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FADE IN:

EXT. MONTAGE

Various shots of MAGNUM spending the day with an absolutely stunning-looking young woman, ALICE FLETCHER: Sitting on the beach talking. Romping in the surf. Walking down the sands. Having lunch. The MONTAGE ends with palm trees framing a brilliant sunset, and the couple walking.

MANGUM (V.O.)
Did you ever have the fantasy that...
there you were, lying on the beach
on a tropical island and this truly
gorgeous-looking woman comes up and
starts talking to you... And you end
up spending the day together, and the
evening? Well, the only trouble with
fantasies is... sometimes they come
true.

CUT TO:

INT. KAMEHAMEHA CLUB - DANCE FLOOR - NIGHT

The club band plays soft, romantic music. MAGNUM is dancing with our stunner, ALICE FLETCHER.

ALICE I'll never forget today, Thomas

MAGNUM Neither will I, Alice.

ALICE
In all the years to come, I'll remember tonight. The moon... the stars... the sea... you.

MAGNUM
What are you doing tomorrow?

ALICE You don't understand, Thomas. This is goodbye. Forever. MAGNUM Goodbye? But we just met.

ALICE
(dramatically)
No. It's goodbye. We must
part forever. You see, my sweet,
tomorrow is my wedding day. I'm
getting married.

MAGNUM MARRIED?!

MAGNUM stops dead in his tracks. As his interaction with ALICE progresses, other couples on the dance floor stop and begin to actively listen to what's going on.

ALICE
Please understand, Thomas. Charles
is a good man, but before I married
him I wanted to have one last fling.
Say you forgive me.

MAGNUM (dazed)
Why didn't you tell me?

ALICE
How could I? How could you understand? Oh, you don't know what it will be like married to Charles. The foreign service is so stifling. Those endless receptions, cocktail parties, meeting heads of state....

MAGNUM The foreign service?

ALICE Yes. Charles... the Right Honorable Charles McCauley, Australian Ambassador to the United States.

MAGNUM
Uh huh. And where is he tonight?

ALICE

At some pre-nuptual stag party with all his Australian "mates". Getting drunk as possible, I'm sure. Don't worry, my darling.

MAGNUM (worried)
Worried? I'm not worried.

ALICE (snuggling closer)
Good. The night is young.

MAGNUM reacts to this as if having a loaded gun stuck to his ribs. He pushes her away and holds her at arms' length.

MAGNUM

Alice, it's been wonderful. But you're right, this is goodbye.

ALICE starts to protest.

MAGNUM (continued)
No, no. Let's end it quickly.

MAGNUM takes ALICE'S hand and gives it a firm shake.

MAGNUM (continued) Goodbye, Alice.

He turns to leave.

ALICE

Magnum?

MAGNUM

Yes?

ALICE A goodbye kiss?

MAGNUM h. Well...

He leans over to give ALICE a brotherly peck on the cheek, but she grabs him and kisses him passionately on the lips.

ALICE I'll never forget you, Thomas.

MAGNUM I'll never forget you either, Alice.

MAGNUM turns to leave but suddenly is confronted by CHARLES McCAULEY: A paunchy, balding bull of a man in his 40's, exploding with jealous rage.

ALICE Charles! What are you doing here?!

Ignoring her, CHARLES grabs MAGNUM by his shirt.

MAGNUM Charles! Hello! Listen, I can explain this...

MAGNUM tries to extricate himself from CHARLES' grip, but CHARLES aims a roundhouse punch, which connects to MAGNUM's jaw, sending him sprawling to the ground. He staggers to his feet, scrambling away, pursued by CHARLES, who tosses aside anything getting between he and MAGNUM: Tables, chairs, busboys...

MAGNUM Listen! It's not what you think. I was just leaving!

CHARLES just roars at him, and keeps coming. MAGNUM retreats to the club's bar, vaulting over it, landing next to the BARTENDER.

MAGNUM DO something, quick!

BARTENDER

Right.

The BARTENDER runs for his life.

MAGNUM (after him) Coward!

Just then, CHARLES arrives, grabs MAGNUM and pulls him bodily back over the bar.

CHARLES
You Yankee yellow-belly...

MAGNUM Right. You're absolutely right.

MAGNUM dodges another punch.

MAGNUM (continued)
Didn't you hear me? I just
agreed with you?

He dodges yet another attack.

MAGNUM (continued)
I apologize. Can't we discuss this?

CHARLES
(winded but still furious)
I'll have your bloody hide first!

CHARLES lowers his head and charges MAGNUM like a bull moose.

MAGNUM Oh, damn.

In order to end it, MAGNUM connects a neat blow to CHARLES' head, knocking him out cold. ALICE rushes to CHARLES' prostrate figure.

ALICE Charles!

RICK, accompanied by the BARTENDER, comes rushing onto the scene. What he sees is a total disaster area that used to be the club.

RICK Oh, no. No, no.

CHARLES groans and MAGNUM kneels beside him, checking to make sure no permanent damage has been done.

MAGNUM
He's okay. I hit him very carefully.

ALICE turns on MAGNUM with the ferocity of the lioness protecting her young.

ALICE
Take your hands off him, you... you...

She slaps MAGNUM's face with a force that nearly knocks him over. MAGNUM holds his hand to his aching head and looks head-on into the camera.

HIGGINS (V.O.)

<u>Disgrace</u>, Magnum. You are a disgrace!

CUT TO:

INT. EXECUTIVE OFFICES - KING KAMEHAMEHA CLUB - DAY

HIGGINS is seated behind a desk. Seated is JAMES BARRON, U.S. State Department. MAGNUM stands, holding an icepack to his jaw.

HIGGINS (continued)
Words cannot begin to express the sense of personal outrage I feel at this... this diplomatic disaster.

MAGNUM Aw, c'mon, Higgins, it wasn't my fault.

HIGGINS Silence! You may rest assured that I have wired Robin Masters a complete account of this fiasco.

MAGNUM Higgins, it was a girl I met on the beach. How was I to know she was engaged to be married?

HIGGINS

<u>Girl</u>? That was no "girl". That
was Alice Fletcher of one of the
most distinquished and socially
prominent families in the islands.

MAGNUM

Oh.

HIGGINS

Not to mention your jeopardizing diplomatic relations with a Crown Colony.

BARRON

I think you mean "One of America's most valued allies."

HIGGINS

Hmph. Quite right.

(to MAGNUM)

What the future holds with regard to your tenancy or the use of this club, I hold to be in dire straights, Magnum.

BARRON

If I could interject for a moment...

HIGGINS

Certainly, James.

(to MAGNUM)

Mr. Barron is with the State Department.

MAGNUM

Oh. Well, I'm sorry for all the trouble...

BARRON

I'm afraid the damage is already done, Mr. Magnum. And while the Ambassador has accepted our apologies, I'm afraid the young lady's family is demanding more punitive action be taken.

MAGNUM

Against me?

BARRON

Yes. I'm afraid Emily Fletcher, sister of the young lady in question, is for having you drawn and quartered.

HIGGINS

Ah, yes. I've met her. A most determined young woman.

BARRON

Naturally, we at State want to see this unfortunate incident forgotten as quickly as possible. The problem is: how to smooth Emily Fletcher's ruffled feathers?

HIGGINS

An impossible task, given the circumstances.

BARRON

There may be one way in which to make amends.

MAGNUM

How?

BARRON

I understand from your dossier Mr. Magnum, that you are a private investigator.

HIGGINS

Believe me, James, his career as "private eye" is as catch-as-catch can as his love life.

MAGNUM

Higgins! I resent that.

BARRON

Nevertheless, when I mentioned to Ms. Fletcher that the chap who seduced her sister --

MAGNUM

I did not!

BARRON

-- and whom she considers to have nearly destroyed an important marital alliance... was a private investigator, she suddenly said she would be willing to drop charges...in exchange for your professional services.

MAGNUM

Charges? What charges?

BARRON

Assault, for starters.

MAGNUM

Are you kidding? Charles came after me.

HIGGINS

Well, you can hardly blame him, Thomas. I mean, there you bloodywell were, the woman he loves in your arms.

BARRON

She also mentioned the Kamehameha Club.

HIGGINS

(instantly alert)
Really? What did she say?

BARRON

That if Mr. Magnum refused the job -- let's see if I can quote her -- "That everyone who is Anyone in Honolulu society will avoid the Club like the black plague."

HIGGINS

Magnum, you're taking the job.

MAGNUM

Higgins, you don't believe her do you? She's bluffing.

HIGGINS

The devil you say. You don't know Emily Fletcher. You're taking the job.

MAGNUM

Why me? If she needs an investigator, why doesn't she go out and hire one?

BARRON

Thrift, Mr. Magnum, thrift. She's of New England missionary stock, and a hard woman with a dollar.

MAGNUM

But why should I? I'm innocent.

HIGGINS

I can't tell you how little that interests me, Thomas.

MAGNUM.

That shocks me, Higgins. That really shocks me.

HIGGINS

I will not have the social credibility of this club jeopardized by your romantic escapades. Either take the job or never set foot inside this club again.

MAGNUM

This is blackmail.

HIGGINS

Right.

MAGNUM

How can you let some social snob strong-arm you like this, Higgins?

HIGGINS

Thomas.

MAGNUM

What?

HIGGINS I am a social snob.

MAGNUM reflects a moment on this profound truth.

MAGNUM
So, I'll take the job. What
IS the job?

BARRON Something to do with a "forbidden island".

CUT TO:

EXT. OAHU COAST ROAD - DAY

Helicopter shot tracking MAGNUM in the Ferrari up a spectacular coast road.

MAGNUM (V.O.)
Higgins filled me in more about
the Fletcher family. They had
financial and land holdings worth
millions. Their family tree was
written in the history books of
the Hawaiian Islands going all the
way back to the 1800's, when King
Kalakaua gave them an entire island
in return for putting down a riot
of whalers in Lahaina.

EXT. - FLETCHER ESTATE - DAY

MAGNUM drives the Ferrari through a set of imposing gates.

MAGNUM (V.O.)
Their little place here in Honolulu wasn't exactly a grass shack, either.

EXT. FLETCHER ESTATE - DAY

MAGNUM drives through the park-like grounds of the estate. The road is lined with seemingly endless rows of towering palm trees

MAGNUM (V.O.)
Anyway... Fletcher Island... it was somewhere off the leeward chain, with a few hundred of the last, pure-blooded Hawaiians living on it. The island was forbidden to tourists, or even local visitors... a sort of last bastion of the traditional Hawaiian life-style. And most of the time, the world just forgot that Fletcher Island even existed.

EXT. FLETCHER MANSION - DAY

MAGNUM approaches the magnificent plantation-style home. A lawn party is going on, crowded with the cream of Hawaii high-society. It is, in fact, ALICE and CHARLES' wedding reception. As MAGNUM steps out of the Ferrari, it is clear he is out of place at this elegant affair, in his jeans and Hawaiian shirt.

EXT. FLETCHER MANSION - RECEPTION LINE - DAY

MAGNUM makes his way through the reception guests, until he comes upon the receiving line. There is ALICE, resplendent in white bridal gown, and CHARLES, sporting a black eye. The instant MAGNUM catches sight of the two, before they see him, he does a 180 degree about-face and heads the other direction.

MAGNUM (V.O.) Some days it doesn't pay to be early...

MAGNUM is suddenly confronted by two miniature white poodles who eye him balefully, and begin to growl.

MAGNUM (V.O.)
In fact, some days it pays to stay in bed with a good book.

The poodles start to bark and attack MAGNUM.

MAGNUM Shush! Quiet!

The dogs are making an infernal raquet, and drawing attention to MAGNUM he definitely doesn't want. He makes his way over to a deserted part of the lawn, to a giant banyon tree, and quickly climbs it.

ANGLE ON POODLES

They look up at MAGNUM, and growl. Then seat themselves, to wait for MAGNUM's descent.

ANGLE ON MAGNUM.

MAGNUM I can hold out as long as you guys can.

EXT. FLETCHER MANSION - RECEIVING LINE - DAY

ALICE leaves the receiving line and walks to the mansion. The camera lingers on a handsome Hawaiian youth in his 20's, KEOKI PAHINUI, who has been watching the reception, and ALICE, hidden in the foliage.

INT. FLETCHER MANSION - DAY

ALICE enters the deserted mansion and climbs the grand staircase. In a moment, KEOKI follows her, making sure no one sees him.

INT. FLETCHER MANSION - UPSTAIRS HALLWAY - DAY

ALICE walks down the hallway, and turns into her room. KEOKI follows stealthily at a distance.

INT. FLETCHER MANSION - ALICE'S BEDROOM - DAY

ALICE takes off her veil, as KEOKI slips unnoticed into her bedroom. She reaches for the zipper of her dress, awkwardly.

KEOKI Need some help with that, Alice?

ALICE lets out a little scream and whirls to confront the intruder.

ALICE

Keoki! What are you doing here?

KEOKI

You mean, why aren't I peeling coconuts on Fletcher Island? Guess I just don't know my place, Alice.

ALICE

Don't be ridiculous

KEOKI

But I am ridiculous, Alice. I'm just some dum-bum Hawaiian who was stupid enough to think you loved me.

ALICE

I'm sorry...

KEOKI

I should have known that it was out of the question. That a Fletcher would never marry out of her class. Would she?

ALICE comes close to KEOKI, seductively.

ALICE

Keoki, I'll never have with anyone else what I had with you.

She kisses him softly.

ALICE (continued) And I'll come back to visit, I promise.

She kisses him again, lingeringly. Suddenly he grabs her by the arms and tosses her violently back on the bed.

KEOKI

I just came to wish you a happy wedding day, Alice.

ALICE
(angrily)
You fool. You didn't really
think I'd marry you, did you?

She laughs at the absurdity of the thought.

ALICE (continued)
Can you picture it? Me married
to some penniless Hawaiian saloon
singer? Where would we live...
your grass shack?

KEOKI

(grabbing her roughly)
Shut up, you hable! Your family
stole these islands from my people,
but this kanaka's taking some of it
back, and I'm going to throw it in
your face!

He shoves her away and stalks out of the bedroom. Camera holds on ALICE'S sullen face.

CUT TO:

EXT. FLETCHER MANSION - BANYON TREE - DAY

MAGNUM is still on his perch; the poodles still keep their watch. EMILY FLETCHER walks into the area, looking for her dogs. EMILY is ALICE'S older sister, and different as night from day from her. EMILY is a throw-back to that starch New England stock that first settled the islands. She is potentially as beautiful as her sister, but it's hidden beneath a righteous arrogance and obstinant outspokeness, and a wardrobe as out of date as her family tree.

EMILY Chi-chi, Ling-ling! Oh, there you are.

The poodles jump and bark up the banyon tree.

EMILY What are you two up to?

She looks up into the branches of the tree, and there discovers MAGNUM.

MAGNUM

Hi there.

EMILY

Who the devil are you?

MAGNUM

Thomas Magnum.

EMILY

Good grief! You're early.

MAGNUM starts to climb down from his perch.

EMILY (continued)

Don't move!

MAGNUM freezes.

EMILY (continued)

You will stay exactly where you are until I get my sister safely off on her honeymoon.

(to her dogs)

Chi-chi, Ling-ling? Guard this

dreadful man.

EMILY leaves, while the two poodles glare and growl up at MAGNUM

MAGNUM (V.O.)

I could tell this was the start of a beautiful relationship.

CUT TO:

EXT. FLETCHER MANSION - DAY

A very out-of-sorts ALICE exits the mansion, in her traveling clothes and joins CHARLES, EMILY and the guests. Rice is thrown as she and CHARLES climb into the awaiting limousine, and EMILY and guests wave them off.

CLOSE ON EMILY

EMILY

(under her breath)

Thank god!

EXT. FLETCHER MANSION - BANYON TREE - DAY

ROGER WINSTON approaches MAGNUM'S tree. ROGER is a tall, elegant man in his 40's. There is a calculating quality about him and a coldness in his eye that belies his impeccable good manners and superb taste. The poodles don't like him either, and start to growl at his approach. He glances around to make sure he's not observed, then gives them a good, swift kick. They run off whining. ROGER looks up at MAGNUM.

ROGER Mr. Magnum, I presume?

MAGNUM

Hi.

ROGER reaches up his hand to shake MAGNUM'S.

ROGER Roger Winston. I'm Emily's friend, and she's asked me to come fetch you.

MAGNUM

Thanks.

CUT TO:

INT. FLETCHER MANSION - LIVING ROOM - DAY

The elegant decor of this house includes New England antiques and Hawaiian artifacts. One wall is dominated by an old painting of the Hawaiian Islands. The two poodles, seated on a couch, growl as ROGER and MAGNUM enter. EMILY stands waiting.

ROGER
Thomas Magnum, my dear.

EMILY moves to ROGER, gives him a quick peck on the cheek, effectively dismissing him.

EMILY See you at the gallery opening tomorrow.

ROGER

Emily, I tell you again, I think you are making a mistake in this.

EMILY

(bristling)
My mind's made up, Roger.
And that's that.

ROGER

Very well. Tomorrow then.

ROGER leaves.

EMILY

Mr. Magnum.

MAGNUM

Yes.

EMILY

(lashing into him) You are a disgrace!

MAGNUM

I think I can explain...

EMILY

Look at you. It's so obvious what you are.

MAGNUM

It is?

EMILY

You have not only the reputation, but the look of some local Don Juan.

MAGNUM

Well, looks aren't everything, you know.

EMILY

In your case, I doubt it. However, on the off-chance you may be of some use, I'm willing to let bygones be bygones.

MAGNUM That's awfully big of you.

EMILY Sarcasm will get you nowhere with me, Mr. Magnum.

MAGNUM
I wasn't trying to get anywhere with you,

EMILY
(flustered)
Well. Well. Let's get down
to business. As you may or may
not know, I own an island.

MAGNUM crosses to the oil painting of the islands.

MAGNUM (finding a small island) Fletcher Island.

EMILY And on it live many who are very near and dear to me.

She takes a framed photograph from off a table and hands it to MAGNUM.

INSERT - PHOTOGRAPHY

It shows KEOKI PAHINUI standing on the beach, grinning into camera, holding up a large fish.

EMILY (V.O.)
This is Keoki Pahinui. He was born and raised on Fletcher Island.

BACK TO SCENE:

MAGNUM looks at the photograph.

He's missing and I want you to find him.

MAGNUM looks up at her.

EMILY (continued)
He suddenly left Fletcher Island
six months ago.

MAGNUM Just disappeared?

EMILY
No, he came to Oahu with some silly notion of becoming a singer in the hotels. But I haven't heard from him at all.

MAGNUM Can he sing?

EMILY Like an angel.

MAGNUM
Then what's silly about it?

EMILY
Mr. Magnum, Keoki has spent his
life on Fletcher Island. That is
a very sheltered environment. He
knows about as much about defending
himself against the "ways of the world"
as his ancestors did.

MAGNUM
Listen, it's normal for a young
guy to leave home... test his wings.

EMILY
Mr. Magnum, the Hawaiian people
of Fletcher Island are my
responsibility. They've been in
the family for over a hundred years.
It's my duty to look after their
well-being.

MAGNUM
I can't believe you just said that.

EMILY Said what?

MAGNUM

You talk about those people as if you own them. This is the 20th century, you know. People don't own other people these days.

EMILY Are you suggesting...

MAGNUM
You can rent 'em, but you can't own 'em.

EMILY
Well, then, are you or
are you not... for rent, you... you...
aging beachboy!

MAGNUM That's it. I'm leaving.

EMILY You realize the consequences?

MAGNUM Go ahead! String me up for high treason for all I care.

MAGNUM heads for the door.

EMILY

How DARE you leave without my permission? I'm not finished talking to you.

MAGNUM
Who the hell do you think you are?
I just said I quit.

EMILY You can't quit.

MAGNUM
Oh yeah? Boy! What an arrogant, righteous... between you and your sister....

EMILY

You leave my sister out of this.

MAGNUM

You want to know about your sister? She picked me up. I was supposed to be her "one last fling", she said.

EMILY

Oh. You'll say anything, won't you? I know your kind, you gigolo.

MAGNUM

And you know what you are? A spoiled, self-righteous brat!

EMILY

Oh!

EMILY slaps MAGNUM across the face. Now he's really furious.

MAGNUM

If I don't leave here right now I'm going to...

EMILY

Going to what?

MAGNUM

Do something somebody should have done a long time ago.

EMILY

Oh, really? What?

MAGNUM

Take you over my knee, and whale the dickens out of you!

EMILY

You wouldn't dare!

MAGNUM
Oh, I'd dare, all right.
But I won't... I won't ...

MAGNUM starts to leave, but just as he hits the doorway, EMILY grabs a vase and heaves it after him. It's a near miss, shattering against the wall. MAGNUM turns.

MAGNUM
The <u>hell</u> I won't!

MAGNUM moves towards her, and EMILY starts to back away, scared.

EMILY You stay away from meeeee!

MAGNUM'S got her, and over his knee is a second. His open hand is up-raised, when the absurdity of the situation hits him. He starts to crack up, laughing. EMILY meanwhile is kicking and screaming. MAGNUM stands up, dumping EMILY unceremoniously to the ground. EMILY jumps up quickly, brushing herself off, and reassembling her dishelveled dignity.

EMILY
Well! I certainly never in my
life!

MAGNUM laughs even harder, and it's contagious: EMILY is smiling, too. The poodles, meanwhile, have re-discovered MAGNUM'S legs and are knawing and snarling away.

EMILY Chi-chi, Ling-ling! Stop that.

The poodles obediently retreat.

EMILY
They're fussy with men.

MAGNUM
It's okay, I have this problem with dogs all the time.

A beat. Then simultaneously:

MAGNUM Look, I'm sorry...

EMILY I apologize...

MAGNUM How about a truce?

EMILY

(sticking out her hand)
Truce.

They shake on it. There's an awkward silence, wherein neither knows what to say.

EMILY

Ah. Something to drink?

MAGNUM

No, you go ahead.

EMILY

I don't drink.

(embarrassed pause)
Well. Perhaps we could start
from the beginning.

MAGNUM

Why don't we start at the part where if Keoki doesn't want to, back to Fletcher Island... what then?

EMILY

Well. Then, of course, that is his choice. Truthfully, Mr. Magnum, Keoki was like a younger brother to me and...and I'm just ... very worried. I want to know he is all right. Will you find him for me?

MAGNUM n't look like I have a

It doesn't look like I have any choice.

EMILY

No, you have a choice.

MAGNUM
Well, in that case. Any
ideas as to where I can start?

EMILY

Thank you.

(she takes a letter out of her pocket). This is the last letter I received from Keoki. I've checked the return address, but he doesn't live there anymore. I'm sorry, but it's all I have.

MAGNUM takes the letter.

EXT. HONOLULU - RED DRAGON BAR - DAY

MAGNUM pulls up in the Ferrari and parks. The car gets the eye from passerbys: this isn't the best part of town. MAGNUM gets out of the car and enters the bar.

MAGNUM (V.O.)
From the letter I got Keoki's last
address -- a real dive in Chinatown.
Nobody knew where he'd gone, but then,
for twenty bucks, the landlord remembered
Keoki used to sing amateur night at a bar called
the Red Dragon.

INT. RED DRAGON BAR - DAY

The place is a dimly-lit, low-life hang-out. MAGNUM enters and walks past several booths on his way over to the bar. Camera holds on one of the booths. There sits KEOKI with to other men. FORBES, lean, mean, early 30's, and JED, around the same age and built like a linebacker. Both are clearly ruthless and unscrupulous. KEOKI is showing them a topographic map of Fletcher Island.

KEOKI

We beach the boat here: Cook's Cove. Then it's about a six hour hike over the backside of the island.

FORBES
No chance of being seen from the village?

KEOKI

No way.

FORBES

Then where?

KEOKI

There's a secret trail that leads to the cave.

JED

And where's that?

KEOKI

(evasively)

You'll see when we get there.

FORBES

Well. Looks easy enough, doesn't it, Jed?

JED

Piece of cake, Forbes. Like taking candy from a baby.

FORBES and JED laugh. KEOKI, on the other hand, while determined, is ill-at-ease with these two.

INT. RED DRAGON - BAR

MAGNUM has ordered a beer and is chatting with the BARTENDER. We see the BARTENDER point to KEOKI. MAGNUM, carrying his beer, walks to KEOKI'S booth.

INT. RED DRAGON - BOOTH - DAY

As MAGNUM approaches, FORVES gives KEOKI a warning nudge. KEOKI hastily puts the map away, though not before MAGNUM gets a quick look at it.

MAGNUM Keoki Pahinui?

KEOKI

What do you want?

MAGNUM

Names Thomas Magnum. I'm a private investigator, and Emily Fletcher asked me to find you.

KEOKI

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Tell her I don't want to talk to her, or any other Fletcher.

MAGNUM

She just wants to know if you're okay.

KEOKI

Tell her I'm terrific.

JED

Why don't you get lost, mister?

A beat as MAGNUM looks cooly at JED and FORBES. He's not crazy about the company KEOKI'S keeping.

MAGNUM

Could I talk to you alone for a minute, Keoki?

FORBES

My friend said, "Get lost."

MAGNUM

I heard him. Keoki?

JED bumps MAGNUM'S beer so the contents go flying into MAGNUM'S face, blinding him. JED then jumps MAGNUM, slugging him to the floor. Customers of the bar scatter. FORBES, JED and KEOKI flee the bar. MAGNUM struggles to his feet.

BARTENDER You okay, mister?

MAGNUM

I don't think so.

EXT. CHINATOWN - WU PANG'S CHINES GROCERY - DAY

Long shot of "Wu-Pang's Chinese Grocer" sign, then camera pans to second floor apartment window.

INT. SECOND FLOOR APARTMENT - DAY

JED and KEOKI sit, while FORBES paces the room.

FORBES

This is great. Just great. We're all ready to go, when suddenly "big sister" comes looking for you.

KEOKI

She's not my big sister... she just acts like it.

FORBES

I don't care if she's your fairy godmother. Or who that damn detective is either.

KEOKI

I'm not the one who started the fight. That didn't need to happen

JED

We been seen, Forbes.

FORBES

Shut up. I've got to think us out of this mess.

(beat)

Okay, here's what you do, kid. Where's this Fletcher broad live?

KEOKI

She's got a big estate here in Honolulu.

JED

Well, la-dee-da. Hey, Forbes, maybe we're robbing the wrong place, huh?

FORBES Will you can it, Jed?

(to Keoki)
All right. You're going to
pay her a nice visit. Tell her
what a wonderful life you're
living here in the big city.

KEOKI
That's going to be a little
tough, seeing how your trained
ape here beat up the guy she
sent to find me.

JED starts to go after KEOKI, but FORBES stops him.

FORBES
I wouldn't get a smart mouth,
if I were you kid. Could be
dangerous to your health.

JED Yeah. Keep your trap shut.

FORBES
So, kid. Tell her it was all
a big mistake. That your buddies
thought this Magnum guy was trying
to give you a hard time. We were
just protecting you. Got it?

KEOKI Yeah. I got it.

JED grabs KEOKI around the throat, and throws him against a wall.

JED You better, you little creep.

FORBES
I'd listen to him, kid, and
don't screw up. Jed's got this
real talent for messing people
up.

JED releases KEOKI who leans over, gasping for air.

FORBES (continued)
Convince that Fletcher gal good, kid.

FORBES gives KEOKI a little pat on the cheek. KEOKI flinches away from it, and leaves. FORBES looks after him, thoughtfully.

FORBES

I think we better go see the boss. The kid's having second thoughts.

JED

Yeah. Second thoughts.

INT. FLETCHER MANSION - LIVING ROOM - DAY

EMILY reaches into a container of ice, wraps a napkin around a piece and hands it to MAGNUM, who gingerly applies it to his jaw.

MAGNUM

Ever since I got involved with this family, I keep getting hit.

EMILY

I'm so sorry. And I'm just frantic about Keoki.

MAGNUM

(flinching with pain) He is keeping some rough company.

EMILY

That settles it, I'm going to find him myself, and send him home to Fletcher Island immediately.

MAGNUM

Now calm down, Emily. Just calm down. I'll go back and see if I can't talk to him without his bodyguards around.

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KEOKI appears at the doorway to the living room.

KEOKI

I don't have my bodyguards with me now, Mr. Magnum.

EMILY

Keoki!

She embraces him. Then holds him at arms length, looking him firmly in the eye.

EMILY (continued)
Now, where have you been? Do you know you missed Alice's wedding?
Besides which, I've been worried sick. Not a word in six months.
Anything could have happened to you...

KEOKI

Well, I've been real busy...
playing gigs all over the islands.
Guess I just lost track of time.

EMILY

You've been working as a singer?

KEOKI

Oh yeah. Hey, Emily, I'm gonna make it. Just like I said.

(to MAGNUM)
Sorry for that little trouble we had in the bar.

MAGNUM

Okay.

KEOKI

Couple of friends of mine... my managers. They're real protective-like, you know?

EMILY

You've got managers?

KEOKI

Sure. All the singers here do.

(to MAGNUM)

Anyway, I'd like to apologize for what happened.

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MAGNUM

No big thing, Keoki. Forget it.

KEOKI

Thanks.

EMILY

Oh, Keoki, it's so good to have you back. When are you coming back to Fletcher Island?

KEOKI

I'm not going back to Fletcher Island, Emily.

EMILY

But... surely you've had enough of this silliness about a singing career.

KEOKI

That's what it is to you, isn't it Emily. Just something silly one of your good little Hawaiian folk is doing.

EMILY

Keoki...

KEOKI

So, listen, I just stopped by for a minute.

EMILY

You just got here!

KEOKI

Yeah, I know, but you see I've got this studio date. Met and the guys are cutting a demo. I'm late now.

EMILY

Will you at least come visit the island. Everyone misses you.

KEOKI

Sooner than you think. Goodbye Emily, Mr. Magnum.

KEOKI exits. There's a sad silence in the room.

MAGNUM

I'll be back in a minute.

MAGNUM exits the room.

EXT. FLETCHER MANSION - DAY

KEOKI moves towards his car, as MAGNUM exits the mansion.

MAGNUM

Keoki.

MAGNUM catches up to him at the car.

KEOKI

What is it?

MAGNUM

You're in some kind of trouble.

KEOKI

What are you talking about?

MAGNUM

Those two pals of yours are your managers like I'm the King of Siam. And I don't think your singing all over the islands.

KEOKI

You calling me a liar?

MAGNUM

Yeah.

KEOKI

Well, I don't have to listen to you do it.

KEOKI starts to get in his car. MAGNUM holds him by the arm.

MAGNUM No you dont. You can keep doing whatever it is your doing.

KEOKI I don't know what you're talking about.

MAGNUM reaches into his pocket and pulls out a business card. He stuffs it into KEOKI'S shirt pocket

MAGNUM Call me anytime.

KEOKI (reaching into his pocket) I don't need this.

MAGNUM (stopping him)
Just keep it, okay?

KEOKI looks at MAGNUM for a moment, then gets into his car and drives off.

MAGNUM (V.O.)
Keoki was in trouble,
and there wasn't a thing
I could think of to do about
it.

INT. FLETCHER MANSION - LIVING ROOM - DAY

MAGNUM re-enters. EMILY'S been crying, but doesn't want MAGNUM to know. She quickly wipes her eyes and starts repairing her make-up.

MAGNUM How you doing?

EMILY (with brave smile) Oh, I'm fine.

MAGNUM No, you're not.

EMILY

(brave smile crumbling)
Oh... I just feel that I've
lost him... He seems so angry
and hurt.

For a moment it looks as if EMILY will burst into tears, but her ramrod New England will suppresses them. She starts getting her purse and things together.

EMILY
Well. I must go. I've got
the opening at Roger's gallery
to go to. Thank you very much
for your assistance, Mr. Magnum.

She extends her hand to shake his. MAGNUM just looks at her.

MAGNUM Come on, I'll give you a lift.

EMILY (tearing up again) Thank you.

INT. ROGER WINSTON'S GALLERY - DAY

ROGER'S Gallery reflects his eclectic taste: he sells modern art and Polynesian antiquities. Tonights opening is for the work of a modern artist, and a champagne open-house reception is being held. The gallery is crowded with ROGER'S well-to-do clientele.

ANGLE ON a large, ferocious-looking tiki. ROGER confers intensely with FORBES and JED.

FORBES
So I told him to clean it up with the lady.

A guest comes walking by.

ROGER

(genially to guest)
Ah, Peter. Good seeing you.
Get yourself some champagne!

FORBES
I think the kid is softening up.

ROGER

What?

JED

Yeah. Second thoughts.

ROGER

You still haven't been able to find out from him where the site is?

FORBES

No. He figures that's his meal ticket.

ROGER

Damn! Do you see this gathering, my friends? I could sell those artifacts on Fletcher Island to any one of them. Name my own price, no questions asked... and I intend to do so.

JED

How?

ROGER

We're moving up the time-table. We go tomorrow night.

FORBES

What about the kid?

ROGER

Just get him on that boat. I don't care how you do it.

FORBES And the private dick?

ROGER

Ah, yes. Mr. Magnum. I'll handle him. Now get out of here, both of you.

FORBES AND JED leave. ROGER turns to his guests, and starts working the room.

ROGER
Marion, how are you? So
the truth, what do you think
of this chap's work? ...

EXT. ROGER WINSTON'S GALLERY - DAY

MAGNUM and EMILY pull up in front of the gallery in the Ferrari.

EMILY

Thank you again for all your help, Mr. Magnum.

MAGNUM

Thomas. Sorry I couldn't do more.

At this moment, FORBES and JED exit the gallery. They and MAGNUM stare at each other. The two men run for their ND car parked nearby. EMILY is totally unaware of what is happening.

EMILY

(opening her door)
Oh, no, Thomas. You did everything that could be done and....

MAGNUM

(yelling after the men) Hey! HEY!!

EMILY

Beg your pardon?

FORBES and JED get into their ND car, and roar off down: the street. MAGNUM floors the Ferrari after them. The acceleration flattens EMILY back into her seat, slamming her door shut.

EMILY What are you doing! Where are we going!

MAGNUM just concentrates on catching the car ahead of him.

EXT. STREET - DAY

ND car comes screeching around a corner at high speed, followed seconds later by the Ferrari at equally high speed.

INT. FERRARI - DAY

EMILY Stop this car at once!

Another high-speed turn.

MAGNUM Put your seatbelt on.

EMILY hurriedly comples, and MAGNUM accelerates the Ferrari even more.

EXT. STREET - DAY

The ND car tearing along, but it's no match for the speed of the Ferrari. It gains on the ND car, then pulls up along side of it.

INT. FERRARI - DAY

EMILY notices the ND car then turns to MAGNUM:

EMILY (incredulously)
Are you drag racing?!

EXT. STREET - DAY

The two cars take a radical curve together ... it's hair-raising.

INT. FERRARI - DAY

EMILY is holding onto the car desperately.

EMILY STOP THIS CAR!!!

MAGNUM

Oh, shut up.

No one in EMILY'S life has ever told her to shut up and she is convinced only a crazy person would.

EMILY

You're mad!

MAGNUM just gives her an angry glance.

EXT. STREET - DAY

The Ferrari and ND car are racing side-by-side. Not able to out-run the Ferrari, JED, the driver, tries to bash it's side. MAGNUM swerves to avoid this tactic. FORBES, meanwhile, has pulled out a handgun.

EMILY

(to FORBES and JED)
Help! Help! Stop this race!

FORBES takes aim with the gun.

EMILY (continued)
Put that gun away! No race is worth killing for!

MAGNUM sees FORBES and the gun. He grabs EMILY and pushes her down to the floor of the Ferrari, swerving the car.

MAGNUM

Duck!

FORBES gets off a shot, but it misses. EMILY, who has never even considered the possibility of her own mortality, pops back upright in her seat, oblivious to danger.

EMILY He shot at us!

(to FORBES)
How dare you!

EMILY throws her purse at the ND car, missing pretty badly. MAGNUM slows down, dropping behind the ND car to avoid FORBES' shooting.

EMILY (continued)
Don't slow down ... we've got
to catch them!

MAGNUM tails the ND car closely.

MAGNUM Will you SHUT UP!

EMILY Catch up with them, I say! I won't have people shooting at me!

INT. FERRARI - DAY

EMILY reaches her foot over and presses down on the accelerator.

INSERT - ACCELERATOR - DAY

EMILY's foot on top of MAGNUM'S foot, pressing down.

MAGNUM (V.O.)

Don't!

EXT. STREET - DAY

As a result of EMILY'S footwork, the Ferrari spins-out, comes close to turning over and comes to a screeching halt. MAGNUM pounds the steering wheel in frustration as he sees the ND car get clean away. He gets out of the Ferrari and starts pacing up and down, taking deep breaths to contain his anger.

EMILY

Well. I don't see why you let them get away.

MAGNUM

Let them get away! I was doing fine 'til you took over!

EMILY

If you'd only had the grit to stay with them, I'm sure we could have apprehended them.

MAGNUM

Did it ever occur to you that I didn't want to see you get your head blown off?

EMILY

Oh.

(beat)

Well, you needn't have worried on my be-half. I'm quite able to take care of myself.

MAGNUM

Yeah. Maybe that's your problem.

He gets back into the Ferrari.

EMILY

What do you mean by that?

MAGNUM

Nothing. I know who those two guys are.

EMILY

You do?

MAGNUM

Yeah. They were with Keoki in that bar. His "managers".

EMILY (stunned)
Oh, no. We've got to do something. What can we do?

MAGNUM Think about it.

EMILY While you think...could we go someplace for a drink?

INT. KING KAMEHAMEHA CLUB - TABLE NEAR DANCE FLOOR - DAY

MAGNUM and EMILY are seated at table. A waiter brings a glass of champagne for EMILY. There are two identical, but empty glasses in front of her. MAGNUM nurses a bottle of beer.

EMILY
Champagne is a happy drink,
don't you think? I don't
drink. You know why?

MAGNUM

No.

EMILY (giggling)
Good. Then I won't tell you.

MAGNUM You laugh.

EMILY (serious) What?

MAGNUM I just never heard you laugh, is all.

EMILY

Oh.

She suddenly giggles again.

MAGNUM

What?

EMILY

I was remembering when I threw the vase at you... oh, dear. I was quite dreadful, wasn't I?

MAGNUM Don't worry about it.

EMILY

No. No. I apologize. Really I do. It's just that there are only 50,000 left.

MAGNUM 50,000 what?

EMILY

Hawaiians. Do you know that when my family first arrived on these islands, there were close to a million. And now... There must be some safe place for them, to preserve what they are. But... I know... not to hide the world from them. But when I see what's becoming of Keoki...

MAGNUM

Emily...

The Club band starts playing a beautiful Hawaiian song.

EMILY

I was raised on Fletcher Island, you know. Alice went away to boarding school, but I loved that island.

 EMILY

It's quite magical, Fletcher Island. Would you like to hear a legend about it?... No... I shouldn't.

MAGNUM Come on. What is it? A secret?

EMILY

Not exactly. All right. Once upon a time...

(she giggles, then sobers) Once there was a great king of the island of Lanai...King Oponui, and his wife, Queen Kalani. And they loved each other very much. But it was in the days when King Kamehameha the Great was fighting to unite all these islands. Oponui was against this, even though he knew he would loose in the end, in the last great battle. So Oponui ordered Queen Kalani to run away and hide on the island now called Fletcher Island, so she could be safe. But she didn't. She waited until after the great battle -- and her poor husband died in it --until after dark, and stole out on the battle field and took King Oponui's great feathered cloak, and helmet, and all his weapons... and took these with her to Fletcher Island. She climbed high into the mountains... the pali...and hid all these things in a secret place where no one could ever find them. And when she died, she was secretly buried there too. Legend says she guards the island still.

By the time EMILY finishes her story, we feel almost as if we've gone back in time.

MAGNUM That was beautiful, Emily.

The Club band finishes the Hawaiian song, and starts into some contemporary, if very romantic music. EMILY is in a very whimsical mood.

EMILY Let's dance. Come on.

MAGNUM and EMILY move onto the dance floor. EMILY is quite radiant.

MAGNUM

You know, when you're like this, when you're not going around with a poker up your backside you're really a very nice person.

EMILY

Thank you.

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MAGNUM

No, really. You're a very attractive girl.

EMILY

(suspicious)
Do you say that to all the women
you bring here? Did you say that
to Alice?

MAGNUM

Would you turn off that motormind of yours for a second, and just trust what someone's telling you for once?

EMILY

Ah, Magnum, you don't grow up rich AND trusting. Not out here in the real world.

MAGNUM

I see. Maybe that's why Fletcher Island is so special to you, isn't it? Maybe you're the one who needs a safe place, Emily.

EMILY

Maybe.

MAGNUM

Maybe it's time you took another chance out here in the "real world", Emily.

As the two look at each other, a hand reaches into frame and grabs MAGNUM by the shoulder, and whips him around.

WIDER SHOT:

It's ROGER WINSTON, who lands a powerful blow to MAGNUM'S __ torso, then another to his jaw. MAGNUM goes down for the count, crashing a table to smitherreens as he does so.

INT. KING KAMEHAMEHA CLUB - BAR - DAY

RICK looks up from his tete-a-tete with a lovely lady and sees history repeating itself.

RICK Oh, no. Not again.

BACK TO SCENE:

EMILY Roger! What are you doing here!

INT. KING KAMEHAMEHA CLUB - EXECUTIVE OFFICES - DAY

MAGNUM lays on the couch as RICK hands him the ever-ready ice pack. EMILY and ROGER look on. MAGNUM puts the ice-pack to his jaw and groans.

EMILY Are you all right?

MAGNUM
I'm beginning to feel like a human punching bag.

ROGER (sticking out his hand)
My apologies, old man.

MAGNUM shakes his hand weakly.

ROGER (continued)
I'd been frantic with worry -looking for Emily everywhere when
she didn't show up for the gallery.
Finally, I tracked her down here and
when I saw the two of you dancing...
I remembered her sister, Alice... and
well, I'm afraid I lost my head.

EMILY Really, Roger --

MAGNUM It's okay. I understand.

EMILY Roger, Thomas and I were trying to solve the problem of what to do about Keoki.

ROGER What about him?

EMILY
He's fallen in with an awful
pair of thugs. Thomas, I've
decided to go to the Red Dragon
Bar where you first found Keoki.
At least it's a start. Come, Roger.

EMILY and ROGER go to leave. MAGNUM tries to sit up too quickly.

MAGNUM
No! Aaah. Emily, could I talk
to you a minute alone?

ROGER
I'll be in the car, Emily.

He exits, taking the hint.

EMILY

Yes?

MAGNUM

Did anyone ever find the burial site?

EMILY

The what? Oh, Queen Kalani's. No, Thomas, that's just a myth. Silly to even have told it to you.

MAGNUM Are you sure?

EMILY Very sure. Why?

MAGNUM

I don't know, but it all seems to be falling into place. I remember when I first found Keoki at that bar, he was working on a map of an island.

EMILY

(her demeanor changing) Fletcher Island?

MAGNUM

I'm sure it was. And those two goons who shot at us... they were coming out of Roger's gallery... doesn't he sell ancient Hawaiian artifacts?

EMILY

Are you trying to suggest that Roger and Keoki are mixed up in some kind of... grave robbing? You must have been hit harder that Dear Boy being A. Recapied I thought.

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MAGNUM

Emily, will you listen to me? What if the legend isn't a legend. What if there really is an ancient Hawaiian burial site on the island?

EMILY

Well, there isn't. You're wrong.

MAGNUM

But suppose I'm not? Listen, do you know there's a black market for antiquities, and dealers and collectors who don't give a damn where they get them?

EMILY

Roger is a dear friend. He's incapable of such a thing. And I'm not standing here one more second discussing it with you. Goodbye.

She leaves abruptly. MAGNUM staggers to his feet in an attempt to follow.

MAGNUM

Emily...

But she's gone. MAGNUM holds his head and sits down on the couch again. RICK, who's been quietly working on a paper at his desk, comes over to MAGNUM.

> RICK Too bad, old buddy.

> > MAGNUM

(looking up at him) Huh? Oh. Thanks, Rick.

RICK

(hands him the paper) It's about to get worse.

MAGNUM

What's this?

RICK

A bill for damages to the Club.

MAGNUM

\$800 dollars! For what?

RICK
If you're going to turn
this place into a boxing ring,
you're going to have to pay the

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price.

MAGNUM
But it's not my fault!

RICK Tell it to Higgins, old buddy.

MAGNUM
Don't "old buddy" me. Where's
Higgins?

MAGNUM stands too quickly again. The pain hits him and he groans. The desk phone rings. RICK goes for it.

MAGNUM (wincing at the sound)
Can't you turn that thing down?

RICK (into phone) Hello.

(to MAGNUM) It's for you.

MAGNUM takes the phone.

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EXT. MARINA - PHONE BOOTH - DAY

KEOKI stands at the phone booth talking to MAGNUM, constantly looking around him. Sailboats and pleasure boats float in the background.

KEOKI Mr. Magnum?

MAGNUM

Keoki?

KEOKI

Yeah. I've got to talk fast. We're getting ready to leave.

MAGNUM Leave? Who, where?

KEOKI Fletcher Island. Listen...

The muzzle of a gun comes into frame and presses up against KEOKI'S neck.

FORBES (0.S.) Hang up the phone, kid.

KEOKI does so slowly as we hear MAGNUM'S voice.

MAGNUM (filtered)
Keoki? Keoki?

WIDER SHOT

Reveals FORBES holding the gun to KEOKI. JED stands just behind FORBES.

FORBES

That was a real dumb move, kid. Real dumb. Let's go.

JED roughly grabs KEOKI and shoves him forward down the dock.

INT. KING KAMEHAMEHA CLUB - DAY

MAGNUM hangs up the phone.

MAGNUM

I knew it!

RICK

Know what?

MAGNUM
I know WHAT the crime is... I just don't know where it is.

(gets an idea)
But I'll bet I know who does!

He heads for the door.

EXT. MARINA PIER - POWER BOAT - DAY

FORBES jumps in the boat, followed by JED and KEOKI. JED pushes KEOKI to the ground, grabs some line and starts tying him up.

JED Gonna tie you up good and tight.

FORBES
You ain't going anywhere, kid, except to Fletcher Island.

KEOKI Yeah? And how are you going to make me show you the cave? The deal is off.

FORBES Oh, is it now?

(he brings the gun close to Keoki's face) I don't think so, kid. Not if you want to keep breathing, it ain't.

KEOKI just stares at FORBES.

EXT. FLETCHER MANSION - DAY

A CABBIE holds the taxi door open for EMILY, as she starts to climb in. Suddenly, with a screech of tires, MAGNUM roars up in the Ferrari.

MAGNUM (getting out of the car) Where are you going?

EMILY

The airport, if it's any of your business, Mr. Magnum.

MAGNUM

Flying to Fletcher Island.

EMILY

Yes.

MAGNUM

I just got a call from Keoki. He's on his way to the island, too. But not willingly. He's being dragged there.

EMILY

Oh, no.

MAGNUM

I'm going with you. Come on, we can take my car.

CABBIE

Hey, this is my fare.

EMILY

Magnum...

MAGNUM pulls a five dollar bill from his pocket and slaps it in the CABBIE'S hand.

MAGNUM

This cover it for you?

CABBIE

I guess...

EMILY ~

Thomas, no outsiders are allowed on Fletcher Island... ever.

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MAGNUM

Emily, your "forbidden island" is about to be invaded by art thieves and kidnappers. Don't you think you could make an exception in this case?

EMILY

No. Your services are no longer required. I'm quite able to handle things myself.

MAGNUM

You're the most obstinate...!

EMILY

(to CABBIE)

I'd like to leave now.

MAGNUM grabs EMILY by the shoulders.

MAGNUM

You just don't trust anybody, do you?

EMILY

Let me go.

MAGNUM lets go and EMILY gets into the taxi. The CABBIE leans out.

CABBIE

Want my opinion, mister... I think you're right.

MAGNUM watches the taxi drive off.

MAGNUM

Yeah. Great.

(suddenly remembering)
Hey! What about my five bucks!?

CUT TO:

EXT. T.C.'S APARTMENT BUILDING - NIGHT

MAGNUM drives up in the Ferrari, gets out and walks to T.C.'S front door.

MAGNUM (V.O.)
So, I said to myself, who needs this? Why should I knock my brains out for someone who doesn't even want my help?
I said that to myself... I just didn't listen.

EXT. T.C.'S APARTMENT DOOR - NIGHT

MAGNUM rings the doorbell. A beat, then a sleepy voice is heard within.

T.C. (V.O.) Who is it?

MAGNUM

Hi, T.C.

T.C. (V.O.)

Magnum?

MAGNUM

Yeah.

T.C. (V.O.) The answer is no!

MAGNUM

No? To what?

T.C. opens his front door and peers bleary-eyed and mistrustfully at MAGNUM.

T.C.
To whatever it is you're going to ask for.

MAGNUM

T.C., do you know you're turning into a very cynical soul?

T.C. Who's fault might that be, I wonder?

MAGNUM Don't look at me.

T.C.
Now, don't give me that jive, man.
I can tell that "I-need-a-favor"
tone in your voice a mile away.

MAGNUM
I'm not asking for a favor, T.C.
Listen to this: "moonlight over
the Pacific... an untouched tropical
island forbidden to the outside world..."

T.C. You know what time it is, man?

MAGNUM

No.

T.C. grabs MAGNUM'S arm and looks at his watch.

T.C.
It is two o'clock in the morning...
and I can't tell you how little
moonlight on the Pacific interests
me.

MAGNUM Aw, T.C., where's your spirit of adventure?

T.C.
Last I heard, missing in action in 'Nam. Goodnight, Thomas.

T.C. starts to shut the door, but MAGNUM stops him.

MAGNUM Okay, okay... so I need a little favor.

T.C. I knew it! Well, forget it, man. No way, Jose. Absolutely not.

CUT TO:

INT. CHOPPER - NIGHT

T.C. at the controls; MAGNUM in the co-pilot's seat.

MAGNUM

I knew you'd come around once I explained the situation to you, T.C.

T.C.

Then how come I'm still confused? Here I am, middle of the night, goin' to some island ain't nobody supposed to go to, to stop some kinda crime you think maybe might be going down... against some folks already told you to get lost. You sure do have a talent for something, pal.

MAGNUM

Thanks, T.C.

A talent for being bull-headed! That Fletcher gal don't want us there, and I know I don't want us there.

MAGNUM

T.C., you've got to trust me on this one. There's something on that island I think people are willing to kill for.

T.C. Oh, yeah? Well you still ain't told me what, yet.

MAGNUM Well, a kind of buried treasure.

T.C. Buried treasure! That does it!

T.C. turns the controls of the chopper.

EXT. CHOPPER - NIGHT

The chopper makes a steep bank and turns back the direction it's come from.

CUT TO:

INT. CHOPPER - NIGHT

MAGNUM Where are you going?

T.C. Home to my nice warm bed, which I never should have left in the first place.

MAGNUM

T.C.!

T.C.
Ain't no way this mother's son
gonna go looking for no "buried
treasure"! Who do you think you
are? Long John Silver or something?

MAGNUM
T.C., turn this chopper around or I'll...

T.C. Or you'll what?

MAGNUM ... be very unhappy.

T.C. laughs loudly.

MAGNUM
T.C., just trust me, will you?
I've got a real strong feeling
on this thing. Like out in 'Nam
and you just knew the VC were out
there waiting for you. Something's
going down on that island tonight,
and Emily's going to need our help.

T.C. gives MAGNUM a long hard look.

EXT. CHOPPER - NIGHT

The chopper swings back to it's original course.

INT. CHOPPER - NIGHT

CUT TO:

MAGNUM Thanks, T.C.

T.C. But if we do find any buried treasure, I get a share, right?

MAGNUM I don't think it's going to work that way, T.C.

T.C. Oh, brother. You sure do ask for a lot of trust.

EXT. FLETCHER ISLAND - NIGHT The chopper approaches.

Oh MAN!!

YOU DON'T SIN UP

NOTHIN!

SAY BRO
SAY BRO
ANYONE EVEN TELL

YOU THAT YOU DON'T

GIVE UP MUCH?

EXT. FLETCHER ISLAND DESERTED BEACH AREA - NI T.C.'S chopper lands. He and MAGNUM, who carries a map and flashlight, climb out.

> T.C. Now what?

MAGNUM (reading the map with a flashlight) According to the map, the village is half a mile up the coast. I guess we start walking.

T.C. Terrific.

They start down the beach.

EXT. BEACH - ANOTHER ANGLE - NIGHT

T.C. and MAGNUM walking along.

T.C.
This place gives me the heebie-jeebies. I keep waiting to get shot at by snipers.

MAGNUM
Yeah. Sure brings back the memories, doesn't it?

T.C.
Just so history don't repeat itself.

MAGNUM T.C., would I willingly lead you into danger?

T.C. You always have before. Why should I get optimistic now?

MAGNUM Well, you have nothing to worry about.

A rifle shot rings out into the night. Both MAGNUM and T.C. hit the dirt.

EMILY (0.S.)
Put your hands up, you thieves...
I've got you covered!

MAGNUM Emily, it's...

Emily fires off another few rounds that spray the sand near MAGNUM and T.C. They duck.

T.C.
"Nothin' to worry about", huh?

MAGNUM

(yelling)
Emily! It's Magnum. Don't
shoot!

EMILY (O.S.)

Magnum?

EMILY comes up, rifle in hand, backpack on her back.

EMILY

What are you doing here? I expressly forbid it. I ought to shoot you for trespassing.

MAGNUM and T.C. stand up.

EMILY (continued) (to T.C.)
Who are you?

T.C. T.C.'s the name, ma'am.

MAGNUM
You thought we were Roger
and his goons, didn't you?

EMILY I want you off this island, Magnum.

MAGNUM
You're going to fight them alone?

EMILY I'll manage.

MAGNUM
You need help and you know it, Emily.

EMILY

You are the most aggravating man!

MAGNUM

Does that mean "yes"?

EMILY

Oh!

MAGNUM

So. I'll go with you to the burial site, while T.C. here --

EMILY

What makes you think I know where it is?

MAGNUM

Emily...

EMILY

Oh, all right.

MAGNUM

That-a-girl. How long to get there?

EMILY

Three hours.

T.C.

How about using the chopper?

EMILY

It's standing room only for mountain goats up there. But there's a small beach on the other side... Cook's Cove.

NOT IN ?

MAGNUM

Meet you at the pass, T.C.

T.C.

Right on.

MAGNUM and EMILY head into the island.

CUT TO:

EXT. RIDGE - SUNRISE

MAGNUM and EMILY emerge from the jungle onto a high ridge. The view is incredible... miles and miles of a rugged Na Pali-like coast.

EMILY Catch your breath?

MAGNUM nods gratefully, gasping for air. EMILY isn't breathing hard at all.

EMILY (continued) We're close to 4,000 feet here.

MAGNUM How did you find the burial site?

EMILY I've always known it was here.

MAGNUM

How?

EMILY
You were right about the legend.
It is true. And Queen Kalani?
She was my great-great-great
grand-mother. Keoki's too, for
that matter.

MAGNUM And knowledge of the site has been passed down all these years'

EMILY

Exactly.

MAGNUM
Well. I've never watched a sunrise
with royalty before.

EMILY laughs. There's a warm moment between the two.

Nice Sunpriop!

Sood Trust:

Thes IT ALL up!

EMILY

Thank you, Thomas... for everthing...We better keep moving.

And they move off, up the ridge.

EXT. RIDGE - ANOTHER AREA - DAY

CUT TO:

MAGNUM and EMILY arrive at the end of the trail... a lovely tropical pond, fed by a waterfall.

EMILY

(points to top of waterfall) Now, up there.

They start climbing.

EXT. WATERFALL - DAY

MAGNUM and EMILY scramble up.

MAGNUM

(winded)

Now where?

EMILY

Follow me.

And she leads him literally through the waterfall.

INT. CAVE BEHIND WATERFALL - DAY

MAGNUM and EMILY enter. MAGNUM turns on his flashlight.

EMILY

This way.

And she leads him deeper into the cave.

INT. CAVE - ANGLE ON MAGNUM AND EMILY

The cave widens out to room-size. EMILY takes out a lighter and touches it to an old torch, which illumines the whole space. MAGNUM is astounded by what he sees.

MAGNUM

I see it, but I don't believe it.

INT. CAVERN - MAGNUM'S POV - DAY

There is a whole array of ancient Hawaiian artifacts: a rough cross-rack carries a magnificent feather cape and feather helmet of the old alii-nui. All around it lay scattered material: wooden war clubs, knives, old tapa-wrapped gods, bone necklaces and shells, and a curiously-wrough mummey shaped coffin made of sennet.

INT. CAVERN - DAY

MAGNUM slowly and wonderingly wanders among the artifacts.

MAGNUM
This is how they must have felt when they opened King Tut's tomb.

EMILY
It is remarkable, isn't it?

MAGNUM It's like a thousand years ago.

(stops by "mummy")
What's this?

EMILY Grandma's remains. This coffin... there's perhaps half-a-dozen that have ever been found. It's priceless, really.

ROGER (0.S.) I couldn't agree with you more, darling.

MAGNUM and EMILY whirl to confront ROGER, FORBES and JED, guns drawn. KEOKI is last, his hands tied behind his back.

EMILY Roger!... Keoki!

KEOKI
They made me lead them here,
Emily. I'm sorry, I tried to
stop them...

JED gives KEOKI a swift punch to the stomach.

JED Shut up, kid.

EMILY How dare you!

ROGER

Curb your tongue, my dear. I'm afraid my two friends here have no appreciation of the social niceties.

He tosses several large bags in front of MAGNUM and EMILY.

ROGER (continued)
Now, if you'll be so kind
as to fill these for me, we'll
be on our way.

EMILY What are you going to do with us?

ROGER
You don't really want me to answer that question, do you, my dear?

EMILY You... You... unspeakable villain!

ROGER cooly slaps EMILY across the face.

ROGER Can't tell you how long I've wanted to shut you up.

MAGNUM starts to go for ROGER, but ROGER points his gun right at him.

ROGER
Temper, temper, Mr. Magnum.
Now, get to work.

EXT. COOK'S COVE - DAY

MAGNUM, EMILY and KEOKI carry heavy sacks, ladden with the artifacts, down to the beach, followed by ROGER, JED and FORBES. JED runs ahead and pulls a camouflage tarp off the beached power boat.

ROGER Load the boat.

The captives start to do so. MAGNUM looks for a chance to make his move and finds it. He explodes into action with a swift karate chop that knocks the gun from ROGER's hand. Keoki immediately goes for JED, knocking him to the ground. FORBES is looking for a clean shot into this melee, while EMILY opens her sack and pulls out an old Hawaiian war club.

ROGER scrambles for his gun in the sand, but MAGNUM kicks it away. FORBES is taking aim on MAGNUM when EMILY jumps him piggy-back from behind and starts working on his head with the war club. KEOKI and JED slug it out. FORBES throws EMILY off his back, but she uses her war club to knock the gun out of his hand. FORBES goes for her.

EMILY Help! Thomas!

MAGNUM, just about to finish ROGER off, hears EMILY's cry, and turns to help her, allowing ROGER to run off down the beach. FORBES turns to confront this new assailant, and goes to punch MAGNUM again and again, but MAGNUM dodges them all.

MAGNUM I'm tired of being punched at.

MAGNUM takes FORBES out with one blow to the jaw. EMILY has found FORBES gun, and points it at him.

EXT. DOWN THE BEACH - DAY

ROGER flees. Suddenly, from behind a hill, T.C.'s chopper appears & dive bombs him.

INT. T.C.'s CHOPPER - DAY

T.C. looking down at ROGER.

EXT. BEACH - T.C.'S POV - DAY

We see ROGER running madly down the beach.

EXT. BEACH - DAY

ROGER runs until T.C.'s chopper cuts him off. ROGER runs in another direction, and again, T.C. cuts him off. He tries yet another direction, but T.C. is just too fast.

EXT. BEACH - POWER BOAT - DAY

MAGNUM takes the gun from EMILY, and goes over to where JED is getting the best of KEOKI.

MAGNUM

Hold it!

JED freezes.

EXT. BEACH - DAY

The game of "tag" between ROGER and T.C. in the chopper continues. But ROGER is running out of breath. Finally he just stops in his tracks, as T.C.'s chopper circles him. T.C. lands the chopper, and gets out, grinning. He grabs ROGER and shoves him back in the direction of MAGNUM and the others.

T.C. Tag, your it!

EXT. FLETCHER ISLAND VILLAGE - DAY

The village is small, and charming, and there's a luau going on with the entire population of the island in attendance. There's food, music, dancing...everyone's having a great time.

MAGNUM (V.O.)
To celebrate saving Queen Kalani's treasures, Emily decided to throw and old-time, Fletcher Island luau. And for the first time, company was invited.

EXT. FLETCHER ISLAND - BEACH - DAY

T.C.'s chopper floats out of the sky. It lands and T.C., MAGNUM and RICK climb out. They are greated with affection and leis by EMILY, KEOKI and the villagers, and swept off to the luau.

EXT. LUAU - DAY

The guests of honor arrive with EMILY and KEOKI.

KEOKI Quiet everybody!

The crowd settles down and the music stops.

EMILY
First of all, the Bishop
Museum is having a special
showing of our treasures from
Fletcher Island...

Much cheering and applause at this.

EMILY (continued)
... and as a small demonstration
of our thanks for the gentleman
who helped save them... Come here,
Thomas...

T.C. and RICK push MAGNUM next to EMILY.

EMILY (continued)
As a token of our mahalo and aloha to you, Thomas Magnum, please accept this check for one thousand dollars on behalf of us all.

Everyone cheers and applauds loudly.

MAGNUM Thanks. Thanks.

The music and partying start up again. KEOKI hugs MAGNUM, thanking him. MAGNUM sits down with T.C. and RICK at a banquet table. RICK snatches the check from MAGNUM.

RICK I'll take that.

MAGNUM Hey, wait a minute.

RICK
You owe the Club for damages, remember?

MAGNUM
That's only \$800 dollars.
You owe me two hundred,
old buddy.

T.C.
Not so fast, old buddy. What with all this flying around I been doing on your behalf, I figure that'll just about cover fuel.

RICK Sounds reasonable to me, T.C.

MAGNUM (dejectedly)
You guys are breaking my heart.

Just then the music swings into a fast Tahition beat. EMILY, carrying a lei, comes over to MAGNUM and puts it around his neck, and kisses him sweetly. RICK and T.C. look on wryly.

RICK Oh, I think you'll recover.

EMILY pulls MAGNUM over to the dance area, where the islanders are dancing Tahitian-style. EMILY and MAGNUM join in. MAGNUM glances straight into camera, then grins broadly, as we:

FREEZE FRAME

THE END