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Under the tables stray dogs silently pester.

A girl brings food. The dogs lick titbits

rhythmically from our fingers. As we eat, something stirs

in the dark of the highway's edge - shadows, unshod.

A hand lifts the lid of a bin peers in, lifts another.

Like fireflies eyes flit. The guard by our coach

does not flinch, his hand on his holster.