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"Mountain Duet"

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FLORENCE:

This is the one situation I wanted most to avoid
Nothing I say will convince him this isn't a trick.

THE RUSSIAN:

A drink on a clear moonlit night -- I relax, she
smiles

There's something peculiar going on.

FLORENCE:

So with immaculate timing, I'm left to carry the
can

Embarrassed, outnumbered, marooned --

THE RUSSIAN:

Now she can't be working for them -- I mean
us --

She seems so very straightforward -- but where
is he?

FLORENCE:

He has to come back -- he wanted this meeting,
well didn't he?

THE RUSSIAN:

Maybe he's scared -- just as scared as he was
in the game.

FLORENCE:

Oh, I just couldn't care less
He can go right ahead, go and wreck his career,
I know I've done my best

THE RUSSIAN:

Well at least she's a good-looking spy.

FLORENCE:

What if my Russian friend thinks that my plans
Are more of an intimate kind?

If I don't say something else soon

He'll go -- Nobody's on nobody's side!

THE RUSSIAN:

Listen, I hate to break up the mood

Get to the point, begin the beguine

Haven't you noticed we're a protagonist short

In this idyllic, well-produced scene?

FLORENCE:

All I can say is moments ago

He was right here ready and waiting
THE RUSSIAN:
Never mind him -- I haven't missed him so far.
BOTH:
Maybe it won't do any harm
To struggle on without his charm
Funny how all at once I feel that he can go
jump off the mountain
I won't care
FLORENCE:
This is the one situation I wanted most to avoid
THE RUSSIAN:
My dear opponent -- I really can't imagine why
FLORENCE:
So I am not dangerous then? -- what a shame!
THE RUSSIAN:
Oh, you're not dangerous -- who could think
that of you?
BOTH:
You -- you are so strange -- why can't you be
what you ought to be?
You should be scheming, intriguing, too clever
by half --
THE RUSSIAN:
I have to had it to you
For you've managed to make me forget why I
ever agreed to this farce.
BOTH:
I don't know why I can't think of anything
I would rather do
Than be wasting my time
On mountains with you.

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