

MOM
Afrinolly Studios

INT. RESTAURANT - NIGHT

The lights are dim and everywhere is empty. MOM is sitting at one of the tables. FASH enters.

FASH

Mom? Good evening ma...

MOM

Ah-ah, FASH...i've been waiting for you. It took you a long time o.

FASH

Sorry ma...I branched somewhere quickly.

MOM

How did it go?

FASH

I went there immediately I left here. They were very polite.

MOM

Make dem keep their polite. What did they now say?

FASH

The ones we paid are the real ones. These ones that came are not legit at all. Infact, they said if i can provide their names, they will be punished.

MOM

..and you believe them? na so all of them dey talk. They always protect their own o.

FASH

No Mom. They gave me a number to call when next they show up. Or we should ask for ID or take their picture for proof.

MOM

You tried the number?

FASH

Yes. It was the Oga's own. No worry Mom, they won't be back.

(CONTINUED)

MOM

They should try it. We just finished a meeting here not so long ago. I been think say you go meet us.

FASH

Which meeting?

MOM

All the street people full here. We are planning to march to the local government. Go shout for their head small.

FASH

Ah! That one na war o.

MOM

That's exactly what we had in mind.

FASH

You don't need to do that agian, we have the direct link now. Just pass it on to everyone.

MOM

Okay. I will send it to them. Thank you.

FASH starts to get up but MOM puts a hand on his arm.

MOM

Sit down for a minute. I want to discuss somethings with you.

FASH

Is everything fine?

MOM

It's you that I will ask that question...

FASH

Me?

MOM

You have been staying at home a lot lately. I know you always want to help me here but not at the expense of your dreams.

(CONTINUED)

FASH

I know that Mom. I choose to be here.

MOM

I don't want to be the mother that didn't allow her son to grow.

FASH

Noooo. Not at all.

MOM

You don't go to the studio anymore.

FASH

Mom-

MOM

I'm worried about you. Since that your fight with Old Soldier, it's like you have become another person entirely.

He reaches out and holds her hand.

FASH

Stop worrying, Mom. I'm fine.

MOM

No you're not. Another thing is I haven't seen SIMI here in weeks. If it's true everything is fine, what happened to you guys?

FASH

Err...we are fine. She's out of town...that's why. And we are actually taking a break till she comes back.

MOM

Oh. I didn't know that. I was just worried. I'm sorry I assumed too much.

FASH

It's okay. That's what moms do and I appreciate it...but everything is fine.