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Dawson's net worth had never exceeded two billion dollars even when Schuler Group was at its best. Yet here Jasper was with three billion dollars in cash.

There was no comparing them.

Jasper did not know of Dawson's current mixed feelings and directly typed in the code for a specific stock.

Heavenly Dragon Real Estates.

Zayden's plan had succeeded in the previous timeline, so when nosy people decided to look for leads afterward, they found that after Zayden had scammed the 600 million from Schuler Group, he took the money to buy stocks from Heavenly Dragon Real Estates.

Heavenly Dragon Real Estates had a total market value of 4.9 billion dollars.

Moreover, the owner of Heavenly Dragon Real Estates was the Hanks family. The real estate company could be considered as one of the Hanks family's main assets.

Under Zayden's hard work, Heavenly Dragon Real Estates' stocks managed to triple in value and the 600 million turned into 1.8 billion dollars. Just like that, Zayden became a legend in the stock market business.

However, there was no way Jasper would let his dream come true.

Investing all three billion dollars worth of funds into his own securities account, Jasper opened a position at the current price.

City A had a large stock market, where not even the influx of funds could ripple the market capitalization that had amounted to trillions of dollars. However, with a current market price of only 4.9 billion, Heavenly Dragon Real Estates' value was immediately pulled to its daily limit once the three billion dollars worth of funds rushed in.

shooting up of the candlestick chart had

was evident that a

What

domestic A-share

were the most sensitive to changes, and Heavenly Dragon Real Estate's share price had

Jasper began to liquidate

and was immediately followed by a terrifying drop as Jasper depressed the

fear within investors and urged everyone to believe that it was a hidden dealer who was trying to offload

wanted to

Dragon Real Estate's stock prices first skyrocketed before

heavy losses for numerous

brunt were those

the first step

drop, Jasper reopened his position and began to slowly consume shares that

to cease falling,

close to the down limit, he would take it all—until there was no more

and organizations

was trying to deal

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“What? We lost 200 million?”

Zayden was instantly infuriated. ‘How did we lose 200 million out of the blue?’

The Hanks family was rich, and Zayden was hardly poor, but that did not mean money fell from the skies!

Such a sudden turn of events had knocked the wind out of Zayden's chest like a hammer.

He did not understand how his smooth sailing plan had suddenly taken such a sharp turn.

The person on the other end continued to mutter, prompting Zayden to shout at them. “Alright, enough! Shut up! Why are you so frantic, we'll be fine!

“Let me take a look first and I'll update you.”

Hanging up the phone, Zayden quickly turned on his computer.

Although he had mentally prepared himself for what he would see, the sight of skyrocketing K-line followed by the downward plummet of stock prices still stunned him.

Zayden's expression darkened, and it was gloomy to the point that a storm seemed to be brewing between his brows.

stared at the shocking eight-figure value on his

‘Is it Schuler Group?’

‘No way.’

that thought, for he had already cut off Schuler Group's cash flow. There was no way they would have the money to do such a

he had invested the 600 million into Heavenly

few from his family

'Who could it be?

who also want to inherit the

was and whether it

this will be the

thought, Zayden

the market capitalization. Immediately transfer around 80 million in funds from my personal account

...

prices are

both Dawson and

Heavenly Dragon's stocks, which pulled the prices that were hovering over its limits up

rise in prices

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The stocks retail investors owned acted as reminders. If they end up pissing the dealer off and the dealer decided to hammer the market again, it would be over for everyone.

Therefore, all the retailers decided to undersell the stocks they had, leaving some larger organizations to observe the scene.

They still had no idea who this investing party that had just come in and entered a fund of over tens of millions of dollars was. As such, organizations decided to be more careful as to not act impulsively.

"The other party's raising the prices as well, Mr. Hanks. That's weird, I thought they'd continue dumping stocks."

The other person's words from on the other end of the call made Zayden frown.

"It looks like they're targeting me, then."

Zayden clenched his jaw. "They're accumulating stocks!"

"The 80 million will be used up in no time if this keeps going on, Mr. Hanks. We've got to come up with a plan."

"Motherf*cker!"

Zayden suppressed the urge to bring parents into his swears. In addition to the 600 million, he had put in another 80 million from his own pocket. He would be in big trouble if he lost the money.

his jaw. "I'll transfer another 14 million. Whatever you do,

million dollars at the last minute, transferring the funds to

as he watched Heavenly Dragon's stock

mysterious person did not have a large sum of funds and would back off at the current

pooled his money, Jasper had

Your personal account's back, Uncle Schuler, but you'll need to sign

"Great!"

no qualms

hold a placard. We don't have that kind of time, so we can only open two of your smaller sub-accounts

moments away from needing to hold a placard as he spoke. He transferred the funds to both Dawson and Wendy's accounts while

4.9 billion on the market. He had three billion, and that

He had

and continue to invest, he decided to

Our defenses are down. We don't

lines with a grim look on his face. His hand tightened harshly around his phone, moments away from

"Motherf*cking hell!

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Running red lights as he sped to Hanks Residence, Zayden had yet to catch his breath when he was summoned by Sylva, his father and the head of the Hanks family, to the study.

"I just received notice this afternoon that there were unusual fluctuations with Heavenly Dragon's stocks. Someone is trying to control the market price. I believe you've already fought them?" Sylva stated as he looked at Zayden impassively.

As Zayden's father, no one knew better than Sylva of his son's actions.

Embezzling Schuler Group, for example. Without Sylva's permission, there was no way Zayden would have the guts or the resources to do so.

As well as when Zayden did not hand over the 600 million he had taken from Schuler Group and invested it into Heavenly Dragon instead. It was something Sylva had allowed.

Yet evidently, the current turn of events had exceeded the expectations of the father-son duo.

Taking a big gulp from the cup a servant had brought in, Zayden then relayed the entire situation to his father with an embarrassed look on his face.

Sylva remained quiet as he listened and did not comment on anything at all.

“Which is to say, your plan has been exposed.” Sylva’s tone was void of emotions.

Zayden knew that this was a premonition to his father’s fury and quickly replied, “The plan’s been smooth-sailing this entire time, Dad. Everyone around me is too loyal to betray me. I can’t think of how that b*stard Schuler could’ve gotten wind of it.”

“You were set for failure the moment you saw Dawson as a fool who would be easily trampled on!” Sylva chided.

“Dawson and I are from the same generation. If he could’ve gotten to where he is today even under your grandfather’s control, then what makes you think you can hold power over him when the Hanks family has failed to? Did you think that your plan was flawless? Do you have any idea how many times I’ve had to clean up after you?”

Zayden’s expression grew despondent as Sylva continued to berate him.

the biggest issue now is that we have no idea who this person sniping Heavenly Dragon Real Estates is. Maybe Dawson found someone to lean on, but we

many of your uncles and cousins

be strong, but these

of this will result in a grave loss to the family. Screw this up and you can forget about succeeding my place in the

make sure I won’t let them get what they want! I can tell you for sure that they’re here for the sole from a long time ago. That’ll explain why money

person has accumulated enough shares today, so I’m sure he’ll crash the market right off the bat tomorrow morning when

Won’t you just

replied with certainty, “No way. Heavenly Dragon has been low-profile this entire time.

the stocks

before he asked, “So how much money do you

billion!” Zayden’s words

the family’s assets if you want to withdraw that much money.

jaw. “If we succeed,

million I invested in the beginning for profit, coupled with my own money that I put in. It'll accumulate to a total of 1.7 billion dollars of capital. It'll be enough to crush them, and with Schuler anymore. I've decided to push the plan forward and immediately publicize Schuler Group's broken cash flow. There's no doubt that Schuler Group will be then they'll be attacked by both sides. They can't confidence in Zayden, Sylva fell deep in thought for a decision. The money will arrive in your account by the time the market opens again tomorrow. Don't forget that this is a battle you cannot lose. Win, and no "Don't worry, Dad. There's no way I'll lose. Schuler Group will be ours, and I want to ... returned to Hanks Residence, Jasper turned the

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"You're not going to hammer the market again?" Wendy asked, astonished.

"If even you assume that I'll hammer the market, then there's no doubt that Zayden will think so too. He has to save Heavenly Dragon Real Estate, while all I want is to crush him.

"Not to mention that I'm not interested in playing in such a small pool with him. Heavenly Dragon Real Estate is hardly any high-quality stock. It'll only be a matter of time before inflated stock prices would plummet. He has no shot at saving this market."

Dawson agreed with Jasper's words.

Despite not understanding how the stock market worked, doing business was built on the same idea. When a company only had so much to provide, it did not matter how people hyped it, for the company's market price would not exceed its performance by too much.

After all, investors were not fools.

"Alright then. That's it for today, we'll deal with it again tomorrow. Come back with us for today, Jasper, you can stay at our home." Dawson's words were shocking.

Wendy made a small sound and began to shuffle on her seat. She glanced at Jasper then back at Dawson.

it would not be very 'ladylike'

heart did not

to spiral in a fanciful

word that drifted through her head and she turned her face away

would be my pleasure.” Jasper gave a small smile as he took in Wendy’s
aloud and brought the two of
exiting Schuler Group Headquarters and getting into Dawson’s Maybach S600, Jasper stared
the province, it had hardly begun to develop. Low-story housing could be seen everywhere and the
roads were still narrow. Sites
in the real estate industry? This industry will inevitably be the
Jasper held a strong enough place in Dawson’s heart, Dawson would genuinely consider the words he
we’re still wary when it comes to the real estate industry. It takes too many funds and it’s not liquid
was not surprised by Dawson’s
Sure it may require a considerable amount of funds to build real estate, but you don’t have to

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Dawson making such a suggestion was an evident act of reciprocation so that Jasper would be
benefitted as well.

The most crucial part of the plan was connections, for it involved the bank, the contractors, and official
dealings. These were all things that Jasper could not perform as he was still a rookie in the field.

Dawson, however, was different.

Perhaps, Dawson was doing more than just returning the favor. Perhaps there was something deeper to
it.

Jasper glanced at Wendy who sat next to him. She seemed secretly elated about something he had no
idea about. Slowly, he found himself understanding what his future father-in-law’s intention was.

He was using his own connections to pave a path for Jasper.

“Sure. We can talk about this officially another day,” Jasper replied.

Dawson nodded in satisfaction. There was no need to explain himself too much when he was talking to
someone smart, for they caught on pretty quickly.

the outskirts. As the richest family in the province, the Schuler’s

had bought this piece of lush land and built a villa amidst the mountains and bodies of water. It occupied
was a fountain and two wide paths for cars in the middle of the grass lawn. The paths stated clearly
which was to

villa built in a way that resembled

sight, Jasper could not help but admire the depths of the richest man in the province’s wealth

dinner with them once they returned home, but he received a phone call that changed

people in the group are asking about credited payments. I have an

of the transferral of funds, I've got to deal with this in person. You

Uncle Schuler. Just tell me if there's anything I can do

The name Dawson Schuler itself is a brand of its own in

Then, Dawson quickly left.

asked worriedly, "My dad

just like that. Relax, it's just one Zayden Hunt.

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Watching Wendy's fleeing figure, Jasper's eyes were filled with mirth.

The most fantastical period between a man and a woman was during this blurred and ambiguous time.

Jasper had already regarded Wendy as his own to love, and Wendy showed no intention of rejecting.

There was no way this relationship would meet the same fate as in his previous life—over the moment it began.

Wendy did not reappear before Jasper until dinner, but even then she still dared not look at him.

It was precisely such shyness that was akin to a lotus fluttering in the cold breeze that made Wendy look particularly enchanting.

As the two talked and laughed at the dinner table, a servant interrupted them with the arrival of a guest.

The message had just been relayed when the door of the villa was pushed open, and a loud couple walked into the living room of the villa.

"Are you back already, Wendy?" the well-dressed, heavily accessorized woman asked in surprise when she saw Wendy in the dining room.

Wendy replied politely, "I just came back today. Uncle Zach, Aunt Luna, are you here for Dad?"

Hearing this, Luna and Zach shared a look before Luna finally asked, "Is your dad at home, Wendy?"

Wendy shook her head and responded, "Dad went out to do something, Aunt Luna. How can I help you?"

I just heard rumors that something came up with the group's funds. We were wondering how your dad is doing, so we came to visit and check up

cold when she spoke, "Don't worry, Uncle Zack, Aunt Luna. How could such a large group have

that, Luna's expression shifted slightly and she stated bluntly, "That's where you're wrong. It's never impossible for things to take an abrupt turn when it comes to doing business. You never know what can possibly happen, which brings us to the main reason we

the end of

and, as my dad's brother, not only are you not helping my dad, but you're also

words. Luna shouted, "Bullsh*t! What do you know? You're just a child. How can you speak to your elders

like an elder the moment you act like an elder. But with how you're behaving

furiously. "Even your dad wouldn't talk to us like

your family owes me money. That is a fact. Pay us now, or we'll start moving our

spat out bitterly, "You've always been in poor health, Uncle Zach, and the situation in your family used to be very difficult. When Dad founded the company, he had never once

dad was the one who sponsored the opening of your factory. He would tell you he lent you instead of giving you that money if you asked him so that it wouldn't bruise your ego. You've

you trying to say, you stupid lady? Your father has so much money, and your Uncle Zach is his brother. What's wrong with giving his brother a little money, huh? I

ago. We've already given you leeway and

at it, isn't this all your own problems? You should be blessed to be fancied by Zayden from the Hanks family, yet you just had to play hard to get and ignore him. Had it not been for you, Mr. Hanks would've solved this problem the company

blame someone, blame yourself for acting

no matter where I went. You were the one secretly informing him this entire time. You couldn't wait to see me

that because you and your dad are rich that makes you the best in the world? The Hanks family bears power that you cannot possibly compare. It's your honor to marry him. How could you be so stupid and blind to not even recognize a blessing when it's right in

it, there's no way I can talk to people like you. Leave, my dad

to pay back the money you owe? It's just over a million dollars! Pay me

was utterly irritated and was about

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"Da-Dawson... You're back."

Uneasiness bubbled in Luna and Zach's hearts at the sight of Dawson.

After all, the couple was only so well off today thanks to Dawson.

"Why wouldn't I be back? You came here to look for me, didn't you?" Dawson spoke angrily.

He understood if outsiders wanted to trouble him for their own personal gains now that there was a small issue with the group.

Yet to think that it was his own family, Zach and Luna, who would be the first to come knocking on his door for money.

There was no way Dawson would not be furious. Their actions had chilled his heart.

Luna's expression shifted between gloomy and bright as she clenched her jaw. "We just want to sustain our family, Dawson. Can't you just pay the credit first..."

Dawson threw a check at Luna's face, interrupting her.

1,130,000! Take it and

found no need to suppress the things she wanted to say. She clenched her jaw in infuriation. "This is where you're wrong, Dawson. No matter how you

and you pay us back.

you no idea about the quality of your products?" Dawson

to products of the same kind, yours are the ones with the most complaints! I would've thrown all of it out long ago had it not been for

had enough of you looking down on us

anyway. I'd like to see what

that you knew about the news long before I did.

gaze on Luna as he questioned

as she shrieked. "I don't know what

"You don't know?"

the one who spread the news to the suppliers, so tell me what

crap when you have no evidence! Being rich doesn't give you the right to slander me," Luna argued. She did not dare to meet Dawson's gaze as she pulled

watched the two figures leave

left, Wendy asked, "Did they

sure before, but it seems like it

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"That's how fatherly love works, weighted and grand!"

Jasper comforted Wendy, saying, "Everything will get better after this."

"It's the final fight tomorrow... isn't it?" Wendy stared at Jasper with a burning gaze.

Jasper nodded. "Tomorrow determines whether we win or lose, whether life or death awaits us."

"We'll win, though, won't we?" Wendy asked seriously.

Jasper smiled. "Yeah."

Wendy was greatly relieved by that reply and beamed. "Come on. I'll bring you to your room."

The following morning after breakfast, Dawson cleared his schedule for the day and sat next to Wendy behind Jasper.

"Their transfer of assets got buffered since we managed to find out about it early, so the most crucial thing now is this battle of stocks. If we lose here, then it's over for Schuler Group. But if we manage to win, then it's smooth sailing from here onward."

"No matter

before the

was talking to three stock traders in front of him. The man seemed slightly nervous as he spoke, "Wake up, wake up. The market's about to open soon. I've already transferred the funds into the account. All you need to do is work the stocks according

transferred from his family's account half an hour ago. With this one billion, Zayden had full confidence that he would be able

the ten minutes were up,

The day began.

Estate begin to rise the

in the depths of the jungle,

ordered his

it! Buy every single stock there is for this

price showed a smooth upward trend. However, it seemed like the person who fought him yesterday for stocks

are they? Where did they

frowned before he suddenly sneered, "Afraid now, are

has made a move,

and Zayden immediately turned to look at

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"The bait has been bitten, now it's time to rein in the net. Zayden's in for a big loss this time."

Jasper stated indifferently as he stared at the screen.

By his side, Wendy stared at Jasper's side profile besottedly.

It was said that a man looked the best when he was buried in work. At that moment, in Wendy's eyes, Jasper was glowing...

In just two days, the stocks in Jasper's own account as well as both of Dawson and Wendy's sub-accounts had arrived at a frightening amount.

Coupling that with how he had cornered Zayden yesterday and pulled the stock price to its limit again just now...

As of that moment, Jasper's trap had been set.

All he had left to do was give Zayden the illusion that he was here to fight to the death, that he wanted all of Heavenly Dragon Real Estate's stocks.

If that was the case, then he would become the dealer of Heavenly Dragon Real Estate's stocks and Zayden would lose all decisive authority.

That was why Zayden could not give up.

turned out just as

all just to get his hands on circulating stocks before

everything got brutal, Jasper revealed his wretched fangs now that his set-up

finally gotten the chance

by surprise when he sold his

trying to out-plan the other, only

Heavenly Dragon

dive that collapsed the platform

him, so he had never expected the latter to suddenly pack his things and

"The opponent is selling!"

been absorbed to buy the stocks, Mr.

don't have enough funds,

rang out incessantly as they urged Zayden. His chest was engulfed with darkness while his throat had

with the money he had invested yesterday, as well as the one billion

that, 1.7 billion dollars had turned from liquid cash

the highest list