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Silent Wishes

(NAPSA)—Fiona Hood-Stewart returns to the glamorous world of Harcourts International in a novel that reunites readers with the characters introduced in *The Stolen Years* and *The Lost Dreams*. In *Silent Wishes* (MIRA Books, \$6.50), Hood-Stewart delves into the challenges faced by Sylvia Hansen, the company's first female CEO, when her reputation is threatened by a corporate raider.

Sylvia is the newly appointed



CEO of Harcourts International, a multi-million-dollar porcelain and decorating empire. The head of Harcourts' European operation, Lord Jeremy Warmouth, has always regarded

Sylvia with a mix of grudging respect and disdain. For her part, Sylvia views Jeremy as an aloof but talented snob with a case of sour grapes.

To this point, an ocean has provided a buffer between their bruised egos, but when their entire spring collection is leaked and copied by their fiercest competitor, Sylvia is forced to take up temporary residence at Harcourts' London office, and the two are soon butting heads.

With so much discord between them, it is no surprise that they make little headway with their investigation. However, when Sylvia and Jeremy find themselves stranded together in the remote Scottish village of Clachnabrochan—away from Harcourts—they begin to see each other in a different light.

Silent Wishes is available wherever paperbacks are sold, or at www.mirabooks.com.