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Amelia had to rush over to her morning photoshoot for the sportswear she was endorsing,

much to her dissatisfaction. She felt the company was being unfair with how they gave

Skylar all the good stuff while everyone else had to do the grunt work. Skylar kept receiving offers for endorsements one after another for all sorts of famous

brands. She even signed a contract with Gucci for their children's collection.

Meanwhile, the brands that Amelia endorsed were all cheap ones that few had even heard

of.

Amelia said with a smile before she left, "I really envy Skylar sometimes. Everyone else is

working overtime for her sake, and yet she's sleeping in at this hour? How rude! You should

take better care of yourself, Kate. It's not worth ruining your health by getting so worked up

about it!"

Kate let out a sigh. "If only Skylar was half as responsible as you are... You know what, you

should go audition for Pretty Detective too. The more candidates we have, the more

opportunities we gain. Besides, I know you two very well, so it'll be a lot easier for me to

manage this."

Amelia saw Skylar come out of a black Mercedes-Benz when she got to the entrance of the

office. She then waved at her as the two of them crossed paths.

Amelia was dressed in a low-cut business suit which exposed her alluring collarbones.

Even Skylar couldn't help but find Amelia's defined collarbones attractive, even though the

two of them were similar in terms of body weight.

Of course, Skylar's collarbones weren't comparable to hers.

"You're all over the news, Skylar! Congratulations! The amount of media coverage you've

received last night far exceeds what I have throughout my entire career!"

Skylar flashed her a smile as she said, "Is that a genuine compliment I hear? Did you come

to work so early just to congratulate me?"

"No, Kate wanted me to try auditioning for Pretty Detective, so I came to prepare. She said

she had already decided on the lead actress herself."

Skylar frowned. I was told that I stood a 90% chance at getting the role of the lead actress,

so I memorized the entire script for it. Amelia is saying that the candidate has already been

chosen... Judging by her tone and expression, she's obviously implying that she'll be the one

to get the role!

With that in mind, she decided to not ask any further and let Amelia have the stage.

"In that case, I wish you all the best in your preparations for the role, Amelia!" she said

confidently.

According to the data from the company's Public Relations department, a huge majority of

the netizens were alright with the decision, but very few gave their blessings.

There were even some extreme ones who called her filthy and hurled all sorts of profanities

at her. One of them even threatened to kill Skylar if she announced her relationship.

Skylar felt a chill down her spine when she read that and exclaimed, "My goodness... How

twisted does a person have to be to write such horrible things?" She then proposed a solution to the department staff, which was to deny all the claims and

insist that they were just friends making a trip to the drugstore together. The staff had the same idea in mind and said, "This incident will definitely affect you greatly.

Don't let me catch you doing this again."

Skylar was dressed very warmly as she didn't handle the cold as well as Amelia, who only

had on a thin business suit.

The moment Kate saw Skylar, she exploded in anger. Right away, she stormed up to Skylar

and jabbed a finger at her as she yelled, "What the hell are you doing? Don't you know to be

a little more careful now that you're popular? Public Relations has already sent out a

statement claiming that you two are just friends, so, please... Stop letting people get

pictures of you two again!"

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The public relations' solution to the problem was the same as what Tobias had suggested.

"I don't know how this happened, but I will be more careful from now on to prevent it from

happening again," Skylar said.

"Mr. Ford is here too. I'm assuming he came because of this incident.

Did you two come

here together?" Kate asked.

Skylar didn't even know that Tobias was coming over, especially since the two of them went

at it last night.

Tobias had left after getting a phone call earlier. I didn't think he'd beat me to Royal

Entertainment since he never really cares about the company...

"Where is he? Is he in the CEO's office? I didn't know he came over too!" Skylar asked.

Kate lowered her voice to a whisper. "I know you probably won't like what I'm about to say,

but I'm telling you this for your own good. The only reliable thing in this world is your career,

so don't pin your hopes on men! For all we know, he could be here to confront you about the

incident! It's possible that he suspects you of working together with the person who took

the picture. You know, so that you can force him into marrying you and gain the title as his

wife. He's bound to get sick of you sooner or later if you keep this up, okay?"

Skylar frowned at how much Kate was underestimating her place in Tobias' heart.

"He won't think of me that way. We've been dating for a long time now, so he knows me very

well!" she said confidently.

Upon that, Kate let out a sigh in disappointment. "You silly girl! He could be plotting so many

things behind your back without you even knowing!"

Keeping mum, Skylar didn't know how she could convince Kate that Tobias had never lied to

her.

"Why were you buying a pregnancy test kit anyway? Are you pregnant? You're done for if you

get pregnant now! Ask yourself this, would men prefer a hot mom or a pure maiden?" Kate

asked worriedly.

"No, I'm not pregnant. I was just feeling unwell and went to buy some painkillers," Skylar

explained helplessly.

Kate wasn't sure whether to believe her words as Skylar's responses often sounded neutral

regardless of how she was feeling.

Meanwhile, inside Valerie's office, Tobias picked up a picture of Valerie and Susan on her

desk.

It's been so many years now, and yet my two best assistants are still single? That's odd...

Well, not that it's my concern, though.

"Mr. Ford, Skylar is now working as an artiste in Royal Entertainment, so you two should

avoid being seen in public or things will be very difficult for us. Why not just marry her and

make it official?" Valerie complained.

Her courage to speak her mind was the one thing Tobias liked most about her back in the

day.

Valerie had just graduated from university and left her village to seek a better career

prospect in the city. Due to her lack of experience in dealing with people, she had a hard

time adjusting.

Over time, she gradually learned to be more reserved around people. Apart from her picking

on Skylar in the past, Tobias found no other fault in the way she did things.

Valerie looked at Tobias expectantly as she waited for his response. Truthfully speaking, she had little to no confidence in the possibility of him marrying Skylar.

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"I'm fine with marrying her since she's been living with me for a long time now. I want you to

find out who paid these people to spread the news. I doubt two pictures are enough to

cause garner that much attention. Like you said, Skylar is an artiste in our company, so I

shouldn't have to remind you of what to do."

Tobias cares about Skylar more and more with each passing day...

Valerie lowered her gaze

in disappointment and nodded. "Yes, I've had someone look into it last night, but it will take

some time."

Just then, Skylar came in after knocking on the door, and a faint smile appeared on Tobias'

otherwise expressionless face when he saw her. "Wow, it hasn't even been thirty minutes

since I arrived and you already know where to find me?"

Despite being incredibly unhappy to see her, Valerie had no choice but to forcefully maintain

a smile in front of Tobias.

"I'm not interrupting you two, am I? I came here looking for Ms. Fey. Kate said I should

explain everything to her so the higher-ups wouldn't lose faith in me," Skylar said.

She needs Kate to remind her of such simple things? What on earth even goes on in that

tiny little head of hers? Does that mean she wouldn't have thought of coming to explain

herself if Kate didn't tell her to? I can't believe it... She's actually acting like she's Tobias' wife!

Valerie thought to herself in disdain, but kept her tone calm and professional as she spoke,

"Mr. Ford has told me everything. All I can say is you mustn't let that happen again,

especially since you're so close to winning the Golden Eagle Goddess award. You currently

rank second according to the votes."

"I need over three million more votes to beat Sophia. Her votes are twice as much as mine,

so it's pretty much over for me," Skylar replied.

Valerie sneered. She's intentionally mentioning the vote count in front of Tobias? What a

pretentious b*tch! Does she want that award so badly that she would whine about it to

Tobias just because the company doesn't intend on giving her a boost with the votes?

"Seeing as the difference is that huge, why don't you just give up on it? Why bother

concerning yourself with something that you know won't end well?" Tobias asked calmly.

Valerie almost burst out laughing when she heard that. Oh my god! Awkward!

Tobias had basically spoken Skylar's mind with what he said. She didn't want to compete

with Sophia whose popularity was the highest in the entertainment industry. Given how loyal

Sophia's fans were, Skylar would only worsen things for herself if she tried to boost her

votes.

Having said what she came to say, Skylar decided to leave Valerie and Tobias alone. She

saw the way Valerie looked at Tobias, and it was as if she wanted to strip him naked right

then and there.

However, Tobias followed her out of the office, and Valerie's plan to have breakfast with him

was ruined just like that.

I can't believe Tobias took the trouble of coming all the way here just because he's worried

that I would pick on her... Talk about being overprotective... Valerie thought to herself as she

watched them leave.

"I've taken care of things, so you're safe now!" Skylar said half-jokingly. Tobias asked seriously, "Why me?"

Skylar felt confused as she figured he was the one who wished to keep their relationship a

secret from the public.

"Never mind! So, why are you so free today? I usually don't see you around here for months

on end!" she asked with a smile.

Tobias wasn't sure if she was playing dumb or actually ignorant to the fact that he had

come just to help her out.