARTRIDGE
To be perfectly frank, Mr. Solo, the sight of blood repels me.

CONT'D

SOLO (mildly)

Forgive me.

PARTRIDGE
Besides, I've never approved of
that type of activity for women.
It -- well, it's <u>unfeminine</u>.

SOLO (judiciously)
Other sports <u>are</u> more genteel, yes.

PARTRIDGE
Indeed...to get back to the purpose of your visit...

Oh yes. Gigi is an only child and I'm sure you can understand the Begum's concern that I make a full report on the school before she makes the recommendation to the Maharajah.

PARTRIDGE
I would expect that, Mr. Solo. We have a visitor's cottage here. My suggestion would be that you spend a few days with us and acquaint yourself completely with our facilities.

SOLO An excellent thought.

Partridge reaches out to yank at a service cord next to the drapes.

PARTRIDGE
Then it's settled. I'll have
Duane show you to your room;

The door opens and DUANE looks in. He's an elderly gaffer in handyman clothes. His voice is a nasal twang.

DUANE
You called, Miz Partridge?

PARTRIDGE
I'd like you to escort Mr. Solo to
the guest cottage. He's staying
with us for a few days,

DUANE

Yes, Ma'm.

23 CONT'D (4)

Solo has risen...reaches for his suitcase.

DUANE

I'll take that. That's my job, sir.

PARTRIDGE

Just make yourself at home, Mr. Solo. We are completely at your disposal.

SOLO

Thank you.

He follows Duane out of the room CAMERA STAYING ON Partridge. She looks very thoughtful.

ZIP PAN TO:

INT. MATSU HOUSE - DAY

24

An indoor garden with Japanese accessories. OPEN on CLOSE of Miki seated on a cushion singing a soft, lyrical Japanese song and accompanying herself with a koto. She's in the traditional costume replete with obi. HOLD, then WIDEN to include Illya and Dr. Matsu in kimonos, also on cushions before small individual tables. There are tea and cakes before them.

ANGLE - ILLYA AND MATSU

25

We see Matsu's pride and affection as he listens to Miki. She finishes and lowers her head with charming humility.

ILLYA

That was beautiful.

MIKI

Thank you.

MATSU

My daughter believes in preserving the traditions of my forefathers.

He gets to his feet. So do Miki and Illya.

MATSU

The prerogative of youth. Personally, I think it's pretty square, but what can you do with a kid that's hung up with the past?

25 CONT'D (2)

He puts an arm around her fondly.

MATSU

It's back to the drawing board. My plane leaves in forty-five minutes.

(calls out)

Taka!

MIKI

Do you wish me to accompany you to the airport, Father?

Matsu looks to Illya.

ILLYA

I'd advise against it, sir.

An elderly Japanese female in an obi and kimono materializes. This is TAKA. She bows.

MATSU (to Taka)
Mr. Kuryakin will be staying with
us for a while. You will treat
him as an honored guest.

She bows again, backs out as Matsu turns to Illya.

MATSU

I'm leaving you with my most precious possession, Mr. Kuryakin. Guard her well.

ILLYA

I'll do my best, sir.

MATSU

And if she doesn't behave - just spank her. I find it gets excellent results.

Illya looks at Miki. She lowers her head demurely.

ILLYA

I'm sure that won't be necessary.

MATSU (idly)

I wonder.

He smiles...kisses Miki on the forehead.

MATSU

Goodbye, baby ...

25 CONT'D (3)

MIKI (bowing)

Sayonara ...

Matsu looks at Illya and shrugs helplessly.

MATSU

See what I mean?

He goes. Miki stays in the bowed position a moment longer before straightening.

ILLYA

Well, we're on our own. What would you like to do?

MIKI

How about a game of pool? I'll spot you five points.

With Illya's reaction ...

ZIP PAN TO:

EXT. PLAYING FIELD - CLOSE SHOT OF VERITY - DAY

26

A beautifully-fashioned, extremely attractive piece womanhood in shorts and sweatshirt. She has a whistle on a cord hanging from her neck as she looks off and blasts on it. Her full name is VERITY BURGOYNE.

VERITY (calling)
Out of bounds! Take the shot, Liz!

CAMERA PULLS BACK to show two teams of girls in shorts playing field hockey. LIZ goes to the sideline to get the ball as one of the other girls looks off and lets out a wolf whistle. Her name is KISH and she could lose a few pounds. The others look off.

SUZY

Hey, who's the stranger?

DOTTIE

Not bad looking -- if you like the type.

SUZY

I like the type.

KISH I saw him first.

26 CONT'D (2)

Verity's head turns.

WHAT THEY SEE

27

Solo, with Duane holding his suitcase, approaching. Solo looks ahead appraisingly.

RESUME - VERITY AND GIRLS

28

LIZ

And would you look at what he's got on his head! Wild!

DOTTIE

He's a white hunter. .

KISH (picking it up)
On safari. Into darkest Long Island
with elephant gun and camera.

LIZ

What's he hunting for here?

KISH

Girls, I hope.

VERITY

All right - that'll be enough of that.

DUANE'S VOICE

Oh, Miz Burgoyne...!

She turns...

ANOTHER ANGLE

As Duane comes up with Solo.

DUANE

This is Mr. Solo - he's stayin' for a couple a days.

VERITY

Hello... I'm Verity Burgoyne.

DUANE

Miz Burgoyne's head of the physical culture department.

28 CONT'D (2)

30

SOLO

I can see that she meets all the requirements.

(to Verity)

A pleasure to know you, Miss Burgoyne.

The girls have clustered around.

DOTTIE

How about introducing us?

She gets a chorus of approval from the girls.

VERITY (sternly)

Get back to your game, girls.
(to Solo as the girls reluctantly move off)

Duane's the only male on the campus. You're a new rooster in the hen house, Mr. Solo.

SOLO (thoughtfully, as he eyes the departing girls)

I've -- uh -- been in worse predicaments, Miss Burgoyne.

She laughs. From o.s. we HEAR the distinctive SOUND of a motor horn calliope approaching. Solo, Verity and Duane turn.

WHAT THEY SEE

An approaching Rolls-Royce town car replete with liveried chauffeur and footman is coming up the drive.

BACK TO SCENE 31

SOLO

That's quite an entrance. Who is it?

DUANE

It's Mr. Sutro...

SOLO

Oh?

VERITY

Jason Sutro. The grapefruit king.

As it pulls up before one of the buildings - the footman comes around to open the door. JASON SUTRO steps out, to be met by Miss Partridge, who emerges from the building.

ANOTHER ANGLE

33

PARTRIDGE (effusively)

Mr. Sutro!

She comes on. Some of the girls now begin to materialize around Sutro's car.

RESUME - SOLO, VERITY, DUANE

34

DUANE (apologetically

to Solo)

I better get over to see if Miz Partridge...

SOLO

You go ahead.

Duane picks up Solo's suitcase.

SOLO (indicating

suitcase)

That's all right. I can handle it.

Duane puts it down, goes.

SOLO (looking off)

Mr. Sutro appears to be another rooster.

ANGLE - FROM SOLO AND VERITY

35

Sutro can be seen being greeted by Partridge, still surrounded by girls.

VERITY (smiling)

The girls are quite fond of him. He always brings presents.

SOLO

Ah ... The Pied Piper ...

VERITY

Mr. Sutro has also endowed the school with a gymnasium and library in memory of his late departed sister. He's really very sweet.

35 CONT'D (2)

ANGLE - ROLLS-ROYCE

36

The footman is opening the trunk lid. Sutro looks around.

SUTRO

That little Japanese girl - I have a special surprise for her... where is she?

PARTRIDGE

Oh, you mean Miki...She's home. Dr. Matsu took her out of school for a few weeks...

A momentary cloud comes into Sutro's eyes as he looks at Partridge - his benevolence returning as the girls cluster about him and his gift-wrapped presents. Duane, with an armload of presents, starts toward the main building. Now, Partridge sees something o.s.

PARTRIDGE (calling)
Oh, Mr. Solo!

ANGLE - SOLO AND VERITY - PARTRIDGE IN B.G.

37

PARTRIDGE

Why don't you and Miss Burgoyne join us, Mr. Solo?

SOLO

Thank you.

(to Verity)

Shall we, Miss Burgoyne?

He takes her arm. She smiles and they step forward, Solo taking his suitcase.

ANGLE FEATURING SUTRO

38

looking over to the approaching Solo and Verity with a friendly smile.

SUTRO (effusively)
I have a little something for you,
too, Miss Burgoyne.

38 CONT'D (2)

He hands her a cellophaned, ribbon-wrapped package. She looks at it.

VERITY (enormously pleased)

My favorite perfume! Thank you!

SUTRO (a slight bow) My pleasure, my dear.

PARTRIDGE
. I would like to

Mr. Sutro, I would like to present Mr. Solo.

As they shake hands:

SUTRO

Delighted, sir. Are you the father of one of these girls?

SOLO (reacting)
Uh -- no. Just -- just an admirer of all of them.

PARTRIDGE
Mr. Solo is the secretary to the
Begum of Bangernole. Perhaps he:

Begum of Bangerpole. Perhaps her daughter will be a pupil here.

SUTRO

Marvelous! He -- controls quite a bit of oil, doesn't he?

PARTRIDGE (changing the subject, to Solo)
Have you been to your quarters yet, Mr. Solo?

SOLO

No. Duane was leading me there, but -(a smile)
-- we've been very pleasantly detoured.

PARTRIDGE Oh, dear. And Duane's gone now, too.

SUTRO

If you're going to the guest cottage,
Mr. Solo, my chauffeur will be delighted to take you there. He'll take
your suitcase.

38 SOLO CONT'D Please. I'm afraid I've been (3) enough trouble. SUTRO (turning toward car) Nonsense. No trouble at all. Gratz! 39 ANGLE TO INCLUDE THE CHAUFFEUR behind the wheel of the car. As he turns to his master's command, we see: 39XI CLOSE ON CHAUFFEUR -- that he's the scarfaced milkman of the TEASER. ON SOLO 39X2 as he reacts. ON GRATZ 39X3 as he clearly recognizes Solo, realizes that he's apparently been spotted. _39X4 SCENE Sutro is aware of the looks that have passed between Solo and Gratz. SUTRO Is there something wrong, Mr. Solo? SOLO (a beat) No, not a thing. Everything's --(a beat) -- just fine. FADE OUT:

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END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

FADE IN:
INT. WAVERLY'S OFFICE - DAY

40

41

Waverly is at his desk, at the mike.

WAVERLY (into mike)
Surely, Mr. Solo, your cover couldn't
have been penetrated so soon!

INTERCUT WITH SOLO IN HIS ROOM AT THE SCHOOL - DAY

Solo is now wearing clothing more normally associated with him. He speaks into his communicator.

SOLO

It's not that, sir. The Begum and Maharajah are old friends of mine, and they would've backed me up to the hilt.

(a beat)

Unfortunately, Sutro's chauffeur turned out to be our friend the milkman.

WAVERLY

I see.... And he recognized you...?

SOLO

I'm quite certain of it. And, under the circumstances, I wonder if my usefulness here hasn't come to an end.

WAVERLY

On the contrary. You're in some jeopardy, I realize, but -- well, that's the nature of our work, isn't it?

SOLO

Of course, sir.

WAVERLY

And while they're deciding how to get rid of you, why, you might learn something of value.

SOLO (after a beat)
It's -- something to look forward to.

SUTRO

A swan! A beautiful, soaring swan!

VERITY (smiles)

Thank you.

EXT. POOLSIDE - GROUP SHOT

in suits and robes nearby.

CLOSE - VERITY

of the pool.

(STOCK)

SUTRO (turning back) Don't see much of that in Bangerpole, do you, Mr. Solo.

SOLO

I've never seen a one and a half side roll with a full twist executed with more grace and precision, Mr. Sutro, even at the Tokyo Olympics. .

SUTRO (smiling)
Ahhh! I detect the voice of an expert.

45 CONT'D (2)

SOLO (manages a modest smile)
Strictly a spectator.
(a beat)
Do you come here often, Mr. Sutro?

SUTRO

As often as I can take time from my business. I enjoy youth, beauty and learning, Mr. Solo and I find them all here.

SOLO (pleasantly)
I understand you've been very
generous to the Partridge Academy.
A gymnasium - a library....

Partridge listens quietly to all this.

SUTRO

I'm a very rich man. I have no objection to paying for value received.

SOLO (gently probing) You pay quite well, sir.

SUTRO

I'm known for that, Mr. Solo. I'm quite open-handed with my employees, for example.

SOLO

You mean in your -- uh -- grapefruit business?

SUTRO

Among other things - This is the age of diversification, Mr. Solo.

SOLO

I see.

SUTRO

I pay well because it is my policy to employ only the very best. I'm constantly on the lookout for -- 45 CONT'D (3)

47

(seeming offhandedness)
--oh, men like you, Mr. Solo.

SOLO

Thank you.

SUTRO

Of course, I realize you're -- engaged right now, and I would hardly want to lure you away from..

(slight beat)

..a Maharajah. But if ever the time does come --

(smiles; pointedly)

--well, I would see that your rewards would be commensurate with your abilities.

SOLO (pleasantly)
Thank you, but I'm quite satisfied where I am.

Sutro's face hardens for just a moment; his initial ploy has failed. But then he breaks into a smile.

SUTRO

Pity.

Partridge who has been following the above with keen interest, decides to intervene.

PARTRIDGE

I think Miss Burgoyne is ready with the next event, gentlemen.

The men's eyes go toward the pool.

ANGLE - GIRLS 46

as a group of them take positions at poolside.

ANGLE - SIDE OF CABANA FACING POOL

Verity, in a robe, is seated at a small table with a loudspeaker microphone before her.

She touches a button and the tape begins to roll.

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SOLO	52
	SOLO

He reacts sharply as the strains of The Merry Widow come through the speaker.

ANGLE - GIRLS 53

as they react in apparent confusion, begin to mill about bewilderedly.

ANGLE - GROUP 54

A restrained reaction from Sutro and Partridge. Then:

PARTRIDGE (calling) Girls! Keep your places. Miss Burgoyne!

The girls freeze. The music stops abruptly.

VERITY'S VOICE

I'm sorry...

ANGLE - VERITY AT RECORDER

55

Standing by Suzie.

VERITY

I don't know how this tape got mixed up in here.

She reaches for another tape.

ANGLE - GROUP 56

as some other musical number that we own comes over the speaker. Partridge and Sutro lean back to watch the show. So does Solo -- a deeply thoughtful expression on his face.

ZIP PAN TO:

INT. MATSU DEN - DAY

57

Illya is giving Miki a lesson. He's seated facing away from her, toward the window, a textbook in his hand. He's in shirtsleeves, wears a shoulder holster in which there is, naturally, a gun. ILLYA (looking in

book)

57 CONT'D (2)

All right. Describe, as briefly as possible, the socio-economic factors that contributed --

Miki, wearing a pixie-like look, begins sneaking up behind him.

ILLYA (cont'd)
--to the outbreak of the Second
Punic War.

MIKI

Well, it was an outgrowth of commercial rivalry between Rome and Carthage which was caused --

She yanks the gun from his holster. He reacts too late. Miki has taken a step back, points the gun at him.

MIKI

Put 'em up!

ILLYA (sighs heavily)
Miki, we are supposed to be very
attentive at lessons. And, even
more important, we do not play
with loaded guns.
(holds out his hand)

MIKI (backs away, gun still on Illya)

I'm not playing.

Give it to me.

(gestures to door)
I want you to open that door and
let me out. I've been in this house
so long I'm going stir-crazy!

ILLYA

Miki --

MIKI

If you don't, I'm going to shoot!
Bang! Right between the eyes!

ILLYA (with enormous patience)
Will you please give me the gun?

MIKI

If I do, will you take me to a nightclub tonight?

ILLYA Absolutely not.

57 CONT'D (3)

MIKI

A movie?

ILLYA That's out, too.

MIKI

A walk?

(and, when he doesn't reply)

You'd take a dog for a walk!

She keeps backing off as he keeps advancing.

ILLYA

I'm sorry. Not even a walk.

MIKI

Then no gun. (musingly)

Maybe I won't shoot. I'll just call up your boss -- that Mr. Waverly.

(imitating the call)
Mr. Waverly? Listen -- what kind
of an agent did you send out to
protect me? He's the one who needs
protection. I'm holding his own
gun on him right now!

As she continues to back away, or circle the advancing Illya, he lunges for her. The gun clatters to the floor as Illya grabs her, turns her almost upside-down.

MIKI (tremulous)
You're -- you're cute.

ANGLE TO INCLUDE DOOR

58

The door opens and Taka enters. She observes the scene with some dismay. Illya looks up.

ILIYA (to Taka)
It's all right -- I'm only showing
Miki a new exercise....

Taka still looks dubious. Illya lifts Miki to her feet, recovers his gun. He is saved by the beep of Illya's communicator on the desk. Miki moves up to stand beside Illya, wide-eyed, as he talks.

ILIYA Kuryakin here. 58 CONT'D (2)

INT. GUEST COTTAGE BEDROOM - DAY

59-62

We see Solo talking very quietly into his communicator as he turns on the radio next to him.
INTERCUT HIM WITH ILLYA IN MATSU LIBRARY.

SOLO

I'm talking from the Partridge Academy. I haven't checked the room for bugs so I want you to listen carefully. I'm only going to say this once.

ILLYA

What? You'll have to speak louder.

SOLO

I said I'm only going to say this once.

ILLYA

It's that music. What did you say?

Solo turns down the radio slightly with:

SOLO (very loud)

I said I'm only going to say this once!

ILLYA

You don't have to shout. I can hear you. Go ahead and say it.

SOLO

I think I've run into something. Do you remember the music that was coming from the milk truck?

ILLYA

Certainly. It was The Merry Widow Waltz.

SOLO

I want you to play it to Miki and let me know what happens.

ILLYA

Just a moment.

(to Miki)

Do you happen to have <u>The Merry Widow Waltz</u> among your records.

MIKI (shakes her head)

Nope.

59-62 CONT¹D (2)

ILLYA (to Miki)

Perhaps your father --

MIKI

He only collects Dixieland.

INT. PARTRIDGE'S ROOM - DAY

63

Miss Partridge and Sutro are drinking tea as they listen to the bugged conversation.

SOLO

It shouldn't be any trouble to get. Buy it and put it on your expense account.

ILLYA

I haven't been paid for the money I laid out for that umbrella yet. I'll do it, but this is absolutely the last time.

BACK TO SCENE

64

Illya clicks off as Miki looks at him.

MIKI

Chintzy, aren't you?

INT. PARTRIDGE'S ROOM - DAY

65

as Sutro clicks off his "bug" receiver. He and Partridge smile at each other. CAMERA MOVES IN CLOSE as they raise their teacups to their lips.

ZIP PAN TO:

INT. MATSU LIVING ROOM - DAY -- MATCH CUT ON TRACUPS 66

They are on a tray. CAMERA BACK to show Taka carrying the tray to Illya and Miki, who are playing chess.

ILLYA

It's your move. And I have your queen in check.

66 CONT'D (2)

(looks up) Oh, thank you, Taka.

Taka puts the tray on the table, disappears toward the kitchen. Miki moves. Illya studies the board.

ILLYA

Where did you learn the Philidor Defense?

MIKI

It was originally created by Steinmetz. I only use it when I'm faced with a Rue Lopez flank attack.

Illya looks at her and goes back to the board. He's in trouble. He reaches for a piece.

MIKI

I wouldn't make that move if I were you.

ILLYA

I'm not falling for anything like that.

He moves - she makes a quick move - he moves again - so does she.

MIKI

Check!

Illya scowls..is studying the board when there is a ring at the door.

MIKI

You're saved by the bell!

ILLYA

Must be the delivery boy with the record.

He gets up and starts for the door.

MIKI

Don't forget...you're supposed to tip him.

Illya snorts and exits as Miki looks after him with a smile...

INT. MATSU FOYER - DOOR

The bell rings again as Illya appears from b.g.

ILLYA (calling)
All right, I'm coming.
(gets there)

Who is it?

VOICE (0.S.)
Delivery. I have a package for Mr. Kuryakin.

Illya opens the door. The delivery boy is none other than GRATZ, the Sutro chauffeur.

GRATZ
Two dollars and ninety cents.
C.O.D.

Illya digs into his pocket and comes up with three dollars. He gives it to Gratz who hands him a record in an envelope, then offers him a book and a pencil.

GRATZ

Sign here.

Illya is balancing the record with one hand and signing with the other when --

MIKI (who has come up behind him)
Illya! Look out!

The warning is too late. Illya can do no more than look up before Gratz has belted him. Another man (CHESTER) follows Gratz into the room, and the fight is on. Taka, attracted by the noise, enters, can only look on in paralyzed confusion.

Illya, as always, gives a very good account of himself -though he is outnumbered and both his antagonists
are much larger than he. At a critical moment in
the fray, Miki takes a <u>samural sword</u> off one of the
walls, gets it to him. That tips the scales -- and
right in the nick of time. The heavies flee out the
door as Illya charges them with it. When it's all
over:

ILLYA (panting heavily) Thank you.

MIKI Are you all right? TLLYA

I'm fine. Get the record.

67 CONT', (2)

68

Miki picks up the record from the floor as Taka brushes Illya off. Miki shakes the envelope.

MIKI

I think it's broken.
(a beat)

You're out three dollars.

On Illya's reaction:

ZIP TO:

EXT. CABANA - NIGHT

Music -- most assuredly <u>not The Merry Widow</u> -- is playing softly as a pensive Verity sits on a bench. Solo comes out of the shadows.

SOLO

A penny for your thoughts.

VERITY (startled)

What?

SOLO

I believe that's how the expression goes.

VERITY (recovers, smiles) To be honest, Mr. Solo, I wasn't thinking at all. I was just -- relaxing a little. I love the girls, but -- well, they can be a little trying.

SOLO (sitting down beside her)
How long have you been here?

VERITY

Almost two years. Two very happy years.

SOLO

That speaks well for the school -- and for Miss Partridge.

VERITY

She's one of the finest women I know.

SOLO (casually)
I have a feeling that there's more than meets the eye between Miss Partridge and Mr. Sutro.

68 CONT') (2)

VERITY In what way, Mr. Solo?

SOLO

Could it be romance? I thought I detected a little gleam in her eye.

VERITY (laughs)

It was probably because she was thinking of a new dormitory. That Mr. Sutro's promised.

(a beat; she rises)

Well, it's getting a little late now, and --

SOLO
I was just thinking....

VERITY

Yes?

SOLO (a glance toward speaker)
All that music and no dancing....
May I, Miss Burgoyne?

As she steps into his arms and they begin to dance:

VERITY well, only until this song is over.

SOLO

Speaking of songs -- that tape you played today. By accident. The Merry Widow.

VERITY

I don't know how it happened. It's hardly the type of music you play for rhythmic exercises.

(smiles)
It's no wonder the girls were confused when it went on. I was too.
(a beat)
Why do you ask?

SOLO

Oh, just a random thought forming in the back of my mind. Nothing, really.

The music stops. The dancers break.

68 CONT'D (3)

VERITY

Well, I -- do have to go back now. I have an eight o'clock class.

She holds out her hand to Solo. He holds it.

SOLO

Can you spare a little time for me tomorrow?

VERITY

You heard what Miss Partridge said. If you need anything, just holler.

SOLO

You know, I just might do that. Good night.

As she moves off, Solo watching her thoughtfully, we:

ZIP TO:

INT. CORRIDOR - NIGHT

69

A lone night light is seen burning as Verity appears from the stairs. She starts down the corridor, then suddenly stops as the strains of The Merry Widow theme is heard coming from one of the rooms.

CLOSE ANGLE - VERITY

70

Her face turns expressionless with the music. As the theme continues:

ANGLE TO INCLUDE FIRE EXTINGUISHER

71

on the wall. Verity reaches up, takes the fire axe.

INT. GUEST COTTAGE - NIGHT

72

Solo, clothed, lies in bed pensive. Moonlight streams in. Presumably it's warm in the room. He rises, opens the window, starts back for the bed. But opening the window has let in the sounds of the familiar music. He reacts, steps back to the window. He looks out, presumably trying to pinpoint the direction from which the strains of The Merry Widow come.

ANGLE TO INCLUDE DOOR

73

as it opens soundlessly and Verity enters. CAMERA PANS DOWN to include the fire axe.

ON SOLO

74

He has not heard Verity's entry, continues to gaze out the window. Now Verity is behind him. She lifts the axe and we FREEZE

FADE OUT

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

FADE IN:
INT. GUEST COTTAGE BEDROOM - NIGHT

75

(Cont'd from previous scene)
Verity UNFREEZES to start the axe down...

CLOSE-UP - SOLO

76

Solo whirls as the blade swishes past him, imbeds itself into the window sill.

ANGLE - SOLO AND VERITY

77

She manages to pull the axe out of the sill and tries for a second blow as Solo grabs her. They struggle. She fights like a wild cat... until Solo is forced to clip her on the jaw and every ounce of fight goes out of her. The rigidity goes out of her face and she looks at Solo blankly. A pause, then:

VERITY

What are you doing in my room?

SOLO

It happens to be my room, Miss Burgoyne...

She looks around, then her eyes drop to the axe she's still holding in her hand.

SOLO

You tried to kill me with it.

VERITY

Kill you?

It sinks in and a moment of hysteria hits her. She screams. Solo tries to smother it with his hand.

SOLO

Verity! Do you want to wake the whole place up?!

She begins to shake as Solo puts a comforting arm around her.

SOLO

It's all right, Verity! Easy, now...Here, try this.

77 CONT'D (2)

He procures a small flask, puts it to her lips.

SOLO

I keep it around only for -- situations like this.

She drinks, tries to compose herself.

VERITY

I must have walked in my sleep... It's never happened before... I don't know...

SOLO

Sssh...

He listens. The unmistakable sound of voices is heard o.s. Solo quickly takes the axe and throws it under the bed, then moves to touch the light switch. The light goes on as Partridge in curlers and a robe appears in the doorway followed by Duane in a pair of pants and a tucked-in night-shirt. He's holding a shotgun. Both stop short at the sight of Solo and Verity.

SOLO

Uh, before you--jump to any conclusions, Miss Partridge-- this can very easily be explained.

PARTRIDGE (cold)
I may be gullible, but I'm not stupid, Mr. Solo. I'm afraid it will take more than an explanation.

Duane's head turns as Liz, Dottie and Kish, in robes and curlers, look in curiously.

DUANE

Miz Partridge...
(indicates girls)

PARTRIDGE

There's nothing here that can be of interest to any of you girls. Get back to your rooms, please. At once!

The girls reluctantly leave.

PARTRIDGE (to Duane)
Tell them that Miss Burgoyne thought she saw a prowler.

77 CONT'D (3)

DUANE

Yes, Ma'm.

He goes with Partridge, closing the door.

VERITY

Mr. Solo had nothing to do with my being here. It was all...

PARTRIDGE (cutting in)
Mr. Solo came here as the emissary
of the Maharajah and the Begum of
Bangerpole.

(to Solo)
Out of respect to them. and because the breath of scandal has never touched my school, I shall not call the police...I expect you to be

packed and gone by morning.

(to Verity)

You will return to your room, Miss Burgoyne. We will discuss this tomorrow.

She opens the door for Verity who looks at Solo. He shrugs. Verity goes. Partridge follows. She pauses before closing the door.

PARTRIDGE

In the morning, Mr. Solo.

As she shuts the door...

ZIP PAN TO:

INT. MATSU STUDY - DAY

A small room extending from or adjacent to the library. Illya is putting a record on an elaborate hi-fi turntable. Miki is nearby. She's wearing slacks or Bermuda shorts.

MIKI

If you want my opinion, I think the whole thing is ridiculous. What am I supposed to do when I hear the Merry Widow? 78

ILLYA

I don't know - that's why we're playing it.

78 CONT'D (2)

He puts on the record and the Merry Widow starts. Miki flops into a chair and assumes what she thinks is a receptive pose. The record rolls on for a moment.

ILLYA

Anything happening?

MIKI

Yes, I'm getting sleepy. Order me to do something. Maybe that'll do it. Something drastic. Like-- (thinks)
--jumping off a cliff.

ILLYA (faint smile)
There are no cliffs handy. Why
don't you go to the terrace and
jump off?

MIKI

Really, Mr. Kuryakin...

She stops suddenly.

ILLYA

What is it? Do you feel something?

She gets up from the chair with an expressionless look on her face and starts walking toward the terrace.

ILLYA

You're putting me on...

She continues on going through the doors...

ILLYA

Hey, come back here!

EXT. TERRACE - DAY

79

Miki reaches the terrace rail - starts climbing over as Illya runs in to grab her. In the b.g. the music continues.

ILLYA

Miki, stop!

(Continued)

His arms are around her to hold her back. She suddenly looks at him and breaks into a wide grin.

79 CONT[†]D (2)

MIKI

You cared! I really had you worried! You thought I was going to do it!

ILLYA

Of all the silly, childish...
(he stops)
What is is?

She starts to weave in his arms like a cobra being mesmerized.

ILLYA

Miki...this isn't a joke...

Another weave, then without warning she throws her arms around his neck and starts kissing him. Illya disengages himself.

ILLYA

Miki, this is serious business. Now, stop it!

MIKI

I can't. I'm hypnotized.

She goes right back to kissing him. Illya manages to get free once again.

ILLYA

Your father had a point. I think what you need is a good spanking. Suppose Taka walked in on us?

MIKI (blithely)

Oh, I'd just say you were attacking me.

Illya reacts, then:

ILLYA

That does it.

He grabs Miki, put her over his knee, is about to start paddling when there is a beep on his communicator. Miki's eyes open as he releases her and takes out his communicator.

ILLYA

(into communicator)
Kuryakin here.

80

Solo can be seen behind a large bush next to the building. His suitcase is at his feet.

INTERCUT HIM WITH ILLYA ON TERRACE

SOLO

I hadn't heard from you so I thought I'd give you a jingle. Did you play the record?

ILLYA

It had no effect on her whatsoever.
 (a glance at Miki)
At least nothing that's -germane to our problem. How are
things at the school?

SOLO

As a matter of fact, I've just been thrown out bag and baggage for entertaining one of the faculty in my room.

ILLYA

I presume she was female.

SOLO

Very. The trouble is she tried to kill me with a fire axe...the answer's here, Illya. I'm sure of it.

(looks off)

Someone's coming - I'll have to talk with you later....

He CLICKS off, pockets his communicator and sticks his head out.

SOLO

Psst!

ANGLE TO GYMN ENTRANCE

81

Suzie and Kish are coming out. The bush with Solo is next to it.

SUZIE

Mr. Solo!

KISH

We heard that you left this morning.

SUZIE

For India.

81 CONT'D (2)

SOLO

Well -- uh -- I'm supposed to be gone. But the fact is that I have a --- very good reason for wanting to stay here. And I need a place to roost. If you girls could help me I ...

SUZIE

The boathouse. It's on the lake about two miles from here.

SOLO

Too far.

KISH (to Suzie) How about the attic?

SUZIE

It's too risky.

SOLO

Where is it?

SUZIE

In the main building. Right over Miss Partridge.

SOLO

I'll take it.

SUZIE

You just want to be near her, don't you?

SOLO

I beg your pardon?

KISH

You don't have to hide it, Mr. Solo. It's written all over you.

SOLO

Well would you mind reading it back to me?

SUZIE

Miss Burgyone. You're in love with her, aren't you?

They look at him with a broad smile. Solo looks back.

81 CONT'D (3)

82

SOLO (a beat)
I guess there's no point in
trying to deny it.

KISH

Even if you did we wouldn't believe you.

SOLO

Then you can do me one more favor. You can tell her I'm here, but no one else. Promise?

SUZIE (reproachfully)
You know we'll keep your secret,
Mr. Solo.

ZIP PAN TO:

INT. ATTIC ROOM - DAY

Looking like something out of Bekin's warehouse with everything from a moosehead to a rubber plant. Solo slumped down in a chair is watching Suzie make up the bed while Dottie with a towel wrapped around her head is dusting. They all freeze with a KNOCK.. relax with:

KISH'S VOICE

It's only us.

SOLO

Us?

The door opens to reveal Kish and about three girls in back of her all carrying pieces of bric-a-brac and furniture. Kish is holding a lamp.

DOTTIE

Isn't that Miss Partridge's lamp?

KISH

Yeah. She'll never miss it. (to Solo)

You don't have to worry about anyone snitching on you, Mr. Solo. We're all very trustworthy.

SOLO (reacts)
All? How many is that?

82 CONT 'D (2)

KISH

Only twenty.

SOLO

That -- uh -- certainly takes a load off my mind.

A step at the door turns all heads. It's Verity. Her eyes scan the room.

VERITY

I see the girls are doing right well by you, Mr. Solo.

SUZIE (to girls)
I think we better go now.

VERITY

I think that's an excellent idea.

The girls crowd to the door.

KISH (a final word)
Be gentle with her, Mr. Solo.

She closes the door as Solo and Verity react to this parting advice. After a beat:

VERITY

I got your message from the girls. This is sheer madness, Mr. Solo.

SOLO

(dryly)

Under the circumstances I think you can start calling me Napoleon. Yes, I suppose some explanation is due you.

VERITY

Making the girls think you're here because of me! What kind of a nonsense is that?

SOLO

How could I have disappointed them? All the world loves a lover...and besides I needed a place to stay. VERITY (a beat) Who are you?

82 CONT 'D (3)

SOLO (serious now)
Does the name U.N.C.L.E. mean
anything to you, Verity?

VERITY
It's some kind of security
organization...?

SOLO Right. And I happen to belong to it.

VERITY (slowly)
Just what does U.N.C.L.E. have
to do with the Partridge Academy?

SOLO You'd better sit down.

She does...looking at him.

SOLO Have you spoken with Miss Partridge about last night?

VERITY
This morning. I told her I
had been sleepwalking and she
accepted it. But I still don't
understand what made me do what
I did.

SOLO
What happened after you left
me at the cabana last night,
Verity?

VERITY
I went directly to Partridge
Hall. That's the main building.
I went upstairs and was walking
in the corridor...
(stops - looks at Solo beat)

After that -- I don't know.

SOLO

I want you to think hard. Do you remember hearing any music...?

82 CONT 'D (3Å)

VERITY (thinking)

Music...?

SOLO

The Merry Widow Waltz.

He hums a few bars...she looks at him and something registers.

VERITY

Yes...Now that you mention it...I seem to remember something like that...
(a beat)

But what's that got to do with -- (slight shudder) with what happened?

SOLO

You were programmed to respond to that piece of music. And while you were in a trance, you were given a command to kill me.

VERITY (a long

beat)

But...but why?

SOLO

Someone here knows who I am and wants me out of the way. We suspect that the school has been infiltrated by -- certain evil forces. That some of the pupils have been conditioned just as you were.

82 CONT'D (4)

VERITY

I -- don't understand.

SOLO

Most of the students here are daughters of very important people. The girls may have access to information that's equally important.

VERITY

I see. But--but who's behind it?

SOLO

I think that the original tape of The Merry Widow will supply all the answers. And there's only one person here who can help me get it.

They look at each other, then:

VERITY

What do you want me to do... Napoleon...?

ZIP PAN TO:

83

INT. MATSU DEN - NIGHT

The furniture is pushed back to the wall. Miki and Illya, wearing masks and gloves, are whacking each other in the traditional Samurai combat sport of Kendo. They batter each other around for a few minutes with the heavy bamboo sticks..Now Miki charges in and Illya slips around to whack her on the derriere.

MIKI That's not fair!

ILLYA

It's eminently fair. You know there aren't any rules to this game...Had enough?

MIKI

For now.

He pulls his mask off - she follows.

83 CONT'D (2)

MIKI

How come you're such an expert on Kendo, anyway?

He takes off his gloves as she does the same.

ILLYA

U.N.C.L.E. agents are experts in everything, Miki. We have a rather extensive training program.

The ringing phone interrupts. Illya picks up the receiver.

ILLYA

Hello!

INT. PARTRIDGE OFFICE - NIGHT - CLOSE OF PARTRIDGE 84-86 AT DESK PHONE

Small and lined with book shelves.

PARTRIDGE

May I speak with Miss Miki Matsu, please. This is Miss Partridge.

INTERCUT with Illya.

ILLYA

Just a moment. (to Miki)

It's Miss Partridge for you.

Miki goes to the phone.

MIKI (phone)

Hello, Miss Partridge!

PARTRIDGE

I'm calling to find out how you're feeling, my dear.

MIKI

Oh, I'm feeling fine now, thank you.

PARTRIDGE

I'm so glad. When are you coming back to school?

WIDEN as Partridge looks off to take in Duane. He's standing by a tape recorder on a nearby table. He lets the tape run and it very softly begins the theme of The Merry Widow.

ANGLE - ILLYA

Pushing some of the furniture back.

MIKI'S VOICE
I don't know...next week, I hope...

ANGLE - PARTRIDGE

88

87

The music is barely audible as she speaks softly.

PARTRIDGE

Don't change your voice or your expression, Miki...Just listen to me carefully. I'm going to tell you what you have to do...

ANGLE - ILLYA

89

WIDEN as he pauses for a look at Miki. She's listening to what's being said with a slight smile on her face. Reassured, Illya goes back to replacing the furniture.

MIKE (phone - a long

beat)

Yes, I understand, Miss Partridge... Thank you for calling...Goodbye.

She hangs up.

ILLYA

What did she want?

MIKI

Just to know how I was feeling and when I was coming back to school... And to say how much everybody misses me.

(yawns)

I'm bushed. I think I'll go to bed.

Illya regards her closely.

ILLYA

Everything all right?

MIKI

I - don't know. Something just came over me and I feel - - sort of strange.

(faint smile)
I'm sure it's nothing.

Miki stands at the door, listening as Illya's footsteps recede. She looks as if she's fighting something within her. If she is, it's a losing battle. After a moment, she goes to the closet and takes out a coat. Then she moves to the terrace windows, looks out toward -

93

In darkness, except for a single lamplight. ANGLE to take in car parked with its lights out up the street away from the house. Now we HEAR the first strains of The Merry Widow.

INT. MATSU ATRIUM - NIGHT

94

as Miki, wearing her coat, tiptoes out of her room, carrying her shoes in her hand, moves through the darkened atrium. Illya is sitting in the darkness, facing away from her. Now he hears the music and, in turning, sees her pass in the darkness.

ILLYA

Miki!

She speeds up. He goes after her. She makes it to the door and exits. He's just a step behind.

EXT. STREET - NIGHT

95

as Miki emerges onto the street, running now. Illya is right behind.

ILLYA

Miki!

Illya is on the verge of grabbing her when a figure comes out of the shadows and belts him. It's Gratz. Illya rises, tangles with the chauffeur, is just about to dispose of him when Gratz's cohort, Chester, saps Illya from behind. And, while all this is going on, Miki continues, trance-like, to the car. Sutro opens the back door for her.

SUTRO (a smile)
Come in, my child.

As she enters, Gratz and Chester return to clamber into the front seat of the vehicle, Gratz taking his accustomed position in the driver's seat. The car drives off, and we cut to:

ANGLE ON ILLYA

96

lying unconscious on the street.

FADE OUT

ACT FOUR

FADE IN: INT. SOLO'S ROOM (ATTIC) - DAY

97

Solo is just finishing dressing when there is a knock on the door. He opens it and is confronted by Dottie, Suzie and Kish with an assortment of plates and platters - covered by a blanket.

SUZIE

Soup's on! We've got your break-fast.

SOLO

Manna! I'm famished!

He closes the door after them as they set it all up on a small table replete with tablecloth, cutlery and a napkin.

DOTTIE (with above)
The chef wouldn't believe us at
first, but we told him it was for
Kish. She's always hungry.

KISH (nods)
The doctor says it's nerves.

Suzie uncovers as Solo sits down, tucking in his napkin.

SUZIE

Orange juice - bacon - ham - hot cakes - French toast and coffee.

DOTTIE

And two kind of eggs. Fried and scrambled.

Kish comes up with a bottle from under her sweater.

SOLO

What's that?

KISH

Cooking sherry. We thought you might like a morning snort.

Solo raises an eyebrow.

SOLO

Very thoughtful.

DOTTIE

If there's anything else you want, just ask for it.

97 CONT'D (2)

SOLO

Thank you. But I think this will do me very nicely - for the next week or two.

The buzzer SOUNDS from the hallway. Solo looks up from his orange juice.

SUZIE

That's the five-minute warning buzzer. We've got to go to class.

KISH

Just leave the dishes when you finish. We'll wash them.

SOLO

Bless you all.

They go to the door ...

DOTTIE

See you later.

Kish has opened the door, then steps back as Verity appears.

KISH (a know-all smile) Oh, hello, Miss Burgoyne.

SUZIE

We just brought Mr. Solo his breakfast and we're going to class.

They move out as Verity comes in, looking over at Solo. She's carrying a handbag. Solo holds up a piece of bacon. The girls linger...

SOLO

The only way to fly. (to girls)
Thank you, girls.

They reluctantly leave.

SOLO

Any luck?

VERITY

I'm beginning to feel like Mata Hari.

She opens her handbag, withdraws a small roll of tape. Solo rises, takes it from her.

SOLO

Where did you find it?

97 CONT'D (3)

VERITY (a beat)

In Miss Partridge's safe. She gave me the combination last year when she went to a teacher's conference in England.

(beat)

I -- hope you're wrong about this, Napoleon.

Solo places the tape on the recorder in his suitcase.

SOLO

We'll know in a minute.

The Merry Widow starts playing. And Verity's eyes turn glassy, she appears to go into a trance.

SOLO

Feel anything?

VERITY (dully)

Yes, I -- I have no will of my own. You must tell me what you want me to do.

Solo clicks off the recorder. He's found out what he wanted to know.

SOLO

I want you to snap out of it right now....

She blinks, apparently coming out of it.

VERITY

What -- what happened?

SOLO

What I expected. Very clever. Take a tune that everyone knows and give it a unique arrangement -- then take it from there.

VERITY (a beat while it sinks in)
I still can't believe that Miss Partridge --

She breaks off as Solo's communicator beeps. Solo takes it out of his jacket pocket.

SOLO (communicator)

Solo here.

ILLYA'S VOICE (filter)
I'm in a bit of a mess, Napoleon.
I was hit over the head last night
and they took Miki.

97 CONT'D (4)

SOLO (communicator)
Last night! Why didn't you call
me earlier?

INT. POLICE STATION - DAY

97XI

A disheveled Illya is holding his jacket in one hand and the communicator in the other. To the side, a policeman looks baleful.

ILLYA (communicator)
I just came to. I was picked up
off the sidewalk by a very conscientious policeman who booked me on a
drunk charge.

The cop hangs his head.

SOLO (filter)
Does Mr. Waverly know about this?

INT. WAVERLY OFFICE - DAY - WAVERLY

talking via communicator.

WAVERLY

I certainly do, Mr. Solo. I now have the very unpleasant task of calling Dr. Matsu and telling him that his daughter....

SOLO (filter) Just a moment, sir.

RESUME SOLO

99

Looking out of the window.

WHAT HE SEES

100

The Rolls coming into the school grounds.

RESUME ILLYA

101

Waiting with the cops looking on.

WAVERLY'S VOICE What is it, Mr. Solo?

RESUME SOLO

102

Looking down.

SOLO (communicator)
It's Jason Sutro's car. It's pulling into the driveway.

POV SHOT TO CAR

103

Gratz and Chester in the front. They come out quickly, look around with Sutro coming out. He also looks around - sees nothing - holds out his hand for Miki to come out from the inside. As she steps out...

RESUME SOLO

104

SOLO

They brought Miki. You'd better get moving. Fast!

He clicks off, gets into his jacket with:

SOLO (to Verity)
You stay here. I'm going...

DUANE'S VOICE You're both going, Mr. Solo.

ANGLE TO DOOR

105

Duane in the doorway holding a shotgun...

DUANE

Two barrels. You can have your pick. She'll get what's left. Move out.

Verity moves towards the door with Solo following...

DUANE

You first, Mr. Solo.

(gestures)

Get the tape, Miss Burgoyne.

105 CONT'D (2)

As Solo starts to exit, Verity takes the tape from the recorder.

DUANE (to Solo)

Just a minute!

He reaches inside Solo's jacket and pulls out his gun.

DUANE

Now, you, Miss Burgoyne - and I'll take the tape...

As she hands him the tape and follows Solo out with Duane going after them...

EXT. SCHOOL GROUNDS - PLAYING FIELDS - DAY

106

We see girls in assorted athletic activities -- trap shooting, golf putting, archery, even several javelin throwers. We cannot distinguish any of the girls at this point. Passing through this come Solo and Verity -- with Duane right behind them, his gun pointed at their backs from within his jacket pocket.

INT. PARTRIDGE'S OFFICE - DAY

107

Miki is seated in a chair - Partridge is seated tightlipped at her desk - Sutro is facing her. The shades are pulled - the room is in semi-darkness with a single desk lamp -- there is a tape recorder on the desk with a speaker system. A single wall lined with bookcases to the ceiling has a ladder for reaching the top shelves.

SUTRO (furious)

I told you you should have let me keep the tape! What do we do now?!

PARTRIDGE

We get it back. There's only one person who could have taken it.

SUTRO (cold)

For your sake, my dear Hester, I hope you're right.

PARTRIDGE Have I ever failed you?

107 CONT'D (2)

He has no chance to reply as the door is pushed open with Solo and Verity moving into the room and Duane in back of them.

DUANE

I found them in the attic. (shows the tape)
With this.

Partridge looks at Sutro with no show of triumph. He bows his head ... Duane puts the tape on the table.

SUTRO

My most abject apology. Forgive me, my dear.

(to Duane)

Watch him.

(to Verity) Sit down, Miss Burgoyne.

Verity sits in one of the chairs as Duane holds the shotgun on Solo standing against the bookcase. Partridge threads the tape on the recorder as Sutro looks over to Solo.

SUTRO

You should have taken my offer, Mr. Solo.

SOLO

The party isn't over yet.

SUTRO (smiles)

You're quite right on that score. The entertainment is just about to begin.

(to Partridge)

Are you ready?

PARTRIDGE

Indeed I am, Mr. Sutro.

Over this, she has been putting the recovered tape on the recorder. Now she tilts the lamp so the light hits on Miki's face - touches the recorder button starting the tape. It begins The Merry Widow Waltz... She lets it play for a moment, then, looking at Miki:

PARTRIDGE

I want you to relax - there's nothing troubling you - it's so good to relax...

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MIKI (another world)

Relax...

107 CONT'D (3)

PARTRIDGE

That's very good...you're a good girl, Miki -- a very good girl.

MIKI

Good girl ...

ANGLE - SOLO

108

Watching Duane out of the corners of his eyes. Duane is caught between watching Solo and seeing what's going on.

PARTRIDGE'S VOICE
Do you remember the papers in
your father's safe, my dear? The
ones you took out and memorized?

BACK TO SCENE

109

MIKI

Yes.

PARTR IDGE

I want you to recite them to me. Do you think you can do that?

MIKI

Yes.

PARTR IDGE

All right...

(she gestures to Sutro, who has pad and pen at the ready)

You can start now, Miki...

MIKI (a pause...then:)
Matsu Five...Top Secret...Part
One...This project is based on
data accumulated during my research
on the effects of gamma radiation...

ANGLE - SOLO AND DUANE

110

Miki's VOICE coming over. Duane's eyes are off Solo for the moment as he looks in Miki's direction. Solo moves to quickly push the ladder right into Duane... jumping him at the same time. The shotgun BLASTS as

Solo is able to grab his arm and jerk it upwards sending the blast into the ceiling. Crossing over with his other hand, Solo yanks the shotgun out of his hand...swivels to the rest of the room...

CONT 'D
(2)

ANOTHER ANGLE

111

Miki still talking - Partridge looking up bleakly - Sutro reaching into his jacket for a gun. Verity sits still looking out blankly.

SOLO I wouldn't, Mr. Sutro...

Solo points the shotgun straight at Sutro. It stops him.

SOLO (to Partridge)
Turn that thing off!

She looks at him...reaches for the switch, turns off the music.

SOLO (to Verity, indicating Miki)
Come on, Verity, let's get her out of here.
(to the others)
I'll shoot the first one that follows us.

He goes out with Miki and Verity, pushing the door shut after him.

INT. HALLWAY - DAY

112

on Chester approaching, drawing his gun as Solo is seen with Miki and Verity coming out of the office.

SOLO - MIKI - VERITY

113

Solo sees Chester, fires one barrel, misses. Chester fires back. Solo lets go with the other barrel. Chester drops.

BACK TO OFFICE

114

DUANE
He shot both barrels. He's
out of ammunition.

He moves to the door followed by Sutro, both taking out guns.

EXT. SCHOOL BUILDING - DAY

115

As Solo, Verity and Miki come out the door. Gratz, who has remained in the car, steps out now, raises his gun, is about to shoot at the dodging trio, who have seen him as they have started for the car.

ANGLE ON SUTRO AND DUANE

115X1

at the doorway as they come out of the building.

SUTRO (calling to

Gratz)

Stop! I don't want the girl hurt!

Gratz lowers his gun.

SUTRO (to Duane)

Wait here. We have a better way.

He whirls and starts back into the building.

ANGLE ON SOLO - VERITY - MIKI

116

as the pursued trio dodge amidst the shrubbery.

INT. PARTRIDGE'S OFFICE - DAY

117

Partridge has moved to the window, raises the shade, looks out. Sutro enters.

SUTRO

Well, what are you waiting for!? Do you want them to get away?

PARTRIDGE

What's the matter, my dear Mr. Sutro? Don't you think your --

(contemptuously)

your gorillas are adequate to the task.

(looks out the window again) You need have no fear. They won't escape us.

EXT. SCHOOL GROUNDS - DAY

118

as Solo, Verity and Miki run across the playing field.

CLOSE ON DOTTIE

119

practicing putting with a small group of girls. She and the others look up as the fleeing trio race by.

DOTTIE (calling)

Hi, Mr. Solo!

She waves gaily.

CLOSE ON SUZIE

120

among a band of archers. She sees the trio, and:

SUZIE (calling

joyfully)

Mikil You're back!

CLOSE ON KISH

121

hefting a javelin as Solo, Verity and Miki whiz by.

KISH (cheerily) Hey! Where you all going?

Now we hear, from a loudspeaker, the strains of <u>The Merry Widow</u> once more. Kish reacts appropriately. And, a moment later, we hear the voice of Miss Partridge.

PARTRIDGE'S VOICE (filter)
Attention...all girls on the playing
fields...Attention all girls on the
playing fields...This is Miss Partridge.

INT. OFFICE

122

Partridge is talking into the mike with Sutro look-ing on.

PARTRIDGE (mike)
Mr. Solo is an enemy. He wants to
hurt Miki and Miss Burgoyne...I
want you to stop him...

ON DOTTIE

123

She and the girls in her group react, raise their golf clubs as weapons, start away, their faces filled with murderous frenzy.

ON SUZIE

124

Ditto for her and her girls, with bows and arrows as their weapons.

ON KISH

125

Her face grim, she starts away, javelin at the ready.

SOLO - MIKI - VERITY

126

as they pause to get their bearings. Now, from the loudspeaker:

PARTRIDGE'S VOICE (filter)
Miss Burgoyne! Attention Miss
Burgoyne!

BACK TO PARTRIDGE

127

PARTRIDGE (mike)
Mr. Solo means to do you harm.
You have reason to hate him...
(a beat)
You will kill him.

BACK TO TRIO

128

Solo turns just as Verity, her face contorted with hate, hurls herself at him, scratching, clawing, biting. Her surprise charge bears him to the ground, and they wrestle on the turf. Over this:

PARTRIDGE'S VOICE (filter)
Miki. Miki Matsu! I want you
to run! Do you understand me?
Get away from Mr. Solo! Run,
Miki!

Out of the corner of his eye, as he battles with Verity, Solo sees Miki start off.

SOLO

Miki!

He and Verity get to their feet. Verity lunges once again. Solo clips her neatly on the chin. As she falls:

SOLO (meaning it) Sorry, Miss Burgoyne.

128 CONT'D (2)

Whereupon Solo races off after Miki.

SOLO (calling)
Miki! Come back!

Suddenly a shower of arrows plow into the ground in front of him, blocking his path.

ON SUZIE AND HER GIRLS

129

as they pause to fit new arrows into their bows.

BACK TO SOLO

130

He turns, dives into some shrubbery, opens his communicator.

SOLO (communicator) Open Channel D, please.

WAVERLY'S VOICE (filter) Come in, Mr. Solo.

SOLO (communicator)
I'm afraid I'm running out of
time, sir.

EXT. FREEWAY - ON RACING CAR - DAY

131

Waverly is at the wheel, wearing goggles and a sporty cap. Illya is seated next to him. The car is motionless, surrounded by other motionless cars.

WAVERLY (into mike)
We're doing the best we can,
Mr. Solo. But I'm afraid it's
the morning rush hour.

BACK TO SOLO

132

he's about to answer when he looks up, his eyes widen.

HIS POV

133

Three attractive trap shooters, their guns pointed straight at him, about to fire.

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SOLO		134
Hurling himself to one side as BLAM!		
TRAP SHOOTERS		135
as they continue to fire, defoliating the bushes around the fleeing Solo.		
solo		136
running across an expanse of grass now, a horde of girls in pursuit.		
ON SUZIE AND HER GIRLS		137
They pause, kneel, draw their bows, let loose.		
on solo		138
More arrows zip by him, fall at his feet as he run Now, from another direction:	S.	
ANGLE TO INCLUDE DOTTIE AND HER GROUP		139
as they appear in front of Solo, swinging their go clubs at him. Dottie herself comes closest to clobering him as he darts and slips the clubs as an accomplished boxer would evade opponent's blows. He finally breaks loose, runs a few more steps and	р – е	
ON KISH		140
as she lets her javelin loose.		
solo		141
With a thunk, the javelin imbeds itself into the tree beside which Solo has paused to catch his breath. Solo reacts, moves on hastily.		

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142

as Miki, fleeing wildly, appears. She is spotted by Duane and Gratz, grabbed. They rush her into the building.

PAN WITH SOLO

143

as he continues to dart and dodge, finally finds momentary safety in a clump of trees, whips out his communicator once more. He's panting heavily.

SOLO (communicator) Channel D, please.

WAVERLY'S VOICE (filter)
You seem a bit out of breath,
Mr. Solo.

SOLO (communicator)
It's a long story, sir...

WAVERLY (filter)
I daresay. Whatever the case,
we're out of the traffic jam
now. Mr. Kuryakin has found a
short cut. It won't be long.

SOLO (communicator)
When you get here, sir, go to
Miss Partridge's office. Do
you read me? The tape is there!

WAVERLY (filter)
Miss Partridge's office. Very good, Mr. Solo.

Solo clicks off his communicator, looks o.s.

HIS POV

144

Dottie, Suzie, Kish, a horde of their schoolmates... As they see him.

KISH There he is!

SOLO

145

He runs once more, toward the cabana and swimming pool.

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THE "HOUNDS"

146

continuing the chase.

ON ONE OF THE TRAP SHOOTERS

147

as she stops to take careful aim, and BLAM!

ON SOLO

148

as he falls, somersaults, spins to his feet, resumes running...but he favors one leg.

INT. PARTRIDGE'S OFFICE

149

Partridge coolly instructs Miki, while Sutro again has his pen and pad at the ready.

PARTRIDGE
We will resume where we left
off, Miki. Is that clear?

MIKI

Yes...We have found that by combining the two elements, the end result will be an explosive force which --

EXT. MAIN BUILDING - DAY

150

as the sports car, the goggled Mr. Waverly at the wheel, skids up the driveway. Gratz and Duane, near the front of the building, open fire on the vehicle, so that Mr. Waverly cannot stop at the front door. As the car zooms on:

WAVERLY Geronimo, Mr. Kuryakin.

Illya understands. As Mr. Waverly slows down slightly, he leaps from the car, hits the ground, rolls, comes up firing at Gratz and Duane.

BACK TO SOLO

151

in the cabana now, continuing to dart and dodge. But he seems nearly trapped as the girls advance on him, their faces -- if possible -- more murderous than before.

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MAIN BUILDING

Duane spins to the ground, felled by a bullet from Illya's gun. Illya pauses to reload. Gratz has momentarily disappeared.

ON WAVERLY

who has stopped the car, emerged.

WAVERLY Look out, Mr. Kuryakin!

ON ILLYA AND GRATZ

as the latter emerges to fire at Illya -- who, alerted just in time by Waverly, is missed. Illya rushes at Gratz and, after a fight in the U.N.C.L.E. style, disposes of him with a judo chop. Illya turns and rushes into the building.

CABANA AND SWIMMING POOL

Solo is backed to the edge of the pool as the girls advance. He whirls and dives into the water; he has no place else to go.

INT. PARTRIDGE ROOM - DAY - SUTRO, PATRIDGE, MIKI

Miki is still spewing out data on her father's project --

MIKI

....makes it a virtual certainty....
Conclusions: One. That the --

-- when Illya bursts in. Miki breaks off in confusion. Sutro draws his gun. Illya rushes him. In the struggle, the GUN GOES OFF. There is an o.s. CRY, and --

ANGLE ON PARTRIDGE

as she tumbles to the floor.

ILLYA - SUTRO

158

Illya knocks him out, rushes to Partridge....

ILLYA

The girls.... How do I stop them?

PARTRIDGE (weakly)
The tape....Give me the tape....

SWIMMING POOL

160

Solo climbs out the other side, takes one or two steps and then his leg gives out and he falls. The girls, who have run around the pool, are almost on top of him now, ready for the kill.

SOLO'S POV

161

On the girls, Kish in the lead as they advance murderously toward the camera, their faces grim, hate-filled. Suddenly from the loudspeaker:

PARTRIDGE'S VOICE
(filter; the voice is weak,
the words are halting)
This is...Miss Partridge...
Attention all girls... Stop now...
I repeat... Stop what you are
doing...Go back to...your classes
... And remember... You've done
what I've asked... And I'm very...
very proud...of all of you...

The last words are barely audible. Over this, we have seen the grimness, the hate go out of the eyes of the pupils as they stopped their advance. Now they are a group of healthy teen-agers once more, and they look at Solo with some puzzlement.

ANGLE FEATURING KISH AND SOLO

162

as the girl regards him with considerable astonishment, her eyes wide.

KISH

Mr. Solo.... What are you doing in those wet clothes?...Do you want to catch your death of a cold?

ZIP PAN TO:

Waverly behind his desk, Dr. Matsu and Miki in chairs facing him, Solo and Illya standing. Solo leans on a cane.

MATSU (to Waverly)
You're sure there won't be any
aftereffects on any of the girls,
Mr. Waverly?

WAVERLY
I have the unqualified statements
of two of the foremost experts in
the field, Dr. Matsu. There's
nothing to fear on that score.

MIKI (to Waverly)
What's going to happen to the school?

WAVERLY
Miss Partridge left it to Miss
Burgoyne in her will. She was quite
fond of her.

MIKI
Why, that's wonderful!
(to Solo, wisely)
You're pretty fond of her, too, aren't you, Mr. Solo?

Well, we've -- uh -- shared a rather unique experience.

A moment, then Matsu gets to his feet.

WAVERLY
It would be my pleasure. May I ask
for what purpose?

MATSU
Miki has told me that Mr. Kuryakin is an expert in the Japanese sport of Kendo. I would like to arrange a match between him and my club champion. We've always considered him the best.

ILLYA (alarmed)
Well, I'm not really an expert....
As a matter of fact, Napoleon is
much better than I....

163 CONT'D (2)

WAVERLY (to Illya)
Come now, Mr. Kuryakin. I'm sure
you're much too modest. Besides,
Mr. Solo won't be up to it for
several weeks.

Solo rubs his knee, manages a grimace.

SOLO

My knee. It's very painful.

Illya glowers at him.

WAVERLY (to Matsu)
I'm sure that Mr. Kuryakin will be glad to take on your champion,
Dr. Matsu. You have my permission.

MATSU

Thank you. And thank you, Mr. Kuryakin. I'll arrange for the evening. Goodbye.

WAVERLY SOLO ILLYA Goodbye.

Miki looks at Illya.

MIKI

I'll be there, too. Sayonara.

They leave. Waverly turns to Illya.

WAVERLY (thoughtfully) Kendo....Perhaps, Mr. Kuryakin, you'd like a refresher course....

With Illya's bleak sigh, we --

FADE OUT.

THE END