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After sending Mandy to her place, Elvira returned home. Looking at the empty house, Elvira suddenly felt quite irritated. She simply opened her email-box and started working. Since she had declared war on Judy, she had to win. This time, she would not give Judy a chance to turn the tables.

Elvira had already asked Cole to investigate Judy's identity. When Elvira unintentionally said that Judy was not the Willis family's descendant back then, Amber's reaction really made her suspicious.

However, it was a long time ago. It was not easy for Elvira to investigate. According to Cole's investigation, Amber did not even have an ex-boyfriend.

Elvira could not help but wonder if Amber was really clean since she had no morality in her, became a mistress to a man with a family, and was vicious.

Elvira thought that Amber's history was so clean that it was abnormal.

It was already eleven o'clock at night, and Zach was still not home. Elvira suppressed the uneasiness in her heart as she got up to take a shower and prepare to sleep.

Elvira had just come out of the shower when Zach returned. Elvira smiled when she saw him return and asked, "What did you do today? Why did you come back so late? You didn't tell me

In the past, when Zach came home late, he would definitely report it to her.

His behavior was indeed very abnormal today.

However, Elvira felt that since he came home in the end, it meant that he still valued their family. She did not want to make things difficult for herself.

"I'm sorry to have kept you waiting. I had some urgent personal matters to attend to." Zach walked over and wanted to hug Elvira.

Elvira smelled an unknown perfume on him, so she retreated and avoided him. She smiled and reminded him, "You should take a shower first. I don't like the perfume on you."

Zach's hands froze in the air. He said, "Then go to sleep first. I'll come to you

Elvira had no objections. She turned around and went back to the bedroom.

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After taking a shower, Zach lay down next to Elvira. Elvira looked at him and could tell that he had something on his mind. However, she did not want to take the initiative to ask about Carmen. She still hoped that he would take the initiative to confess to her. "Sleep early. You have work tomorrow." With that, Zach leaned forward and kissed her forehead before turning off the lights.

This was the first time that Zach was not intimate with Elvira. Seeing this, Elvira was quite upset. She turned over and slept with her back facing him. After a while, Zach leaned over and hugged her.

In the middle of the night, Zach's phone rang. Elvira was also awakened. Zach had a private number and a work number, so his private phone was always on. He was afraid that something would happen to Tracy and he would not be able to answer the call. Zach picked up the phone. Elvira did not hear what was said on the phone. She asked in a daze, "Is it about Grandma and Alice?"

"No. I have something urgent to attend to. Go back to sleep." Zach got up and went to the cloakroom.

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Elvira sat on the bed and looked at him. In less than a minute, he put on his clothes and left in a hurry.

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Elvira rubbed her forehead helplessly and thought that i was a call from Carmen. Since Zach rushed over in the middle of the night, it seemed like Carmen was really important to him.

The next day, Elvira took a taxi to the company. The security guard came to open the door for her again. Elvira smiled and

thanked him.

Cole had already got a screenwriter to start editing the script. The next step was to hire actors. Cole gave a list of actors.

Elvira looked at the name list and confirmed a few people. She instructed, "Run a background check on all our actors. They must not have any personal problems."

Cole had not thought of this. He nodded. "Okay, got it. I'll get my staff to investigate."

Elvira said, "Make Morris Peterson the male lead and Cheryl Porez the female lead. That's all for now. If the two of them don't have time, just try to contact other actors."

Cole was stunned for a moment before saying, "But Morris Peterson seems to have been kept by his company because of something that happened previously. It's the same with Cheryl Porez... Their popularity is not high now. Will it affect the box office if we sign them?" Cole had never doubted Elvira's decision, but today, he was a little hesitant. He knew that Elvira was going to battle Judy with her new movie, so he did not dare to be careless.

He didn't want Elvira to lose.

"It's alright. Just do as I say. I have my plans," Elvira said firmly.

When Cole saw this, he shut his mouth and planned to follow Elvira's request to negotiate.

In the morning, Elvira received a call from Zach, saying that he had to go on a business trip and his return date was uncertain.

Elvira's hand that was writing paused. She frowned and finally said, "Okay. Be careful."

After hanging up the phone, Elvira threw down her phone and leaned back in the chair. She was already very annoyed. Now, she realized that Zach wasn't just devoted to her.

She supposed if Mandy wanted to sow discord between her and Zach and make her feel bad, then she had succeeded.

Elvira called Olivia to ask if she had time to come out for a meal. Olivia checked her duty schedule and immediately agreed.

The two of them decided on a restaurant in the mall. It had been a long time since Elvira and Olivia had shopped in the mall. They planned to shop for a while after lunch.

In the restaurant, Olivia picked up a piece of steak and placed it on Elvira's plate. She asked, "You seem to have something on your mind. Otherwise, with your workaholic personality, you wouldn't have asked me out for lunch. Tell me, what happened?"

"I don't want to talk about it yet. I'll tell you when I want to." Elvira was not in the mood to talk about the relationship between another woman and Zach.

"Then we'll not talk about it. Let's just eat and shop today!" Olivia helped Elvira with the fish.

While the two of them were eating, someone stood beside their table. Elvira looked at Leonard and blinked.

Leonard said, "Hi, Elvira It's such a coincidence to meet you her. There are no empty tables in the restaurant. Can I join you for the meal?"

Olivia looked at the handsome man beside him and then at Elvira, waiting for her decision.

"Sure. It will be your treat then." Elvira would not let him cat for free.

"Of course, no problem." Leonard sat down happily and asked the waiter to serve a few more plates of dishes.

After finding out about Leonard's identity, Olivia asked, "Are you Mr. Gilbert's younger brother?"

"No. He's the bastard child of Zach's scumbag father." Elvira did not intend to show the Gilbert family's illegitimate children any respect. Anyway, since Mandy and Leonard had come to her, she would just say whatever she wanted. Olivia was shocked. "You look quite similar to Zach."

"We share the same father after all. I know that my identity is not honorable, so I've been hiding overseas all these years. It's true that I shouldn't show off my shady identity. I agree with this Leonard smiled and helped Olivia and Elvira with their food. When Elvira heard his words, she raised her eyebrows. She found that Leonard, who knew his limits, was not so annoying.

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Olivia didn't say anything.

She thought that Leonard was quite self-aware. He was indeed not as annoying

as other ostentatious bastard children.

After that, Olivia, Leonard, and Elvira ate harmoniously. The three of them chatted casually.

Leonard received a call and said that he had something to do and had to leave first. Before he left, he paid the bill.

Olivia looked at Leonard's departing figure and said, "If all the bastard children in the world are as well-behaved and self-aware as this handsome man, there will be fewer disputes in this world."

"Unfortunately, there are not many bastard kids like Leonard. Most of them are shameless like Judy. They'd do anything to crush the children of their father's wife," Elvira replied indifferently.

"Bastard children don't get to choose their background. However the choices they make are up to their human nature. There are lots of despicable people in this world," Olivia concluded.

After the two of them finished eating, they left the restaurant to shop at the mall. Olivia and Elvira were not short of money, so they did not hesitate to buy things. They bought a bunch of clothes they liked, and they asked the shop assistant to deliver the shoes they bought to their places.

Elvira used Zach's card when she shopped.

Ever since they got married and Zach gave her the card, she had not used it. She usually did not buy many things, and the money she made was enough for her to spend.

Zach, who was on the plane, listened to the continuous consumption messages on his phone. He took out his phone and checked the messages, which showed the consumption information of the secondary card he gave to Elvira. He smiled since Elvira was finally willing to spend his money.

He thought, 'Looks like I have to work harder to earn more money. I must make sure that Elvira has enough money to spend!'

Elvira and Olivia kept shopping for the entire afternoon. Elvira spent about one million dollars, and Olivia spent a lot as well.

The two of them came out of the last shop and found a place to sit and rest. Olivia looked at Elvira and said, "Looks like you've suffered quite a shock. You're usually so frugal, but you can actually spend so much money at once."

Olivia was used to spending money extravagantly. Although her salary was not considerable, her family doted on her and gave her a lot of pocket money every month. Now that she was married to Samson, he treated her even better. She could spend his money as she pleased.

"I finally understand why women like to buy things when they're unhappy. It turns out that it can really relieve stress," Elvira said with a smile.

As the two of them were talking, a commotion suddenly came from the side. Elvira looked over and saw a girl accidentally spilling the juice she was selling on a woman's clothes.

"Hey, Cheryl, didn't you use to be your company's top actress? Why are you selling juice here?" Cindy Lloyd's voice was very sharp.

Cheryl knew her. Cindy was from the same management company as her and joined the company at the same time as her. After Cheryl joined the company, she was lucky enough to act as the second female lead in a drama. That drama became a great hit and she was quite famous. Later on, after her accident, she was kept by the company. Cindy slowly stood out and kept finding trouble with her.

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Cheryl did not expect that Cindy would find trouble with her on purpose even though she was working part-time now.

Cheryl did not want to cause trouble. She was in a terrible situation and could not afford to offend anyone. She could only apologize. "Ms. Lloyd, I'm sorry. I didn't do it on purpose."

"Are you asking me to let it go just because you didn't do it on purpose? What's the use of a verbal apology?" Cindy said disdainfully.

"What will it take for you to let me go?" Cheryl was not stupid. She knew that Cindy was deliberately finding fault with her. Cindy naturally did not want to let her go easily. Cheryl only wanted to solve the problem quickly and did not want to lose her part-time job. "It's very simple. Kneel and lick the juice on my shoes clean. Otherwise, you'll have to compensate me with my shoes. This pair of shoes is Shazer's newest model. They cost tens of thousands of dollars! Make your choice now!" Cindy said arrogantly as she raised her chin proudly.

"Cindy, don't go overboard!" Cheryl's expression darkened when she heard Cindy's request. She was so angry that she was trembling.

"Then you'll have to compensate me for my shoes!" Cindy looked fearless. She only dared to humiliate Cheryl because she knew that Cheryl had no backer.

How could Cheryl have the money to compensate her? Now, Cheryl was so poor that she could only work part-time to earn her living expenses. Not to mention about 10 thousand dollars, she might not even have 100 dollars. Cheryl looked at the arrogant woman in front of her and did not know what to do. She trembled as she looked at the orange juice on the pair of flawless white shoes on the floor with a pale face.

"Cheryl, you'd better kneel and lick Cindy's shoes clean. Prestige is not as important as money." The assistant beside Cindy was fanning the flames.

"You're right, but Cheryl thinks that prestige is more important than money. Otherwise, why would she be kept because of that matter? But so what if you're innocent, Cheryl? Look at how you're doing now. You don't look like the number one actress in the past at all." Cindy covered her mouth and laughed mockingly.

Cheryl closed her eyes, knowing that she had no choice at all. Her knees slowly bent. A hint of excitement appeared in Cindy's eyes. The jealousy in her eyes was obvious. She joined the company at the same time as Cheryl, and because Cheryl was more popular with the audience, she quickly became popular and gained the favor of the company's executives.

Cindy thought that she had worked a hundred times harder than Cheryl did to get to where she was today, so she thought that it was unfair for Cheryl to gain her popularity.

Olivia could not stand it anymore. She immediately stood up to stop this farce. Elvira held her back and did not let her move. Olivia looked at her in shock when she saw Elvira holding her phone and taking a photo of the scene just now.

It was afternoon and there were not many people in the mall, so everyone watched from afar when they saw what was happening. No one wanted to get into trouble.

Cheryl's knees fell heavily to the floor. Only then did Elvira put away her phone and get up to walk over. Just as Cheryl was kneeling, Cindy's eyes showed insane excitement. She even regretted not taking a picture of this scene with her phone. Elvira grabbed Cheryl and forcibly pulled her up from the floor, which made Cindy furious. Elvira pulled Cheryl and took two steps

back.

"Who are you? Who allowed you to meddle in our business?" Cindy pointed at Elvira in exasperation when she saw that she had failed to humiliate Cheryl. Her eyes were furious.

Cheryl was worried that Elvira would get into trouble because of her, so she came over to pull her away. Elvira patted her hand to indicate that she was fine. Olivia also came over to glare at Cindy and pulled Cheryl to the side. Chapter 152

"Hey, Cindy, aren't you just a low-ranking actress? Why are you bullying her here?" Elvira sneered at Cindy.

When Cindy heard the word "low-ranking", she was furious. She hated it the most when people said that she was not popular enough. She thought that she was already famous to a certain extent.

"You're asking for trouble! Tell me your name and where you work. I'll teach you a lesson!" Cindy was instantly exasperated as she pointed her finger angrily at Elvira,

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"You don't get to know who I am and where I work. I've recorded everything from the moment you deliberately hit Ms. Porez until you forced her to kneel and lick your shoes. What do you think will happen if I accidentally upload the video online?" Elvira was unhappy and wanted to find someone to vent her anger on. Now, she thought that she could just take it out on Cindy, so she didn't need to stand on ceremony.

As soon as Elvira said that, Cindy and her assistant's expressions changed. Her assistant was especially frightened and quickly pulled Cindy over to stop her from acting rashly.

"Miss, we have no grudge against you, right? We won't pursue the matter of the shoes. Delete the video." The assistant was clear-headed. She knew that if this video was really leaked, Cindy's acting career would be severely damaged.

"Why should I listen to you? Weren't you quite arrogant when you were bullying her just now? You even let her lick your shoes? You should've known it could backfire when you did it," Elvira retorted gloomily.

Cheryl wanted to step forward again. She was worried that Elvira would be retaliated for offending Cindy, who had a powerful background, apel ordinary people could not afford to offend her. Olivia stopped Cheryl again. "Don't worry. My bestie is not to be trifled with."

Cindy was about to lose her rationality out of anger. She wanted to come over and tear Elvira apart, but her assistant grabbed her tightly. The assistant asked, "What will it take for you to delete the video?"

Elvira ignored Cindy's murderous gaze and stepped aside so that Cheryl could stand between them. Elvira pointed at Cheryl and said, "It's very simple. Apologize to Cheryl. Remember, you have to be sincere in your apology. If you're not sincere enough, I'll release this video."

"You want me to apologize to her? Dream on!" How could Cindy be willing to apologize to Cheryl, whom she hated the most? That would be worse than killing her.

The assistant warned Cindy in a low voice, "Do you want to be boycotted all over the internet? By then, you'll lose everything! You can still crush her later, but you have to apologize now!"

Cindy was furious. However, she was not foolish. She gritted her teeth and glared at Cheryl. Right away, she suddenly smiled and said to Cheryl, "Cheryl, look, I was just joking with you. The two of us joined the company together. How could I really let you lick my shoes? I was just joking with you. You won't blame me, right?"

Cheryl's expression darkened as she ignored Cindy, thinking that what she said was just an obvious lie.

"Apologize!" Elvira raised her phone.

Cindy's expression changed. She gritted her teeth and said, "I'm sorry, Cheryl. Please forgive me for the... joke I made!"

Cheryl turned sideways, not wanting to face Cindy. She said aloofly, "You can leave."

"Ms. Porez has accepted Cindy's apology. Can you delete the video now?" the assistant asked.

"Although your apology was not sincere enough and Cheryl did not.accept it, I'm a woman of my word. I'll delete the video." Elvira deleted the video in front of Cindy's assistant and permanently deleted it.

Only then did the assistant feel relieved. She pulled the unwilling Cindy away.

After sending these two people away, Elvira and Olivia pulled Cheryl, who was still trembling, to the side and sat down. Cheryl's eyes were listless, and she looked very dispirited.

"I remember that you're quite a famous actress. Why are you here as a saleswoman? But it's been a long time since I've seen

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you act." Olivia asked. She had always felt that celebrities were very rich, especially famous ones, so how could Cheryl be reduced to being a saleswoman?

Elvira knew that Cheryl was in a difficult situation, but she didn't expect her to be so sorehead.

"I... What happened to me is a long story. Thank you for helping me today. In the future... don't try to help me if you see me in trouble. You can't afford to offend the people behind Cindy." Cheryl knew that she was completely done for. Those people wanted to destroy her completely, and she had no other way out She could only think of committing suicide now.

Elvira looked at her and knew that Cheryl was truly desperate. She said, "Sometimes, you think it's a dead end, but that might not be the case. You have to think about it from another perspective. Just like the ones behind Cindy, you mean the people she slept with, right? Don't those men have wives? If she keeps cornering you, you can use this to fight back. You're about to be forced to death. What's there to be afraid of?" Elvira felt that the matter was quite simple. Cindy had shown such a huge weakness, so Elvira thought that Cheryl needed to make use of it.

Cheryl did not expect this. She was still too naive. She did not want to be someone like Cindy even when she was being cornered.

Elvira continued, "I think you know quite a lot."

Cheryl looked at Elvira in confusion. She seemed to understand the meaning behind Elvira's words.

"Don't be silly. Guess what? I can foresee people's destinies just by looking at their faces. You've got a lucky face. You're destined to be rich! No matter what you do, you'll succeed. You can become a top actress! I've never been wrong!" Elvira held her hand with a firm gaze. Cheryl was dumbfounded. She had signed a ten-year contract with her company. As long as the contract was with the company and the company refused to take on a job for her, she could only wait for her doom. She did not even dare to think about becoming a top actress. Now, all she thought about every day was how to survive.

After offending Cindy today, she supposed she might not be able to survive anymore.

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"Thank you for your blessing. I hope I can wait until that day." Cheryl still had no confidence in herself. Now, she had lost all confidence in anything.

Elvira and Olivia comforted her for a while before leaving.

Olivia smiled and said, "Since when do you know how to tell people's destinies? Tell me about my destiny then!"

"You've got a lucky face too. You are destined to be rich," Elvira smiled and rubbed her head.

Olivia laughed and asked, "Your way of comforting people is quite special."

Elvira said, "I wasn't comforting her. I want to shoot a movie, and I want her to be the female lead."

"Really? That's great. I was still thinking about how to help her. She looks like she won't be able to survive." Olivia was a doctor, so she could not bear to see others suffer. She really wanted to help Cheryl.

"Really. Don't worry. In less than a year, I will make her a top actress so that no one will dare to bully her again!" Elvira said firmly.

"Hey, you're not a busybody. Why are you so nice to her?" Olivia was curious.

Elvira said, "I've been sponsoring an orphanage all these years. I've seen the list of sponsors. Cheryl's name is on it. She hasn't sponsored it for nearly two years. I think the ones who are willing to use their hard-earned money to sponsor the orphanage must be kindhearted. Such people wouldn't do anything against their principles. From the looks of it, I'm not

wrong."

Elvira knew very well that the entertainment industry was complicated. With Cheryl's looks, if she was willing to degrade

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herself and sleep with other men, she would have become popular long ago. However, she was kept by her company at the most popular moment. Elvira certainly knew that there was something amiss behind this.

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Exhausted, Cheryl dragged her feet back to the rented apartment. It was a small, simple room that could only fit a single bed. She heated the instant pasta.

Who would have thought that more than a year ago, she was still a celebrity who was very likely to make it? Just because she refused to sleep with the company's shareholders, she was completely kept by the company. She signed a ten-year contract with the company. The terins were very harsh, making her unable to do any work related to acting in these ten years except for the company's jobs.

Now, the company did not arrange any work for Cheryl. She did not have a single cent of income. The company stopped letting her live in the apartment she was provided with. She could only rent the small apartment she was living in and rely on all kinds of part-time jobs to survive.

Sometimes, Cheryl really couldn't hold on any longer. When her phone rang, she shivered in fear. It was the company calling. She didn't want to answer it, but she had no choice. She couldn't afford the sky-high penalty.

As soon as Cheryl picked up the phone, the company executive kept saying harsh and mean things. She couldn't feel anything when she took the humiliation and scolding. Cheryl had thought of committing suicide countless times. If not for her family, she might not have been able to hold on. "How dare you offend Cindy? Listen up. You have to come to the company tomorrow to apologize to Cindy. Otherwise, you'll just be doomed!" The company executive finally stopped chattering and hung up.

Cheryl looked at the phone in her hand in a daze. Her pasta was ready. After wolfing down the pasta, she stared at the fruit knife beside her. She had bought it for self-defense.

She picked up the knife and placed it on her wrist. There was a voice in her mind, telling her that with a light cut, she could end this painful life. She had lost all the hope she used to have. She had signed a ten-year contract, but it had only been less than three years. She could not survive it.

The moment the knife cut through her skin, a clear and pleasant voice sounded in her ear. The beautiful girl, Elvira, said that Cheryl was destined to be rich and that she would become a top celebrity. Cheryl suddenly loosened her grip on the knife, and it fell. She lay back on the bed weakly and felt worn out.

Elvira returned to the company after dinner. She knew that Cheryl's matter could not be delayed. She called Cole, who said that Cheryl and Morris had not signed the contract. Their companies said that the two of them were not suitable for work now and recommended some other actors.

Elvira took the phone and found some information that she had ordered her staff to investigate. She gave it to Cole and said, "Take these to the person in charge! I want Cheryl and Morris. There's no hurry about signing Morris. Talk to Cheryl's company first."

Cole curiously looked at the information provided by Elvira. When he saw that it was actually a reality show video, his face instantly turned red and he felt very uncomfortable.

Elvira did not notice his discomfort and said, "Do it now. Send it to the person in charge of Cheryl's company and tell him that I want to sign Cheryl tomorrow. Otherwise, I'll leak this."

"Okay. I'm on it." Cole took the information and quickly left. He looked like he was fleeing.

Elvira was puzzled and didn't know what was going on with Cole

Zach called Elvira after finishing his work. Elvira picked up as she walked out. "Hello?"

Zach heard the elevator and asked, "Are you not home yet?"

"I had to work overtime today," Elvira answered truthfully.

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"Elvira, I miss you." Zach had only been separated from Elvira for a day, but he had already started to miss her like crazy.

Elvira smiled. "I miss you too. Focus on your work and come home as soon as possible."\*

Zach replied, "Okay."

"I'll have to hang up now. The signal in the elevator is not good. Elvira hung up the phone after saying that. Zach was a little disappointed when he heard the busy tone on the phone.

He thought for a moment and immediately called the staff over to continue the meeting to solve the problem. He had to go back early because he missed Elvira too much.

When Elvira arrived outside the company, she took a taxi home. On the way, she received a call from the Gilbert family. saying that Tracy suddenly felt uncomfortable and had been sent to the hospital. Zach was on a business trip, and they did not dare to call him. They could only call Elvira.

Elvira immediately asked the driver to rush to the hospital.

When Elvira arrived at the hospital, Tracy was already out of danger. She was resting on the hospital bed. Elvira entered the ward and saw Leonard was also there. He was talking to Tracy.

"Grandma, how do you feel?" Elvira quickly walked to the bed and held Tracy's hand.

Leonard/stepped aside upon her arrival.

"Elvira, hey. Were you worried? I'm fine. It's just a trivial matter. They're just making a fuss," Tracy comforted Elvira with a smile.

"How can it be a trivial matter? Grandma, you just had heart surgery. You can't be careless. You have to come to the hospital for a small matter." Elvira held Tracy's hand tightly in worry. Her eyes were red.

"You're such a nice girl, and Zach married you. I can rest in peace even if I die now." Actually, Tracy's situation was not as easy as she said. However, she did not want Elvira to worry about her.

Elvira said, "Grandma, you're talking nonsense again. Don't say such inauspicious things."

"You and Zach should have a baby. If I get to hold my great-grandchild, I will definitely live long," Tracy teased her, trying to ease the atmosphere.

Elvira could not help but laugh and let Tracy rest well.

After Elvira accompanied Tracy for a while, Tracy insisted that she go home and rest. She said that there were servants who would take care of her and told Elvira not to worry.

Tracy asked Leonard to send Elvira back and make sure that she was safe and sound.

Elvira saw that Tracy insisted, so she could only listen to her. She planned to come back to the hospital tomorrow morning.

When Leonard and Elvira left the hospital, they saw Nina. A servant was wheeling a woman in. Nina greeted Leonard enthusiastically, "Leonard, when did you come back? Why didn't you come home?" "Nina, I just returned home. Why are you at the hospital in the middle of the night?" Leonard stopped to greet her.

Elvira also stopped and looked at the woman sitting in the wheelchair. The woman frowned and looked uncomfortable. Elvira's intuition told her that this woman was Carmen, the one Mandy said that had saved Zach's life. Elvira felt that Mandy was definitely blind. There was nothing similar between her and Carmen.,

Moreover, Carmen looked quite mature. She seemed to be over 30 years old.

"Leonard, do you still remeruber Carmen? She's Carmen. She suddenly felt unwell. That's why I brought her to the hospital for a checkup." While saying this, Nina looked at Elvira. Leonard was very surprised. "Wasn't Carmen missing?"

"That's right. We just found her a while ago. Carmen isn't in good health. Zach went to hire a specialist to treat her, Nina said with a smile.

Leonard didn't say anything.

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Leonard subconsciously glanced at Elvira, who was expressionless as she said, "I'll take a taxi. I won't hold you guys up."

"That's not necessary. Grandma asked me to send you home, so must send you home safely. Nina, Carmen, I'll take my leave first. Let's talk again when we can." Leonard said goodbye to Nina and Carmen and left with Elvira.

Nina turned around and looked at Elvira's back. A trace of disdain appeared in her eyes as she thought, 'So what if she married Zach? She'll get a divorce and get lost sooner or later!'

"You'll accompany Carmen to the doctor. I'm going home to sleep," Nina said and left.

Seeing this, the servants wheeled Carmen toward the doctor's office. Carmen turned around and looked at the entrance of the hospital. When she turned back, she could not help but cough.

On the way to Elvira's place, Leonard drove seriously while Elvira was thinking about her own matters. The two of them barely communicated.

When they passed an intersection, Leonard suddenly sped up. Elvira, who was thinking about something, was shocked. She quickly grabbed the handle and asked, "What are you doing?"

"I suddenly remembered that I have something urgent to do. I have to send you home right away. Sit tight!" With that, Leonard accelerated again. Elvira suspected that he had hit the gas to its limit.

"If you're busy, stop the car and let me out. I cherish my life a lot. I don't want to die with you!" Elvira was really frightened by his reckless driving speed.

Leonard did not listen to her at all. He looked nervously at a car in the rearview mirror. If Elvira turned around, she would see another car chasing after Leonard's car at a high speed.

Seeing the car still on their tail, Leonard suddenly jerked the wheel at the next intersection, sending his car skidding sideways. Elvira screamed, gripping the door in panic. The pursuers overshot the turn, barreling several hundred feet ahead before slamming on the brakes. By the time they turned around. Leonard had already disappeared in the opposite direction.

Elvira finally knew that they were being chased by another car. She was so frightened that her face turned ashen. She turned around and wanted to say something to Leonard. Looking at his serious and nervous expression, she did not say anything in the end. When they reached an intersection, Leonard asked Elvira to get out of the car and take a taxi. He then left quickly.

Elvira was speechless and didn't know what was going on. Her legs were so limp that she could barely stand. She stood by the roadside and held the lamp pole for a while before taking a taxi home,

After returning home, she took a shower and prepared to sleep. Her mind was filled with the scene of her and Leonard being chased. They were in a dangerous pursuit just now.

Elvira wondered who Leonard had offended. Although she knew that she should not meddle in his business, Elvira could not help but send him a message: [Are you alright?]

No matter what, Leonard was Tracy's grandson. Elvira thought that she should show concern to him for Tracy's sake.

Leonard quickly replied: [I'm safe. Don't worry.]

Seeing this, Elvira did not care anymore. She threw down her phone and went to sleep.

The next day, Cheryl returned to the company. Her face was ashen with dark circles under her eyes. She looked haggard as if she had a terminal illness

The way she looked caused everyone to look at her and start whispering

Cheryl knew that Cindy would not let her off. She did not know what kind of trouble the would face today. She had already planned that if the company humiliated her and insulted her again, she would jump down from the company building Cheryl was brought into the general manager's office by the secretary. After she entered, her nerves immediately tensed up. She had too many terrifying memories in that place where she suffered humiliation and beatings. The executives of her company had no morality in them and would do anything to her.

Once, Cheryl was almost stripped naked. She threatened them by claiming that she would commit suicide to scare them

away.

When she entered the office, Cheryl saw that the people inside almost fell down. Not only was the general manager there, but Cindy was also there Even the director who forced Cheryl to sleep with him was there. Cheryl knew that she would not be able to escape today. She looked at the window at the side and thought that she should jump out in a while to end this painful life.

Just as Cheryl was about to break down, the director looked at Cindy with a darkened expression.

Cindy stood up reluctantly and walked toward Cheryl. She knelt in front of her with a thud.

Cheryl was so frightened that she almost jumped up. She took a few steps back and only stopped when she hit the door. She widened her eyes in horror and looked at Cindy, who suddenly knelt in front of her. "Cheryl, I'm sorry. It's my fault. I shouldn't have kept finding trouble with you. I apologize to you. Please forgive me." Cindy kept apologizing to Cheryl.

"What... what tricks are you trying to play now? Listen to me, even if I die, I will not agree to your request!" Cheryl gritted her teeth as she trembled.

"No, we don't have any requests. We're sorry about what we did to you. We've let you down. I've got a new movie job for you. The investor wants you to be the female lead, and

it's a big-budget movie. Come and check it." The general manager took out the contract and script with a flattering expression.

Cheryl was dumbfounded. She really did not know what they were trying to do, but she thought that at worst, she would die. She was not even afraid of death, so why would she be afraid of reading the script and contract?

Cheryl took the script and contract and leaned against the door to read them.

It was a very formal contract. The conditions were good, and the remuneration was considered high. Cheryl quickly looked at the script, afraid that there would be some plots where she needed to undress herself. After reading the script, she found that the content was also very formal. It was a historical movie in ancient costumes. This way, she wouldn't have to wear revealing clothes.

"Do you believe me now? Come here. Let's talk about this. The general manager gestured to Cheryl.

Cheryl looked vigilantly at the director beside her. She was determined not to move. The director stood up with an awkward expression on his face. He apologized to Cheryl awkwardly, "Cheryl, what happened in the past stays in the past. Just focus on filming this movie. After it's done, the company will terminate the contract with you. The penalty for breach of contract will be charged according to the market price."

Cheryl was speechless.

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After signing the contract and safely leaving the company, Cheryl finally dared to take a deep breath. She still felt like she was in a dream. She reached out and pinched her arm, causing her to gasp in pain. She couldn't believe that it was not a dream.

She didn't expect to be able to escape her crisis.

Cheryl burst into tears. No one knew how she had survived for more than a year. It would not be an exaggeration to say that she was better off dead. Those people in her company were all monsters.

A car stopped in front of Cheryl. The door openc

and Cole got out.

Cole said, "Nice to meet you, Ms. Porez. My name is Cole Bennett. My boss asked me to sign with you to film this drama. I'll arrange for your work from now on."

Cheryl was a bit confused. Cole took out his business card and showed it to her. Cheryl looked at the name of the company on the business card. It was indeed the same company that she had signed the contract with. "Why did you sign me? Also, how did you make my company agree to let me film?" Cheryl was really puzzled.

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"Let's talk in the car. I'll take you to your new place first Cole getured for Cheryl to get in.

Cheryl was a bit afraid, but she thought that Cole did not look like a bad person. She hesitated for a moment before getting into the car.

Cole's phone rang. He passed the phone to Cheryl, who picked up suspiciously. A clear voice came from the receiver. "Cheryl, do you remember me? We met at the mall yesterday\* "Ms. Willis, it's you. Could it be that you're the person who asked ine to film? When Cheryl heard Elvira's voice, her anxious heart finally calmed down. She knew that she was safe.

"It's me. The person who picked you up is called Cole Bennett. You can trust him completely. Just listen to his arrangements. Next, you have to undergo a series of training. You will join the crew in about a month. Is there any problem?" Elvira asked considerately. "I don't have a problem with that. I believe you, but Ms. Willis, can I ask why you chose me?" Cheryl was very confused. She could not understand why Elvira chose her instead of so many good actresses.

Elvira said, "Maybe... we're fated. Don't think too much about it. Just prepare to make a comeback."

Elvira's words cheered Cheryl up a lot. She returned the phone to Cole. At this moment, Cole handed her a bank card and said, "There's 20 thousand dollars here. Take it as your advance remuneration. When the movie is done, it will be deducted from the total remuneration."

"Thank you." Cheryl took the card with trembling hands and burst into tears. She quickly turned to face the car window, and tears streamed down her face uncontrollably.

She felt that Elvira must be an angel sent by the heavens. Otherwise, why would Elvira appear just when Cheryl was about to break down? Cheryl decided that she would definitely repay Elvira's kindness.

Cole arranged a two-bedroom apartment for Cheryl. It was enough for one person to live in. The security in the high-end community was nice. Cole also assigned her an assistant and driver to facilitate her recent training and her schedule after she joined the crew. Even after Cole left, Cheryl still couldn't believe this was happening. She looked at this bright and warm two-bedroom apartment and thought about how she had lived like a rat in a small six-square-yard apartment for more than a year. At night, there would be drunkards knocking on the door from time to time, scaring her so much that she did not dare to sleep. Suddenly, she burst into tears and cried hard to let out all the grievances she had suffered for more than a year.

Elvira was not surprised to receive a call from Cheryl. After Cheryl thanked Elvira again, she asked, "Ms. Willis, I'm really curious. How did you make my company willing to let me film again?" Elvira said, "It's no bother. You don't have to stand on ceremony

"How can I do that? You're my benefactor, Ms. Willis." Cheryl had already regarded Elvira as her most important benefactor. She would definitely repay Elvira in the future.

Elvira explained to her patiently, "Alright then. Didn't I mention to you that Cindy has an impropet relationship with one of your company's shareholders? His wife has a very powerful family. Once I had this on him, he didn't dare to comply with my conditions Hemember, those with ill intentions will definitely leave traces. As long as you find something that can make them afraid and seize the opportunity, you can threaten them to do something."

Elvira continued, "However... there's a certain risk. You can't do this before you become powerful enough. They might be driven to desperation and kill you to silence you."

Of course, she had found more than that. The things she had were enough to make that director stay in prison for the rest of

his life.

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However, Elvira couldn't hurt him yet. She was worried that he would be driven into a corner and do bad things. That would be disadvantageous to Cheryl.

Cheryl was an innocent girl who grew up in the countryside and went to university. Although her family was poor, they treated her extremely well. She hadn't thought like Elvira did. Cheryl now admired Elvira even more and decided to learn more from her in the future. She had to constantly become stronger until she was powerful enough to protect her family. "By the way, I think you've been sponsoring orphanages. You started sponsoring them when you were in university," Elvira said.

"How did you know? Well, actually, I was from an orphanage. My current parents are not my biological parents. I was abandoned at the entrance of the orphanage when I was young and was adopted by my current parents. Therefore, after I became capable, I did my best to donate some money to the orphanage that took me in. I didn't donate much, which is quite embarrassing." Cheryl was a little embarrassed. She felt that she had done too little. Elvira did not expect Cheryl to be an orphan. Not only did Cheryl use her life to stick to her morality, but she also knew how to repay kindness. Elvira knew that she had indeed chosen the right person.

Tracy was discharged from the hospital. Elvira did not see Leonard again. Today was already the third day of Zach's business trip. Normally, Elvira would send him a message to ask him how he was doing. She realized that they didn't share many common topics. After sending Tracy home, Elvira parked the car by the roadside. She suddenly felt a little irritated. She missed Zach.

Judy was also nervously preparing for her new movie. In order to defeat Elvira, she found an investor to increase the investment in the movie. She also picked the scripts, again and again. In the end, she chose to film a fantasy movie.

She had hired two top celebrities who were currently popular to be the male lead and female lead. Even the supporting actors were A-listers, who were the most famous and experienced actors. It was quite a luxurious cast.

Judy looked at the signed actors and felt more confident. She thought, 'Elvira wants to challenge me. She's just asking for her doom!

Just the popularity brought by these top celebrities alone can make my movie a great hit.

'When my movie is released, I'll be known as a beautiful and capable investor.'

When Elvira returned to the company and entered her office, she blinked hard when she saw the man on the sofa. She thought that she missed Zach too much and was hallucinating.

She couldn't believe that Zach was sitting on the sofa, looking at her.

Just as she was stunned for a few seconds, Zach had already stood up from the sofa and came over to hug her.

"Why are you in a daze when you see me?" Zach asked in amusement. He tightened his grip on her.

"You're... back?" Elvira finally confirmed that Zach was back.

"Yes, I'm back. I've missed you too much. I only slept for four hours in three days and completed my work in advance. Elvira, I've missed you so much! I don't want to be separated from you anymore!" Zach hugged her and sniffed her scent hard before he completely relaxed. 10:39 Wed, Dec 4 GG.

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Elvira also hugged hinrtightly and greedily sniffed his scent. The two of them could not wait to kiss each other passionately and deeply. They wished the kiss could last forever.

After this short separation, Elvira had come around. Regardless of whether Carmen was Zach's savior or not, Elvira was his wife, and she was sure that he loved her too, which was enough for her.

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After the two of them finished their kiss, Elvira's fingertips gently caressed Zach's exquisite eyebrows as she asked, "Have you visited Grandma yet?"

"Not yet. I came here as soon as I got off the plane. I didn't even return to the company." Zach hugged her tightly and felt extremely at ease when he smelled her scent.

Zach noticed that she seemed to be implying something, so he asked, "What happened to Grandma?"

"Don't worry. Grandma is fine now. It's just that two days ago, for some reason, her heart suddenly felt uncomfortable and she was hospitalized for two days." Elvira could not hide Tracy's serious condition from Zach.

Zach's expression changed slightly when he heard that. He immediately tidied up his clothes and said, "I have to see Grandma."

"I'll go with you." Elvira's clothes were so wrinkled that they were unsightly. She had spare clothes in her office, so she took another set and changed into it.

In the car, Zach had a lot on his mind.

"What's wrong?" Elvira asked.

"Grandma's operation went well. Logically speaking, there shouldn't be any problems if she recuperates properly. I'm worried that Grandma is hiding something from me." With that, Zach held Elvira's hand tightly. Elvira could feel his nervousness when she felt his strength.

She knew that he cared a lot about Tracy's health. She heard that Benjamin had passed away quite suddenly. That incident had dealt a huge blow to Zach, so he cared a lot about Tracy's health.

Elvira held Zach's hand and comforted him, "Don't worry too much. Grandma loves you so much. She will definitely stay

well."

Zach hugged Elvira. "Grandma and you matter to me the most. I just want the two of you to be fine."

When Elvira heard his words, she felt touched. She hugged his waist and kissed his chin. She even regretted being jealous of a strange woman and even having a problem with him.

When they arrived at the Gilbert mansion, Zach asked Tracy what happened. Tracy said that it was nothing serious and that it was just perhaps she had caught a cold when she slept two days ago.

Zach didn't think Tracy seemed to be lying and wondered if he was overthinking it. His expression was too serious. Elvira was worried that he would scare Alice, so she excused herself from Tracy and brought Alice to the side hall to play.

Zach asked Anna to help Tracy back to her room to rest while he called all the servants in the house over to give them warnings and instructions.

When Zach was done doing that, he came to Elvira and Alice. Elvira was helping Alice with her food. When Alice saw Zach, she wanted him to carry her. "Hug me, Daddy."

"Call me Uncle Zach. Zach did not want Alice to confuse his identity. He couldn't believe that his unreliable sister, Grace, would allow Alice to call him Daddy.

"Daddy." Alice stubbornly called him Daddy. Kids were simple-minded. She just wanted a dad.

Zach was speechless.

Elvira smiled. "Stop correcting her. She'll understand when she grows up."

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"Is Alice old enough for kindergarten now?" Zach raised his hand and stroked Alice's hair.

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"Yes, she is. Should we contact a kindergarten for Alice? If we do should we ask for your sister's opinion?" Elvira looked up at Zach inquiringly...

"Forget it. I'll make the decision. I'll get my staff to arrange it tomorrow." Zach shook his head when he thought of Grace.

Elvira lowered her head and asked Alice in her arms, "Alice, are you happy about going to kindergarten?"

"Yes! I have a daddy now! I won't be laughed at by the kindergarten kids anymore! I'm going to tell everyone that I have a daddy now!" Alice said happily.

Zach frowned when he heard this. "Did the kids mock you for not having a father?"

"That's right. They all laughed at me and refused to make friends with me. I don't like them anyway. They're mean." Alice clenched her fists.

Alice's words made Zach and Elvira feel distressed. Elvira comforted Alice and sent her upstairs to sleep.

Zach watched the two of them go upstairs. When he saw Elvira's back while she held Alice in her arms, he felt moved. He took out his phone and called Grace to lecture her.

Grace was confused as she wondered, 'What happened? Why am I scolded all of a sudden?'

"Zach, let me tell you something. Mom knows that you are married and has already completed all the things on hand. She plans to return home soon to meet my sister-inlaw." Grace interrupted Zach's lecture and told him something more important. Zach didn't say anything.

He suddenly had some mixed feelings. Ever since Skylar went overseas, she had only come back three times in almost twenty years. The last time she came back was seven years ago.

Although Zach was on good terms with her, they weren't close. After all, he was a man and had not grown up under her care. Coupled with the fact that they had not seen each other for a long time, they had long become distant.

Elvira put Alice to bed before going downstairs. On the way home, she realized that Zach looked troubled. She leaned over and hugged him, asking, "What's wrong? You've been unhappy since I put Alice to bed."

"I'm not unhappy. I'm just thinking about something." Zach gently pinched Elvira's beautiful face.

"What are you thinking about?" Elvira was curious as to what could make him so serious in front of her.

"My mother might be returning home soon," Zach told her the truth.

Elvira didn't say anything.

"I haven't seen her for seven years. She's coming back suddenly, and I don't know how to face her," Zach said.

"Is your mom nice to you?" Elvira asked as she hugged him.

"She would send me a message every holiday. She would call me on my birthday to wish me well," Zach commented objectively.

Elvira asked, "That's all?"

Zach said, "Yeah."

"I think she cares about you." Elvira felt that Skylar sent Zach messages on holidays because she cared about him.

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If Rowena were nice to her, Elvira might think that Skylar was not treating him well enough. However, with what Rowena did, Elvira knew that at least Skylar cared about Zach. Rowena had never sent Elvira any messages after she left the country.

"Maybe I'm the only one she can think of." Zach stroked Elvira's hair and hugged her tighter. "Only you and Grandma matter to me."

"You have Alice now. In the future, there will be more and more important people in your life," Elvira said with a smile.

"Our baby, for instance." Zach stroked Elvira's belly.

"Zach, we've tried for so long, but I haven't been pregnant. Is it possible that I'm infertile?" Elvira suddenly felt a little nervous. She really wanted a baby as soon as possible.

Zach didn't want Elvira to feel any pressure, so he said, "Don't talk nonsense. Even if one of us is infertile, it has to be me. It can't be you! Don't be too nervous or anxious. Let nature take its course. Even if we can't have a baby, it'll be fine."

He thought that he had to remind Tracy not to mention anything about having a baby again. Even if Tracy did not deliberately pressure Elvira, Zach knew that repeatedly mentioning this would make her unconsciously feel pressured.

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When Elvira heard Zach's concerned words, she smiled slightly and felt extremely sweet. She thought that she had no regrets now since Zach kept looking out for her.

On the way back, Zach's private phone rang. He frowned slightly and picked it up. "What's the matter?"

"Zach, come here now. Carmen took things too hard and committed suicide." Nina's panicked cry came from the receiver.

Even Elvira, who was beside Zach, heard everything clearly.

Elvira looked at him. Zach said that he got it. He looked at Elvira and explained, "Elvira, I..."

"It's fine. Go ahead. Just drop me on the side of the road," Elvira said considerately.

After suffering for so many years, Elvira knew that nothing could be forced, including relationships. Moreover, in Elvira's eyes, human lives were the most important. At this critical moment, regardless of whether Zach liked Carmen or not, Elvira could not stop Zach. "Elvira, go with me." Zach did not drop Elvira by the road. He was worried, so he drove her to the hospital.

When the two of them arrived at the hospital, Nina was in the ward watching Carmen cry softly. Carmen's wrist was wrapped in gauze, and the blood on it had already seeped out. It was painful to look at.

When Zach walked in with Elvira, Nina was stunned for a moment. Then, she cried even harder. She cried and said, "Zach, talk to Carmen now. No matter what happened to her in the past few years, it's all in the past. How can she take things too hard?" Zach frowned as he looked at Carmen's wrist that was wrapped in bloody gauze. When Carmen saw Zach enter, her gaze not change. Instead, she looked at Elvira's face.

Elvira was also looking at her. Carmen's complexion was really terrible. It was worse than the last time Elvira saw her. Carmen really looked like she was about to die. Her face was ashen and showed no vitality. Elvira thought that Carmen couldn't have faked this. did

Elvira was puzzled and wondered, 'What's happening? Could it be that I misunderstood Carmen? So she's not playing tricks to get Zach to come over?'

"Olivia is also in the hospital. I'll go to her. Call me when you're done." Elvira squeezed Zach's hand and left first. Elvira found Olivia, who happily hopped to Elvira and hugged her. She asked, "Why are you here at the hospital?"

"I need your help with something," Elvira said.

Olivia found her colleague who sutured Carmen's wound. The doctor said, "Ms. Miller's wound is very deep. Her blood vessels have been cut. She was serious about committing suicide. If she weren't in the hospital, we would have definitely failed to resuscitate her." Elvira was convinced that Carmen's suicide was real. She had a lot on her mind.

"What happened? Who is that woman?" Olivia asked curiously.

Elvira answered, "She had a history with Zach when he was a child."

Olivia asked, "What do you mean? Could it be that Zach is two-timing you?"

"No. Don't overthink it. I thought that Carmen was a scheming woman. But since she wanted to commit suicide in such a tragic way today, it seems like I misunderstood her." Elvira could not explain how she felt. It was quite complicated.

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"Even if you misunderstood her, you didn't do anything to hurt her. This is not a big deal. No matter what, don't get close to her. Since she was determined enough to commit suicide, she will only be more ruthless to others! Do you understand?" Olivia reminded Elvira with great concern.

Elvira felt touched. She asked curiously, "By the way, all the students in school stayed away from me and hated me back then. Why did you always believe me and still be willing to be friends with me?"

"Of course, it's because I like your pretty face! You're so good-looking! No matter what happens, I will always like you!" Olivia replied seriously.

"Oh, piss off!" Elvira rolled her eyes at Olivia, who could not stop laughing.

Zach stayed in the ward for about half an hour before he called Elvira to go

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home.

Elvira bid farewell to Olivia, who suddenly felt nauseous and vomited. Elvira was shocked and quickly helped her to the washroom.

She called Zach and explained the situation. Now that Olivia was not feeling well, Elvira naturally wanted to accompany her.

"Just go home. I'm fine," Olivia said.

Elvira patted her back and said, "You're not fine. You're already vomiting like this!"

"I'm pregnant," Olivia said with a smile.

Elvira looked at her in surprise.

"Olivia, is it true? You're really pregnant! Am I really going to be a dad?" Samson rushed in excitedly and hugged Olivia, startling her.

It turned out that Samson had come to deliver supper to Olivia. Coincidentally, Zach had come for Elvira. Knowing that Olivia and Elvira were together, the two men came over together

Samson didn't expect to hear such a big surprise.

"Yes. I suppose I'm a month pregnant. I haven't told anyone yet," Olivia said.

"Let's go home right now! You can't work anymore. If you don't want to resign, then take a long leave. Come back to work after your delivery," Samson said excitedly.

"No. I'm not that weak," Olivia immediately rejected.

Since Olivia had vomited so much, Elvira thought that she couldn't work anymore, so she said, "Even if you're not weak, now that you've vomited so much that you can't work anymore, you should just take leave and go home! Come back to work tomorrow." Samson echoed with her. Olivia could only agree since she really wanted to vomit and could not work anymore.

Samson noticed that Olivia would listen to whatever Elvira said. He felt that he had to work hard to curry favor with Elvira. Watching the couple leave, Elvira and Zach drove home.

Along the way, vira did not say anything. When they reached home, Zach hugged her and asked, "What do you have on your mind?"

Elvira stroked her belly and said in a melancholic tone, "Olivia is already pregnant, but I still haven't got pregnant yet."

"Don't be anxious Stop thinking about having a baby. I enjoy our time alone, and I just want to enjoy it for a few more years. You know how much I like you!" Zach kissed her and pushed her to the sofa. The two of them fell on it together.

Soon, all of Elvira's feelings were taken up by Zach in front of her. She could only let him make her cum, again and again. She could no longer think about anything that had nothing to do with his body.

After taking a shower, the two of them returned to bed. In the end, Elvira could not help but ask about Carmen.

"I heard that she saved you. Is that true?" Elvira asked curiously.

"Yes, more than once. She's four years older than me and much more sensible than me. Once, she was the one who pulled me up when I fell into the pond. Also... some human traffickers wanted to catch me. At that time, she pushed me away and was captured by the human traffickers," Zach said sadly.

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why Zach had been looking for Carmen for so many years. It was out of gratitude and deep guilt.

Elvira was even more shocked than him. She did not expect Carmen to be kidnapped by human traffickers to save Zach back then. Her feelings became even more complicated. She was grateful to Carmen. If Carmen had not saved Zach back then, he might have long disappeared from this world. Elvira felt grateful that Carmen had saved him.

"Sleep early. Thank you for what you did today." Zach kissed Elvira's lips and hugged her tightly.

Zach fell asleep very quickly. As soon as he finished talking to her, he hugged her and fell asleep. He was too sleepy. In order to come back early to see Elvira, he had not slept much for the past three days. Now, he hugged her in his arms and smelled her fragrance. He fell asleep in peace.

Elvira looked at the dark circles under his eyes and felt especially sorry for him. He clearly said that he was going on a business trip for a week. However, he came back in three days. She supposed he must have stayed up late to work. She was also a boss of a company, so she naturally knew how hard it was. Elvira felt even more distressed for him.

The next day, Zach slept until noon. Elvira was working while waiting for him in the living room.

Zach woke up and looked at the familiar bedroom. The pillow beside him was filled with Elvira's fragrance. He felt that his fatigue had gone.

He put on his new home clothes and walked out of the bedroom. He immediately saw Elvira, who was working on the sofa. Elvira looked at him when she heard his voice. A beautiful smile appeared on her face as she said, "Hey, you're up. I've prepared the ingredients for lunch. Wait a moment. I'll cook right away."

Zach walked over and hugged her. He kissed her and said, "There's no hurry. I'm not hungry yet."

"You still have to get ready now. I'm hungry." With that, Elvira hugged his neck and rubbed against it.

"I'll cook then." Zach got up to cook.

"Then let's cook together! We can eat sooner," Elvira suggested with a smile.

Zach immediately agreed. The two of them went into the kitchen together. Elvira had already prepared the meat and vegetables and was just waiting to cook them. Zach planned to cook by himself today. Elvira readily agreed. She had made pot of chicken soup since she woke up early. It had been stewing for five hours and was almost ready. She put some salt into it before turning off the oven.

Elvira put on gloves and carried the pot out. She then filled two bowls with the soup before bringing them out. Zach had already finished cooking a dish. Elvira praised him and brought it out.

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hour later, four dishes and the soup were served. As Elvira ate, she praised Zach's talent in cooking. She said that the food he made was incredibly delicious. Zach was overjoyed by the praise and decided to cook more for her in the future.

After the meal, the two of them went out separately. Zach said that he would go to the hospital to see Carmen. After Elvira found out why Zach gave Carmen special treatment, she did not have any problems with it. She even supported Zach in getting a doctor to treat Carmen.

Olivia saw Zach at the hospital and took the initiative to greet him. Seeing that Zach was visiting another woman, she quickly hid to the side and called Elvira.

After Elvira received the call, she said that she knew. Olivia was quite shocked and said, "Elvira, you're so magnanimous. I can't believe that you're not jealous."

Elvira told her about Carmen and Zach's past. Olivia fell silent after hearing that. She felt sorry for Elvira and thought, 'What kind of ill-fated relationship is this? This is so unfair to Elvira.'

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However, this was a matter between Elvira and Zach, so Olivia couldn't say much about it. After hanging up the phone, she prepared to return to the department to continue working.

Her colleagues in the department knew about Olivia's pregnancy Everyone was very happy for her. They would fight to do her work and try to let her rest as much as possible.

Olivia looked at her cute colleagues and felt touched. She felt that she was really lucky to be born into a rich family. Her family members all doted on her. Although there were twists and turns in her relationship, her husband, Samson, now doted on her to the extreme. She could even pursue the career she liked and have a group of cute and kind colleagues. She really felt very happy. Olivia sat in the office and ate the snacks her colleagues had brought her. She drank a milkshake and felt very happy.

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Carmen did not have much of a reaction when Zach came to see her. She did not even look at him. Zach felt very upset when he saw her like this.

After all, if Carmen had not pushed him away back then, he did not know what would have happened to him if he had been captured by those human traffickers.

Now, she was the one who had encountered those terrifying things.

Nina was overjoyed to see Zach. She kept telling Zach that Carmen seemed to be in a bad mood recently and did not eat much. She told him to visit Carmen more often if he could.

"I've already contacted a few internationally renowned experts. There will be a few experts coming to give you a consultation. You will definitely recover and get better," Zach comforted Carmen, who had been silent all this while.

"Thank you." Carmen finally spoke to thank him and stopped talking. From the beginning to the end, she did not even raise her head.

Zach frowned slightly when he saw her like this. Nina kept letting him take a seat, getting him drinks, and bringing him fruits. She was extremely attentive.

Zach saw that Carmen's condition was really not good. He did not leave immediately but sat down. He called the doctor who treated Carmen. The doctor said that Carmen had suffered a lot of injuries. If she wanted to recover, she had to rest for a few years. Otherwise, her life expectancy would be affected.

It meant that she wouldn't live long, but the doctor couldn't say it clearly.

Zach felt troubled upon hearing the doctor's words.

Nina took this opportunity to take care of Carmen and helped her with water and fruits.

Carmen ate the fruits, but there was still no light in her eyes.

Zach still had things to do, so he planned to leave. Nina hurriedly put down the things and sent him off.

When the two of them left, Carmen raised her head and looked at their backs. Her eyes were filled with hatred as she looked

at Nina.

"Zach, Carmen is not doing well. I'm really worried about her health." With that, Nina gently wiped the tears from the corners of her eyes.

"I will get her treated. Just go back," Zach said indifferently as he walked into the elevator.

Nina would not leave. She was there to see Zach. How could she leave so easily? She said, "Carmen said that she wanted to eat a hot dog from the stall at the entrance. I'll buy it for her."

Zach glanced at her sharply, making Nina nervous. He looked back indifferently and did not say anything.

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When they reached outside the building, Nina sent Zach to the car. Only then did she reluctantly walk out of the hospital and buy a hot dog back to the ward.

Back in the ward, Nina got angry when she saw Carmen. She took the hot dog and stuffed it into Carmen's mouth. She did not care if it was hot. Carmen coughed and her face turned red. She almost choked to death.

# She Got A Better Man

Nina forced Carmen to eat the hot dog. She reached out and pinched her face. Her expression was ferocious as she scolded, "Bitch, if it weren't for the fact that you're still useful, I wouldn't care about you! You'd better know how to keep Zach for me. Otherwise, you can only reunite with your little bastard!"

Carmen almost choked to death. When she heard Nina's words, she sat up abruptly and pushed Nina away forcefully. She questioned angrily, "What did you do to my daughter?"

Nina's eyes lit up as she said, "If you listen to me obediently, your daughter will naturally be fine. If you dare to disobey me again, you can forget about seeing your daughter for the rest of your life!"

Carmen glared at the vicious woman in front of her. She hated Nina to the core. The Miller family adopted her because they did not have a child. Later on, after they had Nina, they abused Carmen to the extreme.

They even threw her to a place to let her fend for herself. At that time, she met Zach, who was a few years younger than her. She pitied Zach, who made her feel like they were in the same boat, so she took care of him as if he were her biological brother.

After Carmen was captured by the human traffickers, she was tortured. Later on, she gave birth to a daughter with an unknown father. Even so, Carmen gave her daughter all her love and named her Doris.

She thought that she would never have any interaction with the Miller family in her life. She did not expect Zach to thank her. After all, she was the one who voluntarily saved him back then.

However, the Miller family found Carmen and kidnapped Doris to threaten her to meet Zach. They also asked her to create an opportunity for Zach and Nina to be together.

Carmen did not want to agree to their ridiculous requests. Nina even cut Carmen's wrist with a knife to create the illusion that she had committed suicide.

For the sake of Doris, Carmen could only endure it.

"Let me talk to Doris. I want to talk to her." Carmen grabbed Nina's arm anxiously.

"I'm already kind enough to take a video of her and show it to you. You even wanna talk to her? Call Zach immediately. If him to come back, I might consider your request," Nina shook Carmen's hand off and crossed her arms as she you can get looked at her. weak now. After she fell onto the bed, she felt pain in her internal organs. She wished she could kill Carmen was very everyone in the Miller family. Her hands gripped the blanket tightly. After a while, she asked, "Will you keep your word?"

"Of course! But I'm warning you, you'd better not play any tricks on me. Otherwise, killing your daughter will be just a piece of cake for me!" Nina threatened gloomily.

Carmen nodded in a daze. To her, Doris meant everything. Carmen had suffered a lot in her life, and her only hope was for Doris to be safe and happy.

Under the threat of Nina,

had no choice but to agree to her request.

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Olivia had eaten enough snacks and was ready to check on her patient, a pregnant woman who was hospitalized because of high blood pressure and was about to give birth. Olivia had to keep an eye on her.

When she passed through the safe passage, she heard a painful moan coming from inside. Olivia quickly went over to check. She pushed open the fire door and saw a pregnant woman lying on the ground, holding her belly with a painful expression.

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"Madam, what's wrong? Olivia was shocked. She quickly went over to help the pregnant woman who had fallen.

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The pregnant woman, who was Emily Vega, asked with a pained expression, "Thank you, doctor. My belly hurts a little. Can you check it?"

Olivia immediately let go of her and reached out to feel her belly to determine the condition of the pregnant woman and the fetus. Just as Olivia focused on the examination, the painful expression on Emily's face instantly disappeared.

She quickly raised a syringe and inserted it into Olivia's arm. Olivia was shocked. When she turned to look at the pregnant woman, the syringe in Emily's hand had already been injected into her body. Olivia fainted before she could make a sound. Emily quickly got up and removed the pillow from her clothes. The man hiding beside her came out and worked with her to put Olivia into the trash can of a trash cart.

Emily told the man to take the stairs. She brought Olivia to take the elevator. She would meet the man at the back of the hospital later.

When Emily wheeled the garbage truck into the elevator, the elevator door opened and Samson walked out. She was shocked and quickly lowered her head, afraid that he would recognize her.

After Emily came out, she immediately wheeled the trash cart in.

Samson had a bad feeling. He turned around and looked in the direction of the elevator. Seeing that nothing was amiss, he turned around to look for Olivia.

Emily heaved a sigh of relief, but at the same time, she was furious. She had slept with Samson for a period, but he did not recognize her at all.

She thought that Samson was indeed a scumbag.

When she thought about how her baby had been killed by Samson, she felt extreme hatred.

Since he had killed her baby, Emily decided that she would kill Samson's current baby as well. She would let Samson have a taste of losing his child.

Samson searched all the places that Olivia might be, but he could not find her. When he dialed her number, it showed that her phone was switched off. He began to panic. He quickly called Spike and told him the situation.

"Is she not in the hospital?" Spike asked. He was very busy now. He felt that Olivia did not have any enemies, so nothing would happen to her.

"Hurry up and send your men over. I'll check the surveillance footage immediately. I have a feeling that something bad has happened to Olivia! Hurry up!" Samson was really anxious. He felt that his palms were covered in cold sweat and he was about to break down. Spike could hear the urgency in his words. He did not dare to be negligent and quickly sent his men to the hospital. He handed what he was working on over to his subordinates and rushed over. On the way, he called Zach to inform him.

Zach frowned when he heard that Olivia might be missing. He hesitated for a moment before telling Elvira about this.

Elvira hung up the phone and called Olivia, whose phone was switched off. Elvira knew that something had really happened to Olivia. She knew that Olivia was a very responsible doctor. Olivia would never switch off her phone for the sake of her -pregnant patients Elvira could not care less and ran out like a lunatic, startling everyone in the company. Seeing her like this, Cole hurriedly followed, afraid that something would happen to her.

Samson checked the surveillance footage. He saw Olivia enter the stairwell and never come out. Three minutes later, a trash cart was wheeled out.

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Samson remembered the trash cart. He'd met it on his way out of the elevator. He'd even looked back then. He didn't know why he'd looked.

At this moment, Samson felt as if he had fallen into hell. His scalp went numb and he was about to collapse. The security guard beside him supported him before he could stand steadily.

"Zoom in the image! Let me see this woman!" Samson demanded.

The security guard immediately did as he was told. Samson looked at the familiar pair of eyes and felt even more despair. It was Emily, the woman who said that she was pregnant with his baby and came to him to marry him. To avoid affecting his relationship with Olivia, Samson ordered his men to take Emily for an abortion.