

## **OBJECT OF MY AFFECTION**

[Dishes Clanking, George enters from the bedroom]

GEORGE

Nina, it's 3:00 in the morning.

NINA

Oh, I'm sorry. Did I wake you?.

GEORGE

No. Paul wanted some ice cream.

NINA

Oh. That is so sweet. You guys have so much in common.

GEORGE

Paul thinks, uh, you don't like him.

NINA

I don't know him.

GEORGE

You seem to like Rodney.

NINA

Well, Rodney is a decent and intelligent man...who is very hurt and insecure. We're all very hurt and insecure. Who do you know that isn't? Paul. Paul seems to be...a totally happy guy.

GEORGE

You don't like him.

NINA

Oh, what the hell difference does it make if I like Paul or not, George?. You like Paul and that's what's important. And that's great. I mean, that is just great. I just finished my work.

GEORGE

Nina, I slept for months in this apartment with you and Vince right there.

NINA

That is different!

GEORGE

How is that different?

NINA

Because you don't tell a woman that you love her and two days later, bring Romeo home to sleep with you!

GEORGE

You invited him!

NINA

Yes, and for dinner! And I invited Rodney too. I thought they were a couple!-

GEORGE

Oh, come on, you didn't think that.

NINA

Well, you didn't tell me otherwise.

GEORGE

Nina, look at me. Nina- Nina, look at me! I thought we were going to make up new rules.

NINA

Yeah, well, they have to work for both of us.

GEORGE

So you can have a man in your bed, but I can't.

NINA

Oh, God, no, no! You can't! You cannot have me and Paul and this baby.

GEORGE

Why? Because you deserve to have it all and I don't?

NINA

No! It's not about having it all. It is about picking one person and making it work. And when you are fucking a man in the next room, it makes it pretty clear the person you don't wanna make it work with is me.

GEORGE

Yeah, that's bullshit!

NINA

Oh, fuck off, George! You forgot Paul's ice cream!