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Summary

They showed Kira a body to prove that she replaced the real Kira, but that, like everything else, turned out not to be true.

But then, where did they get that body?

Notes

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It's only much later, lying in her quarters, that the thought crosses Kira's mind. She plays absently with the bracelet Ghemor gave her, touching each of the metal segments in turn. They are pieces of a family she has been drawn in the middle of by chance: a dead mother, a hopeful father, a lost daughter.

Did Ghemor see my body? she thinks, and she corrects herself harshly a second later, *the* body, *a* body, not hers. Kira Nerys is alive. That was only a trick to break her, exhibit S 1983. As she'd assumed, a clone, a hologram, a lie.

But then, the video was not. Iliana was a real woman, whose eyes happened to match the shape of Kira's, whose mouth could make the same smile.

They put her through surgery to make her look like a Bajoran. She could be anyone.

But they gave Kira the same surgery in reverse, and through the Cardassian scales and ridges, she had still looked like herself. That was the whole point. If she hadn't, Ghemor never would have seen his daughter in her face.

And now she lies there, clutching the bracelet close, and trying to remember. Did she touch the body? Did she feel the cold that haunted its skin? Did she make sure it was real?

Whose body was that? Whose face was that?

She has the sinking feeling that no matter how much Ghemor searches, he'll never find his daughter.

End Notes

just a little thing I was thinking about at the end of that episode. We know that Kira's the real Kira, but then, what happened to the real Iliana? And well, if she really was supposed to replace Kira and didn't manage to...

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