**The Erased**

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***Part 1***

*Black screen, a quote emerges:*

So that even being bound by granite,

We would smile upon those who erect the Barrier...

 To be continued, Ija Ros

*Blackout*

*Wide shot, black and white*

Picturesque deserted Moscow backstreet. Reminds more of St. Petersburg. Dostoevsky-style. There is a girl lying on her side on the ground (cloak/coat, thin legs in stockings, light shoes, no heels).

*Medium close-up*

Girl lying with her eyes closed, unconscious.

*Close up*

There is a bag on the pavement next to the girl. Fell out from the bag are books, student ID card, keys. The girl’s hand flinches.

*Medium shot, top view*

The girl opens her eyes, slowly rolls from the side to the back, looking at the sky.

*View from the camera (through the girl’s eyes) to the sky.*

The sky.

*Review with the girl’s eyes, medium shot, close-up.*

Half-rises. Sits on the pavement, looks around. Look stumbles upon things lying on the pavement. Her hands draw the things to the bag. Stumbled on a student ID card, she opens it. Sees herself on the photo. Slowly, trying to recognize, loudly pronounces the surname:

* Marija Mironova…

Incoming SMS beeps.

*Medium shot, side view, the frame suddenly becomes colored*

Because of the SMS beep Masha wakes up out of sleep in the bus. Having shuddered, she recoils from the window which she slept leaning against. Wondering where she is, she looks out the window of the moving bus. Views of the suburbs sweep along. She reaches for the phone in the familiar bag.

*Close up to the telephone in the girl’s hand*

Letters on the screen:

* On the spot.

Types a reply:

* Going.

*Middle shot (the same as the first one in the bus)*

Takes headphones out of the bag, puts them in her ears, turns on the music and turns her head away from the camera to the window.

*Medium close-up from the front to the girl. The music is heard from the headphones.*

Looks out of the window to the passing views. Vacant, thoughtful or even morose stare.

*Wide shot / middle shot*

The bus pulls to the bus stop. There are only a forest and a field around, nothing more.