

Chapter 1

Lana stared over the waterfall precipice into the roiling depths of the lake below. She came here often to think. Her mind wandered as she watched the waters froth and swirl.

Everyone had been unhappy for some time. The Hylians being more possessive and not trading as much, the Gorons asking higher prices for their gems, everyone stocking up on weapons, food, and other supplies. It was easy to see that war was coming. The Hylians and Shiekah had been trading a lot recently. They were going to ally, that was for sure.

The best course of action for the Zora would probably be to ally with the Gerudo. As electricity was their biggest weakness, they would want to avoid being enemies with the Gerudo chief, Riju who could call down lightning at will. Then they could take Terry town and the surrounding area, as well as maybe Lurelin village.

Lana looked up and shivered. The Rito had been flying around more than usual lately. Sometimes they flew over Zora's Domain, and she could swear they were watching. Sometimes she saw Yiga spying from the cliffs. That was one weakness of the Zora. They didn't really have a spy network.

Lana hoisted her spear over her shoulder. Suddenly, she heard footsteps coming in her direction! Laflat came running towards her.

"What's wrong?" Lana exclaimed, worried.

"War has been declared." Laflat explained. "There's a meeting in the throne room. They wanted you." Lana turned to head back to the domain, but she paused.

"Any idea what they want me for?" she asked.

"Something about strategy." Laflat explained.

"Ohhh." Lana said. "Well that's easy. I already have part of a plan."

When Lana entered the throne room, Former King Dorephan, King Sidon, Queen Yona, and Muzu were clustered around a map that had been spread out. They made room for her as she came forward. She was a good tactician, and her word was generally accepted on this sort of thing. This was helped by the fact that she was the only daughter of King Sidon and Queen Yona. She probably would have been respected even if she hadn't been though.

"Ah, my daughter." Sidon said. "We were just discussing tactics. I was hoping you would have some suggestions."

"I have the beginnings of a war plan." Lana responded. "The first thing we probably want to do is make an alliance."

"An alliance!" Muzu exclaimed. "That's preposterous! We don't need any help to win the war."

"Patience Muzu. Let us hear what she has to say." Dorephan admonished, shaking his head "

We want to make an alliance with the Gerudo." Lana said. "Electricity is our biggest weakness, so we should position ourselves so we won't be against it." Even Muzu had to agree that this was a good idea.

"Okay, so once we've done that what's our next move?" Yona asked.

"We'll want to swim up and take Terry town, as well as maybe Lurelin."

"I see the sense in that." Sidon said thoughtfully. "Any other ideas?"

"One, but this one's a last resort." Lana said "If we can find someone who can see the Koroks, we should try to make an alliance with them. Most people can't even see them. They could be invaluable."

"This is if we could find someone who could see them!" Muzu ranted. "Why should we waste time and effort!?"

"I agree that we should pursue other courses of action first." Lana said. "But if we find that we have someone who can negotiate with them, we should at least try to get them on our side."

"I agree with your suggested first course of action." Sidon said. "I'll put you and Yona in charge of the diplomatic party. You are excused to go plan it." Lana and Yona walked out of the room.

"Let's go to Shatterback Point to plan" Lana suggested.

"Good idea." Yona said.

Sitting on the edge of Shatterback Point with her legs dangling over the edge, Lana felt completely free. The statue of Lady Mipha, her father's beloved

sister behind her. She watched the waters of East Reservoir lake far beneath her.

"The first thing we probably want to discuss is what we're trading," Yona said. "Do you have any ideas?"

"We could probably just do the usual thing," Lana said. "You know, resources, soldiers, the right to our land in trade for the right to theirs, helping them in the water, that sort of thing."

"That would probably work," Yona said. "Now who should go? Maybe you should stay back. You're our best tactician."

"Yes, but I'm also our best diplomat," Lana countered. "I already told the other Zora the plan. They'll most likely just prepare to enact it. Besides, Chief Riju has a daughter only two years younger than me. If I can become friends with her it would help our cause. You can stay if you want, It's up to you, but a queen coming would be a show of faith and could incline them to agree."


"I'm going, I had already decided," Yona asserted. "But who else should come?"

"Maybe Laflat. She's good with people," Lana said. "And what about your assistants Khira and Chroma?"

"That's a good idea," agreed Yona. "I think that's enough people. Are we forgetting anything else?"

"Maybe we could bring a gift. We could bring food and weapons," Lana said, thinking. "Maybe spears, shields, bows, arrows, around fifty, lotus seeds, fish, crabs, oh and swords. I think that that would be enough."

"I think that's good," Yona agreed. "I'll go report to Sidon, you go get everything ready."



**This is only part of the first chapter of a work in progress. It is fan-fiction of
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