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The school gate was no longer full of buzz. One by one, children were picked up by either their mother or father. Soon, only the twins were left waiting for their mother.

Earle didn't want the two children to wait any longer. He decided to send them home.

Eliana however followed them all to the Pierce family's house.

"Thank you, Mr. Moran," Adrian and Aileen said almost simultaneously. "We'll enter the house first."

At the door, Earle gathered the twins in his arms and bid them goodbye.

When Earle had left, Eliana came out from her hiding place.

Seeing her, Adrian frowned and asked, "Mommy, you're back home! Why didn't you pick up us?"

Eliana lowered herself to meet her son's eyes. "Well..."

She found it hard to find the words to explain herself to her little boy.

"Is it because you're hiding from Mr. Moran who sent us back home?"

Adrian, who had a keen mind, held his gaze to his mother.

On the other hand, Aileen was visibly excited. Her eyes lit up at the sight of her. "Mommy, are we playing hide and seek again?"

Eliana couldn't lie to her kids, especially with Adrian staring at her. So, she rather kept silent.

Adrian seemed to be able to read Eliana's mind. "Mommy, tell me the truth. Can't you get close to Mr. Moran? Will he bring danger to you?" he asked thoughtfully. "If that is true, we should not see him again."

It was not that Adrian didn't like Earle. His mother was more important to him.

So if meeting with Earle hurt his mother, he'd rather not see him.

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Adrian and Aileen exchanged looks nervously, but later, they nodded slightly.

Eliana smiled at them. "Then you can play with him. I promise I won't interfere with your meeting with him from now on."

The two children breathed a sigh of relief. "I do like him, Mommy," Aileen said and added innocently, "but if you want to play hide and seek with him, I can help you so he won't be able to find you!"

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From kindergarten, Eliana headed to the company. While on her way, her phone rang. She didn't recognize the number.

She shrugged her shoulders and answered the call. "Hello, who's this?"

"Hi, Ms. Pierce. I am from the Star Factory. You contacted us about making bracelets for you. Our boss has agreed to do it. When can you come over to discuss the matter?"

It was a call from the old factory of the Pierce family!

"Now is a good time," Eliana said. Excitement was in her voice. "I'll be right there."

She immediately asked the taxi driver to drive straight to the factory.

The Star Factory was located in the suburb. It took Eliana more than an hour to get there.

"Good morning!" The receptionist greeted her as Eliana arrived at the factory. "I'll escort you to the meeting room."

Eliana looked around as she and the receptionist walked to the meeting room. She noticed how the Star

Factory had changed since she was last here as a child. She was momentarily in a stupor when she saw workers working in an orderly way.

She remembered the time when her father brought her to the factory. He held her hand as they inspected the factory. Those memories were slowly fading away.

The receptionist opened the door of the meeting room. When Eliana walked in, she was surprised to see the person inside.

"Miss Deleon! Why are you here?"

Rosamond, Nana's ex-fiance's mother, was waiting for her.

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Rosamond was not surprised to see Eliana.

"Miss Pierce, please have a seat. I am the boss of the Star Factory that you wanted to meet."

Rosamond gestured for Eliana to sit down.

Eliana sat down in confusion. She had prepared a lot of words to tell the boss of the factory. But when she saw Rosamond, she was so surprised that her mind went blank. She didn't know what to say.

Compared to Eliana's uneasy look, Rosamond was much more composed.

"Actually, when I saw you play the harp in the manor, I wanted to see you again," Rosamond said, staring at Eliana's face and looking nostalgic.

"You were there at that time? How did you recognize me?" Eliana asked in surprise.

"Is your mother's name Ingrid?" Rosamond asked, instead of answering her question.

She was even more surprised when she heard Rosamond mention her mother. Could it be that Rosamond had something to do with her mother?

She immediately asked back, "Do you know my mother?"

"Yes. Your mother and I were best friends." While they talked about Ingrid, there was a gentle expression on Rosamond's face.

"You and my mom were best friends? Then why have I never seen you before?" Eliana's confusion had gotten stronger.

"Back then, your mother and I were so close that we always told each other everything. But because of a

failed marriage, I left home and didn't even want to communicate with any of my friends. So Ingrid and I lost contact with each other. When I got news about her, she was already..." Rosamond choked with sobs. "I thought I would never have anything to do with her again. But I never thought that one day, I would meet her daughter."

After hearing Rosamond and her mother's story, Eliana couldn't help sighing.

Two people who used to be the best of friends ended up losing contact with each other.

She couldn't help thinking that if Rosamond had been with her mother all the time, her mother might not have been in despair and chosen to commit suicide.

However, what had happened already happened and couldn't be changed now. Seeing that Rosamond was immersed in sadness, Eliana could only restrain her sorrow and say, "It's all over now. We have to move on. I think my mother will be very happy if she knows you still miss her."

It was only then that Rosamond restrained her emotions. She said guiltily, "I can't say sorry to Ingrid anymore. And you are the only family member she had left in this world. So if you have any difficulties, don't hesitate to tell me."

Eliana was actually very shy to tell Rosamond. But she was running out of time now. And she could not find another suitable factory.

She swallowed her saliva and said solemnly, "Actually, I come here today to discuss something about work. Can your factory help the Moran Group produce a batch of bracelets?"

Rosamond chuckled. "Is that what you're here for? Of course, I can help you."

Eliana's eyes lit up at once. "Really?"

Much to her surprise, Rosamond said, "Of course! And I can also return the factory to you."

"Oh, no. You don't have to do that," Eliana said, kept shaking her head. She was really taken aback by Rosamond's words.

"What are you thinking? I'm not giving it to you for free. I actually want to sell these old factories that belonged to the Pierce Group before to others. If you want, I can sell them to you at a low price."

Rosamond paused for a moment. Then she asked tentatively, "Don't you want to take the property of the Pierce family back?"

Of course, Eliana wanted to.

She was very interested in it.

It had always been her dream to get back everything that belonged to the Pierce family.

However... Money was the problem. She didn't have enough of it.

Eliana smiled bitterly and said honestly, "Thank you for your kindness. I really want to take the factories back. But I don't have the money..."

Rosamond smiled meaningfully. "You have."

"What do you mean?"

Eliana was totally confused. She was poor now. How could she have money?

Rosamond stared at Eliana and said word by word, "Before your mother killed herself, she called me and asked me to give something to her daughter. And that is you."

Eliana was utterly shocked. She stood up excitedly and asked, "Are you saying that my mother asked you to give me something? What is it?"

"Come with me. You'll know when we get there."

Rosamond kept Eliana in suspense and went to the bank with her.

Ingrid left a safe, and it was the last relic she left for her daughter.

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As she stood in front of the safe, Eliana felt uneasy. She remembered the moment she saw her mother's corpse five years ago.

She was excited and wanted to open the safe, but she was too nervous to even touch it. It reminded her too much of what had happened and she was scared that she'd be heartbroken again.

"Go ahead and open it,"

Rosamond said, taking a step forward and handing Eliana the key to the safe.

Eliana gripped the key tightly in her sweaty hand. Gritting her teeth, she inserted the key in the lock with her trembling hand, and opened the safe.

The safe was not very big. However, it held only a letter, making it seem a lot more spacious and large.

Eliana took a deep breath as she reached for the letter, taking it out and unfolding it carefully.

"My beloved daughter, Eliana. Surely I must have passed away as you have gotten this letter. Do not be too sad, I simply left for another world to be with your father. I beg you to lift your spirits and take proper care of yourself, following my death. I do not qualify to be a mother. I have left you, abandoning you to try to survive in this brutal world all by yourself. Your father and I have created a private account just for you abroad. I will give you the account information. As soon as you were born, we both began depositing money in the account up until now. Rosamond is my closest friend. I have complete trust in her, so I am giving her this letter for safekeeping. You can definitely put your trust in her in the future. Adding to it, there is a number of a person included in the envelope. Keep this phone number in mind. If you come across any problems that are unsolvable, go look for this person. This person will serve as your last hope and he will aid you unconditionally. Keep in mind, once you memorize this phone number, get rid of the note instantly. Don't question this. This is the final aid I can give to you. Following the death of your father and I, I beg you to keep on believing for this world. You will meet many people that love you as time goes by, but your father has just me. If I am given another chance, I am fully ready to marry him and have you again. That was my greatest joy in life. Care for yourself well, my sweetheart."

Eliana went through the envelope and discovered two small notes in it. The information of an individual account was written on one note, and a phone number was written on the second note. Eliana was shocked as she held the notes in her hand. The letter held so much information. She was a bit overwhelmed.

Who was this exact person that her mother mentioned? Seeing that he could help her unconditionally, what was her mother's relationship with this person?

Eliana became quite confused and was extremely inquisitive about the truth. Nevertheless, following her mother's instructions, she memorized the phone number and ripped the note into shreds.

Staring at the bits of paper she held in her hand, she felt lost. These were the final things her mother had remained for her. A letter, a phone number, and a bank account with an unknown amount of money.

These items brought again the realization that her mother had indeed passed away, leaving this world to be with her father for all eternity. She felt a sudden rush of sadness envelop her. She staggered back a step, unable to stand properly any longer.

Luckily, Rosamond was behind her and supported her with her hands.

"Everything is fine now..." Rosamond hugged Eliana, petting her softly.

Eliana felt so much sorrow. Residing in the comfort Rosamond gave her, Eliana eventually recovered from her grief after a long period.

"I am thankful for you, Miss Deleon." She detached herself from Rosamond. Her face was pale and her eyes had reddened but she appeared a bit calm this time.

As it showed that she had lifted her spirits herself, Rosamond felt more at ease.

"As you have now gotten the bank account, you can check how much money is in it, by the way."

They then proceeded to the bank to check the balance of the account, according to the information written on the note.

The account actually contained twenty million dollars in it!

This had probably been just a morsel amount of money to the Pierce family in the past, but for Eliana, it was undoubtedly a huge sum for her at that point. She was stupefied to have so much money in an instant.

It amused Rosamond to see that Eliana was dumbstruck by just twenty million dollars, but at the same time, she felt a bit sad for her. It appeared that Eliana had suffered immensely in these past few years.

She could not refrain and reached out to touch Eliana's head. "Make sure you put this money to good use because as it is, you would have to spend a lot of money if you want your children to lead a good life."

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The sudden wealth put Eliana under a roller coaster of emotions.

She had been a daughter of a wealthy family in the past, but later she had become very poor. And after going through a lot, she stumbled upon such a huge amount of money.

However, the price that she had to pay for the money was taking in the fact that her family was ruined. If she had the chance to choose, then she would gladly live the rest of her life as a pauper if it meant that her parents could live a long healthy life.

"Eliana, you can have an amazing future with this sum of money. It's probably the last thing that Ingrid could do for you..."

Rosamond could not help but sigh.

Eliana clutched the last letter that her mother had left her in her hands as she tried to calm down and forced a smile. "Don't worry. I will move on with my life, just like my parents wanted me to."

Rosamond uttered, "I am glad to see that you think that way. I believe that... Your parents will be pleased."

"I also want to thank you for helping my mother keep her belongings safe," Eliana said solemnly.

The Pierce family had been through hell that year, and if it had not been for Rosamond, then someone else would have taken that money before Eliana could get to it.

"And thank you for agreeing to help make bracelets."

"Rest assured that I will be very attentive to the matter, and if you have any difficulties in the future, you can always come to me."

Rosamond looked at Eliana lovingly, because she reminded her of her best friend. Tears welled up in her eyes.

She had given up on Ingrid before, but now, she finally had a chance to make up for it by taking care of her daughter.

Finally, Eliana could retain her design of the bracelet.

Exhausted, she returned to the company, and saw many people walking in and out of the gate. They all seemed to be going to Maurice's office.

What was going on?

Eliana was confused. She walked up to a colleague who was watching the scene of bustle, and asked, "What's going on?"

The colleague responded, "You haven't heard? Apparently, there is going to be a new CEO to manage the company soon!"

"A new CEO?" Eliana had a bad feeling. "Who is it? And what about Mr. Moran?"

"Looks like it is going to be Mr. Moran's uncle, Gerald! I heard that he is here to help Mr. Moran deal with the company's affairs."

Another colleague complained, "I don't think so. He must be here to replace Mr. Moran. I am pretty sure that the company is going to be in deep trouble!"

What?

Was Gerald really taking over the company and replacing Maurice?

Eliana's eyes widened in shock.

She had only not been there for one morning. How could such a huge thing happen in such a short time?

Gerald seemed to have gotten a chance to take over the company, and Eliana had no clue of Maurice's

situation.

Worries stormed into her heart as she thought of Maurice.

She figured that she had to see him!

By the time she came to her senses, she was already outside Maurice's office.

And Corbin was not at his desk.

Eliana knocked on the door gently, but there was no response.

A moment later, she pushed the door open and walked in.

The whole office was a mess with papers and documents scattered all over the floor.

Maurice was sitting in his chair, looking fatigued. His eyes were closed, and he was massaging the area between his brows, dispirited.

"Get out!" he shouted coldly without even looking.

"Maurice, are you okay?"

He slowly opened his eyes when he heard Eliana's voice.

A trace of embarrassment flashed through his eyes. "Why are you here?"

"Well... I solved the matter of the bracelet..." After a pause, Eliana continued, "And I want to know what happened. Why is everyone saying that Gerald is going to be the company's new CEO? Maurice... Is it true?"

The office became as silent as a grave.

Maurice silently walked up to Eliana and hugged her. He then said in a gentle tone, "Don't worry about me. Your task now is to think about how you're going to date me."

Eliana stayed in his warm embrace, believing that the reason he was in such a situation was because of her.

"It was arranged by your grandfather, right? It's all my fault, right?"

Her voice was ridden with guilt.

Maurice hugged her tightly and said in a low voice, "Don't think too much. This has nothing to do with

you. You don't have such a great influence."

Eliana became silent as she leaned on his chest with a gloomy look in her eyes, but her heart was weighing with sorrows.

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Maurice's comfort didn't make Eliana feel any better.

She knew in her heart that all this must have something to do with her.

After leaving his office, Eliana returned to the Design Department in a daze.

At this time, all the employees in the Design Department gathered around. They discussed the plan of going to the hospital to visit Harriet.

Lucia had already returned to the company too. As soon as she saw Eliana, she immediately ran to Eliana's side.

She said worriedly, "Eliana, how are you? Are you alright? You scared me to death."

Eliana shook her head. "I'm fine."

Lucia still wanted to say something more, but some of their female colleagues came over to invite Eliana to go with them to the hospital.

"You go ahead. I won't go."

Eliana was not in the mood to see the culprit lying in the hospital.

But one female colleague complained, "Well, it's not up to you to decide. Mr. Gerald Moran, the new CEO, has given an order that everyone in the Design Department must visit Miss Stone."

Eliana was a little surprised to hear this. Did Gerald ask all of them to see Harriet?

It seemed that he would really make a great change in the Moran Group.

At the thought of this, Eliana's anxiety gradually increased.

But she had no other choice. In the end, she still went to the hospital to visit Harriet together with her colleagues of the Design Department.

Harriet was lying weakly in the hospital bed in a VIP ward. Her face had lost its color, and she seemed seriously ill.

Although Eliana didn't like a scheming woman like Harriet, she must admit that she admired Harriet's boldness. To achieve her goal, Harriet could even hurt herself. If she was cruel to others, she was even more ruthless to herself.

All the employees of the Design Department gathered around Harriet's bed to show their concern for their boss. Only Eliana stood a little farther away from them.

"Guys, thank you for visiting me today."

Harriet's voice revealed a sense of powerlessness.

One colleague immediately said fawningly, "Miss Stone, what are you talking about? Of course, we must visit you."

"Yes, Miss Stone. We are all worried about you. How can you be so sick? I heard this is all because of Lilian. I really can't believe it. She was so well-behaved and had no conflict with you. Why did she suddenly use such a vicious method to hurt you?" a curious female colleague couldn't help but comment.

Lucia secretly sneered. Then she echoed, "Yes, Miss Stone. Lilian was close to you, right? Why would she hurt you?"

"Yes, that's right."

The other colleagues also looked at Harriet curiously.

Harriet had already anticipated this question, and she was well prepared. She immediately put on a pitiful look as if she was really the victim and said sadly, "Maybe it's because I was too strict with Lilian. But I was doing it for her own good. I didn't expect that she would be dissatisfied with me and even hurt me in the end. It's all my fault because I didn't know her well first."

As Harriet spoke, the rims of her eyes turned red as if she was about to cry. As expected, she aroused most people's sympathy.

"Miss Stone, how can you blame yourself? It's all Lilian's fault. We also didn't expect that she was that kind of person."

"I have long thought that Lilian is not a good person. Now she has really proven me right. So she deserves the bad karma."

Eliana just stood there and listened to Harriet inducing her colleagues to believe that Lilian was to be blamed for all the bad things that had happened. She almost vomited with disgust.

If it weren't for the fear that this matter would aggravate and affect the Moran Group, she wouldn't

have let this go just like that. She would reveal Harriet's true color with her own hands.

Soon, the visiting hours came to an end. When everyone said goodbye to Harriet, Eliana was the first to turn around, wanting to leave.

But Harriet suddenly stopped her.

"Miss Pierce, wait. I have something to talk to you alone."

Everyone's eyes immediately focused on Eliana.

Lucia immediately stepped forward and said, "Miss Stone, since we've been here for a long while, you must be tired, right? You can talk to Eliana about it next time."

"It's okay, Lucia. Since Miss Stone doesn't mind it, I'll stay and have a talk with her," Eliana said, giving Lucia a reassuring look.

Lucia was still a little worried, but she followed the others outside. However, she kept looking back while walking out of the ward.

At this moment, only Harriet and Eliana were left in the ward.

"Why are you so far away? Are you afraid that I'll eat you?" Harriet snorted coldly with undisguised disgust in her eyes.

The hair all over Eliana's body prickled, and she immediately raised her guard.

She wondered what trick Harriet was trying to play this time.

"Miss Stone, I don't think we have anything to talk about."

"Actually, you don't need to be so wary of me," Harriet said and suddenly laughed.

"Oh really? But my past experience tells me that I can't trust your words, Miss Stone."

Eliana stood far away from Harriet from beginning to end.

She didn't dare to underestimate Harriet's scheming and ruthlessness. She was afraid that Harriet would trick her again if she was not careful enough.

Seeing Eliana's vigilant look, Harriet smiled complacently. "Eliana, I've thought it through. I don't want Maurice anymore. I'll give him up to you."

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"You don't want him anymore?" Eliana asked with a frown, wondering what was wrong with Harriet again.

"Because he is no longer valuable to me. Earle won't hand over Moran Group to him. Without the position as the heir of Moran Group, he will lose everything. So I don't want him anymore."

Harriet's tone was full of sarcasm.

"That's impossible!" Eliana blurted out.

"It seems that you really don't know anything," Harriet said. Her face turned red with excitement. "It's all because of you, Eliana. He has lost everything and become a loser because he is protecting you. Now that you have him as you wish, are you satisfied?"

Eliana couldn't believe her ears. "What did you say? It's all because of me?"

Harriet's words were like a knife that pierced through her heart.

She couldn't help thinking of what she saw and heard in the company today and Maurice's decadent look. And she had twigged everything in an instant.

At this moment, Eliana felt a chill all over her body. It turned out that she was the one who made Maurice suffer.

A surge of guilt overwhelmed her at once.

If it weren't for her, Maurice wouldn't lose his position as the CEO of the Moran Group. He had worked hard for his career for more than ten years. She couldn't imagine how sad he would be now.

But why didn't he tell her anything?

Was it because he was afraid she would feel guilty?

Eliana felt heartbroken at the thought of this.

It turned out that Maurice had been protecting her all the time, and he had borne everything secretly.

Even though he was going through some difficulties, he still comforted her that he was looking forward to their date.

Sure enough, Harriet was right. She was just a burden.

Eliana clenched her fists tightly. Her expression gradually changed from sadness to firmness.

She didn't want to be a burden to him anymore. Without her, everything would go back to its original place. He would continue as the superior and vigorous CEO of Moran Group.

After all, she had gotten the inheritance left by her parents. With the twenty million dollars, she could take good care of herself and her children without difficulties.

Eliana thought it through. Eventually, she made up her mind.

She glanced at the angry Harriet one last time, turned around, and left the ward without saying a word.

When they returned to the company, Eliana directly went to Lucia absentmindedly.

As soon as Lucia saw Eliana's pale face, she asked anxiously, "Eliana, why do you look so terrible? Did that woman bully you again? You wait here. I'll go to her now."

Lucia was so angry that she wanted to go out and find Harriet to scold her.

But Eliana immediately grabbed her hand and said, "I'm fine, Lucia."

Obviously, Lucia didn't believe Eliana's words. She said with righteous indignation, "Look at you. Does it look like you're alright?"

Eliana shook her head and said solemnly, "Lucia, I'm here because I have something to ask for your help."

Lucia patted her chest and assured her, "I will help you as long as I can."

"I need Earle's phone number."

"It's... Wait! What? Earle's phone number?" Lucia's eyes widened, and a trace of guilt flashed through her eyes. "Eliana, are you kidding me? How can a mere intern like me have access to the phone number of the chairman of the company?"

Her voice became lower and lower. She was so guilty that she didn't dare to look into Eliana's eyes.

Eliana raised her head and stared at Lucia, making Lucia's blood freeze. Then she said, "Last time, I saw you and Earle chatting. If you are just an ordinary employee, will he talk to you for so long? Lucia, don't hide it from me anymore. Do you and Earle know each other personally?"

Lucia knew that she couldn't lie to Eliana forever. She hesitated and said, "Well... I think I can consider him an acquaintance."

"Judging from your attitude towards Nicole and Earle, Maurice's attitude towards you, and the fact that you were able to get out of Gerald's house unharmed..."

Eliana smiled bitterly and continued, "Actually, with these details, I should have guessed it long ago. You should be from a family who is a friend of the Moran family. Wait! Your last name is Todd, right? Lucia, are you related to Wyatt?"

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Lucia stared at Eliana in shock. Her identity being discovered so soon was something she did not expect. She was too flustered to speak for a moment.

A while later, she said, "I'm sorry Eliana. I wasn't trying to hide who I was from you." She was so worried that Eliana wouldn't be her friend anymore that tears pooled in her eyes.

"Hey, relax. I was not condemning you. Whether you are just an intern or the daughter of the Todd family does not matter to me. Above all, you are my friend," Eliana said, slightly amused.

"Eliana, you're too kind!" Lucia heaved a sigh of relief. She had really been scared Eliana would end the friendship once she found out that she had been deceiving her the whole time.

"So can you give me Earle's phone number?" Eliana stretched out her hand in question.

Pouting, Lucia handed over her phone and asked Eliana to look for Earle's phone number. Regardless, one doubt of hers remained.

"What do you need his number for, Eliana?"

Taking the phone, Eliana said simply, "I want to see him."

Lucia was stunned, "You want to go see him? What for?"

"There's something I have to talk to him about."

"Absolutely not!" Lucia opposed as she yanked back her phone. "Mr. Moran always dislikes you. He almost got you sent to jail last time, have you forgotten? It's too risky! I can't watch you be a victim at his hands!"

"You can't stop me, Lucia. If you refuse to help me, I'll search for other ways to meet him." Eliana appeared determined.

Lucia was terribly worried, but as it seemed that Eliana had made up her mind, she couldn't help but give in. "Fine, I will help you."

Eliana's eyes lit up.

"Still..." Lucia heaved a sigh, "I don't want you to see him all by yourself. I can help you get an

appointment with him. At Moonlight."

Lucia felt it was a good idea. They could keep Eliana safe if she met Earle at her cousin's restaurant. Otherwise, if something really happened, and they broke into a fight, the relationship between Eliana and the Moran family would be irreparable.

"I appreciate you helping me, Lucia," Eliana thanked her, understanding the reason for her words.

Lucia scheduled a meeting with Earle that afternoon at Moonlight.

Earle arrived, accompanied by his luxury motorcade and bodyguards as always.

In contrast, Eliana showed up alone.

"You're here, Mr. Moran. Please, have a seat."

Facing the domineering Earle, Eliana was not scared one bit.

"Tell me, why is it you wished to meet up with me?" Immediately after he sat down, Earle went straight to the point.

"You are so direct. Then, I will be direct with you as well. I want to ask you if you put Gerald in the company to punish Maurice for disobeying your words," Eliana asked straightforwardly.

Earle's face darkened immediately. He hissed in annoyance, "You, an outsider, dares to meddle in the Moran family's business?"

A bitter smile formed on Eliana's face. "It appears my guess was correct."

Earle sniggered. "I've investigated it already, Maurice has been keeping you. If he proceeds with this stubbornness, I won't let him take over the Moran Group. In addition to being deprived of his place at Moran Group, I will drive him out of the Moran family!"

Earle stabbed a knife into Eliana's heart with his words. It seemed he was serious this time.

Eliana couldn't stop herself from thinking about the family photo she had earlier seen in Maurice's cabin. The once happy family had been pulled apart, and Maurice was the only one alive. She couldn't let Maurice face the pain of losing his family one more time. And to prevent him from losing his family, there was only one way...

Eliana shut her eyes to hide the sadness in them. Her mouth opened but she failed to utter more words. What was making her hesitate? She couldn't keep dragging him down.

Finally, she steeled her heart, and her eyes opened again. This time there was no confusion, only

determination.

"Mr. Moran, if I am ready to leave Maurice by myself, can you forgive him?"

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Earle stared at Eliana in astonishment. He couldn't believe what he had heard.

"You are going to leave Maurice? On your own accord?"

Eliana nodded and then looked at Earle straight in the eye. "Yes, I'm going to leave Maurice on my own accord."

"But why?" Earle asked with an eyebrow raised.

"Isn't it obvious? Maurice will lose everything because of me. It's just not worth it. I won't be able to forgive myself when that happens." She let out a sigh. "When I leave, you'll stop punishing Maurice, won't you?"

Eliana looked at the old man, straight-faced. She knew how much Maurice meant to Earle. The reason why he did this now was that he wanted Maurice to shrink back from difficulties and give up on her.

But with her leaving, Earle would get his way and Maurice would not be punished again

Earle didn't expect the matter to be settled smoothly. "There must be something that you want from me in exchange for what you'll do?" he asked. "So tell me, what are your conditions for leaving Maurice?"

"Nothing."

Eliana's voice was firm. Her eyes were bright with conviction.

An experienced man like Earle suddenly felt that he couldn't understand this woman's character or thinking.

He had a slight idea why Eliana asked him out today but he had thought it would take some time for Eliana to come around and do it.

He was actually prepared to hear her ask for an exorbitant amount of money. So, he was caught off guard when she told him about what she planned to do, much less she was not setting any conditions.

Did this woman know what she had given up?

"Have you really made up your mind?" Earle asked Eliana tentatively.

It seemed that he really had a bad impression of her. "I don't really need anything," Eliana replied with a bitter smile.

Earle was utterly dumbfounded by what she said.

"Mr. Moran, may I remind you that Maurice isn't a person who can be controlled by others?" Eliana said again. "He won't marry because of family interests. It may not be me, but he'll find someone to love, marry her, and spend the rest of his life with her."

It was hard for Eliana to say those things. It was heartbreaking at the very least.

Earle remained quiet. He began to see Eliana in a different light. She was neither humble nor pushy. She was a woman with firm determination.

Earle however tried to look inscrutable. In a serious tone, he said, "You don't have to worry about what will happen. I won't make things difficult for my grandson so long as you keep your word and leave him."

"Then we have a deal." Eliana finally relaxed after hearing Earle's promise.

"Thank you, Mr. Moran, for coming today," she said, nodding a little. "Now that I've said what I want to tell, I'll have to go."

Eliana stood up and walked out of the restaurant.

It was about this time when Wyatt came out and saw Eliana leaving the restaurant.

Was it Eliana? Why would she come here?

Wyatt looked in the direction where she came from. He was nonplussed to see Earle in the restaurant.

Did they see each other?

Wyatt thought it was unlikely that Eliana and Earle could be in the same place at the same time.

He felt something was off.

"You're back!"

Wyatt turned around and saw Lucia. She was walking towards him.

She was the one who brought Eliana to Moonlight to meet Earle.

Since they met, Lucia had been secretly monitoring the negotiations between Eliana and Earle. She was apprehensive about what would happen.

"Why are you here?" Wyatt asked Lucia, somewhat subconsciously. "Do you know what happened? Why were Eliana and Earle here?"

Thinking of what Eliana had said minutes earlier, Lucia couldn't help but be moved.

They were two people in love with each other. But his family had been a hindrance to their love. One of them had to leave so the other would not be abandoned by his family.

What a touching love story!

Lucia could even see Nicole in Eliana. It was also this reason that Nicole broke up with Wyatt.

Seeing that Wyatt was ignorant of it, Lucia suddenly felt furious.

Why couldn't men solve problems by themselves? Why did they have to let the one they loved sacrifice and get hurt in the end?

The more Lucia thought about it, the angrier she became. She then reached a conclusion.

"You guys are disgusting!"

Wyatt opened his mouth. He wanted to ask something. But he got confused upon hearing Lucia's words.

"What's wrong with my cousin?" he murmured.

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After talking with Earle, Eliana went straight home.

As soon as she entered the door, her two cute children ran to her and hugged her thighs lovingly.

"Mommy, you're back!"

Eliana forced herself to cheer up. She squatted down to chat with Adrian and Aileen.

"Children, did you have a good time at school today?"

"Yes, Mommy. I made handicrafts with Silas and Ivy today. We also played hide and seek between lessons."

Aileen excitedly told Eliana what she had done at school today.

Adrian couldn't help but complain, "Every time we play hide and seek, you are the first to get caught."

And I'm always being discovered because of you."

"No, it's your fault. You always hide in my chosen hiding place. I won't be caught if not because of you," Aileen retorted.

Seeing the excitement on the two children's faces when they talked about kindergarten, Eliana almost didn't have the heart to tell them her decision.

"Children, stop fighting, okay? Listen to me first..."

Adrian and Aileen both stopped talking and looked at Eliana seriously, waiting for her next words.

"I have bad news for you. We may have to move to another place in a while, and... You are going to a different kindergarten."

Finally, Eliana was able to tell them.

But as soon as she said this, Aileen and Adrian asked in unison, "Why?"

She had already thought of an excuse on her way home. So she explained, "That's because I'm likely to change a job. I might work in another city, so we have to move."

"Move?" Nana asked in surprise. She had just come out of the bedroom and heard what Eliana had said. "Eliana, why do we have to move all of a sudden?"

"Yes, Mommy. Can you please not change your job, so we don't have to move? I really like our kindergarten now. I don't want to leave Silas and my good friends," Aileen pleaded, eagerly tugging at Eliana's sleeve.

"Mommy, I don't want to leave either. Please don't move."

It was rare for Adrian to make a request.

Eliana could see how sad Adrian and Aileen were, and she felt sorry for them. But she could only say, "Even if we leave, it's not that we will never come back. After some time, I can take you back here to see your good friends in kindergarten."

Aileen was so disappointed that her big cute eyes also lost their former luster.

Seeing this, Adrian stepped forward and comforted her.

"It's okay, Aileen. We will come back here together in the future," he assured her. But his voice was also full of sadness, making Eliana feel sorry for him.

Nana was unhappy to see Adrian and Aileen sad. So she pulled Eliana to the side and asked, "What is wrong with you? Why did you suddenly think of moving? Did you and Maurice fight again? Is he... Is he taking the children away? What did he say to you?"

Nana was immediately alarmed. She was always ready to help Eliana resist Maurice.

Eliana was so surprised by Nana's words that she didn't know whether to laugh or cry. "Nana, take it easy. It's not what you're thinking. I just don't think it's a good idea to be supported by Maurice all the time. And it happened that I got a sum of money today, so I want to move out and live on my own."

"Is that so?" Nana breathed a sigh of relief. She patted Eliana on the shoulder and said, "Why do you think so much? With your relationship with Maurice, what he owns also belongs to you."

"Nana, it's not that simple."

Eliana told Nana everything that had happened today in one breath.

"So you see, if I don't leave Maurice, he will lose everything. I can't watch him fight against Earle for me again. I will never feel at ease all my life."

After listening to Eliana, Nana felt sorry in her heart.

Why was it so difficult for two people who loved each other to be together?

"So what do you plan to do in the future? You are finally willing to admit that you like Maurice. You, your children, and Maurice are about to reunite. But you suddenly decide to give up everything and leave now. Did you give this matter careful thought? Are you sure you are not going to regret it?"

Eliana closed her eyes, and her mind was full of images of her and Maurice together.

It was Maurice who had been protecting her. This time was her turn to do such a thing.

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"Nana, it's my final decision," Eliana said firmly.

She handed a bank card to Nana and added, "The money in this card should be enough. You'd better start to make arrangements now, so we can move soon."

"But Eliana..."

Nana was about to say something more. But she knew that she couldn't change Eliana's mind no matter what she said, so she just took the bank card and gave Eliana a big hug.

Then she said to comfort Eliana, "Eliana, it's okay. Everything will be fine."

Eliana held back the tears that were about to fall from her eyes. She smiled and said, "I know."

After Nana left, Eliana calmed herself down and called Maurice.

"Eliana? What's the matter?"

As soon as she heard Maurice's deep voice again, tears streamed down her face silently.

She wiped her tears and pretended to be relaxed. "Nothing. I just want to tell you that I've already figured out our date."

"Really? What do you want to do on our date?" Maurice asked briskly.

"Go to the amusement park. I'll see you there tomorrow afternoon."

"Amusement park?" Maurice asked in confusion.

"Yes, you heard it right. Amusement park."

The next day in kindergarten, Aileen sat in her seat and kept sighing.

Silas couldn't stand it anymore, so he leaned over and asked, "Aileen, what's wrong with you? Why have you been so depressed since this morning?"

Aileen lay her head on the desk and said listlessly, "Silas, Adrian and I may have to leave."

"You're leaving? Where are you going?" Silas asked in confusion.

Aileen explained, "Mommy said we are going to move, and Adrian and I have to go to a different kindergarten. By that time, we can't play together anymore. But don't be sad. Even if we transfer to the new kindergarten, I will still contact you from time to time."

"Wait! You're moving? But why?" Silas exclaimed in surprise.

"Yes. Mommy told us last night. She might change a job, so we have to move. But she didn't tell us why either."

Actually, Aileen racked her brain the whole night. But she couldn't figure out why Eliana suddenly wanted to leave.

At this moment, she came up with a good idea and pulled Silas over.

"Silas, why don't you help me investigate? I want to find out why Mommy wants us to leave. Let me tell you a secret. Last night, I heard Mommy say she was going on a date with someone today. Maybe it has something to do with this."

As she spoke, Aileen's head got closer and closer to Silas'. Adrian saw this and felt something was wrong. So he walked up to them and asked suspiciously, "What are you two talking about?"

Aileen was startled when Adrian spoke behind her. She rolled her round eyes and quickly came up with the idea of asking him to join them.

"Adrian, we are going to investigate and see who is Mommy's date later. Do you want to join us?"

"No, I won't."

Adrian refused without hesitation. He would never join such a strange operation.

Aileen pouted and said discontentedly, "Humph! If you don't go, I'll go with Silas."

"Okay, fine. I'll go with you."

Adrian was helpless when it came to Aileen, who always had strange ideas. He was afraid that she would go out and get lost, so he had to go with her.

Silas already had some guesses about Eliana's mysterious date.

Could it be his uncle Maurice?

The more he thought about it, the more he felt it was possible. Should he call Maurice to confirm it?

At the thought of this, Silas immediately called Maurice.

The call connected quickly.

"Silas, what's the matter?"

"Uncle, do you have any plans this afternoon?" Silas asked at once.

"I'm at home right now."

"Oh, you're at home? Why didn't you go to work today?" Silas asked with a frown.

Maurice sneered, "Ask your great-grandpa."

Silas immediately sensed something unusual from Maurice's words. He couldn't help thinking if Maurice

and Earle had a fight again.

It seemed that their fight this time was serious because Maurice was not even allowed to go to work.

He couldn't help comforting Maurice, "Uncle, it's okay. Although Great-grandpa gets angry easily, his anger fades away soon."

It was rare for Maurice to hear Silas care about him so much, so he consoled Silas and told him not to worry about it.

Silas hesitated for a while. He wanted to tell Maurice that Eliana might leave with Adrian and Aileen.

But before he could speak again, the restless Maurice had already hung up the phone.

Thus, he didn't find out anything about Eliana's date.