

INT. APARTMENT

A man removes papers from the table he's sitting at. A noise. Something's not right. MCCALL, 40s, suspiciously goes to his front door.

He opens the door to find TEDDY, 40s, on the other side.

TEDDY
Mr. McCall.

MCCALL
Yeah.

TEDDY
Sorry to bother you. We're looking into a homicide that happened two weeks ago, five dead. Russian restaurant.

MCCALL
Oh yeah, I heard about it on TV. I happened to be there that night.

TEDDY
Are you, uh--

McCall interrupts before he can finish his thought.

MCCALL
--Yeah, you wouldn't be here if I wasn't.

TEDDY
That's right. We're just checking to see if any of the patrons remembered anything suspicious that night.

MCCALL
Not that I recall.

TEDDY
May I ask why you dined at that particular restaurant?

MCCALL
I like piroshki.

TEDDY
There's five authentic Russian restaurants within walking distance of your apartment.

MCCALL

Mmm.

TEDDY

I assume they all serve piroshki.

MCCALL

Oh. I was meeting a friend. It was her idea.

Teddy overlaps a bit with McCall and vice-versa.

TEDDY

Then I suppose I should talk--

MCCALL

Sheila. Sheila Saunders. But she won't be any help. She wasn't there... daughter had a fever.

They eye one another suspiciously.

TEDDY

Didn't stay long?

MCCALL

I didn't check my watch.

TEDDY

I see. Well, thanks for your cooperation.

MCCALL

You're welcome.

Teddy starts to move away, but then reaches into his jacket pocket and pulls out a photo.

TEDDY

Tell me. Do you know this girl?

McCall looks at the photo. Curious, he reaches for the photo and Teddy hands it to him.

MCCALL

Yeah.

(ponders)

I don't remember where from. What happened to her?

TEDDY

She fell down and broke her neck.

McCall smiles.

MCCALL

Did she?

Teddy snaps the photo back from McCall and pockets it.

TEDDY

I'll be in touch.

Teddy takes a few steps away.

MCCALL

Don't you wanna leave me your card officer? In case I remember anything. That's what you policemen usually do, right?

TEDDY

Must have given them all out.

MCCALL

How'd you find me?

He waits for an answer and gets none.

MCCALL (CONT'D)

I paid cash. We didn't have a reservation. How'd you find me?

TEDDY

Well, that's what we do Mr. McCall.

MCCALL

We who?

TEDDY

Find people we need to find.

MCCALL

We who?

Teddy gives McCall a sinister smile and doesn't answer the question. He then walks away.

McCall watches him go then retreats back into his apartment where he watches through a darkened window as Teddy gets into a black car and is driven away.

END SCENE