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Chapter 1361 Patricia Woke Up (Part One)

"Miss Bai, do you know who I am?" After putting his phone back in his pocket, Tom leaned towards Patricia and asked. He was aware that he had some sort of feelings for her, but as the head doctor in this hospital, his tone remained formal and professional.

"Umm...Yes. Yes I do." Patricia blinked. Her voice was a bit raspy because she hadn't spoken for so long.

"Okay, good. Then tell me what my name is." Tom stared at her with intense and expectant eyes. He couldn't stop himself from smiling.

"Hmm... I don't know," Patricia said in a small voice. She just woke up and was still confused somehow. She looked around the room, trying her best to take in everything around her. Aside from this doctor, there were also a couple of nurses taking notes from the monitors and gadgets attached to her and to her bed. The doctor's smile disappeared quickly.

"You don't know my name?" Tom couldn't believe what he just heard. "You asked me if I knew who you were. Yes, you look like a doctor. You didn't ask me if I knew your name or not. And right now, I am not sure." Patricia looked back at Tom with innocent eyes. She was also confused about his question. Why would she know his name?

"Okay, I am going to ask you again. Do you know who I am?" Tom had done this before. He knew that sometimes when patients woke up from a coma,

they would be extremely confused and slow at the beginning. Patricia just needed time to adjust to the surroundings and the people around her.

"Of course I do! Like I said, you are a doctor! What kind of question is that?" Patricia gently bit her lower lip. She knew that she was the one talking, but the voice coming out of her did not sound familiar. Her throat hurt, she felt no strength and was in p

n he thought about it. But he shouldn't dwell on it now. There were still a lot of things to do regarding Patricia's condition now that she had come out of her coma.

"Of course I remember. My car lost control on the track and crashed into the guardrail," Patricia said in an indifferent tone, as if she was talking about someone else's accident. Though she knew how she got hurt, what she couldn't understand was why she crashed into the guardrail. She knew she was really good at driving, and it shouldn't have happened. But she just couldn't remember what exactly caused her mind to go blank when she tried to think more about it. Something was missing in her memory but she could not pinpoint what. It hurt just trying to think about it.

"Patricia, Patricia! You finally woke up!" Leena burst into the ward and almost slipped. She happened to be in the neighborhood so it didn't take long for her to hurry over after hearing that her friend had woken up.

"Oh please! Stop making it sound like I have slept for a long time." The moment Patricia saw Leena in her room, a sweet smile appeared on her face. She was happy to finally see her best friend.

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Chapter 1362 Patricia Woke Up (Part Two)

"Oh yes, you have! Do you have any idea for how long you have slept? For a full freakin' month!" Leena's eyes reddened thinking of the past month. She buried her head in the crook of Patricia's neck, feeling her alive and breathing in her embrace.

"What? A whole month? Your'e kidding! I have been in a coma for that long? No wonder I feel pain all over my body." Patricia raised her hand, though she could not do it completely. She put it lightly on Leena's shoulder, gently patting her, trying to comfort her best friend.

"Where does it hurt? Tom, come quickly check up on her!" As soon as she heard Patricia's words, Leena immediately raised her head and looked at Tom with worried and pleading eyes. She had almost forgotten that Tom was also there in the room.

"It is normal for her to feel pain. That's because technically, she is still injured. Her wounds aren't fully healed yet. She just woke up. She did not miraculously get healed all of a sudden. She still has a long way to go." Tom was completely confused right now. Because Patricia seemed to remember everything well except for him. She could recognize Leena as if they just saw each other yesterday. What the hell was going on?

"Oh! He is the Tom that you often talk about! No wonder! He kept asking me if I knew him." Then she turned to Tom. "See? Now I know your name. Tom!" It suddenly hit Patricia why Tom asked her those weird questions earlier. He was Leena's hotshot doctor brother. But what she seemed to have forgotten was that the man in front of her was also the man she deeply loved.

"What? Are you okay, Patricia? What are you talking about? Don't you remember him?" Leena's eyebrows knit

ved. This is the best way to get rid of the world's most annoying person. She's never gonna come here to bother me anymore, right?" Tom smiled, but the smile didn't reach his eyes. He just didn't want Leena to worry.

"You are clearly lying. But I will let it go this time. Is her memory loss permanent or not?" Leena should be happy that Patricia had forgotten Tom, she really should. Because in this way, Patricia wouldn't be hurt anymore. But she was still sad because Tom had just started having some feelings for her. She knew this would hurt Tom. If only there was something she could do so that it didn't have to happen like that.

"Well, I am not sure about that. Maybe she will never have her memory back, or maybe one day she will suddenly remember it all. It's really hard to say." Tom smiled again, but his smile was bitter and forced. He should be happy that Patricia forgot him, right? She wouldn't bother him anymore. And it was something he always wanted, wasn't it? But why did he feel disappointed and frustrated once those words left his mouth? There was a lump in his throat and he looked away.

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Chapter 1363 Patricia Woke Up (Part Three)

"Wouldn't she be even more devastated if she suddenly remembers it one day? And by that time you have moved on?" Leena asked worriedly. She didn't mind Patricia listening to them talking about her. She had no idea anyway.

"Hey! What the hell are you two talking about? I'm starting to feel out of place here. Hellooo..." Patricia looked between them with suspicious eyes. Though

she couldn't understand what they were saying, she felt that whatever they were talking about definitely had something to do with her.

"That's all right. But you don't have to understand everything just yet." Leena glanced at her, eyes full of complicated emotions. Why the hell did she have to forget about the man that she was head over heels crazy for just a month ago? Was she really so hurt that she wanted to forget about Tom once and for all?

Tom let out a silent sigh. As a doctor, it was not the first time that he encountered a situation like this. Nothing shocking here. But it was the first time that something like this happened to him on a personal level. What he really worried about was what he would do if Patricia did forget about him for good. As soon as this thought came up in his mind, he froze. What was happening to him? Did he really fall in love with this woman in such a short time? No. He should probably stop thinking about it. He had to nip this in the bud.

Besides Leena, Patricia's parents were also the ones who were the happiest about her waking up. They were very grateful to Tom. They thought that he would be the biggest reason why Patricia would wake up.

Michelle received the news about Patricia the next day.

ired. And his eyes also lost their usual shine. He looked quite sad and depleted.

"Doctor Qin, when can I get out of this plaster cast? It is really inconvenient for me." Patricia looked at Tom expectantly, addressing him formally as she would do to any stranger.

"Well, you will have to live with it a bit longer. Do you feel any pain?" Tom tapped on the cast. Though the operation was successful, he still couldn't

guarantee if her leg would fully heal. Nobody could tell the result, until after some x-rays or even an MRI.

"Ow! It hurts." Patricia furrowed her eyebrows in pain. There was not a part of her body that didn't hurt. She was really badly injured so naturally, it felt like that everywhere.

"That's a good sign. Take your medicine on time and don't eat anything too heavy, especially solid food in case you upset your stomach. Stick to eating baby food for now." Tom's face was blank, as if he was talking to a complete stranger. He had thought a lot when he got back home last night. It seemed that he had his emotions under control now. At least on the surface.

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"Yes I will. Thank you, doctor!" Patricia really considered him only as her doctor. It seemed that she really had completely forgotten about Tom and her feelings for him, or she wouldn't have been this calm around him.

Michelle looked at the scene in front of her with a confused look on her face. She didn't know that Patricia had lost a part of her memory because nobody told her. That was why she felt strange when she heard how Tom and Patricia spoke to each other.

"You are welcome. I have to go and check up on other patients right now,"
Tom rushed these words out and quickly left the room without even looking back, as if he was running away from something. His lonely back indicated that he was not as calm as he seemed. He was, in fact, a bit devastated.

"Patricia, what happened between Doctor Qin and you? Why did you talk to each other like that?" Michelle watched Tom leave the room, and then turned around to face Patricia. She was very curious.

"What do you mean? Talk to each other like how? Isn't he always like that?" Patricia leaned back on her pillow and looked at Michelle with a strange look on her face.

"Um. I thought you were in love with him? But why are you acting so cold and indifferent towards him?" Michelle knew that she shouldn't bring up the sad truth to Patricia when she just woke up. It was not the right time to talk about this. But she just couldn't help it. She was really very confused.

"I was in love with him? I don't know why you and Leena keep telling me this, but I really don

ce. There was something he said or did that hurt you really bad. That's why you got distracted when you were training and crashed your car into the guardrail." Michelle tried to tell the story and make her remember what she had forgotten. But it wouldn't be this easy. It seemed that Patricia had nothing left in her for the man who hurt her so much. Then how could a few simple words make her suddenly gain her memory back?

"Well, if he really hurt me that bad, then why should I remember it now? Some of the most hurtful things are the hardest ones to forget. Maybe it's all for the best. All right, you know what Michelle? Let's stop talking about him. Let's change the subject. Okay? There are a lot more interesting topics to talk about." Patricia subconsciously avoided thinking about this any longer. She just wanted to end this topic as quickly as possible. She decided to put everything behind her. After all, if Tom really hurt her that bad like Michelle said, she just had to let it go and not obsess about it.

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Chapter 1365 I Was Just Passing By (Part One)

Tom was quite proud of himself. He remained composed throughout the procedure when he performed a check on Patricia's body. He didn't do anything inappropriate afterward either. Instead, he headed out of her ward. A feeling of relief overwhelmed him once it was over, more intense than he had ever felt. Truthfully, this was quite unlike him. His heart beat faster than that of a kid who had stolen a glance of his puppy love. He breathed heavily and his blood drummed in his ears as he walked down the corridor.

Tom's excuse was that he was making the rounds of the wards. In reality, he had already inspected this area of wards before he checked in on Patricia. He left her ward because he feared he would do something improper if he stayed any longer. So, like a defeated soldier at a battlefield, he fled.

"Tom, hi! I was looking for you! Why are you lurking around here?" a female voice suddenly called out, snapping him out of his thoughts. It was Leena. She carried a thermos jug in her hand, which contained the nutrition soup she had made for Patricia. She hoped her friend would recover soon when she had it.

"Hi, Leena. Nice seeing you too. I was just checking in on Patricia inside,"
Tom answered, collecting himself. He feigned being calm and indifferent as he spoke. His feelings were all over the place but he hid them well.

"I see! I've brought a bowl of soup for you too. I didn't see you around, so I went to your office and put the soup on your table. You better drink it hot. It wouldn't taste good when it's gone cold." Leena was a considerate person.

Since she had made soup for Patricia, she thought she'd make some for Tom too. She liked to cook for her friends.

"Soup? Are you using that to bribe me into sparing you from your daily medicine?" Tom rarely joked, but when Leena was around, he always felt like teasing her. The girl was too naughty and full of tricks.

"Oh no, that's pure slander. I brought the soup for your good. I saw you looking pale and wanted to make something good for you. How could you misun

Drugged one night by her ex-boyfriend, a mysterious man took advantage of her in an ecstatic night filled with sex.

To take her revenge, she married the man, and used him.

"As long as I'm alive, I'm still his legal wife, while all of you are just his mistresses."

She remained adamant even when he was involved in scandals with other women.

Eventually she stormed off after she learned that he had betrayed her again. But life brought her back to him a few years later, to his astonishment.

s the night before, she could not have done anything about it. Needless to say, one was not entitled to learn about everything about one's friends.

Just as Leena said, the soup tasted great. She had simmered it for hours to thicken the chowder. Although there was surprisingly little grease in it, it allowed for a unique but delightful taste. Patricia had just eaten some hospital food, but she still took some sips of the soup.

"Hey, Patricia? I just saw Tom in the corridor. He looked so lost and bewildered. I wonder what happened to him," Leena asked once Patricia put the soup away. She wasn't a gossipy person by nature, but she cared for

Patricia and Tom. Patricia was her best friend and Tom was like a big brother to her. Leena wanted to help them out if they were in some sort of trouble.

"Really? I have no idea. He seemed fine when he left. I think he said he was going to make the rounds of the wards. He had been gone for a while when you came... How could you have met him in the corridor? Didn't he go to check on his patients?" Patricia was puzzled. Her brows knit together into a frown. She too started to feel that something was wrong here. Was it possible that Tom liked her? Every time he looked at her, it was like he tried to express something through his eyes. His gaze always seemed affectionate, but he never said anything out loud.

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Chapter 1366 I Was Just Passing By (Part Two)

"I guess he was just upset about something. He was just lurking out there." Michelle studied Patricia's face but failed to find any clues regarding her feelings toward Tom. Michelle couldn't believe what had happened. How could someone happen to selectively forget one person, but at the same time, remember everyone else? She was puzzled. What kind of magic was that?

"Hey, why are you looking at me? Are you suggesting that I am the one who upset him?" Patricia asserted her innocence. She just woke up last night. She hadn't even had time to catch up with what was happening yet. How could she be the one to upset Tom?

"You don't say. He is upset for you, somehow, because you two were in a very twisted relationship. He's been trying to make up for it. Tom hadn't been too kind to you in the past but has been taking such good care of you lately.

You don't have to feel obliged to be nice to him, though." Michelle was a fair person. She didn't like to see other people being wronged. She always stayed impartial and never exaggerated or concealed the truth for dramatic effect.

"Well, it sounds like I am the bad guy here. But what am I supposed to do? Love him in return? Come on, I don't even remember who he is. How can I pretend to like him just because he's upset?" Patricia grimaced. She wanted to get her memories back more than anything else, but try as she might, she never succeeded in doing so.

After coming out of Patricia's ward, Leena lingered in the corridor for ages before turning in the direction of Tom's office. She hated the traditional Chinese medicine and would do everything in her power to stall for time. It was only when she couldn't delay it any longer that she knocked on the door of Tom's office. When she heard a soft "come in" from inside, she pushed open the door slowly.

"Tom." Leena scowled as she walked in reluctantly.

"Hi, Leena. I have to take a look at this X-ray to make sure of something. Have a seat. I'll talk to you as soon as I'm finished,"

is inappropriate about it. Come and have a cup of tea with us!" Leena said as she pulled Michelle forward. The guards knew Leena, who was a frequent visitor to FX International. They didn't question her and let them in respectfully.

"Leena, what if Luke is with Mr. Mu too?" Michelle asked once they were in the elevator. She was riddled with a guilty conscience. Luke hadn't been friendly with her.

"Luke? I don't know about that. What's wrong if he's there too?" Leena asked, glancing at Michelle.

"Oh, it's nothing! I was just asking," Michelle said in a hurry. Her strange behavior raised suspicion in Leena's mind. Michelle seemed very tense.

"Is that so? Are you sure everything is all right?"

"Of course! Why would I lie to you?"

Michelle averted her eyes, fearing that Leena would guess what was in her heart. She didn't want Leena to know about her feelings towards Luke. They were friends, but not so close yet that they could speak freely about these things.

Before long, the elevator reached the top floor and came to a halt. As the door slid open, they saw Luke walking toward them in the corridor. It looked like he was coming straight from Edward's office.

"Hi, Luke, is Edward inside?" Leena greeted Luke, giving him a sweet smile. She didn't notice the subtle change in Michelle's expression.

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Chapter 1367 I Was Just Passing By (Part Three)

"Yes, he is. I was just talking to him," Luke said. He ignored Michelle completely, as if she were invisible.

"I see! I'll go and meet him then. See you!" Leena waved Luke goodbye and stepped aside to make way for him.

"Bye." Luke walked past them. His voice was cold and emotionless as always.

"Let's go, Michelle," Leena called out when she realized that Michelle wasn't following her. She turned around and glanced at Michelle, surprised to see the lost look on her face. 'What is up with this girl?' Leena wondered.

"Sure," Michelle said, snapping out of her reverie. She followed Leena down the corridor, but turned around again to watch Luke's receding figure. It wasn't until the elevator door closed between them that she drew back her gaze.

Inside the office, Edward stood by the window and looked out. His slender and charming profile was ablaze with the incoming sunlight. Leena and Michelle held their breaths at the scenery in front of them, in fear of disturbing his brooding figure.

Leena had always known Edward Mu was a good-looking man. He had a handsome face but was also a person with hidden depths. His style of dressing up brought out his enchanting and royal temperament. The black shirt he wore would have looked gloomy and harsh on anyone else, but on Edward, it looked charming and eye-catching. He had a trace of untamed arrogance on him that was irresistible.

"Come on in. Why are you just standing over there?" Edward turned around and called the ladies inside. He glanced over them with careless eyes and took the seat behind his desk.

"Edward! How do you know we are here? I thought I moved quietly." Leena smirked. Walking in, she blinked her eyes at him mischievously.

"Please, your footsteps might be quiet, but the gasps gave you away. I heard them when you were standing there, drooling over me." Edward rolled his eyes. His gaze moved to Michelle. Intrigued, he wondered if she was here to see Luke.

"Glad to see you, Mr. Mu. I hope I'm not disturbing you." Michelle smiled sheepishly. In fact, it was she who had gasped out loud.

"Not at all. Are you here to pay me a visit, or are you looking for someone whom you were hoping to find in my of

Edward said. A mysterious smile bloomed on his face. Since Daisy was interested in bringing Michelle and Luke together, he decided to play matchmaker too. He would definitely try his best to set them up.

"What surprise?" Leena interrupted him. The conversation between them piqued her interest, so she couldn't help but ask again.

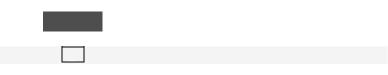
"It's none of your business, Leena. I want to have a little talk with Michelle here, and you are going to check whether or not Rain is back in his office. Then we'll go and have lunch together." Edward deliberately sent Leena on the little mission of finding Rain so he could have a chat with Michelle alone. His conversation with Michelle wouldn't be private if Leena were around.

"Oh, okay." Leena was still mildly curious as she walked out of the office. She turned around to the door but kept stealing glances at the two of them from the corner of her eyes. She didn't appreciate being shooed away. All the way to Rain's office, she wondered what this surprise was.

"Now that we're alone, what do you want to say, Mr. Mu?" Feeling the sudden shift in the atmosphere, Michelle decided to take charge of the conversation as soon as Leena left. She was an easy-going and carefree person, but she was also quite perceptive. When she heard Edward ask Leena to leave, she knew he meant to talk to her about something specific. Michelle had dealt with Edward a few times before and knew him to be an unpredictable and enigmatic man.

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Chapter 1368 A Disturbance (Part One)



"Are you serious with Luke?" Edward asked as he leaned back in the chair. He looked quite relaxed when he locked his fingers behind his head and then stared at Michelle. Though he was smiling, Michelle couldn't help but shiver as she could feel how dangerous Edward's aura was.

"I don't know what you are talking about, Mr. Mu." Michelle refused to answer his question and bit her lips.

"You know what I'm talking about. I think you'd better be honest with me if you want my help," said Edward. Michelle might have helped him once but he didn't think that he had to pay for that by helping her back.

"I..." stammered Michelle. A part of her wanted to admit her feelings for Luke but she shook her head and chose to say nothing. If Luke didn't have a thing for her, he might be pissed off once Edward forced him to accept her. This would be the last she wanted. Although she hadn't spent a lot of time with Luke, she could tell that he was a confident and proud man who wouldn't be forced to do anything he didn't want to do.

"Don't you need my help?" Edward asked again upon not getting any response from Michelle. Her reaction was really surprising him as he had anticipated her to happily accept his offer.

"Thank you for your kindness, Mr. Mu, but I don't need that." A forced smile cracked Michelle's lips. It was ironic how she had been persuading Patricia not to give up a forest for just one tree. However, she never expected herself to fall for a man who didn't love her as well. Unlike Patricia, Michelle didn't even have the courage to express her true feelings for Luke.

"Okay. Remember this though, this is your last chance to a

to Luke. "Luke, Michelle saved us once. Don't just eat the dishes but take good care of her for me." Though Edward decided not to intervene between Luke and Michelle, he still planned to create an opportunity for them.

Luke's lips jerked at Edward's request. He didn't understand why his aloof boss began to play Cupid. Thus, he felt extremely uncomfortable.

Meanwhile, Michelle felt really embarrassed. She could clearly see the dislike on Luke's face when she discretely glanced at him. Was Luke thinking that she arranged all these? She could bet her bottom dollar that he hated her more now.

"Michelle, please eat some more. The dishes here are really delicious," Leena butted in to make things lighter. It was the longest lunch Michelle had ever eaten. Everyone there had their own thoughts as they smiled wickedly. They were all acting as if they were gate crashers that shouldn't be there and as if she and Luke were the only ones who were supposed to meet.

"Thanks, Leena." Michelle peeked sideways at Luke. However, the latter just ignored her as if he didn't notice what she did.

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"Michelle, there are so many good men in the world. Why did you fall for a blockhead? You'll regret it soon," Rain said with a teasing smile as he looked back and forth between Michelle and Luke. He didn't even care to lower his voice, thus, everyone in the room heard him.

As a reaction, Luke raised his head and cast a warning glare at Rain. Michelle was so embarrassed that she could only wish that there was a hole in the floor she could jump into. She had never confessed her feelings for Luke but everyone knew it now! How was she able to face Luke in the future?

Edward watched the drama indifferently. However, he would not bother himself to defuse the tension since Michelle had rejected his help. He decided not to give her any advice from now on.

After lunch, Michelle made an excuse and left them hurriedly. Her movements were so fast as if she were chased by a wild animal. She couldn't stand Luke's detached attitude anymore as it made her feel low.

"Mr. Mu, since when you've begun to play Cupid?" asked Luke with a frown. He was really displeased with this arrangement.

"You're misunderstanding me. Michelle is Leena's friend and she came to FX International Group with Leena. I was being polite when I asked her to have lunch with us." Edward was too proud to admit his initial plan of pairing Luke with Michelle. He didn't want Luke to think that he was a matchmaker.

"Really?" Luke said in disbelief. He had served Edward for so many years and knew him well. He didn't think that Edward was telling the truth.

"Forget it," responded Edward in a cold tone before turning to Leena. "Leena, do you want me to drive you home?" he offere

aid of gaining weight?" Rain pinched her cute face as he ignored the curious stares of the passersby.

"You brat! Why are you always reminding me of my weight?" Leena feigned anger as she turned her head and shook off his arm. Then she walked past him without even waiting for him as if they were a couple who just had a fight.

In reaction, Rain just chuckled as he caught up with her. He grabbed her hand and then walked through the streets and alleyways.

They laughed and played with each other like they were still children. They were free and careless at the moment as they forgot about all their troubles and difficulties. It was indeed a good time.

On the other hand, Kevin was stopped by a commercial vehicle as soon as he walked out of the army base. He was still wondering about who was bold enough to block his way when a beautiful woman got off the car.

"Major General Gu, it's so nice to see you again." Dorothy greeted Kevin with a smile. She didn't look like she was wearing makeup, but she still looked extremely beautiful with her clean, sharp eyebrows, full lips, and pretty nose.

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"Ah, it's you, Miss Lu. Why are you here?" Kevin asked with a frown as he checked the time on his wristwatch.

"Here's the thing. I'm wondering if I could have the honor of inviting you for dinner since you saved me last time. It was very kind of you to help me."

Dorothy was a popular celebrity. She was both pretty and smart.

"Thank you for your kindness, Miss Lu. Serving the people is a soldier's pledged duty. Dinner is not necessary." Kevin turned her offer down without hesitation. He didn't save her in exchange for anything. Furthermore, he didn't want to have dinner with a woman alone.

"Major General Gu, are you looking down on me because I'm an actress? Do you think I don't deserve to have dinner with you?" Dorothy's voice trembled a bit as she pretended to feel sad and dejected.

"Miss Lu, I didn't mean it that way. I just can't make it this time."

Embarrassment washed over Kevin in an instant. He would have rejected her offer in a more resolute way if Dorothy acted bossy. However, she looked like she was about to cry and Kevin really had no idea on how to politely decline her offer. He simply didn't know women.

"If you really have no time, then I won't push you. How about this? Will you please give me your private number? We may have dinner next time when you're available," asked Dorothy. She might be a little disappointed, but then, she was clever to know when enough was enough.

"I'm sorry, but we soldiers are not allowed to disclose our numbers." Kevin rejected Dorothy in a more subtle way this time. He didn't want to have a close relationship with any woman other than his wife. Though he didn't think Dorothy bore malice against him, he was always alert to the possibility of getting involved in scandals. He was a soldier and he must be a model of clean living.

"Oh, really?" Biting her lower lip

ed seriously at Kevin. He had known Kevin since Kevin was a kid, thus, he knew Kevin like the back of his hand. However, the outsiders knew nothing about Kevin, and would think ill of him. This would greatly affect the reputation and image of army force.

"Don't worry. I'll handle it myself," said Kevin through gritted teeth. He really felt angry and frustrated. Nonetheless, he had to face whatever problem it was and find a way to solve it. He believed that there would be a way out.

"How are you going to solve it? People won't believe what you are going to say." The Commander sighed with resignation. He would be retiring in a few years and he had planned to recommend Kevin for a higher position. However, it seemed impossible now as this situation would leave a stain in Kevin's personnel file. Furthermore, the fight among the soldiers had barely subsided when the army base was again exposed in the public eyes. It would be really hard to put things in order again.

"I will find a way out. If you don't need me for anything else, I'll take my leave," said Kevin. The only thing he was worried about now was that Leena might have seen the news and misunderstood him. He had to call her now to explain everything.