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“I plan to persuade the boss of Hello Company to open a hotpot restaurant in our Faith County!”

Darrel’s eyes shone as he spoke.

“He has already agreed and promised to sponsor half the money. But following his requests, it’s very expensive to invest in one Hello Hotpot restaurant and I don’t have that kind of money.”

Darrel’s eyes burned into Jasper as he asked sincerely, “Jasper, I came here today to ask you for help.”

The elders must have stopped talking some time ago, for they were all listening to Jasper and Darrel’s conversation.

After Darrel had spoken, both Honey and her husband looked at Jasper pleadingly.

Jasper tapped his fingers on the pictures but did not speak.

Honestly speaking, Darrel could have just decided to open a normal hotpot restaurant or any other normal business.

give him an amount he never expected to be repaid and that

to open a shop here

give you two options to

a long

money you require is under 200,000 dollars, I’ll lend you however

directly do his business here in the Southeast Province. Scale-wise, my only requirement is that there be at least one in every

in thought for a moment after

two!” Darrel looked up at

chuckled, his satisfaction

tend to choose the first option. After all, that was a

all the shares, any deeper thought would have the person realizing how much better this

a large scale, 10% was

become a large chain of catering brands in the province.

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Such a vast amount shocked Honey and her family.

Even Darrel had not expected that this plan would need so much money.

“Wow! That’s more than eight million. How much money even is that? What if it all ends up in a loss?” Honey asked.

Jasper smiled. “That’s how business works, everything comes with a risk. Planning for the worst, then working to achieve the best is the only thing we can do.”

“Eight million. 10% of shareholder rights, that means I get 800,000 right off the bat?” Darrel gasped in disbelief.

Jasper replied calmly, “That’s only the beginning. Not to mention that we’re using the brand and skills from the boss of Hello Hotpot. He’ll still be the one in charge of training the employees, so his percentage of shares won’t be very low. This is something you need to talk to him about.”

Darrel scratched his head in embarrassment. “I don’t know how to do anything. What if I screw this negotiation up... This is way too much money.”

“How much money is involved here won’t change the outcome. I’ve heard of Hello Hoptpot’s boss. He’s an ambitious man. There’s something about you that he admires, or he wouldn’t have agreed to open an outlet all the way in one of the Southeast Province’s small counties.

he already has the desire to expand Hello Hotpot, he just doesn’t have enough funds. What you’re doing now is negotiating with him on my behalf. You have the funds he needs, so

would only be picked apart until nothing was left if he ran up to

had predicted that he would be very

few words here and there

they did not understand, they found Jasper very capable. Respect filled their eyes when they looked at

was said and done, the two families

dinner, but Honey and her family made an

for everyone and brought them all

room in one of Tefa City’s five-star hotels, Jasper

were immensely grateful for Jasper the entire way while Jasper merely smiled. He taught Darrel things he had learned from his business experiences. The

entire

dinner, Jasper received

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Kai, the president of Ascendas Investment.

Jasper did find this person slightly familiar.

From what Jasper remembered, he was a kind man who always smiled when he talked.

Jasper did not ask too much, for there were some things better said in person than on the phone. As such, he directly accepted the suggestion.

After eating with his aunt's family for a moment, Jasper then got up and excused himself.

Everyone understood that he was busy, so they let him leave.

Exiting the private room, Jasper followed the directions John sent him and arrived at a small private room upstairs.

Thick smoke was seen in the air of the small private room, and John could be seen drinking with Kai.

was heavy in the air. Jasper waved his hand before his face and spoke, "Are you guys trying to

Jasper, Kai immediately shot up before John could say anything and

they were acquaintances who had only met

John had taken the risk of offending someone and stood up

it not been for that,

that John must have said something before he came over. Disagreeing, Jasper smiled to say, "Relax,

over to the table and sat

called a waiter

your best dishes. Have your manager arrange everything.

a subtle smile at Kai's arrangement and spoke, "You don't have to

from him though he was a little embarrassed. "Basically,

money and put them in riskier shares. If they earn, fine. But

money back. They promised to put the money there for a year

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"It's too late to think about what we should've done now. But Jasper, we were thinking if you could lend a helping hand? It'd be fine if it was just Kai, but his family shouldn't have to suffer because of it as well," John spoke hesitantly.

Jasper smiled subtly at John and replied, "You're too good of a friend, John."

John waved him off. "Kai and I have been friends for more than a decade. There's no way I can just stand aside and watch him kill himself."

Jasper asked, "Then how do you want me to help?"

Kai and John's eyes shone at Jasper's question. Especially Kai, for he did not expect Jasper to be willing to help. Kai quickly replied, "I need an extra 3.5 million in funds, and I was wondering if you could lend me that amount? I promise I'll pay you back once this whole incident is over, Mr. Laine.

"Honestly, 3.5 million isn't a lot at all," Jasper replied. Seeing the elation on Kai's expression, Jasper quickly continued, "But I have a series of investments after New Year's, so I don't plan on lending the money."

At that, both Kai and John's expressions changed.

spoke,

reasons. I wouldn't lend someone money if they asked for 3.5 million out of the blue either. Don't make it difficult for

of his tongue when he sighed and swallowed them back, opting to say something else.

I'm sorry, I shouldn't have

his head back and

not even stop him in time and smiled bitterly. "Calm down,

instantly sparked hope in the two other

turned to speak to Kai, "How many liquid funds do you have at

have. The client wants to take four million out next week, so I've

gave it some thought and replied, "It's only Wednesday today. Two business days until

"What do you have in mind, Jasper? Tell us,

smiled. "I think I can help Kai, but it's

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'Mr. Ray?'

Jasper looked at John with confusion.

John quickly explained, "Samuel Ray. Remember Hugh? That man had some beef with you before. Hugh was crushed in the end, remember? So it was Samuel Ray who ended up taking his place in the end.

"I don't think you know him, considering how he happened to be outstation when we went to Royce Villa that one time. His power was just slightly less that of Hugh's, so he's the top dog now that Hugh has fallen."

John's displeased tone told Jasper that this Mr. Ray was hardly an easy person to deal with.

At the same time, Kai's call with Samuel was connected.

Kai first relayed his stand, which was met with Samuel's chiding from the other end of the line. Samuel was so loud that both Jasper and John could hear him clearly.

“Look, Jones, logically speaking, this is your money. Whether you want to die with it or not is not my problem. But we’ve already come to an agreement, and I also counted your funds into this. We’re entering the market tomorrow and you’re telling me that you want out now?

or something? What, do you think I’m going to run away with

fault for not thinking this whole

treat you

ass. Do I look like I need a meal from

and you’re just going to take that 800,000 dollars out of the equation at the last minute? Who the hell am I supposed

set in stone yet. Not to mention that I was never told

should’ve f*cking killed you. Just

the f*cker who’s helping you, huh? Tell me who he is. I’ll

replied coldly, “I’m only calling to inform you, not to ask you for your opinion. I

rage on the other end and hung up

bitterly. “My apologies, Mr. Laine. I’ve made a fool of

we’ve already decided, then John and I will take a trip to your company

“Okay! We’ll

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John came to fetch Jasper the following day, and the two arrived at Ascendas Investment.

Ascendas Investment took up the entire top floor of an ordinary commercial building.

“Kai’s Ascendas Investment sure looks professional.”

Jasper told John as he took a glance at the pretty lady at the front desk.

John pursed his lips. “Kai doesn’t like being looked down on, so he tends to waste his money on formalities like this.”

Kai then walked out of his office to greet the both of them.

“Mr. Laine, John. Everything’s ready, should we go?”

Jasper glanced at the time, realizing that it was currently 7:40 a.m. There was still 20 minutes until the market opened, so he nodded and followed Kai into his office.

was a large office desk with a few computers

Jasper sat

800,000 dollars is in

to speak when the office door was

eyes flitted over to see

shouted in

“Never thought I’d come and look

took a deep breath and calmed himself down. “This is my office, what are you doing

back on your word and now I have to cancel my entire f*cking plan. Of

“Plus...”

glared at Jasper. “I’d like to know what kind of help you’ve got here. Someone even better than me, huh? Someone who has got you begging like a

you have sh*t for brains. You’re going to get scammed before you know it, you idiot!” Samuel gave Jasper a once-over and

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“You’ve sure got quite the galls for a young man!”

Samuel scoffed at Jasper’s claim.

“How much do you think you can help Jones earn with 800,000 dollars in funds, you brat? Don’t talk big if you don’t have the ability to back you up. You’ll have to pay the consequences for bluffing.”

Jasper looked at Samuel and chuckled. “You seem so certain that I’m unable to help Kai get his capital back.”

Samuel scoffed and pointed at the ashtray with more than ten cigarette buds in it. “I’ll eat the ashtray if you can do it.”

Jasper spoke calmly, “I don’t need you to eat this ashtray. How much did you lose last month in total, Kai?”

Kai replied embarrassedly, “Here and there, I’d say a total of more than six million.”

you like to gamble, Mr. Ray?” Jasper slightly squinted his eyes at Samuel’s dark expression. “Kai lost six million and I have the remaining 800,000 dollars of his

six million back for him today, you’ll pay me the amount

you are, you brat? Do you think you can predict the future? Earning six million with a capital of 800,000 dollars, do I look like an idiot or are you telling me you print money for a living? You

calmly, “Stop giving me all that nonsense. The more impossible it is, the more this benefits you, doesn’t bet, then. But what

come up with six million

stared at Jasper. "Where the hell are you going to get that six million from? How do I know Jasper was speechless.

over wealthy businessmen. He had been on the receiving end of cold sneers can swear on

John suddenly spoke.

testify that Jasper is able to pay six million

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With history testifying Jasper's ability, Kai immediately nodded and relaxed. He replied with a grin, "Alright. Let's just sit and watch, then."

Not knowing what Kai and John were murmuring about between themselves, Samuel scoffed and growled. "What are you two f*cking idiots so happy about? You're already screwed."

"Watch your mouth."

Jasper looked up from behind the computer and glanced at Samuel, speaking calmly, "What kind of bet will this be if you're so noisy and affect me earning money, hmm?"

"Motherf*cker!" Samuel roared, his expression terrifyingly dark. He forced himself to calm down as it truly was not the time to say anything. He forced the words out with a huff, "Fine. I won't say anything, then. I'd like to see how you're going to screw yourself over. I'll be waiting for that six million from you!"

At that point, Jasper no longer had the mood to entertain Samuel.

His focus was entirely on the screen before his eyes.

official website of

latest news released less than 20

shrink substantially with a 40% decrease in output

he had written all the financial incidents that he remembered from his past life in a

but it was only a small

Jasper called it small was that the benefits from this incident were less exaggerated

this incident if Kai's affair had not happened at such a

things were now, winning this gamble against Samuel did

market. The cotton pricing incident before the new year would be

would shrink greatly, triggering the rise in prices for cotton's futures market. That afternoon, the official website would announce that import trade had been agreed on with a few other

two news announcements would cause the price of cotton to rise steeply and then crash

Jasper

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At that, the three other men present were dazed.

Even John, who trusted Jasper the most, was shocked. He knew that Jasper was someone who would never hesitate once he found an opening, but he had not expected Jasper to be so brave.

“Won’t you give it a deeper thought, Jasper? After all, the bar for the futures market is too high. We only have 800,000 dollars. I’m afraid we’ll hit liquidation right away with the slightest pullback in price if we buy in the entire position.”

“That’s right, Mr. Laine. The prices have already risen by 2,000 Some Dollars. That’s a 16% increase. While it is exciting, the market price is bound to return to normal once it reaches a high enough amount,” Kai spoke carefully.

Samuel could not help but guffaw. “I can’t believe I actually got startled when you talked so big and surely just now. You’re just a useless nobody, after all. Hahaha!

“You’re f*cking stupid. Do you think you can just rush in because it’s good news? What do you take the futures market for, a taxi? Do you think the prices will spike just because it’s raining?”

“Do you even know what a pullback is? It’s rare for idiots like you to continue trading in the market when prices reach a certain high. There are people who’ve been holding futures stocks for a long time and if they see that there’s a profit, some of them will choose to sell. Most people tend to look at the trend first and then the price will of course drop back to normal. That’s called a pullback.

“Do you even f*cking understand me? A slight drop of 1,000 bucks will have your capital of 800,000 dollars hitting liquidation. It’ll be too late for you to cry then.”

still not too late for you to regret it now since you haven’t bought in. But I’ll be charging 40% for commission and procedures this time if you

clenched his jaw quietly and

you trust me, then do as I say. If you don’t want to trust me, then

two seconds before he clenched his jaw

“Then buy in.”

when he looked at the market. There had been a 400 dollars increase in the price of cotton during the one to two

legends about the wealthy with envy, claiming that they only grew

not know was that luck had never played

the wind blew and a chance had found its way to you, you still needed the courage to risk your entire wealth and

you would still be the plain, ordinary

that sort of bravery, so there

in, Samuel's expression turned colder as he sneered sinisterly. "Go ahead, then. Buy in, it's just 800,000 dollars anyway. I'd like to see if you're going to jump out from this window when you

"Shut up!"

power and shouted at him darkly, "This is my office. I can and will call someone to

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Samuel, who heard Jasper's words, immediately scoffed. "So pretentious. Do you think you're the only one who knows how to bluff? We might as well ignore everything and throw all our money in one direction in that case, then! Do you think that'll secure your victory? F*cking hilarious!"

Jasper glanced at Samuel calmly and spoke, "That explains why you can only be all high and mighty within the county. I suppose there's a reason why you can't make it in the cities."

As if he had his tail stepped on, Samuel immediately shot up and roared, "You f*cking brat! What did you just say?!"

It was Samuel's biggest regret that he could not be a part of the city's circle of wealthy people.

The last thing he could tolerate was people telling him he was a county tyrant. He dreamed of nothing more than to enter an even more sophisticated social circle, but they all looked down on him.

At the same time, Kai suddenly shouted, interrupting Samuel's exploding anger.

"It's a pullback! The prices are pulling back!"

The crowd all turned to look, only to see the price of cotton on the screen make an abrupt turn at the peak of the market and begin to drop.

was a 500 Somer Dollar drop right at

800,000 capital that just entered the

the capitalization game

two idiots that you'll be screwed if you follow this f*cking idiot. You lost half

John, who trusted Jasper the most, felt his heart thump nervously as he sneaked glimpses at Jasper— what

Jasper remained calm. "It's going to be

expected

pullback in the price of cotton, but

Jasper was certain that the pullback was a minor one, and the prices

him entering the market after a 400 Somer Dollar increase. As such, the risk now seemed

It was too late for him to turn back now, so he clenched his jaw and spoke, "It's alright, Mr. Laine. This was my choice

Jasper reestablishing his impression

Jasper