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Cavern City, Ritz-Carlton Hotel.

As one of the top global five-star hotel brands, the Ritz-Carlton in Cavern City was the second branch of the flagship hotel in the country after it first opened in Andros.

Needless to say, this was the most luxurious hotel in the whole of Cavern City right now. No other hotel could top the degree of luxury it provided.

Following the address Jack gave him, Jasper went straight to the highest floor of the hotel.

The presidential suite was located on this floor.

A woman dressed in a business suit was standing by the door once he got out of the elevator.

"May I know if you're Mr. Laine?" The woman, who resembled a secretary, asked him courteously.

Jasper nodded.

of a video conference right now. There was a

wait for a

After arriving at a reception room, she prepared some tea and

and a minimum of two other guest bedrooms in addition to a lounge, meeting room, reception room, and a

was currently situated in was about 70

the reception room for almost an hour,

tall, and slender woman that gave off an air of competency

toward Jasper after entering the room. She extended her hand with an apologetic smile plastered on her face. "I'm really sorry, Mr. Laine. There was a last-minute emergency meeting, so it took quite some time. You must

said politely as he shook hands with Celine. The two of them

secretary came forward and placed a cup of tea in front of each of

Jasper quietly sized

he had seen on a magazine cover in his past life. However,

dominance that could not be compared to her future self. She had long been complacent and comfortable with her position in her future days. Thus, she did not shine as

a woman concealed their ambitious demeanor, it would not be discovered easily. Nevertheless, that meant

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Besides that, Celine also knew that this young man shared an extremely close relationship with the top four families of Harbor City.

He was especially close with the Laws.

Even the Harbor City Government took a great liking to Jasper as he had played a decisive role in this economic defense battle.

If it had not been for these glorious achievements, Celine would not have decided to meet the mere chairman of a local investment company.

"Mr. Laine, Jack is a longtime friend of mine. He told me that you wanted to meet up with me because of an urgent matter. May I know what this matter is regarding?" Celine spoke up first.

Jasper pondered for a while before deciding to go straight to the point. "I know that Sena is planning to get listed on the Nasdaq. Did they ask Colossal Investments to be their agent?" He asked straightforwardly.

Celine was stunned. "How did you know that, Mr. Laine? Yes, they have. Not many people know about this. Furthermore, Mr. William, the regional president, is handling this personally," she answered in surprise.

Mr. William was the one who had called for an emergency video conference just now. The main topic of discussion was Sena's public listing.

launched, it would become the Terra regional branch's largest business deal of the year. They would gain a lucrative

this issue. Therefore, the conference just now was mainly centred on the arrangements required to help Sena obtain a public

of Colossal Investments who had participated in the video conference earlier. How

over today in hopes that you'd be able to work together with me,

Mr. William is handling this issue personally and no one else is

a scorching gaze at Celine. "I don't want Sena to obtain a public

words, Celine's expression

a frown as she wondered what were the true

Celine's eyes. "Miss Maynard, you don't really want to see Sena obtain a public

is the Terra regional branch's largest deal of the year. There's no reason for me to sabotage this deal," Celine said in a

Investments this year.

words caused Celine to fall

people. There was no need

She arrived at her current position after going

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Even if Celine was smart, she did not expect that Jasper had been rebirthed with more than 20 years worth of memories.

In her past life, when Celine had climbed the corporate ladder abruptly, people had dug up some secrets about her.

One of the most well-known secrets was how she changed jobs from Seefa Securities to Colossal Investments as a young newbie and then immediately jumped into the position of the general manager in the Terra region.

Then, there was the story of how she fought for power with the current president in the Terra region, William, as a general manager.

This later became Celine's entry point.

Celine looked at Jasper calmly and said, "Mr. Laine, what are you planning to do? How do you want me to work with you?"

Jasper smiled and said, "First, I hope to know what price Sena had to pay for you to be their agent."

Celine furrowed her brows and said bluntly, "Mr. Laine, you should know that before the listing succeeds, that this is a trade secret. If I leak this, I'll face the risk of getting sued."

hands and said, "There are no risks in this world that you

are full of risks, and never given to you

while before saying indifferently, "Sena is willing to give us 25% of their stocks in

"How generous."

even

shares worth?

huge price, in the face of Sena's capital chain rupture crisis, it was a necessary step. After all, you could not make an omelet without

get through this crisis and start anew, they would

people would not be able to

that Dane was able to make

mediocre leader would be able to get to

take down this 25%

Celine's expression changed immediately.

steal from her own company. This was not as simple as leaking

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Jasper's expression looked calm and tranquil. He ignored the secretary's overbearing attitude and was only looking at Celine.

"Mr. Laine, Miss Stone came here with me from Seefa Securities, and she's been working with me for 6 years. At work, she's my secretary, but in my daily life, she's my best friend. Therefore, her words are equal to mine."

Celine had a calm look on her face.

The implication was that she had already rejected Jasper.

"150 million." Jasper suddenly said.

"Colossal Investments wants Sena's stocks because you hope it might grow in the future. Despite this, I am currently offering to pay you 150 million on the spot in exchange for 25% of the stock. For an investment company like you guys, this is a deal that is a win for you any way you look at it."

Celine replied without any expression on her face, "Mr. Laine, I don't think you understand. For our investment company, the most important thing is trust. Since we've already signed an agreement with Sena, we'll do things according to the agreement."

"If that's the case, what if Sena is destined to never be listed? Even though Dane is the chairman of Sena, he might not be the biggest shareholder," said Jasper insipidly.

Three investment companies in the

"A company will only go public after gaining approval from two-thirds of all of

decision alone from the internal shareholders of Sena will not be

a clap of thunder. It was so shocking that

but we didn't learn anything about this. Moreover, does Dane not know about this?"

Dane, so why would I let him know? As for your background check, to be honest, you still need

looked heatedly at Jasper and said, "If that's the case, then the contract William signed with Sena

you're at it, tell your boss that you're only going to make them a profit of from this 150 million dollar

for my update, Mr. Laine," Celien

"I've been babbling for

as Jasper left. Then, she could not control herself and asked Celine, "Miss Maynard, can we

"If this were someone else, I would not believe them, but he hosted a market rescue of hundreds of billions in Harbor City and has a good relationship with the Laws. Even the government of Harbor City admires him, so I don't

what are we going to do?" Miss Stone said

we should ask the headquarters in Wall Street to start a shareholder meeting to talk about

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After going back to Terizone, Hudson and the rest were not back yet. Inside the office, Jasper and Jack were sitting next to each other.

"I've contacted Montagne Capitals and they want to confirm whether you've really gotten Colossal Investments' 25% of the shares, Mr. Laine."

After he heard what Jack said, Jasper smiled and said, "You want to know too, right, Jack?"

Jack chortled and said, "I think it's true. If this was someone else, I won't believe them, but if it's you, there's a possibility."

"You think so highly of me." Jasper shrugged. He was not a god, so he could not make everything go his way.

Basically, the plan this time was to use the misinformation between Montagne Capitals and Colossal Investments to create a chance to gain some advantages.

Jasper told Colossal Investments that he had Montagne Capitals' 34% of the shares. He was using this to threaten them to make them realize that if they did not nod their heads, Sena would not be able to float in the market.

As such, they would definitely sell their shares.

As it was Sena's internal problem that caused their float to fail, according to the agreement, Colossal Investments would automatically get 25% shares as compensation.

On the other hand, Jasper could use the fact that he got Colossal Investments' shares as a requirement to buy the shares Montagne Capitals had.

Montagne Capitals would not have a reason to decline that as well.

After Jack heard what Jasper said, he widened his eyes and said in disbelief, "You're saying that... you're lying to them?"

Jasper smiled and said, "I'm not lying because I'm this close to getting my hands on Colossal Investments' share of Sena's shares, and it is indeed 25%."

Jasper told Jack about his plan.

dazed and dizzy after he

I'm so impressed with you," Jack

just cheap tricks. The main problem is that we're still not strong enough. If not, we wouldn't have to use such

long future ahead. In a few more years, you'll be able to reach the height you mentioned. To be honest, I have no idea where you'll be in

I reply to Montagne Capitals then?" Jack

while before saying, "Did they quote a

said, "They did. 200

just been two years and they're selling it for 200

laughed and said, "There's still a very large chance with

negotiate the price. Just promise them. The requirement is to deal

was stumped for words. He could not help but say, "We could at least

with us. If this drags on, problems will arise,"

double this 200 million very soon. Everyone underestimates that Sena still has the value of Terizone. If I combine these two companies into one, who else would become the

stopped speaking abruptly and looked at Jasper while overwhelmed with shock. He muttered, "If that's the case,

this for me. Go as soon as you can,"

said seriously, "Alright, I'll get to the airport now and talk to

hard work." Jasper

company earns, the more I'll get, so this is not hard work

said with a

would be more trustworthy than

in the world and could be said

call from

and Jasper once again came

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After Jasper said that, Miss Stone had a horrible expression on her face. When she was about to say something, Celine said, "Alright, Miss Stone, your emotions are too stirred up."

Miss Stone looked angry, but she did not dare to say anything more. However, it could be seen that she hated Jasper to the bone from the way she looked at him.

Jasper did not know why this woman was so hostile toward him.

At the same time, Jasper's phone rang.

It was from Jack.

"I need to answer this call. Excuse me." After Jasper said that to Celine, he walked away to answer his phone.

Miss Stone looked at Jasper's back with rancor and could not help but say, "Miss Maynard, why is he so menacing? I can't stand him believing himself to be infallible. Who does he think he is?

"He thinks he's all that just because of something he did. Miss Maynard, you're the general manager of Colossal Investments in the Terra region and he's still acting so cocky in front of you."

with an indifferent expression, "Firstly, he's not being cocky. You're the one who's

too much as a secretary. Don't you

caused Miss Stone's expression to freeze. She was speechless for

his

make money. Now that Jasper was offering them a reasonable price and

let out a huge sigh of

a harder bone to chew. However, his lie had finally

copy of the contract to me." After Jasper said

of Celine and said, "Miss

he said that, his phone buzzed. It was an

the MMS in front of

the slow loading time, a

had agreed

about to let out a breath of relief after seeing this agreement, she suddenly noticed

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"Mr. Laine, can you tell me how you did it?" Celine asked.

Jasper smiled and said, "I told you this morning that I have 34% of the shares and then I told almost the same things to Montagne Capitals. Coincidentally, both of you believed me. So, my lie is not a lie anymore."

Celine was not a petty woman. After Jasper explained things and she understood what was going on, she said sincerely, "Mr. Laine, your tactic is... amazing. Very old-fashioned."

Standing at one side, Miss Stone's expression changed. She yelled angrily, "You're a liar indeed!"

Jasper peered at her and said insipidly, "Did you not see my agreement? I already have the 34% shares. How am I lying?"

Miss Stone said coldly, "But you said it yourself that you didn't have it when you were here this morning. You admitted that!"

"The business world is like a warzone, and this is one of the tactics," Jasper said flatly, "You only have yourself to blame for being unable to see through this."

Miss Stone was so mad that her face had turned white. When she was about to say something, she saw that the way Celine was looking at her was becoming colder and colder.

her mouth. However, she was cursing Jasper a million times

and said, "Now, the basis for our collaboration has officially been formed. Miss Maynard, can we talk about

We agree unanimously on your conditions. I've already prepared the documents

she said that, Celine took out a transfer of shares agreement to hand it to

there was nothing wrong with it,

had successfully pocketed Sena's shares that were stranded out

be transferred into your preferred account

of Sena's shares now. May I know what you're going

going to send a huge surprise to Dane from Sena,

out to Jasper. She said, "Even though there were a lot of ups and downs, no matter what, I'm still going

hand to hold Celine's. He smiled and said,

work with you in the future, Mr. Laine. However, I hope such exciting things won't happen

chuckled lightly and said, "I'm sure we will have a

Laine, William was warned by the higher-ups regarding this. He's furious now, so he might have some misunderstandings toward you. If you

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"What right does he have to get angry?" Miss Stone finally found a chance to speak and said coldly.

"He's the one who tricked us first."

"But when we were directing William's anger to him, we didn't know he was setting this scheme and were still feeling pleased with ourselves like dummies," Celine said.

Miss Stone said angrily, "Miss Maynard, I told you we have to be careful of this man. I know for certain that he's not a good person."

"So you're saying that I have a horrible perception of people?" Celine asked airily.

Miss Stone's expression changed as she said hurriedly, "I didn't mean that."

Celine said coldly, "That's why you'll always be a secretary.

"There are no real friends or real enemies in the business world.

"Mr. Laine was indeed the person who set a trap this time, but did his trap hurt our profits? Not only did it not, but it also gave us a good chance to strike William's prestige. This is a good thing for us."

Miss Stone said aggrievedly, "I just can't stand him."

"I know my husband asked you to report to him about anyone of the opposite sex who appears around me, but I'm working, do you understand?"

After Miss Stone heard this, her expression changed.

"Miss Maynard, you've misunderstood—"

"You should know best whether I've misunderstood or not," Celine said calmly.

"You don't have to explain anymore. Since I've said it, it means that I'm very confident. Do you need me to show you the proof?

"Our marriage is based on mutual benefits. We need each other and that's why we got married. I'll allow him to be a male chauvinist in the right amount, but I hope you can understand that if you infuriate me, there won't be good outcomes for both of you.

should know your position because

said that, she

was, and her expression fluctuated irregularly. After recovering from the post-traumatic stress, she gritted her teeth in rancor and

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Sena's shares, Jasper was in

350 million on these shares, not only did he not lose

Sena and Terizone, this 350 million

to the office, Jasper noticed that Theo and

by. All of them had furious expressions on their faces. Even Theo, who just joined, had a gloomy look on

was not a good thing

I was here, I would've beaten up that Warren guy until his head, "Then what? Get arrested? Do you think it's worth it to get locked up for "But you can't let him feel be pleased with himself after tomorrow," Jasper heard Jasper's voice, they lifted their heads to look over in the machinery room?" Jasper some codes which greatly increased our defense. If not, I think we would've needed to work everyone's hard work. I smiled and said, "You don't have to be looked at Hudson. He said with a smile, "Hud, are you for Jasper to ask Hudson to go outstation in Capital experience how comfortable the chair under Dane's butt in words caused the entire office to go into a state of widened his eyes and looked like what he's saying?" Logan asked not worth it to get sick from anger because of people like that. It's not just think of a way to get joined the team and had not fully blended in with them, he did not dare to talk Jasper like he had a lot of things to

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The next morning, Jasper and Hudson showed up in Cavern City International Airport with Julian.

After about half an hour, Jack hurriedly came out from the exit.

After the four of them met up, Jack solemnly took out a shares transfer agreement to Jasper.

"Luckily, I didn't fail to accomplish this mission," Jack smiled and said.

Jasper looked at the contract worth 200 million in his hand and smiled. He said, "Thanks for the hard work."

Jack shook his head and said, "I'm just doing my job."

Jasper said, "I'm going to Capital City with Hud now to incorporate Sena into our troops. Since we won't be in Terizone, I'm going to trouble you to watch over it for me."

Jack smiled and said, "Alright, I'll keep an eye on it."

The two of them shook hands. Then, Jasper led Hudson and Julian onto the plane.

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was outside Sena's headquarters that was located in the best

to Terizone yesterday. I didn't think that we'd come to his

feel?" Jasper

as he said, "In the future, Terizone will definitely

It was good that Hudson had ambitions. This was how the head of a future trillion-dollar

of them headed into the

door, Jasper and Hudson

saw that they did not have employee tags and looked foreign, the guards immediately determined that here to discuss something,"

was at it, he

I don't

caused the guard to lift his head. He

guys look impoverished and yet you're

register book and waved his hand impatiently

was eyeing covetously from the back, charged over and grabbed the guard's

about to escape, he realized that the man's palm was like a pair of pincer pliers, gripping his wrist

go of me!" The guard was nervous as

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The 16th floor was the core office in Sena. There was a huge meeting room here as well as Dane's office and the office of the chairman's secretary.

The other higher-ups would be working on the lower floors. From this alone, Dane's superior status in Sena could be seen clearly.

Inside the meeting room, all of the higher-ups in Sena were sitting upright and still as they listened to Dane's speech.

"This time, we have to make up our minds to get rid of those little companies that will affect the development of Sena!"

After being humiliated in Terizone, Dane rushed back to Capital City that very night. He was so furious that he did not get a good night's sleep.

Today, he called all of the higher-ups to have this meeting early in the morning.

He decided to teach Terizone a lesson to let them know that they would not have anything good awaiting them after offending him.

"We're the ensign for the internet industry in the country! We're the number one web portal among the four! In this country, it can be said that Sena is the boss!"

Dane coldly scanned the higher-ups in the room with an arrogant look in his eyes. His words sounded powerful and resonating.

"Sena is going to float very soon and once it's done, all of you will be the higher-ups of a listed company. You guys will have vestings and it'll be able to make you into millionaires overnight!"

as they looked passionately and enthusiastically

about Sena signing an agreement to float with Colossal Investments was not a secret in the office anymore. At this moment, everyone was calculating how much money they could make as

Once we've done that, the stock price of Sena will be higher and the valuation will

the higher-ups and laughed loftily. He was enjoying the feeling of being chased after

to see how you'll compete

felt a slight hint of remorse. He wanted so badly to get Jasper here to let him see how many talents he had

to crush Terizone

it was as if Dane's wishes had come true. Suddenly, the door

the three of

meeting? Good, then I don't need to get all

but they did know what Hudson looked like as he was the

they displayed extremely shocked expressions on their faces. They did not understand

the enemy suddenly barging into the other troop's base camp when the two troops were

Jasper, and his face looked like he had

you doing

expression on his face after he came back to his senses, "Security! Where's security? Why did they just let irrelevant people inside? Don't they know that the company

his heart when he saw