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Update

Hi there,

Hope you are having a good time at the boat show and making lots of money. Don't go buying anything else while you are up there for God's sake. Say hi to Bob.

I wanted to tell you what's going on. Things are moving at the speed of light, but then that's the way you and I both are huh? I have a new condo... I sent him the credit app this morning, and they've approved me. I sign the lease on Monday, and I will begin moving over there on February 14 (ironic). I plan to be in there by the 16th, at which time I will email Chris and let him know that I've moved and his name is on the lease and he's now responsible for all the utilities.

I spoke with the landlord a few minutes ago. Their son was there. I told them we had broken up, and they asked why. I told them I'd been in a verbally and emotionally abusive situation for a while, and I needed to get out of it. I told them I know Chris will see this different and think I'm the one that did all of it (and yes, I did some of it) – he said he didn't care what Chris thought. He then hugged me and said he was sorry. I told them Chris wanted to stay and I told them that I'd been paying the rent all this time and I had paid the deposit. He asked if Chris had a job, and I told them he did, but I didn't think he could afford to stay here. He asked if I wanted to stay, and I said honestly while I loved the place, I needed to be the one to move out while he was gone. I told them I would have preferred things to be civil, then I would have finished out the lease responsibly. He understands what is going on. He handed me his card, and asked me to have Chris call him so they could work out the details... and he's an ATTORNEY. He told me that if Chris gives him any problems, he said he would take him down. Obviously I would hate to see that happen, but I feel like the landlords are on my side on this. I asked about the deposit, and the mom said "well you'll have to lose that if you are breaking the lease." I said I was afraid of that, as right now was a difficult financial time for me. The son said not to worry about it right now. He asked if the place was clean, and I told them it was. Finally, they told me to take care of myself, and to please stay in communication with him as to what I was doing and how things were playing out and they thanked me for letting them know what was going on. And then he gave me another huge hug and said again how sorry he was.

I am free. I am almost there. What a HUGE RELIEF.

I know I really don't have to tell you this, but please don't tell Chris any of this... I can't afford to have him know ANYTHING about what I'm doing right now. I need him to continue thinking I'm in anguish over the end of this so I can get my things out of here without having a huge issue.

Have a great rest of the weekend. Thanks for being there for me.

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