L'impegno Emette

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Seto..is...ENGAGED!? Uh-oh. Kay's boiling mad and very hurt. But...maybe it's not as bad as they think. (Based off the comic "Engagment Issues")

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1 - Heartbroken

"How in the world am I gonna tell her?" Seto thought as he walked down the halls.

Flashback (YAY! XP)

"Mr. Kaiba, we know you've had a relationship with a girl."

"W-what? Who told you something like that?"

"We have our ways of knowing, sire."

"And we insist you end it."

"You do not have control over my personal life."

"Perhaps not, but you are arranged to marry the heiress of another company."

"And you two are to wed once she finished college at age 24."

"WTF? I'm not marrying ANYONE!"

"Kaiba, you have no choice. You signed the contract when you took over Kaiba Corp."

"There was NOTHING about marrying anyone."

"No, but there was the clause that you will do whatever it takes to merge our company with another."

"Mr. Kaiba, we'll get to it. You're young and the girls are crazy for you. And this factor has had the owner of a major American and European game company want to merge companies. Think of the profits."

"Think of the publicity."

"I don't care!"

"Mr. Kaiba, you don't care about this other girl, do you?"

"...not as more then a friend, gentlemen."

"Explain the situation to her. She'll understand."

"Yes. Besides, we're certain you; Il find the young lady arranged for you to be quite becoming."

"Indeed."

"Who is she?"

"We were told not to tell you yet."

"I'm getting married and I don't know who the heck it is?"

"We're a bit afraid to introduce you two too soon. We feel it's best to wait."

"Yes."

"Agh, whatever." He stormed out of the meeting room.

Kay was at her locker. Seto sighed when he saw her.

"Just tell her 'we should just be friends'. I mean...you had to break up with her anyway. You're not even really dating." He stepped closer to her. He felt sick about this. But it had to be done.

"Hi Seto." She greeted him with her usual smile. DAMN IT!

"Hey."

"...is something wrong?" she asked.

"Well, Kay. The thing is..." She looked at him curiously. He wanted to kick himself for this next part. "I'm engaged!"

She stared at him.

"You're...WHAT?!" He looked away from her.

"I'm engaged." She twitched a bit.

"And you're telling me this...NOW?!" she turned away, a scowl on her features. "What poor sap has to marry you anyway?"

"Well...the thing is...I don't really...know..." She stared at him. There was silence between them.

"Kaiba..." She hung her head. Seto immediately grew worried.

"H-hey, what's wr-" She lifted her head, tears forming in her eyes. Her fist clenched and she slapped him across the face, so hard a red imprint of her hand was on his face.

"YOU ARE SUCH A JERK!" she cried before turning to run away, sobbing into her hands. Seto stared after her.

"I'm...I'm sorry, Kay." And he turned around and walked away.

2 - Memories of Her

Kay was at her locker, dumping books into it with a depressed look on her face. It's been a full day since Seto told her and she had completely avoided him. Her friends were wondering what the heck was wrong with her.

Finally, Alex and Cat confronted her.

"Kay, what's the matter with you?" Cat asked.

"You've been sulking since yesturday."

"...Kaiba told me something and I'm depressed about it."

"What'd he say?" Cat asked.

"..." She told them quitely.

"He's...WHAT?!" Cat and Alex yelled in unison. Kay turned away and starte dto close her locker, a defeated expression overtaking her face.

"Engaged. As in to be married."

"At 16?!?!" Cat shrieked. Kay looked at them tiredly, clearly not in the mood to discuss this anymore.

"Guys, it's no big deal, really." Cat put her hands on her hips.

"Oh yes, it IS a big deal. That'd be like Yami coming up to me and saying, 'oh, by the way Cat, I'm engaged to Anzu."

"You know that'd never happen."

"STILL! There's gotta be an explanation."

"Kay, don't lie to us about this." She turned away, her eyes covered by her bangs.

"You can just consider him and I broken up. Minako can try and sink her clutches into him now, for all I give."

"Kay, Kay listen to you. What are you saying?!" Alex cried. She did not answer. A sigh escaped the girl and then an idea struck her. "Hey, I know what'll cheer you up. My aunt's getting married. So after school we're going to the Bridal Store to try on dresses and see how stupid we look. Wanna come?"

Cat elbowed Alex and hissed, "Alex, bridal store!?"

"Oh!" she squeake,d automatically feeling stupid.

"I want to go." They both looked at Kay. A small, sad smile was on her lips. "Time and place?"

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"God DAMN it." Seto alked down the hall, cursing himself. "Why the hell did I say anthing? Now she friggin hates my guts."

"Why do you care?" a voice, much like his own only more cruel, in the back of his mind asked.

"Um...hm...why do I care?" he asked himself. Another little voice which also sounded like him, but a bit kinder, sighed in irritation.

"Do I have to spell it out, Kaiba? Ok. You-are-in-love-with-her."

"No he is not!"

"Dude, shut up. You know it's the truth."

"...neh."

"...you're right...and I'm going nuts because look at me, I'm talking to myself. But...I guess I...I love her."

(SO OOC!!! *Falls over and cries in defeat*)

(Flashback time!)

"Kaiba-kun?"

"What is it, Kay?"

"You've been working for hours, can't you give it a rest?"

"Why should I?"

"Because if you don't I'm gonna sitin your lap all night."

"Whatever." She raised her eyesbrow.

"Ok." And then she walked over and sat in his lap. He tried so hard not to blush. He thought she was kidding. "Are you gonna go to bed now?"

"No."

"Well, good thing I'm comfortable." He prayed to god she did not notice the red seeping into his face.

The sound of his typing had soon lulled her to sleep. Her head was rested lightly against his chest and she breathed softly. He shut down the computer and carried her upstairs to the room she always stayed in and laid her on the bed. He soft features seemed much cuter and innocent when she slept. It was also a graceful type of beauty she held.

Seto turned out the light and left her to sleep. ~*~ "Seto, may I ask you something?" "Hmm?" "Will you go bungee jumping with me one day?" "...um...why?" "It's always been a dream of mine, and if you were there it'd be more fun." "You want me to risk breaking my neck?" "C'mon, it's safe enough." "Kay...you're nuts." "Aw c'mon, Seto. It would be so nice to be with you. Besides, if I get scared I need to cling to someone and that someone happens to be you." "Gee...lucky me." "Yup." "...we'll see." "I know. I signed us up for this summer." "WHAT?" "Bye." She left the room.

(End flashbacks)

"KAY!" He chased after her.

Seto sighed. More stuff that had happened between him and Kay came to his mind, I'm just too lazy to

write it.

"KAIBA!" He groaned and turned.

"Alex, come to tell me off again? Or this time are you gonna rack me?"

"I should, but to your luck I heard what you just said."

"YOU WHAT?!?!" he yelled.

"Listen, you idiot." He glared.

"I'm not afraid to hit a girl, you know. Not that I'm sure you are one."

"Don't even THINK of insulting me. Look, I don't know why, but Kay still loves you."

"Are you kidding? She hates me and probably wants me to die." Alex rolled her eyes.

"She's hurt, stupid. She's in love with you and she's sad because you're engaged."

"IT'S AN ARRANGED MARRIAGE!" Alex's jaw dropped.

"Are you joking?!"

"What the hell did you guys THINK?!"

"We thought you got drunk and proposed to someone off the street, or something like that!"

"HELL NO! The Big Five wants me to marry some heiress when she finished college to merge my company with another. It's out of my hands."

"Well Hell's Bells, you gotta tell Kay that."

"She won't talk to me, I've tried calling her for the past 25-hours. Why don't you tell her?"

"She'll tihnk I'm making it up to make her feel better. Ok, this afternoon we're going to a bridal store with my aunt. You can come there and explain yourself."

"Ok, time and place?"

3 - The Bridal Store

"Alex, you asked Kaiba to come?!" Kristen squeaked, her eyes bugging slightly. Kay, Alex, Kristen, and Cat were at the bridal store. Kay was trying on one of the dresses and Alex was standing with Kristen and Cat, waiting for her.

"Yeah. He'll apologize, they make up, and everyone's happy. It's the perfect plan. But I hope he gets here soon. Besides...you all didn't hear what he said."

"Well...what did he say?" Cat asked.

Before Alex could answer, Kay came up to them and asked, "OK, what do you guys think of this one?"

They turned and she stood there wearing a long gown with long sleeves that had flowers at the top of the sleeves. The turtle neck like area was a thin, see-through veil and the rest was white and made with silk and lace. She looked beautiful.

"You look great!" Kristen said, beaming. Alex nodded.

"Pretty." Cat smiled and nodded as well.

"It's very nice on you, Kay-chan." Kay giggled.

"Ya think so?"

"Totally!" Kristen exclaimed.

"We need a picture." Cat took out her camera. Alex smiled at them and then heard the bell by the door ring.

Ring ring!

She turned and smirked to herself. Seto stood there and was staring at Kay, a slight blush on his face.

Kay posed for the camera and laughed then nearly fainted when she saw Seto.

"What's HE doing here?" she squeaked. Kristen and cat exchanged glances.

"Ask her!" they said at the same time, pointing at Alex.

"Thanks guys...I can always count on you." Kay crossed her arms and glared at Alex.

"So THIS was your plan. Well, I'm changing back into my clothes and going home." Seto had walked up to them at this point and did not say a word.

"C'mon Kay-" She held up her hand to silence her and walked back to the dressing room. Cat sighed.

"Alex, maybe you took the wrong approach with this one." Alex nodded.

"Yeah, you may be right. Sorry, Kaiba."

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"...hello? Anyone in there?" Kristen asked, waving a hand in front of his face.

"Yes, Kristen."

"Wow, you know my name?" she asked.

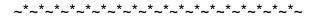
"Kay's mentioned you all so much I eventually learned your names."

"Hmm....cool." ^^ Seto sweatdropped a bit. Kay walked out of the dressing room in her black jeans, blue halter, and black jacket. She put the dress away and walked toward the exit, refusing to look at the group.

"Kay! C'mon Kaiba." Alex grabbed Seto's wrist and dragged him with her.

"...this can't end well..." Cat muttered. Kristen nodded.

"You're right."



"Kay, slow down!!" Alex cried. "Kaiba, will you spare me and just run after her and apologize?!"

"What's the point? She won't listen to me."

"Tell her what you said to yourself in the hall and she WILL listen."

"HELL NO! Nobody is ever going to hear me say that again."

"...you are such a stupid BASTARD!" Alex smacked him. "What the hell is wrong with you?"

"Alex, mayb eit's better she hate my guts."

"What are you talking about?!" Seto sighed.

"No offense, but you are very stupid."

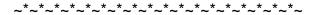
"HEY!"

"If Kay feels the same way I feel about her, where will that put us when she needs to leave for college?! And when she takes over Industrial Illusions?! And when I'm gonna be forced to get married?! Face it, Alex. There is no future for your friend and me, it's better she forgets me and I forget her."

"You think it's gonna be that simple? Damn it, Kaiba. She loves you more then anything else on this Earth and she is miserable without you. And Lord help us if this goes on much longer. It's gone WAY past a crush you can just get over in one week and you know it." Seto was silent. "So do yourself and her a favor and go talk to her! Telling her how you feel is up to you, but at least explain yourself."

"FINE. I'll tell her it's an arranged marriage but that's it."

"Well you'd better hurry up and catch up to her." He took off after her. Alex smiled to herself. "They are SO gonna end up together." She chuckled and walked back to the bridal shop.



Kay sighed and walked into the park and collapsed on a bench. She took off her jacket and ran a hand throught her bangs tiredly.

"You think you can get away so easilly?" She shrieked in surprised and jumped to her feet then faced Seto. She struggled to turn her expression into a glare, despite the fact that seeing him still warmed her heart.

"What are you doing here, Kaiba?" she snapped.

"Why do you think I'm here?" he asked. She crossed her arms.

"I don't know. I'd say I don't care, but since you followed me this far I assume there's a reason behind it. So...what do you want?"

"To talk to you."

4 - A discussion

"Talk? You want to talk? Well, about what? Because I really have no interest in anything you have to say."

"Kay."

"Don't 'Kay' me." He sighed and shook his head.

"What in the world is it gonna take to get through that head of yours?"

"An awful lot. As a taurus, I'm stubborn as hell. So you have five seconds to get through before I walk away."

"Kay, come on. This is stupid."

"KAIBA! You are ENGAGED! What kind of jerk goes and proposes to someone and is pretending to date someone else?! A two-timing, heartless creep who does not care if anyone gets hurt in the process. And...and I thought..."

"What?" he asked, eyes flaring a bit.

"Who the hell care what I thought?! Now I don't want anything to do with you." Before she could run, he had her wrists in his hand. He felt the fluttering pulse with his thumbs.

"Kay, listen to me. I never proposed to anyone. My engagment is an arranged marriage." She stared at him.

"What?" He nodded.

"I'm sorry I didn't make that clear, and I'm sorry I hurt you. The truth is, I don't even want to get married. But when I took over Kaiba Corp., I signed this contract and it locked me in this situation and I can't do anything about it. And they won't tell me who I'm suppossed to marry." His grip on her wrists softened a bit.

"Kaiba...I'm...so...stupid..." She lightly hit her head against his chest. "I got upset so fast...I didn't even think...and...please forgive me." He smiled a bit.

"Only if you forgive me." she looked up and nodded.

"How could I not? I mean, it's not your fault you're in this marriage."

"Well, maybe if I propose to someone before this mystery girl finishes college I can get out of it."

"Good luck with that." He smiled a bit. "So, what now? We 'broke up.' Should we just drop the whole relationship idea? I mean, school's over in just a few weeks so there's not a whole lot of point to it, really." He nodded.

"I guess you're right."

"...can I ask you something?"

"Sure."

"Ok, two questions: one, we're friends, right?"

"I suppose you can say that."

"Ok, and two..." She blushed a little bit. "May I still call you Seto?"

Ah, short sweet and to-the-point. Just the way we all like it. And Seto says yes to her being able to call him Seto if that wasn't obvious. Okies, later.

5 - The Last Day of School

The next few weeks seemed to dissolve. Everything returned to normal. Minako was a pain in the @\$\$ and continued to flirt with Seto shamelessly, much to his irritation as well as Kay's.

Some friends revealed they were moving away, including Jo, Dark, Tiffany, Duke, and a few others who planned to graduate early.

Kay was looking forward to summer. The first few weeks were fun in the sun with Seto, Mokuba, and Adelinda. The last few weeks were with Uncle Pegasus and Adelinda in Florida.

"So, Cat, do you and Yami have any plans this summer?" Kay asked. It was lunch time. She was sitting with Kristen, Alex, Jackie, and Cat in the shade of a tree. It was very warm outside.

They had taken off their uniform jackets and tied back their hair to keep it out of their faces.

Cat munched into an apple.

"Yami and Yugi are going on a tour of Japan and asked me and Kristen to come along."

"Really?" Kay asked. Kristen and Cat nodded. "I smell summer love."

"Aw hush, Kay. What about you and Kaiba?"

"I'm spending my first few weeks of summer with him, Mokuba, and Adelinda. Then Adelinda and I are flying to visit my uncle for the last few weeks of summer."

"Ooh, really? That sounds like fun." Kay nodded and finished her onigiri neatly.

"Yeah, but there's this charity dinner I have to perform the tango at."

"Whose your partner?" Kristen asked.

"I don't have one yet."

"Well, here's a crazy idea, why not ask Kaiba?" Jackie asked. Cat nodded.

"Yeah."

"He's one of the guests. I can't ask him. It'd be weird."

"Uh, and since when has that ever bothered you?" Alex asked with a slightly annoyed expression. Kay was silent for a moment.

"Point to you." She ate a grape.

"Just ask him. You need to practice anyway."

"Ugh, fine. I'll ASK him. But if he says no, I'm hurting you."

"He won't say no, Kay." She rolled her eyes.

"Right, whatever." They finished their lunches and threw out the trash. "I'm heading to the computer lab to browse online."

"I'll come along."

"Me too." Cat and Alex followed Kay to the lab and they sat at three computers. They all did their own thing. Kay shrieked when she felt a hand on her shoulder and looked up to see Seto smirking down at her.

"Are you TRYING to give me a heart attack, Seto?!" she asked, sighing with relief.

"Sorry, but you're fun to scare." She scowled slightly. Alex nudged Kay a bit in the ribs and she glared.

"Umm...may I ask you something?"

"I suppose."

"Well...you know that charity dinner my uncle is hosting this summer?" He nodded. "I need to perform the tango but I don't have a partner. And...I was wondering if you would be my partner." He shrugged.

"Why not? When do we practice?"

"Whenever's good."

"OK." He sat at a computer and started working. Alex gave her a knowing smirk and Kay frowned.

"Don't say anything." Alex only snickered and went back to typing.



"come on bell, ring!"

The students groaned impatiently as the clock ticked slowly.

"Ten more seconds..."

"TEN!" Seto and Kay, unknowingly, sighed in unison.

Neither one joined in the count down. Kay simply doodled on her paper. She was not in THAT big a hurry to run out of the school. Besides, the huge crowd made her claustrophobic.
"NINE!"
She sketched a pair of eyes.
"EIGHT!"
A nose and mouth.
"SEVEN!"
Hair.
"SIX!"
More hair.
"FIVE!"
The collar of a coat.
"FOUR!"
Shoulders.
"THREE!"
Some deatils.
"TWO!"
Done.
"ONE!!!" The bell rang and the students cheered in excitement and ran out of the room like a stampede of wild boar. Kay and Seto sat back, waiting for the rush to leave.
Kay smiled at her picture and put it in her folder carefully then placed it in her bag and draped it over her shoulder.
"See you tomorrow, Seto." She smiled at him and walked out of the room.
Summer was finally here. And she planned on making it as fun as possible. And spending as much time

as she could with Seto and Mokuba, but mostly Seto.

Her face turned pink thinking about it and she hurried to go and pick Adelinda up from school.

WHOO! Another fic out of the way. And here's the link to the next one!

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Oh, the tango thing isn't important, I just wanted to write it so yeah. It's not gonna get featured in the story. Just imagine it in your head. ^^