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Chapter 71 Confronting The Little Culprit

Ethan and the two robots were puzzled as to why Nathan sounded so upset. What kind of betrayal their young master had done to their former Master Nathan?

"Dad? What's wrong?" Ethan asked him innocently, not aware of the fault he had done to his own father.

"You put drugs in my tea last night. Don't you know how much I suffered from that?" Nathan pursed his lips, folding his arms over his chest. He was staring at Ethan with his sharp eyes.

Ethan: "..."

The young boy was rendered speechless. He didn't know that his dad would suffer after taking the drug.

He turned to his robotic friends and asked them innocently. "You didn't tell me that my Dad would suffer. Is that drug dangerous to my Dad's health?"

Powy spoke and answered Ethan. "Master, this might be the effect of two pills. I advised you to use only one pill but you put two instead."

Nathan: "0 0"

Nathan's eyes widened and his jaw dropped when he heard that. His son didn't only use one aphrodisiac drug but he added two. As in TWO Pills! No wonder, the effect was so strong and he easily lost control of himself!

"Ethan. Sparks. Are you trying to kill me, your own father?!"

"Dad! You are alive! Nothing bad happened to you, okay? Don't overreact." Ethan nonchalantly said. Then he glanced at Powy to justify his action.

"I thought putting two drugs in his drink would be more effective and making baby sis would be guaranteed!"

Nathan couldn't believe that he was hearing this from his five-year-old son!

"Ethan, where did you get this drug? Tell me honestly otherwise, I will reboot Powy and Riemc as your punishment. I will reprogram them and send them back to our facilities." Nathan threatened Ethan.

"Dad, no! You can't touch them!" Ethan jumped off his seat, spreading his little arms from both sides as if he was shielding Powy and Riemc against Nathan.

The two robots moved closer to Ethan, hiding behind him. The 'reboot' word somehow scared them. They didn't want to forget and leave their Master Ethan. Nathan had the capability to reboot them by force.

"I won't touch them as long as you tell me the truth. Where did you get this drug? And who gave you this idea to use this drug?" Nathan said with his stern voice.

Little Ethan contemplated for a moment. He raised his head, watching his father's expression. Nathan's brows were drawn together and his lips formed a thin line so he could tell that his father was mad and serious.

"Dad... I stole them... from Butler Li." Ethan confessed, lowering his head.

Nathan was taken aback when Butler Li's name was mentioned. How come Butler Li had this kind of drug? Was he taking it to boost his performance in bed? He understood since Butler Li was not getting younger however he had no wife, partner, or girlfriend!

Nathan assumed that Butler Li used the drug for his own consumption.

"How did you know that Butler Li has this drug? Why did you steal it? I didn't teach you to steal things from other people, Ethan!" Nathan's expression turned uglier.

Ethan felt like he was in a hot seat right now. It had been so long since the last time Nathan became upset and scolded him like this.

"I overheard Miss Abi asking Butler Li to buy Aphrodisiac Drug. I became curious about this so I asked Powy about this drug. Then he told me that this drug is like a baby-maker drug. With the help of this drug, there is a possibility I can have a baby sister or a baby brother!"

Nathan was at a loss for words. Who would have thought that Abigail was also involved in this?

'Ahuh? So she was the one who asked Butler Li to buy this drug. That clever woman. I asked her last night if she had something to do with this. But she denied it. Though she told me that she didn't buy this aphrodisiac, clearly speaking, she was the one who requested Butler Li to buy it!'

Nathan's eyes were set ablaze and he clenched his fists at that thought. Those two people were the reason why Ethan had learned about this kind of drug.

'No wonder, she knew the components of Aphrodisiac drugs and she told Dr. Zhao about it. Don't tell me that she already had an idea that the drug on my tea was the same drug she asked Butler Li to buy.' Nathan felt so annoyed as he thought about that.

'That shameless woman! She took advantage of my situation! She admitted that she had a crush on me so she didn't hesitate to touch me. I felt violated!'

"Master, your Dad's blood pressure is increasing, his cheeks turning red and his nose flaring. Veins are popping on his forehead, neck, and knuckles. Former Master is so furious!" Powy stated after observing Nathan's reaction. The two robots continued hiding behind Ethan, just taking a peek at Nathan.

"Dad? Are you okay? Do you want cold water to cool down? Riemc, can you lower the room temperature and get a glass of cold water for my Dad?"

Riemc immediately fled after receiving Ethan's command.



"M-Master What d-drug?" Butler Li tried to feign ignorance. But Nathan started counting down.
"Five"
"Four"
"Three"
Butler Li sprinted toward his sleeping quarters to get the remaining drugs. It seemed that Abigail and he got busted by Nathan. Afraid that he would anger Nathan further for causing delay, Butler Li ran as fast as he could, reaching his room in less than one minute.
The maids nearby just silently watched Butler Li's back as he left in urgency. One maid headed to the kitchen, informing others including the kitchen staff that their Master was in red alert mode right now.
"Chef Min! I guess Butler Li is in trouble. Master Nathan looked so mad when he confronted him."
Chef Min lifted his eyebrow upon hearing that. "Ha! It serves him right," Chef Min mumbled, smiling triumphantly. He began to hate Butler Li ever since he sided with Abigail.
"I think there will be a good show. I want to witness this with my own eyes." Chef Min took off his apron and came out of the dining area. He wanted to see Butler Li being reprimanded by the Master of the House.
'That bitch can't help you. You will realize that you sided with the wrong person,' Chef Min thought to himself, mocking Butler Li in his mind.
By the time he reached the living area, Butler Li was already handing something over to Nathan. He could see how Nathan's expression darkened further upon seeing the item Butler Li had given him.

They were still gathered in that area when Abigail showed up. She was lazily walking down the stairs, yawning. She was still sleepy but Butler Li called her, telling her to come down as soon as possible. He did it when he picked up the drug inside his cabinet.

Butler Li didn't give her the full details as he hung up the phone with urgency. He sounded very anxious so Abigail came down after washing up her face and brushing her teeth. She didn't even bother to comb her hair as she was in a hurry.

Abigail's eyes strayed sleepily around and she caught a glimpse of Nathan's figure.

Nathan's blue eyes were already focused on her, looking at her grimly. Abigail subconsciously froze in her spot, halting on her step. And then she met his eyes steadily for a moment.

Memories of last night kept coming back to their mind. The two immediately looked away when they recalled a certain scene in Nathan's study.

'Damn! I can never forget it..." Abigail cursed inwardly.

"Good morning, Miss Abi!" Ethan greeted her cheerfully, ignoring the heavy atmosphere surrounding them in the living room.

"Good morning, Cutie!" Abigail responded, shifting her attention from Nathan to Ethan.

"Miss Abi..." Butler Li called her out with his anxious voice.

"What's wrong?" She asked them, darting her gaze back and forth between Butler and Ethan. That question was referring to Nathan. She was asking them as to why the Devil had an ugly and dark expression. He looked like he was about to unleash his wrath.

Butler Li remained silent while Ethan looked down, playing with his fingers. Both of them were guilty of something.

The maids also began to gather around, waiting for the exciting scene to unfold. What trouble did Butler Li create that made their master become upset and mad? Was Nathan going to punish him?

Abigail noticed several pairs of eyes looking at them. Then she tossed a glance into the distance to where Chef Min was standing. Her lips curled up into a wicked smile as she recalled the deal between Nathan and her last night.

Abigail traced her steps toward Nathan. When she reached his spot, Abigail whispered, "Mr. Sparks, I think this is the right time to accomplish our deal last night. Everyone is gathered here. And the star of the show is already here." Abigail simply pointed Chef Min using her lips.

That was when he noticed that almost everyone was looking at them, especially Butler Li.

Since Nathan was a man of his word, he set aside first the issue of the Aphrodisiac drug. He had to fulfill Abigail's request. Instead of suspending Chef Min and cutting his salary down to fifty percent, Abigail would like to see Nathan firing him in front of everyone.

"Butler Li, call the other kitchen staff and assistant cook. Summon them here." Nathan ordered Butler Li.

The butler immediately obeyed his command. A few seconds later, Chef Min and his assistant cooks were now standing in front of Nathan. They wondered why their Master would like to see them.

Aside from Abigail, only the assistant cook, whom Abigail brought to Nathan's study room last night, knew that their master already learned Chef Min's lies.

The assistant cook was standing meekly on the side. Her body was trembling from nervousness. She felt like her heart was going to explode. She didn't know what Nathan would do to Chef Min. What punishment would he receive? The assistant cook kept thinking about that.

For some reason, she somehow felt guilty and sorry for Chef Min. She sold him out to save her butt. She couldn't even look into Chef Min's eyes since this morning.

"Everyone... I have an announcement to make. This is with regards to someone who caused harm to my health." Nathan declared to everyone. Then he glanced at Abigail.

Chef Min's eyes lit up when he heard that. 'Yes! Is Master Nathan finally kicking out this woman? Hmm. I can't wait to hear the announcement! Miss Veronica will like this for sure!'

"Starting today, I'm kicking out Chef Min! You are fired!"

Chef Min: "..."

Assistant Cooks: "..."

Maids: "..."

Aside from Abigail and Butler Li, people there didn't expect to hear that announcement.

Chapter 73 The S*X Video

Chef Min blinked several times, trying to absorb Nathan's words. Did he hear it right? Nathan mentioned his name, not Abigail's name?

The maids and other cooks were also stupefied when they heard the announcement. Chef Min had been serving Nathan for the past twenty-five years. How could he fire him just like that? And for what reason?

"M-Master? Is there a misunderstanding here? Chef Min is not the one you are kicking out right?" It was the head maid who broke the silence. She was very close to Chef Min. Just like Chef Min, she was serving Nathan's family for a long time. She started working there thirty years ago.

Nathan's expression grew hard. He had no choice. He was just fulfilling his words. Besides, Chef Min did something selfishly. He needed to punish him for his actions.

"You heard it right. There is no misunderstanding. I am firing Chef Min. Starting today, he will no longer work here," Nathan said firmly.

"M-Master... why? Why are you doing this to me? What have I done? I'm always loyal to you and Madam Monica." Chef Min finally found his voice to speak up. He was still shaken by this sudden announcement. What went wrong? Abigail should be the one to leave, not him!

"Chef Min, you can't fool everyone. Don't you dare bring up the word loyalty. If you were truly loyal, you wouldn't do something that might harm me. You framed Abigail, putting the blame on her. But you were the one who lied to her and to me."

Everyone gasped when they heard that. The assistant cooks exchanged glances with one another, wondering who spilled the beans. Someone among them betrayed their chef.

"Master, who said that? They are the ones trying to frame me. Please believe me, Master. I didn't do it!" In the end, Chef Min chose to deny it. He would never admit to his mistake.

"Master, please don't do this. Kick her out! She is poisoning your mind!" Chef Min pointed his finger at Abigail. He looked at her with his bloodshot eyes. If he was just holding a knife, he had the urge to cut her into tiny pieces.

"I don't have time for this. Just leave. I will just call the finance to compute your salary and other compensation. They will send it to you within the day. But for now, I don't want to see you here in the house."

"Master! Please! Don't do this!" Chef Min dropped to his knees, begging in front of Nathan.

"You didn't even admit your wrongdoings. You chose to lie until the end. I can't let you stay here." Nathan turned around, ignoring Chef Min.

Others felt sorry for Chef Min. They also thought it was so unfair to fire him. Angry gazes were now directed to Abigail. This happened because of her. They wondered what she did for their Master Nathan to listen to her.

Chef Min had been part of the family for twenty-five years! Abigail was just a stranger. But Nathan's action was in favor of her. They couldn't accept this decision.

'What a vixen?!'
'A cunning woman!'
'She is a witch, trying to bewitch our master!'
'This will never happen if Lady Monica is still here.'
'We should ask Lady Veronica for help!'
Everyone started cursing Abigail. They were blaming her. But Abigail didn't care if many people hated her as long as she had one person whom she could trust in that mansion. It was Butler Li.
"Butler Li, Abigail, come with me." Nathan motioned the two to follow him.
When the three disappeared, Chef Min approached Little Ethan. "Little young master, please help me. I didn't do anything wrong."
Ethan surveyed Chef Min for a moment before he spoke up. "Uncle Min, I'm sorry. But my Dad's decision is final. I can't change his mind."
Chef Min felt like his world just fell apart. He had never imagined that a day like this would come. He thought he would serve the Sparks Family until the day he would die.
"But if you really want to stay, Uncle Min I think you should ask Miss Abi for her forgiveness. Apologize to her sincerely and ask her to change my Dad's decision." Little Ethan suggested to the old man crying desperately before his eyes.
Chef Min was not able to utter a word. His pride wouldn't let him do that. 'Apologize to that woman? No way! I would rather seek help from Lady Veronica!'

Ethan could tell from Chef Min's expression that he didn't want the idea of apologizing to Abigail. The young boy just took a deep sigh and shrugged his shoulders. If he didn't want to do it, then fine! It was his choice.

"I'm going to the garden to do a morning walk. Just call me if Dad and Miss Abi are done talking. We will eat breakfast together," Ethan told his nanny before he walked away.

Meanwhile, Nathan, Abigail, and Butler Li reached the balcony. No one was around so he could finally confront them about the Aphrodisiac drug.

"Explain this to me. Why do you have this with you?" Nathan raised the pill in his hand, showing it to Abigail.

Abigail's eyes widened and she turned to Butler Li, giving him a questioning gaze. 'How did Nathan find out?'

Butler Li also glanced at Abigail, requesting her to speak up on his behalf. He was afraid that he would be the next one to be kicked out of the mansion if Abigail would not cover for him.

"Butler Li, I will only ask you this once. Be honest. Were you the one who spiked Nathan's drink last night?" Abigail asked Butler Li with an eyebrow raised.

"Eh? Of course not! I will never do that! I swear, I didn't do it." Butler Li promptly responded, shaking his head from left to right vigorously.

After receiving Butler Li's answer, Abigail turned to Nathan, looking straight into his eyes. "That drug is not intended for you..."

"Then for whom?" Nathan asked, frowning.

"For the guard," Abigail responded nonchalantly. "I already confessed last night. I blackmailed the assistant cook for her to tell you the truth. This is the only method I could think of to clear my name..."

Nathan opened his mouth only to close it again. He remembered it... the sex video on her phone.

Chapter 74 Challenge Nathan's Decision

Nathan already put the pieces together. He figured out Abigail's method. She was one crafty woman. She knew how to blackmail someone and her method was also severe.

Who would have thought that she would record a sex video just to threaten the assistant cook? Nathan also wanted to commend her. In just one day, she was able to implement her plan, finding out that the assistant cook and one of the guards were having a secret affair.

'She is a dangerous woman... a scheming one.' Nathan mumbled inwardly, his eyes scanning Abigail's face intently.

"Just don't do this again. And make sure not to talk about this kind of stuff when Ethan is around. He stole the pills and put them into my tea." Nathan lectured the two adults before him.

Abigail: "..."

Butler Li: "..."

Abigail and Butler Li were dumbfounded at the mention of Ethan's name.

'Oh my, I thought it was Miss Abi who took the two missing pills.' Butler Li gasped, covering his mouth.

'Fortunately, Ethan was the real culprit, or else, Nathan would blame me again,' Abigail heaved a sigh of relief.

"I've done my part. I fired Chef Min so I am giving you the task, Butler Li, to find someone who will replace him." Nathan commanded.

He didn't want to make this conversation long. Abigail already explained the reason why they bought the aphrodisiac drug. He would let this slide for now. Aside from that, he felt so awkward facing Abigail today because of what happened last night. As much as possible, he wanted to avoid her.

"Let's go inside. Ethan might be waiting for us." Nathan said before turning around to leave. He didn't wait for Abigail and Butler Li as he walked ahead.

Abigail and Butler Li exchanged glances with one another. There was a baffled look on their faces. They thought Nathan would scold them big time. But he finally calmed down and left quietly.

"Miss Abi... Were you the one who requested Master Nathan to fire Chef Min?" Butler Li felt like it was a harsh punishment for someone who has been serving the Sparks Family for twenty five years.

"Yes. I am! Those who will try to mess up with me... will have the same fate as Chef Min. I'm not a forgiving woman. And I am not someone who can easily trample on by anyone, not even your Master." A wicked smile hung on the corners of her lips.

Butler Li could only smile awkwardly, scratching his face. Abigail's words were like a warning. She was indeed frightening like his master.

"Miss Abi, I will not dare mess up with you." Butler Li mumbled meekly.

Abigail let out a soft giggle. Butler Li was someone who was smart enough to heed her warnings. At least, the two of them would get along further as time went by. Butler Li might be annoying sometimes but he was easy to talk to.

"Okay. Butler Li. I will count on you," she said, tapping his shoulder. "Now, let's go. Time for breakfast!"

Meanwhile, Chef Min was already in his quarters, packing his things up. The head maid accompanied him to comfort him.

"Chef Min, don't worry. We will try our best to talk to Master Nathan. You are the only cook who knows Master Nathan's palate. No one could match your cooking ability. Master Nathan will definitely hire you back." The head maid consoled him.

"This is the bitch's fault. She wants to ruin my image in front of Master Nathan. I wonder who betrayed me among my assistant cooks!" Butler Li uttered through his gritted teeth.

"I will inform Lady Veronica of this injustice! I know that bitch is trying to become the Lady of this house! Watch her, Adelaida. Don't let her act as a queen of this mansion!"

The head maid just bobbed her head. "Let's call Lady Veronica. Maybe she can convince Master Nathan." Adelaida suggested.

Chef Min picked up his phone and dialed Veronica's number. After a few rings, the call was answered.

"Hello, Chef Min. Is there something wrong?" Veronica's voice could be heard from the other line. She wondered if something happened in the mansion again. She asked Chef Min to report everything to her.

"Lady Veronica... I need your help... Master Nathan fired me today because of the bitch, Abigail! She poisoned Master Nathan's mind. Now, he is kicking me out of the mansion, instead of that woman." Chef Min complained to her with his pitiful voice.

"WHAT?! Nathan did that to you?!" Veronica exclaimed. She couldn't believe it. Nathan chose to kick out his long-time Chef, rather than the stranger whom he had just met for the past few days. This was not right!

Veronica also thought that this was so unfair. The rage surged up inside her chest. She had the urge to slap Abigail's thick face!

"Don't worry. I will have to talk to Nathan. I can't let him do this to you. You are very special to my late sister, Monica!" Veronica reassured him. But she wasn't certain if Nathan would listen to her.

"Thank you, Lady Veronica. I owe you this. Please convince, Master Nathan."

"I will try my best... but if he won't listen to me... I think there might be another way. What is the reaction of the other people in the mansion?" Veronica asked him as she wanted to know the opinion and consensus of other people staying in the mansion.

Chef Min glanced at the Head Maid, Adelaida. He asked her about her feelings. He handed the phone to Adelaida, letting her talk to Veronica.

"Lady Veronica, we are against this decision. Chef Min dedicated his life just serving Master Nathan and the Sparks family. We can't believe that Master Nathan would be so harsh."

Veronica nodded her head after hearing that.

"If everyone thinks that this is unfair, you can show this to Nathan. You have to unite... and have strike! Through this, Nathan might realize that he is wrong!" Veronica urged them to do a strike inside the mansion and plead for Chef Min's return.

"This is a good idea, Lady Veronica! I will talk to the other maids, helpers, and assistant cooks. We will also raise this concern to Chairman Xu." Adelaida agreed without considering the consequence of challenging Nathan's authority.

Chapter 75 Black Rose

On the other side of Towerville City, a mysterious woman had been sitting in an internet cafe for three hours now. She was so focused on her monitor screen.

She chose to sit on the corner side wherein no one would disturb her. As much as possible she didn't want to attract other people's attention.

A tap-tap from the keyboard resounded in that area. In just a few seconds, several commands were flashing through her screen. They were a combination of letters and numbers as if she was decoding something.

She was trying to break a security code and destroy the security firewall of a certain system. She was searching for someone, trying to locate her location.

"Big Sis... where are you?! Where did that Devil hide you? Please... stay alive!" she mumbled, clenching her teeth.

p She was trying to hack the Syphiruz Mafia's information system and secret organization's websites in order to locate Phantomflake's location.

Two years ago, aside from Phantomflake, there was another survivor after the brutal attack launched by the Syphiruz Mafia against Phantom Assassin Guild. She was Black Rose, the hacker. Black Rose was her alias in the guild.

Black Rose was not involved in assassination missions. But she was a vital source of information for the guild. She was Phantomflake's junior sister. She was also trained by Phantom to become a great hacker.

That night, she also received severe injuries. She was shot in the back, her right leg, and her shoulders. Because of that injury, she lost one of her kidneys. She was also in critical condition and was bedridden for six months. It took her one year to completely recover.

Before she lost consciousness, she saw Nathan taking Phantomflake's body that night. It looked like he was desperately trying to revive Phantomflake. She couldn't forget that scene.

She wanted to follow them but she lost all her energy. She was also on the verge of dying. But a good passerby saved her, rushing her to the nearest hospital.

For the past six months, Black Rose had been tracking the Syphiruz Mafia, searching for Phantomflake. She believed that Phantomflake was still alive out there.

And just today, she arrived here at Towerville City. She gathered information from the underground world that the Supreme Leader of the Syphiruz Mafia was staying here in the city. Some of their operations were located here.

Black Rose clenched her fists when she found nothing. It was so hard to gather some clues about the

profile of the Supreme Leader of the Syphirus Mafia.

She slammed her eyes shut, rubbing her temples. She was not feeling well today because of jetlag. But as soon as she arrived, she looked for an internet cafe. She needed to buy a new laptop. Her savings

were all used to buy a ticket going here and for renting her apartment.

"Sigh. I have no choice. I need to use my hacking ability to earn money!" Black Rose murmured to

herself.

Black Rose leaned her back on her chair. She closed her eyes and placed her right elbow over her

forehead. She was thinking whom she would target this time.

She snapped her eyes open as an idea came to her mind- The Illegal Gambling Ring Online! The online

gambling sites were growing each day. It was rampant. The Red Dragon Mafia was the one operating

this worldwide Gambling Ring!

Black Rose's fingers moved quickly as she continued to press the keyboards producing a loud tap-tap

sound. She opened one online gambling site called DragonFly. Currently, the Red Dragon Mafia launched

an online event for all their VIP clients aka VIP Gamblers!

The money used by people to bet on this site is all saved as Dragocurrency. Black Rose planned to hack

the dragocurrency accounts of those people who run the illegal sites.

A few minutes later, she was able to track one dragocurrency account. The Name of the Bank and the

account number were now being flashed on her screen and it was written like this:

Royal Bank

Account Number: 14-2418-009116

Type the Amount you will Transfer: _____

Black Rose's lips curled up into a wide grin. She would steal money from this bad guy. Since this is an illegal site, they couldn't report this to the police authority of the cybercrime department. So she was safe!

Black Rose typed the amount of One Million Dragocurrency which was equivalent to One Million Dollars! Then she pressed enter! After five seconds, the amount was transferred to her bank account in an instant.

"Yes!" Black Rose clapped her hands and punched the air. The red warning alert was triggered and the DragonFly website notified the operators that they had been hacked. As precautionary measures, they immediately deleted their accounts while trying to track down the IP address of the hacker.

As she already anticipated this, Black Rose immediately closed all the windows of running programs on the computer and shut it down.

She grabbed her backpack, and proceeded to the cashier, paying her bills. She left the Internet Cafe in a hurry.

"Alright! It's time to withdraw my 'hard-earned' money!" Black Rose mumbled, kissing her savings account card.

She had to buy new equipment and a laptop. She would set her new place as her operation den as she would continue to look for the Supreme Leader of Syphiruz Mafia and Phantomflake. She must find them no matter what!

Meanwhile, in one of the Red Dragon's Headquarters, the operators of the online gambling sites were trying to protect their accounts by setting up another security system that would prevent hackers and attackers from breaking through their system.

"Have you tracked the IP address of the hacker? We must catch him!"

"Sir... Look at this!" Their overall IT officer showed something to their Operation Leader.

On the screen, they saw a symbol of a black rose. It was the hacker's signature.

"Damn! Is that Black Rose of the Phantom Assassin Guild? I thought all the members of Phantom Assassin Guild were annihilated two years ago by the Syphiruz Mafia?"

"How could this be possible?"

"Was she alive? Is she the only survivor?"

Chapter 76 Being Followed

Nathan stayed at Stephen's clinic the whole day. He left the mansion after eating breakfast as he wanted to avoid Abigail. The two kept ignoring each other. The atmosphere around them felt so awkward.

"Do you want to hang out with us tonight? Aiden invited me. Are you interested? You can join us," Stephen offered Nathan. He just came back inside his office after his session with his patient. He was surprised as Nathan was still there, sitting on the couch while working on his laptop.

Nathan raised his head, shifting his gaze from his laptop to his friend, Stephen. He contemplated for a moment, thinking whether he would join them or not.

Since he wanted to avoid seeing Abigail, Nathan had decided to go with them. He also needed something to divert his attention. He didn't want to be alone, otherwise, he would keep thinking about the scene that transpired last night between Abigail and him.

"Count me in," he plainly said, moving his gaze back to his laptop.

Stephen blinked in amusement. It was very rare for Nathan to agree right away. Aiden and Stephen had to bug him first and keep convincing him before he would say 'yes' to them.

"Good! I'll inform Aiden." Stephen smiled at his friend. He picked up his phone and typed a message. He sent it to Aiden.

Soon, he approached Nathan, and with a wide grin on his face, Stephen joined him on the sofa.

"Is there something wrong, Nate?" Stephen asked him quizically. Nathan often hang out in his clinic whenever he was bothered by something.

"Do you want to talk about it? I'm just here to listen," Stephen added, urging Nathan to confide with him.

Nathan's fingers that were tapping the keyboard a while ago stopped midway when he heard that. Stephen knew him very well. Indeed, he was bothered by something. This happened because of Abigail.

He was no longer under the influence of the aphrodisiac drug but he couldn't help but feel something whenever he would recall how Abigail helped him relieve himself last night. Her hands were so soft and very delicate.

Nathan's face contorted, shaking his head as he pushed the thought to the back of his mind. Here he was again, thinking about Abigail.

"C'mon, Nate. Tell me. Your expression alone is not enough for me to know that you are troubled." Stephen looked at his best friend with probing eyes.

"Sigh!" Nathan exhaled sharply, closing his laptop. Then he raised his head, meeting Stephen's eyes.

"Do you think an aphrodisiac drug can extend its effect even though a person already took the cure, countering its effect?" Nathan threw him a question, curiosity resurfacing in his eyes.

Stephen parted his lips only to close them again. He was too shocked to say a word. 'Why the hell Nate is asking me this?'

"You dummy! What is the use of a cure if it can't counter the effect of that kind of drug? Of course not! It can't extend its effect. By the way, why are you asking me this?" Stephen folded his arms over his chest, lifting his eyebrow as he interrogated his aloof and cold best friend.

"Nothing. I'm just curious" he nonchalantly said, shrugging his shoulder. He didn't want Stephen to think something. Fortunately, Dr. Zhao hadn't mentioned to his son about what happened to Nathan last night.
"Nate" Stephen called his attention while staring at him intently.
"Hmm?"
"Why don't you try to date Abigail even just once?" Stephen brought it up. He still needed to convince Nathan to date Abigail for one day to fulfill her request.
"No!" Nathan firmly replied, his expression turning ugly. "Why should I do that?"
"Because we are your friends!" Stephen answered matter-of-factly.
"Then I am cutting our ties now," Nathan mumbled.
"Eh? Seriously?" Stephen asked him in disbelief.
Nathan just smirked while raising his eyebrow.
Stephen took a deep sigh. "Alright. Just listen to me. I'm not suggesting this just because we lost to a bet. It's regarding with your dream."
Nathan frowned when he heard that. He turned at Stephen with a questioning gaze.
"You said it felt so real, right? What if it was not a dream and the girl you saw in your dream was not Monica, but Abigail. Didn't you consider this possibility?"

Nathan fell silent, thinking. Yes! That dream felt so real as if he could touch Monica. He just missed her so badly. But Stephen had a point. Abigail was there when he dreamed of her. And he was delirious. What if he had just imagined her as Monica?

Nathan shook his head. He didn't want to think about those thoughts. He felt like he was betraying Monica for getting involved with another woman like Abigail.

Nathan was still in his deep thought when Stephen spoke again. "Date her! Find out if she was the woman with whom you got intimate that night!"

Nathan just crumpled his face, still undecided what he would do. But it seemed that he only needed a little more push!

The corners of Stephen's lips tugged upward, forming a mischievous smile. With a meaningful thought in mind, Stephen voiced out, "Fine, if you don't want to date her for one day. I will volunteer myself. I will go with her and hang out!"

The crease on Nathan's forehead deepened as soon as those words caught his ears. 'Don't tell me... this guy is trying to hook up with her? Does he like her?' A cold glint flashed through his eyes while giving Stephen a sharp glare.

Stephen just shrugged his shoulders before letting out a loud chuckle. Nathan had an ugly expression on his face as if he didn't like the idea of Stephen dating Abigail even if it was just for one day.

"Why are you giving me such a look? Are you getting jealous?" Stephen teased him. "If you don't want me to do that, then you should go on a date with her on my behalf." Stephen was taunting him, hoping that Aiden's suggestion would work out! Stephen was testing Nathan if he cares.

"Just shut up, Steph!" Nathan exclaimed, feeling annoyed.

Stephen let out another crisp laughter. "I will give you two more days to think about it. Give us your final decision, otherwise, I will have to free my weekend and ask her out by myself." Stephen's voice had a hint of threat but at the same time, a teasing tone.

Nathan just stood up and ignored Stephen, pretending he was not interested at all. 'Stephen can do what he wants. This has nothing to do with me,' he murmured inwardly but deep inside, he felt bothered once more.

Seeing that Nathan was no longer in the mood, Stephen stopped teasing and provoking him. Who knows Nathan would suddenly change his mind and not join them for tonight's leisure activity. They would go clubbing!

Three hours had passed, and Aiden didn't show up at their meeting place. They were supposed to go together. Stephen was wondering as to why Aiden was very late tonight. It was unusual for him to do so as he was always the first one to come to the meeting place every time.

"Where is Aiden? Don't tell me he stood us up or he went ahead without waiting for us?" Nathan asked Stephen, feeling impatient. His brows were drawn together and his lips already formed a thin line.

Stephen just smiled awkwardly. He didn't have an idea either. He already texted him numerous times but he didn't get any reply. He also contacted him via phone call but he was not answering the call.

"I will call him once more," Stephen replied, dialing Aiden's phone number again. He kept darting his gaze from left to right, searching for Aiden but there was no sign of him.

Ring *Ring* *Ring*

After three rings, finally, Aiden answered the call.

"Hey! Where are you now? Are you intentionally making Nathan wait for so long?" Stephen exclaimed, reprimanding Aiden. However, instead of hearing Aiden's voice, he heard a loud screeching sound. Aiden suddenly stepped on the brake, producing a loud noise.

"Aiden! What is that? What are you doing? Are you car racing?" Stephen asked him again. He was puzzled as Aiden was not responding to him. He could still the speeding car in the background. It seemed like Aiden's car started moving again after an abrupt stop.

Noticing that Stephen was having a hard time talking to Aiden, Nathan snatched the phone from Stephen's hand. He decided to talk to Aiden himself.

"Aiden, it's me. Where the hell are you?" Nathan asked him in his cold and authoritative voice.

As soon as he heard Nathan, Aiden's panicked voice resounded from the other line. "Nate! Help! They are following me!"

"Following you? Who?"

Another loud screeching sound was heard. Nathan heard Aiden's cursing as he maneuvered his car.

"I became a hostage driver! A beautiful woman hijacked my car! And those men are chasing after her!"

Nathan: "..."

Chapter 77 Mysterious Woman

"Just drive! They are catching up," a woman's voice echoed from the other line. "Turn to the right! Speed up!"

Nathan heard the woman instructing Aiden what he should do. He facepalmed, wondering how Aiden got involved in this. But then, Aiden's words popped up in his mind—"A Beautiful Woman!"

Nathan facepalmed. He didn't know whether he would laugh or scold Aiden. He got in trouble again because of a woman. It's not a surprise since Aiden always attracts trouble when it comes to women.

'Why is she being followed by those men?' Nathan pondered.

"Where are you?" Nathan asked Aiden. He was thinking of sending his men to help Aiden. Who knows those men chasing after them are dangerous people?

"Macbride Street going to Towerville City Bridge!" Aiden replied before the call got disconnected. *Toot!* *Toot!* "What happened? What did he say?" Stephen asked Nathan curiously. Nathan just passed the phone to Stephen. He picked up his own mobile phone inside his pocket and dialed his subordinate's number. He would dispatch a team to protect Aiden and the woman with him. "Spider, Bring your team to Towerville City Bridge and escort a red sports car. Plate no. RZX 0194." Stephen's eyes widened when he heard that. It looked like their other friend was in trouble again. And here comes Nathan—to the rescue! 'What Aiden had done this time?' Stephen thought, shaking his head helplessly. **** [Flashback: Two hours ago...] Aiden went to the Casino to kill some time. They were supposed to meet at around 7:00 pm. He had a good time with his date. Since he was lucky today, he won Three Million Dollars in the Casino. He was as happy as clam. He told Stephen and Nathan that he would treat them tonight. He would pay

But who would have thought that his luck would not just end with that as he encountered something unexpected when he left the casino.

all the bills and it's on him!

Aiden was about to leave the parking lot when a woman suddenly stopped in front of his car. He almost bumped into her. Fortunately, Aiden was able to react quickly, stepping on the brake.

He cursed and was about to yell, scolding the person but he stopped midway as soon as he saw the woman's face. She had two beautiful brown eyes. She was as white as the snow. She has long golden brown hair, cascading down her shoulders.

Aiden blinked in admiration, his eyes surveying her small yet charming face. She looked like a lost puppy.

'What's wrong with her?' Aiden thought to himself as he noticed the beads of sweat forming on her forehead. Her chest was heaving up and down as if she was gasping for air.

'Did she run or something? She looks very exhausted.' Aiden added to his thoughts.

He stepped out of the car to ask her personally. "Miss, are you okay? Do you need something? Are you lost?"

Aiden's eyes scanned her from top to bottom. The woman was wearing sleeveless tops and blue jeans with matching white rubber shoes. She didn't look like a customer of the Casino.

Just when Aiden reached the woman's spot, she suddenly lost her footing and collapsed before his eyes. Aiden's eyes widened but he subconsciously extended his hands to catch her. Aiden was able to hold her body.

"Miss! Miss! Are you okay?" He tried to tap her face while his right hand was supporting her back, making her lean on his chest.

But the woman fainted. She was no longer responding. Aiden panicked as he didn't know what to do. He darted his gaze from left to right, searching for someone whom he could ask for help.

Aiden was not used to situations like this. Nathan and Stephen could handle this kind of emergency in a calm manner as compared to him.

"Fuck! What should I do?" Aiden felt like crying as he shifted his gaze back to the unconscious woman.

It did not take long before he carried her, putting her in the front passenger seat. He fixed her position, fastening her seatbelt. He even adjusted the seat so that she could lie comfortably on the passenger

seat.

When he finally arranged her position, he quickly walked around, going to the driver's seat. He entered

the car and drove the car. He had one destination in mind—the nearest hospital!

Aiden sped up, rushing to the hospital. He was feeling anxious. He kept looking at her as he drove the

car, shifting his gaze from the road to her and vice versa.

"What happened to her? Is she sick or something? What is she doing here in the Casino?" Aiden kept

asking himself as he continued driving. Because his mind was preoccupied with a beautiful lady who was

ill, Aiden forgot to inform Nathan and Stephen about his situation.

Twenty minutes later, Aiden arrived at Maxim Medical Center. He dashed out of his car and carried the

woman to the emergency room. The hint of concerns and worries could be seen in his eyes. He didn't

know why she suddenly collapsed.

Upon reaching the emergency room, nurses and doctors approached them. He put down the woman on

the stretcher and the nurse started asking him questions about the patient. The two exchanged

conversations.

Nurse: "Sir what happened to her?"

Aiden: "I don't know. She just suddenly collapsed."

Nurse: "What is the patient's name sir? What is your relationship with her?"

Aiden: "I don't know. We just met today."

Nurse: "Anything unusual you observed?"

Aiden fell silent as he tried to remember what he saw a while ago. And all he could think of was her charming wet look as she was covered by sweat while panting so hard. She looked so exhausted.

Aiden shared this information with the nurse. The nurse just told him to wait outside as the doctor examined the patient. Aiden waited outside. He paced back and forth, still feeling worried. He even bit his nail as he glanced at the emergency room from time to time.

"What if she was just hungry? I think I should buy food for her." Aiden mumbled.

He immediately went out to buy food for the patient. This was one of Aiden's good qualities. He was thoughtful and caring, especially if the person involved was a beautiful woman like her.

Forgetting about his friends, Nathan and Stephen, who were waiting for him, Aiden continued to buy things for the woman whom he had just met tonight. As a man, he couldn't leave her alone especially if she needed his help.

Fifteen minutes later, Aiden came back to the hospital, holding one paper bag containing food and a basket filled with assorted fruits.

Upon seeing his arrival, the nurse who talked to him a while ago, approached him, giving him some items which belonged to the patient he brought there.

"Sir, these items are her things. We already transferred the patient to the ward. You can talk to Dr. Kim about his diagnosis to the patient." The nurse handed two items over to Aiden. The first one was a wallet and the second item was a cellphone.

Aiden checked her wallet first but he didn't see any identification card. Her phone was locked but when he pressed it, he saw her wallpaper.

Aiden frowned when he saw the black rose as her wallpaper. 'Eh? Why black rose? Not pink, white, or red?'

Aiden was puzzled by this. Black Rose signified death and mystery. "Hmm, this woman intrigued me. She is like a mystery to me..." Then Abigail flashed through his mind. "Why do I feel some similarity between the two of them?" Aiden mumbled, scratching the back of his head. "Sir, the patient is now awake. You can talk to her now." The nurse informed him. 'Great! Now, I'm going to know her!' ***** Author's Note: My dear readers, I would like to thank everyone for the continuous support you are giving me and this book. We finally reached 1000 Cheers for the Win-Win event. If I won't fail, you will get an 8% rebate and the book will get featured.

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Chapter 78 Her Name

(Continuation of Flashback...)

Aiden immediately proceeded to the ward where the mysterious woman was sent after being examined and treated by the doctor.

He was rushing, walking with large strides. He pushed the door open and entered the room. He was surprised when he saw no one lying on the bed. Her IV drip was hung beside her bed. It looked like she removed it.

"Eh, where is she? Did she go to the comfort room?" Aiden murmured to himself. He moved his gaze from left to right, searching for the woman.

Then after a while, someone came out in the corner of the room. Aiden just felt something sharp against his neck. The woman appeared from his back, grabbing and locking his head.

Aiden froze in his post, his Adam's apple bobbing up and down as he gulped hard. He had never imagined that a woman would threaten him with a sharp object. It was like scissors.

"W-What a-are... you doing?" Aiden asked her in his trembling voice. He was nervous and anxious.

"Let's get out here... silently... NOW!" the woman said with urgency. She already knew that this man was the person who brought her to this hospital. But she couldn't stay here for long. She was being tracked by the enemy.

Though she was as beautiful as an angel, Aiden didn't want to die in her hands so he immediately obeyed her command. He nodded his hand and said, "Fine. Drop your weapon. I will silently follow you. I will guide you out."

The woman loosened her grip on his neck. She also lowered her weapon. "Lead the way." She weakly mumbled. Her voice was firm but hoarse as if she was still feeling unwell.

Aiden was about to step forward but he suddenly came to halt. The woman frowned, wondering why he stopped. She thought he was going to fight back so she tightened her grip on the scissors she was holding. She was ready to swing it toward Aiden's back.

However, she was caught off guard by the next word he said to her. "Are you sure you are fine now? Are you not feeling well anymore? Why do you want to leave the hospital now? The doctor is not yet done treating you."

Aiden spoke spontaneously. His sincere concern rendered her speechless. She already tried to stab him using the tip of the scissors and threatened him but he was still concerned about her health. Was he a masochist?

The woman blinked, eyeing Aiden's back with amusement. Since his back was facing her, Aiden failed to see that her eyes softened for a moment. But her expression returned to a stern one. Who knows this man was just trying to pull tricks on her. She had to be careful.

Men were dangerous fellows and she found it so hard to trust men because of her past experiences.

"I'm fine. Don't mind me. Let's leave, otherwise, I will be killed on the spot here," the woman mumbled meaningfully, pushing Aiden's back. She was referring to her enemies who were currently tracking her down.

Meanwhile, hearing her words, Aiden stopped resisting. Of course, he didn't want her to die. Though he didn't understand her words fully, Aiden could sense the urgency in her voice.

'Is she running away from someone? From whom?' Aiden pondered to himself as he started to move.

The woman was following him from behind. The two simply left her ward. Aiden was still carrying the paper bag and the basket of fruits.

"Can I just drop by the billing station to pay your bills?" Aiden asked permission from the woman. He was worried that the hospital might think that they were escaping from their financial obligation.

The woman didn't know whether to thank him or scold him. She appreciated that this man helped her out already and he was willing to pay for her treatment. But she had no time to spare.

"Do you have my phone?" She asked him. The moment she regained consciousness, her phone and her wallet were no longer in her possession. She was wearing the patient's gown.

Aiden nodded his head as a response. "It's in my pocket." He looked down, his gaze fixed on the right pocket of his pants. The woman didn't give her permission to go to the Billing Station so they continued walking toward the fire exit.

The woman was avoiding the CCTV camera in the hallway by hiding at Aiden's back. Since Aiden was taller than her, his figure could hide her face.

When they reached the door of the fire exit, the woman trapped Aiden in the corner of the wall. Aiden held his breath as the sharp object was now pressed on his lower abdomen. He was now facing her, trying to avoid unnecessary movement.

He gasped when he felt her hand sliding down the pocket of his pants. 'Damn!' he cursed inwardly, biting his lower lip. His body became tense when her hand nudged his groin momentarily as she tried to fish her phone out of his pocket. His body reacted to her touch.

The thought of the two of them being alone in that area intensified the heavy tension, awakening something inside of him.

'Fuck! Not now! Control yourself, Aiden! She might think that you are a pervert! Stop imagining things!' Aiden scolded himself in his mind.

When Aiden's breath hitched, the woman looked at him strangely. She saw him burst into sweats. The beads of cold liquid could be seen on his forehead.

"Are you scared?" The woman asked him out of the blue, trying to hold her laughter. To her, he looked like a scardy cat despite his gorgeous appearance.

'Yes, I'm scared of... losing my self-control in front of you,' Aiden thought to himself, smiling at her awkwardly. He just bobbed his head, pointing his finger at the sharp tip of scissors pressing against his stomach.

"Will you stab me? Who wouldn't be scared of that thing?" Aiden replied in a very cute manner. He chuckled and scratched his face, hiding his embarrassment.

"I'm not going to hurt you unless you will obey my command," the brave woman declared to him. She had a petite figure, smaller than Aiden's large frame, but she was still brave enough to threaten him.

"I wouldn't dare," Aiden promptly responded.

"Good!" She mumbled, staring at him with her sharp eyes.

'Uugh!' Aiden groaned inwardly when she pulled her hand out of his pocket.

The woman began unlocking her phone, still pointing the tip of the scissors in front of Aiden. She checked something on her private files. She ran a program on her phone, detecting the enemy's presence around her. She made this application with her computer-expert hands.

She was still waiting for the result when Aiden spoke out what was on his mind. "What's your name?"

Silence

The woman just shifted her gaze from her phone screen to Aiden's curious face. He maintained his smile while meeting her brown eyes. He was hoping that she would at least give him her first name.

"I'm Cherry... Pei," she answered him.

Aiden was at loss for words. That was very unexpected! He thought she wouldn't easily mention her name. But now, she even said her full name.

"And you?" She asked civilly.
"I'm Aiden!" He responded enthusiastically. He dropped the paper bag and was about to offer a hand to the woman for a handshake when a loud beeping tone resounded.
Beep! Beep! Beep!
Cherry's expression changed into an ugly one as soon as she saw the two red dots on her phone screen. It was a locator's map. The two red dots were fast approaching toward the green dot which was Cherry's current location.
'Shit! They found me again. And they are here! I didn't expect that members of the Red Dragon Mafia could easily track me down using their technologies. I became careless! I underestimated them!' Cherry started to regret her actions. Stealing from the Red Dragon was a great risk!
"Where's your car?" She asked him again.
"In the car park," Aiden replied automatically.
"Let's go!" Cherry grabbed Aiden's hand, pulling him as they run through the stairs of the fire exit. Aiden dropped both the paper bag and the basket of fruits. His hand was now entangled with hers as they ran away going to the parking area. And that was when Aiden's car was hijacked by a beautiful woman and the chase had begun!
[*End of Flashback*]

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Chapter 79 The First Woman He Brought Home

[Current Time...]

Aiden felt reassured when Nathan called him. He knew that his best friend would be able to help them against the unknown men who were chasing after them.

He was concentrating on driving a while ago that he couldn't answer Stephen's messages. Fortunately, Cherry took his phone and picked up the call for him.

But who would have thought that Aiden would tell his friends that she was a beautiful woman who hijacked his car and he became a hostage driver? She didn't know whether to cry or laugh.

But for some unknown, Cherry felt a little bit guilty toward this man. He got involved because he was the first person on site. She had just finished withdrawing the money she stole from one of the accounts in the gambling site, DragonFly.

Because of that, the Red Dragon Mafia started tracking her down, especially when they found out that it was Black Rose who hacked their account.

They were chasing after her not only because of the money she took from them, but because they wanted Black Rose to be part of their organization. She would become a great asset to the organization.

Furthermore, Black Rose was a member of Phantom's Assassin Guild. She might be the only survivor after the Syphiruz Mafia attacked their headquarters.

The Red Dragon Mafia was thinking that Black Rose would try to avenge her fallen comrades against the Syphiruz Mafia. The Dragon Lord wanted to recruit her and use her hatred toward the Syphiruz Mafia.

Two cars were still tailing them. Aiden continued driving the car, traversing through the Towerville City Bridge. The men were so persistent to catch Black Rose.

"Why are they chasing after you?" Aiden asked her.

"They are human traffickers," Cherry replied matter-of-factly. Of course, she wouldn't tell him that she had another identity and that she was being chased by a mafia organization.

"WHAT?! Human Traffickers! Are they planning to sell you in the Black Market as a slave or engage you in prostitution?" Aiden tightened his grip on the steering wheel. He had the urge to beat those men up!

Cherry is a charming woman so he believed that those men were trying to take advantage of her. She also has an excellent figure.

"I can't let them take you! Don't worry! My friend will deal with them. I will ask them to give these men a good beating!" Aiden exclaimed, reassuring her. "You are safe with me!" he added.

Cherry just looked at him in amusement. Just a while ago he was acting like a scaredy cat but now, he was acting like a knight in shining armor.

"Just drive..." she mumbled, trying to conceal her smile. This man never failed to amuse her. He looked weak and vulnerable as compared to other men. However, the way he spoke to her right now seemed like he was dependable and someone whom she could rely on.

Aiden just bobbed his head and stepped on the gas pedal, speeding up on the long bridge of the Towerville City. A few minutes later, two sedan cars cut in front of the two cars chasing after Aiden's car.

The two cars abruptly halted their movements, slinging the drivers against the steering wheel with bone jarring force. But they were able to avoid the collision.

Cherry glanced at the side mirror and saw that two sedan cars stopped the members of Red Dragon Mafia from following them.

"Are they your friend's men?" Cherry asked Aiden, still checking the rear side mirror.

Aiden, on the other hand, heaved a sigh of relief. He knew it! Nathan would be able to rescue them as soon as possible. Towerville City was the turf of Syphiruz Mafia. His subordinates could respond quickly.

"See, you are safe now. They can no longer touch you. Of course, I will not allow them to sell you to the Black Market. You can count on me." Aiden proudly said.

"What do you know about Black Market?" Cherry asked him again.

"Uhm... because they are human traffickers, right?" Aiden said as an alibi. He couldn't tell her that his best friend was a leader of the powerful Mafia organization.

,m "I think you should stay with me for a while. I have to keep you safe. They will not be able to follow you in my villa," Aiden offered her. He couldn't leave her alone especially now that he could tell that she was still feeling sick. Her face was pale.

Cherry got exhausted. The fatigue from her travel and from running away from those men have accumulated a while ago, causing her to faint.

She was caught off guard once again by Aiden's sudden invitation. She didn't know why this guy was offering her another help despite the threat she had done against him.

'What is he planning to do? I wonder if he has another motive for doing this.' Cherry was a little bit suspicious of Aiden.

She was still thinking when Aiden spoke up, catching her attention. "Can I have my phone back? I will just call my friends to cancel our night out!"

Cherry: "..."

'He will cancel his plan with his friends tonight just because of me?!' Cherry was watching him in disbelief. Before she could say a word, Aiden already reached out for his phone.

Using his free hand, he dialed Stephen's number. After a few seconds, the call got connected. Stephen's worried voice resounded as soon as he answered the call.

"Aiden! Are you in trouble again? What have you done? We have been waiting here for three hours! Where are you?" Stephen bombarded him with so many questions.

"You should explain things to us. Nathan went home already. He got tired of waiting," he added, informing Aiden.

"I'm driving so I can't talk to you that long. I will tell you the story tomorrow. For now, I just want to cancel our night out! I have something important to do. I will call Nathan myself, so don't worry!"

Aiden didn't wait for Stephen to respond as he ended the call. Cherry was there so she could hear their conversation, that's why he decided not to talk to Stephen for long.

Besides, he was afraid that Stephen would say something that could tarnish his reputation in front of Cherry. As much as possible, he wanted to impress her.

After talking to Stephen, Aiden turned to Cherry, waiting for her response. "So, what's your decision? Will you come with me?" Aiden's voice was so soft as if he was pleading with her to say yes.

Cherry fell silent for a moment, contemplating. The money she withdraw was left somewhere in the casino. She hid the bag containing the money when she saw several suspicious men. Seeing their tattoos, she found out that they were members of the Red Dragon Mafia.

Feeling so weak and tired, Cherry had no choice but to agree. Her apartment was still in a mess. Her things were not yet arranged so she wouldn't be able to rest well in messy surroundings.

"Fine. I'm coming with you," she plainly said, resting her head on the headrest of the passenger seat. Then she closed her eyes. Aiden was no longer speeding as the men who were chasing after them had been blocked by Nathan's men.

Meanwhile, Aiden rejoiced inwardly when he heard Cherry's positive response. His eyes lit up with excitement. Well, he had a crush on her, that's why he was very enthusiastic tonight. She looked so cool and very brave.

Twenty minutes later...

Aiden and Cherry arrived in his private villa. Cherry was overwhelmed when she saw his big house. The structure was modernized with matching high technology securities. He had sensored lights, an automatic gate system, and CCTV cameras scattered in different areas.

No wonder, Aiden recommended his place to her. It was like an upgraded and high-tech safe house!

'He is rich. I wonder if he has a high-level computer here that I can use to continue my search. I have to gather information about Syphiruz Mafia and find a clue where Big Sis is being held captive!' Cherry thought to herself when the car stopped in his garage.

Aiden stepped out of the car first to open the car door for Cherry. But then, he stepped back when he saw the scissors on Cherry's hand. She was still holding the sharp object.

"Hey, are you still going to use that to attack me?" Aiden asked Cherry helplessly, putting on his pitiful face.

Cherry looked down, staring at the scissors in her hand. Then she shifted her gaze back to Aiden. He was pouting his lips while looking at her with pleading eyes.

Cherry exhaled before surrendering the scissors to Aiden. Since he helped her tonight, she would be kind to him just tonight.

Aiden accepted the scissors with a broad smile on his gorgeous face, his eyes sparkling. He looked like a puppy wagging his tail in front of Cherry.

"Let's go inside!" Aiden invited her in, extending his hand to her.

Cherry gave him a strange look. 'Is he expecting me to hold his hand? No way.'

"I can walk alone. I don't need your support." Cherry coldly said before walking ahead. Aiden just scratched his head, following her behind.

Upon entering the main door, the maids inside the house were surprised to see a beautiful woman and the master of the house. The maids started talking to each other, murmuring.

"Eh, among his girlfriends, Boss Aiden finally brought a woman in this house! Does it mean he is serious with her now?"

"Will she be our master's future wife?"

Chapter 80 Temptation

[Aiden's Private Villa...]

The maids continued murmuring at each other as they speculated about the real score between Cherry and Aiden. Cherry was a charming woman so no wonder their Master took a liking of her.

But for them, she looked more simple as compared to the socialites Aiden had dated before. She didn't look clingy at all. In fact, she appeared to be distant toward Aiden.

They were used to seeing women flirting and clinging to Aiden at all times, not leaving his side. But now, Aiden was the one who kept hanging around Cherry as if he was a puppy following his master.

"Izekiel, ask the kitchen to prepare dinner for two!" Aiden ordered his young butler.

"Got it, Master. What food do you like Chef Solmi to prepare?" Izekiel asked his master.

Aiden glanced at Cherry who was still surveying the house. "Miss Cherry, what food do you like?" As thoughtful as he was, Aiden didn't forget to consult Cherry of her food preference. This was also his way of knowing something about her. What food does she like?

Cherry darted her gaze back and forth between Aiden and Izekiel. She was still thinking about what she wanted to eat. The two men just watched her, waiting for her response.

After a while, Cherry told them her favorite. "Beefsteak."

Both Aiden and Izekiel nodded their heads. Izekiel went to the kitchen to inform Chef Solmi while Aiden invited Cherry to go upstairs. He would show Cherry her bedroom for tonight.

"Shall we go upstairs?" Aiden asked her politely.

"Yes. I want to take a shower as well." Cherry felt so sticky and she could smell her sweats. She wanted to wash her body to feel refreshed.

"Alright. You can take a shower in your room. I'll get you some clothes," Aiden mumbled with a gentle smile on his face.

Cherry just bobbed her head before tracing her steps toward the stairs. The two of them proceeded to her assigned bedroom. Aiden let her use the vacant room next to his room.

He wanted to monitor her health and he would be around just in case she needed something from him in the middle of the night. He would allow her to call him anytime.

,m After sending her to her room, Aiden headed to his room to get clothes for her. That was when he realized that he didn't have clothes for women. He didn't usually bring his girlfriends to his private villa so he didn't keep or store women's clothing in his villa. His condo unit has those women's clothes, not here.

"Oh Damn! I forgot about this. I think I should ask her about the size of her lingeries and let Izekiel buy clothes for her." Aiden hit his forehead.

Without further ado, Aiden dashed out, returning to Cherry's bedroom. With his goal to accommodate her needs and provide her proper clothes, Aiden lost his common sense of knocking first. He even entered the bathroom, thinking that Cherry hadn't started showering.

The moment he entered the bathroom, Cherry was already in the shower room. She also made mistakes of not locking the door of the bathroom and lowering the shower blinds. Droplets of water were already pouring from the shower.

Aiden froze in his spot with eyes wide open and mouth agape. What greeted his eyes was Cherry's naked body as she immersed herself in the shower. Her eyes were closed as she let the warm water fall on her body.

Aiden blinked several times just watching this beautiful sight. She was like a water nymph. He couldn't take his eyes off her even though his mind was telling him to turn around and leave quietly.

He just stood on his spot, his eyes roaming around her nakedness. His gaze was following her hand's movements. Cherry's fingers started running through her hair, combing her wet hair back with both hands.

As she raised her hands, it gave Aiden a full view of her beautiful round breasts. Soon, Cherry's hands slid into her neck down to her chest. Her hands went further to her flat stomach, navel and in between her legs. She touched her nether regions, rubbing her fingers on her bottom lips as she cleaned herself with running water.

His eyes gleamed with burning desire as he continued watching her as she touched her skin and flesh. He could feel his little brother hardening in his pants. He was now aroused. His boner was now visible in his front.

Aiden had the urge to join her in that shower. But he was not that stupid enough to put his life in danger. This woman was the first woman who threatened to stab him using scissors!

Furthermore, he was a playboy but not a pervert! And he could tell that Cherry was different from those women he dated. She was not the kind of woman who would throw herself to him and open her legs so wide just for him to fuck.

'Damn! I'm in trouble! Real trouble!' Aiden thought to himself as he lowered his gaze, watching his growing erection. He was so hard and throbbing.

Subconsciously, his hand moved south, touching himself. He rubbed his bulge through his pants just to seek comfort. His eyes were still fixed on the beautiful naked woman who was enjoying herself under the shower.

Then after a while, a realization struck him. He had to leave as soon as possible before Cherry would see him peeking at her. He cursed himself inwardly and left the bathroom in a hurry.

"Damn! Aiden! What have you done! You should have knocked on the door first, instead of coming inside directly!" Aiden scolded himself.

He dashed inside his room and sprinted toward his own bathroom. He needed a cold shower to extinguish the fire that was awakened inside him.

He felt like crying as he saw the great effect of that woman in his body. "Argh!" Aiden screamed in frustration while tugging his hair. This was the first time he restrained himself from touching a woman.

A while ago, he was already thinking of joining Cherry in that shower, pushing her on the cold wall as he positioned himself in between her legs. He wanted her!