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I'VE JUST SEEN A FACE a friend of Teena

She is not a statistic.

She lives alone on the streets with thousands just like her, all disowned and disconnected like broken televisions. She doesn't hear school bells or the laughter of friends, only the echo of car horns and broken promises.

She's the most beautiful girl I've ever seen.

Her hair is unkempt, and she looks older than her years, but her eyes burn bright with dreams.

She is dispossessed.

There is no room in this world for her to be just a girl, for she is a little girl lost. She's just found a place in my memory, which is what she needs first.