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Terms of Union

Full Trigger Warning List

Non-Spoiler Overview

Terms of Union contains explicit sexual content, consensual BDSM dynamics (including impact play, restraint, and fire play), emotional power exchange, graphic violence, threats to life, criminal activity (including sexual exploitation of minors), trauma, grief, and strong language throughout. This book includes darker and more intense content than previous installments in the series.

Detailed Content Notes (May Contain Mild Spoilers)

Sexual Content & Relationship Dynamics

- Explicit, open-door sexual content
- Consensual BDSM / D/s dynamics
- Established power exchange relationship
- Exploration of trust, commitment, and partnership within a long-term dynamic

BDSM & Intensity-Specific Content

- Ongoing consensual power exchange dynamics
- Impact play and restraint
- Fire play (controlled flame used in a consensual scene)
- Intense sensation play within negotiated boundaries
- Emotional intensity tied to control, trust, and vulnerability

Violence & Physical Harm

- On-page physical violence
- Shooting / gun violence
- Serious physical injury
- Threats to life and bodily harm
- Confrontations involving weapons
- High-stakes, life-threatening situations

Criminal & Dark Themes

- Organized criminal behavior
- Abuse of power and corruption
- References to sexual exploitation of minors (non-graphic but explicit in implication)
- Predatory behavior by an antagonist
- Manipulation and coercion at high levels of power

Abuse & Exploitation Themes

- Coercion and intimidation
- Psychological manipulation
- Power used to exploit vulnerable individuals
- References to past abuse inflicted on others

Emotional & Trauma Themes

- Trauma responses following violence
- Fear, grief, and emotional distress
- Psychological aftermath of dangerous situations
- Emotional strain under sustained threat

Mental & Emotional Health

- Anxiety and heightened stress responses
- Emotional overwhelm
- Internal conflict under pressure
- Survival-driven decision making

Family & Interpersonal Dynamics

- High-stress relationship dynamics under external threat
- Protective instincts and fear of loss
- Emotional strain within close relationships
- Found family dynamics under pressure

Threat & External Conflict

- Ongoing targeted threat from an antagonist
- Surveillance and loss of safety
- Escalation toward violent confrontation
- Law enforcement involvement

Body Image & Self-Perception

- Body image insecurity and negative self-perception
- Internalized criticism related to appearance
- References to past body shaming (family/parental influence)
- Pressure tied to control, perfection, and self-worth

Additional Content

- Strong language throughout
- Alcohol use in social settings
- Emotional distress related to violence and betrayal

Reader Notes

- All intimate relationships between main characters are consensual and negotiated
- BDSM elements—including higher-intensity scenes such as fire play—are portrayed as trust-based and consensual
- This book contains significantly darker external conflict, including violence and criminal themes
- References to exploitation of minors are not depicted graphically but may be distressing
- Content is heavier in tone and intensity than previous books in the series

Questions or Specific Concerns?

If you have specific content concerns, feel free to reach out at nicolegregoryauthor@gmail.com. I'm always happy to help readers make informed choices.