



## **Jilted British woman in jail after attack on ex who spurned her**

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Ricardo Morais, 31, was driving through Lincoln when Tatiana Bastos, 28, struck him with a six-inch blade that sliced through three levels of clothing and left him needing stitches to his manhood.

Bastos had jumped into his car and refused to get out after he rejected her attempt to seduce him, so he drove to the factory where he worked in Newark, Notts, hoping that security staff there would help get rid of her.

Lincoln Crown Court was told that she suddenly pulled the knife out of her handbag as he steered the motor.

Morais, who had lived with her in Lincoln before the 2008 attack but now has a home in Peterborough, said the stabbing took place two months after he got a new girlfriend.

"She said she was going to kill me and then kill herself. I didn't believe her and kept driving with my eyes on the road ahead," the Sun quoted him as saying.

"The next thing I felt Tatiana leaning into me and felt the blade in my groin. She did not say anything. I felt I was going to die," he stated.

To add insult to injury, Bastos lied to the police by claiming she knifed him after he tried to rape her.

Prosecutor Caroline Bradley told the court that Bastos had grilled her ex-partner for information about his new girlfriend.

"It was almost a situation of if she could not have him, then nobody else could," Bradley said.

Bastos, from Lincoln, admitted unlawful wounding, possessing an offensive weapon and perverting the course of justice and was jailed for 32 months by Judge Michael Heath.

"This was a wicked thing to do. When you stabbed the knife into his groin, it penetrated three levels of clothing, his jeans, his thermals and his boxer shorts," the judge told her.

"He and you are very fortunate that no more serious injury was caused because it is no exaggeration to say you could have quite easily killed him.

"You then attempted to orchestrate a false allegation of sexual assault against him to deflect the blame away from yourself. You lied and lied for days until the truth came out," he added.

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