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Chapter 1061: Untitled

Looking at Meng Wen whose eyes were filled with shame and regret, Ye Jian burst out laughing. "Why are you crying? I never promised you anything. I just told you that I didn't plan to take the direct admission slot of these two universities. In the past, I didn't plan to take it. Now, I don't plan to take it too."

After she finished speaking, she sighed in pity, "Sigh, I thought that after I gave up the slot, the direct admission slot would be given to another student. I didn't expect it to be taken away."

"Is it really not because of me?" Meng Wen hurriedly used her hand to wipe the corner of her eyes. She pursed her lips and said, "If it isn't because of me, I won't apologize to you!"

Ye Jian shook her head. "It really isn't because of you. Also, you should know that you aren't important enough for me to give up the direct admission slot for you." Ye Jian smiled after she finished speaking. Meng Wen's face turned red and she glared at Ye Jian in anger and embarrassment. She swung her ponytail arrogantly and left.

After walking a few steps, she came back. She said awkwardly, "It's alright even if you give up the slot. With your results, you can choose any universities you want! Also, don't tell the other students what I asked you last year!"

This was the awkward and narrow-minded Meng Wen who didn't have any evil thoughts. Because of her, because of him, and because of them, her senior high life was very rich and colorful. Even after she graduated, she would definitely miss them very much. She would miss the laughter and happiness they gave her. That was something she never experienced in her past life.

With them around, she had one less regret this life.

Ye Jian only told An Jiaxin that she wanted to enter the Chinese Academy of Sciences. She also told An Jiaxin that she made this decision when she was in grade eight. An Jiaxin was so shocked her eyes turned wide open!

F**k! She was still thinking if she could enter the same university as Jian. When she saw her results, she thought that her wish would come true but in the end... She felt as though she was struck by lightning! A military school... Was it too late for her to start working hard now?

An Jiaxin got stimulated and started working even harder. The entire dormitory got influenced by her so when the year-end results came out, all five of them were in the top ten!

Fortunately, they weren't in the same exam venue. Their results were all five points away from each other. If they were at the same venue, the entire school would suspect them of cheating!

The exceptional results of Grade Twelve Class One were far ahead of the Grade Twelve Class Two and Grade Twelve Class Three. Half of the top 50 were from Class One. The other half... was in the top 100 of the school!

Principal Cao had a feeling that the graduation of this batch of grade twelve students might be a rare breakthrough for the entire Provincial No.1 Middle School. This Class One might even become the most powerful Grade Twelve Class One that no one would ever be able to surpass!

At this moment, Ye Jian had already entered the jungle at the boundaries of the country.

The rain started three days ago. It was still raining till now. Ye Jian had been walking in the jungle for three days. Ye Jian wore her jungle camouflage uniform and created a small space that could shelter her from the rain while hiding herself. She looked around vigilantly as she waited for the heavy rain to end.

The rain was really big. It was so big that she would have a problem going anywhere. To avoid mudslides, she chose to camp on high ground and wait for the rain to stop before advancing following the mountain ridge.

Her jungle survival had started for five days. From the North to the South, the entire journey was approximately 500 km! That's right, 500 km! She needed to reach the designated spot assigned by Principal Chen within 15 days.

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There wasn't a problem if it was plainly walking for 15 days. But, this area was filled with poisonous snakes and terrestrial leeches. Not only that, but you might also meet people who were exchanging drugs for money! Principal Chen said that exchanges of firearms always happened in this area. Sometimes, border guards might appear here too.

She hadn't met any transactions or border guards but she met many poisonous snakes and terrestrial leeches!

Leeches were especially common during the monsoon season. She covered her body tightly but she was still bitten twice on her neck. By the time she felt the pain, the leeches had already finished sucking her blood. When she flicked them off, the black and slippery terrestrial leeches were at least two times bigger than normal water leeches. Their bodies were round from sucking her blood.

She used her military dagger to slit the terrestrial leeches. She was still able to see the two parts of the bodies twisting around as the blood got washed away by rainwater.

After taking care of the terrestrial leeches, there were still poisonous snakes. It was easy to evade these kinds of snakes but once you meet them, you would naturally jump in fright. As she stared at the python that entangled itself around the old vines, Ye Jian still had to take note of her surroundings. After the rain stopped, the python left the old vines and slid away.

In the rainforest, humans could become python's food.

The rain continued falling. After keeping her tarpaulin, Ye Jian wiped her traces away and hurried on her journey with her compass.

At 4 pm, the barking of dogs was heard not far away. Ye Jian climbed up a tree with her hands without any hesitation. She climbed all the way up and breathed softly to prevent the dog from finding her.

Dogs had an extremely sensitive sense of smell. When Ye Jian heard the barks coming nearer, her heart skipped a beat. She wasn't afraid of police sniffer dogs. She was afraid that she would meet drug dealers who brought dogs along to hide from the border guards.

She didn't remain on one tree. Ye Jian carefully maintained her balance as she stepped on the tree branches. Then, she slowly moved forward and jumped onto the tree in front of her. Since she was above, even if the dog was able to sense her smell, she had time to escape.

Very soon, a group of people wearing camouflage uniforms entered her vision. The lights were too dim and it was raining so the mist in the rainforest was thick. Thus, Ye Jian was unable to predict if the people wearing the camouflage uniforms were border guards or other people.

"Leader Liu, the smell has disappeared," someone said in a low voice as he took out a piece of cloth to let the sniffer dog smell. After some time, the man who spoke said, "This isn't right. The smell isn't right.

That wasn't right, the person they were chasing wasn't the same.

"Wrong target."

"Go towards the south. This is the north."

Ye Jian hid behind the trees in the rainforest. She only managed to listen to them speaking for a short moment before the sniffer dog barked again and went towards the north.

Dodging this kind of specially trained dog was a skill Special Forces soldiers needed to have. Ye Jian didn't make any movements as she hid on the tree for at least an hour. She waited until she couldn't hear the dog's barking anymore before she switched on her weak flashlight and opened her map.

She needed to know her current location. Just now, based on what she heard from the border guards, they should be chasing a target. Her presence caused the sniffer dog to lose its focus and follow the wrong target.

After seeing her location, Ye Jian put the map back into the waterproof pouch. She bit the shiny military dagger and jumped down from the tree quickly.

At 5 pm, the rainforest had already started to turn dark. There wasn't even a glimpse of light. Ye Jian used her luminous compass to walk in the right direction. She still needed to walk for four hours.

Chapter 1063: Survival

Ye Jian had all the equipment for a night march. Besides night gears, she also had four different kinds of equipment for single combat.

Personal protection, life support, ammunition, and night vision equipment. She had everything. She had a better set of gears as compared to the border guards she met at 4 pm.

Ye Jian fixed the night-vision goggles and carried a domestically produced QBU that had an effective shooting range of 1000 meters and a caliber of 5.8mm. She rushed quickly towards her destination. She predicted that she would reach her shelter by 9 pm.

The 'road' that she was walking on now was the route Xia Jinyuan and his comrades walked for their inferno outdoor survival training. All the training she went through during this winter break was what Xia Jinyuan went through in the past. Nothing was changed!

The shelter she would rest at tonight was the same shelter he rested. It was a man-made hole that wasn't very wide, but it was big enough for her to sleep in. No one knew when this hole was made.

It was a difficult four hours of march. Around 7 pm, the rain started to get heavy again. Fortunately, it was Winter so there was no thunder and lightning. If not, she had to prevent herself from getting struck by lightning.

After walking for approximately one hour, she saw a piece of cloth that got hooked by a thorn in this green world. Like a catapult, she flew behind a tree. Then, she slowly moved towards the bushes.

She took down the cloth to take a look. She squinted her eyes slightly. After getting washed by the rainwater, there was still a faint scent of blood on the cloth. She took a look at her environment. A huge area of the bushes had been trampled upon. From the size of the trampling, she predicted that there were no less than five people.

Her gaze landed on an unknown tree. Ye Jian noticed that the branches had been cut recently.

She turned and observed the piece of cloth that had a faint scent of blood. The sides of the cloth were sewed. It didn't look like it was pulled off someone's clothes. Instead, it felt like it was pulled off the corner of someone's pants.

She picked up a few broken bits of branches that had been cut. There was also a pile of newly cut wood shavings... Blood, cloth from the edge of pants, traces of fresh cuts on a tree as well as newly shaved wood shavings. Someone's leg was hurt and needed to support his leg to continue his journey.

They didn't wipe away their traces. They were either in a hurry or they didn't know that they should wipe their traces.

She could eliminate the border guards she met some time ago. They wouldn't leave such obvious traces behind. Even if they took a break in the middle, they would remove their traces before they leave.

No one should be hurt. She didn't see any injured people in the group.

"Oh my god, I can't be so lucky, right? They are not the people that the officers are chasing, right?" Ye Jian muttered to herself softly. She placed the cloth back in its original position while making a slight change... she tied a knot.

Then, she found some small rocks and made a hint that the police officers could understand. After preparing everything, Ye Jian wiped away her own traces and placed her raincoat around her again. She continued on her journey.

Around ten minutes later, the barkings of dogs came from the back of the rainforest. After some time, a group of border guards wearing the same camouflage uniforms appeared at the spot where Ye Jian stopped.

"Leader Liu, here!" A police officer in charge of scouting pointed to the cloth on the bush. Then, he pointed to the small rocks on the ground. "Bowknot, number of people... One of our men came here."

A slimmer man that wasn't bulky walked over. His figure wasn't good but he gave off a strong and fierce aura. He took off the bowknot with his hand. His phalanx was a little thick. Then, he took a look at the small rocks on the leaves and pondered for a few seconds before saying, "It's not one of our men. Someone else discovered it and left these hints to guide us."

Chapter 1064: Unknown Danger

"Not one of our men? Could it be the brothers patrolling the mountains?"

"Doesn't look like them." Leader Liu took the cloth down and let the sniffer dog smell it. He saw the sniffer dog running towards the direction where Ye Jian disappeared. Leader Liu raised his hand quickly and the team of seven officers followed behind hurriedly.

It wasn't their brothers who were patrolling in the mountains and it wasn't one of their men either... Someone came here and noticed something amiss. This person left some hints for them. Did this mean that someone was helping them?

Who was helping them? It was at night and it was raining. Who would come to this rainforest where drug dealers always appear and danger was looming everywhere?

They couldn't confirm if it was one of them or if the person was safe or not. This person didn't wipe the traces of the drug dealers away and instead, left it behind for them to discover... Maybe it was safe for them.

Night had fallen. The border guards that were chasing the drug dealers followed their sniffer dog and continued moving in this dense rainforest. Leaves that got rained on brushed past their bodies, faces, and hands. It left the rainwater on them as well as thin scratch marks.

Ye Jian followed the mountain ridge and moved forward without stopping. At this moment, she was stepping on the dense bushes and walking into an entirely green world. Even the rainwater had turned into green lines as they showered down in front of her.

There wasn't any light in the forest. She passed through the forest and stepped on many bushes with her military boots. Her sound of walking was covered up by the sound of the rain.

"Are we walking on the same path? I can see traces the entire way." Ye Jian bent down and pushed aside a low bush. The clear print of a crutch could be seen on the wet mountain soil.

Ye Jian smiled as she held the sniper rifle in her hand. She took out a disinfected gauze from her first-aid kit and tied it around a bush. If the border guards didn't give up on their search, they would be able to see the hints she left behind.

When she knew that she was going to walk the same path as Xia Jinyuan when he carried out his inferno training, Uncle Chen even teased her and said that he hoped she wouldn't meet a group of drug dealers making transactions like what Xia Jinyuan did.

Xia Jinyuan's 15 days of training ended in 17 days. During the two extra days, he was following a group of drug dealers all the way until he found their production factory. Unintentionally, he actually helped the border guards to find a large-sized drug production factory.

He met drug dealers and unexpectedly, Ye Jian met them too. However, the difference was that this group of dealers had already been discovered and they were escaping.

After leaving the hint. Ye Jian continued to carry her slightly heavy sniper rifle and walked into the endless forest. There wasn't any fear on her face. She walked calmly with a fearless aura around her. She wasn't afraid at all. She walked with resolution and perseverance on this path that Xia Jinyuan once walked.

Around 20 km from where Ye Jian was, a group of five people had to stop because of the rain. They hid under the leaves of a tree to take shelter from the rain.

"Brother Hong, there's still more than ten kilometers of the journey. When will our people come to back-up?" The person spoke in Chinese with a slight hometown accent. He spoke quickly as he looked around him. From his expression, one could tell that he was really frightened.

Night always brought unknown fear to people. If you walked the same path in the day and night, there will be a huge difference in the mentality of a person.

To these escaped criminals, the night didn't just mean unknown danger. They also had to face the danger of getting caught again.

Chapter 1065: Only Forward, No Retreat

A bald man held the makeshift crutch with one hand and used his mouth to catch some rainwater. Then, he said, "They're almost here. We need to walk past this place before my men can come over. Don't worry. Follow me and you will be able to gain as much wealth as you want in the future!"

The five people had one similarity. They were all bald!

The leader was called Brother Hong. He had a special identity. As the breakthrough point of a huge case, he escaped from prison successfully when he went out to visit the doctor. The escape was so smooth Brother Hong felt a little surprised.

The other four bald men had just been released from prison a few days ago. To realize their dreams of getting rich, they got together with Brother Hong, whom they knew long ago, once again in hopes that they would be able to become rich in the future.

Brother Hong's leg got hit with a bullet. The bullet was still stuck in his bone and they couldn't take it out. They could only tie his leg tightly with their prison clothes. They didn't even have the time to attend to the wound simply before continuing their escape.

After he finished speaking, he lowered his gaze and a malicious look flashed past his eyes. These people... none of them must remain alive. After they led him to his men, he would kill all these bald guys.

He promised these people but in fact, he was just making empty promises.

After resting for less than ten minutes, the five of them left again. No matter how tired they were, they still needed to escape. If they didn't, they might be dead.

The five people were all tense. In front of the heavy rain and the dark forest, the fear in their minds got amplified instinctively. They had to withstand great mental pressure as they continued their journey.

People who were escaping had to continue moving no matter how afraid they were. As for Ye Jian, who was having her training, she needed to move forward too.

Two more hours passed. There were only two hours left. If she reached her resting area one hour later, it meant that she had to sleep one hour less tonight. She could only continue moving forward!

The rain got bigger. Ye Jian wiped the rainwater on her night-vision goggles. She passed through the trees and bushes in the forest like a spirit.

Ye Jian only had one locator on her ever since she entered the rainforest. She hadn't spoken to anyone for the past few days too. All she saw were either poisonous snakes or terrestrial leeches. She even had to get drenched every day. Ye Jian remained calm. She remained composed whenever she met anything and analyzed the situation and her current environment with a clear mind.

For instance, now, normal people would have an innate fear of the dark. When they met danger, they would scream based on instinct and might even faint when something appeared suddenly.

They would think of dangers they never thought of in the day and the pressure they felt was greater than in the day too.

Normal people wouldn't purposely fight this fear. They might even avoid it by not walking in the mountains at night.

This was what normal people thought. It was entirely understandable.

But, to Ye Jian and Special Forces soldiers, they didn't have any route of retreat. They could only move forward. No matter how scared they are, they need to move forward. Not only that but they also have to overcome their fear of the dark so that they wouldn't be controlled by it!

This was Ye Jian's improvement. She improved slowly and steadily. There was no shortcut. She could only rely on herself to overcome every single obstacle.

She used her hard work to exchange for a different life. She was laying the foundation of her future glory. The wind couldn't stop her and the rain couldn't drench her spirit!

After more than a year of inferno training, Ye Jian's psychological quality and physical stamina were on an entirely different level as compared to her peers. Night march had become an indispensable part of Ye Jian's life. When she met difficulties, she would fight them firmly. When she met dangers, she would solve them calmly.

Chapter 1066: What A Coincidence

For instance, now, when she saw the five figures resting in front of her, Ye Jian silently hid behind a tree and used the leaves as her cover as she watched over the men.

The five men were all bald. They gathered and sat down together. Occasionally, from their expressions, she could tell that they were all very tense. Their pupils kept spinning and they appeared very anxious.

These people... were probably the ones the border guards wanted to find.

The leaves rustled loudly as the rainwater hit them. The voices of the men floated into Ye Jian's ears intermittently.

"Brother Hong, how long do we have to walk? You should at least give us a time. We have been walking for the entire day but we still haven't reached! The rain is so heavy and there are many snakes. We are both tired and hungry. If we continue like this, I'm afraid that we will collapse before we reach."

"That's right. Brother Hong, give us an exact time. A moment ago, you said that it's right in front and the next, you said that it's not far away. Now, we have been walking for an entire day. We are all frightened and agitated."

"Brother Hong, are you sure that someone will come and fetch us?"

"Brother Hong, the four of us followed you loyally. When you said that someone is fetching us, we followed you without any hesitation. You have seen our sincerity. But, Brother Hong, please let us see your sincerity too."

The four bald men spoke one after another to the man that was sitting in the middle. Ye Jian didn't leave immediately. She waited to hear the man's reply.

The sound of rain was very loud. To prevent herself from missing any part of the conversation, Ye Jian daringly moved half a meter forward. Then, she slowly laid down on the bushes while glancing over at the men secretly to prevent them from discovering her.

Brother Hong's wound got infected so he was having a low fever. When he heard the other four men asking him for an explanation, Brother Hong sighed and replied, "Don't you believe me? We do need to walk further but my men are indeed waiting for me too."

"Why didn't I ask my men to fetch me at the hospital? That's simple. When I was in prison, I've already told them that I will be returning to the village on this day and continue leading them to great wealth! If you believe me, you can continue walking with me. If you don't, I will not force you to stay with me. You can leave now!"

The four bald men went into prison because they were caught trafficking drugs. Why did they leave with Brother Hong? That was because before they came in, they had already heard of the famous Brother Hong! They knew that this person had control of a drug operation line!

But, when they saw no one fetching them after so long, they couldn't help but suspect if the drug operation line in Brother Hong's hands were wiped out by the police!

After he finished speaking, a younger bald man suddenly got excited. "Brother Hong, you, you... Are you saying that you will bring us to where you keep your 'big goods'? Are you going to bring us there directly?"

"Of course. The four of you helped me to escape. I have to show some sincerity, right?" Brother Hong's Chinese had a hometown accent too. It was from Sichuan. He sighed and looked as though he was really sincere.

The young man knew something so he got more and more excited. Ye Jian heard him saying, "Thank you, Brother Hong. Thank you. In the future, I will follow you. Thank you, thank you."

Brother Hong waved his hand and replied, "You went through great lengths to get me out. I have to thank you. Let me rest for a few minutes before we continue our journey."

"Alright, alright. Take a rest, take a rest." The young man started worshipping Brother Hong like his ancestor. To him, Brother Hong was raining money.

Chapter 1067: Special Symbol

The other three people were confused by his actions. Ye Jian saw their puzzled expressions when they wiped the rainwater off their faces. After the younger bald man called them to the side and whispered something to them, all of them turned excited.

Ye Jian regarded Brother Hong as her main observation target. She smiled. When the four men turned around, Brother Hong, who was resting with closed eyes, opened them and glanced over. Ye Jian noticed an obvious killing intent in his expression.

They didn't leave so Ye Jian didn't leave either. This route was the fastest route through the entire rainforest. If she moved away from it, she wouldn't be able to reach her camping ground by tonight.

Ten minutes later, Brother Hong stood up with the help of his crutch. He wore the raincoat he bought in the city and continued on his journey.

Ye Jian followed them all the way. Occasionally, she heard Brother Hong telling the other four men where to go. The direction they were heading... Ye Jian couldn't help but sigh softly. It was where she was heading.

Drug transactions were common at the boundary of the two countries. It was very normal to meet people transacting in this rainforest.

It was close to the end of the year so all the criminals ran wild and wanted to earn a huge pile of money before the year ends. The risk of dealing drugs was high. However, it was an easy way to earn money. People who kept thinking of getting rich would take this risk.

If they continued to move in the same direction as her, Ye Jian hoped that the border guards would find them quickly.

Half an hour later, Leader Liu brought his team to the location where the five drug dealers rested. "Look around. Let Big Condor take a rest." Big Condor was the name of the sniffer dog. He was a member of their team.

Leader Liu started searching around to see if there were new hints. Very soon, his gaze landed on a vine that was tied purposely. He looked around the vine and soon noticed the hint Ye Jian left behind.

There was a newly carved arrow at the bottom of the tree. On the tip of the arrow, there was a five-pointed star.

Captain Liu squinted slightly as he touched the moss on the roots of the tree. As expected, he saw a small five-pointed star below as well as a small sword and the number 1.

...That person was really one of them! He even knew the codes of the border defense narcotics squad!

Why was there someone else here? Their heads only assigned their team to watch over the target. It was impossible that there were other comrades on this mission. Could it be an individual mission? That was even more impossible! What was going on? Who else was watching over their target?

Captain Liu erased the hints and continued leading his team forward. They weren't far from their target but they weren't near either. He didn't care who was in front of them. He only knew that his brothers were beside him. This made him feel slightly at ease.

Let's see what other symbols are there.

One hour later, Captain Liu saw another group of symbols. Near the roots of the tree, he saw a row of the number '1'. The '1' in front was slightly longer while the four '1's behind were shorter but all four had the same length. Below this was another row of '1's that had no consistent length.

Captain Liu couldn't help but smile when he saw this. Interesting. This person used numbers to pass down information.

The longer '1' represented Brother Hong. The four shorter '1's represented the four people with him. The whole row of '1's below them meant that Brother Hong had reinforcements.

Their comrade in front followed Brother Hong really closely. He was even able to hear what they said. This allowed him to provide them with information about Brother Hong's movement but it also meant that once he got in danger, they wouldn't be able to rescue him immediately.

Chapter 1068: Smell of Gunpowder

Fortunately, they knew that Brother Hong and the four other people didn't carry any guns or ammunition. The most they had were daggers.

They couldn't follow Brother Hong too closely because they were fishing for the big fish. They hoped that their comrade in front would take care of himself!

After that, Leader Liu kept receiving more and more information. While they were still guessing who the other party was, they weren't able to find any hints for the next two hours. They didn't even find anything in the traces their target left behind...

There were no signs of fighting around them. Did this mean that their comrade left alone? Maybe he just left some hints for them because he was passing by. He just wanted to see if the border guards would notice them.

Since he was able to leave the hints and even thought about letting the border guards see them, he had probably guessed the identity of Brother Hong who was wearing prison clothes. After all, would a normal person wear prison clothes?

"There are no more hints? Leader Liu, there's no signs of a fight around us. He shouldn't be in any danger." The scout quickly surveyed their surroundings and came back. He wiped the rainwater off his face and said in a low voice, "He either left or he didn't plan to leave any more hints."

Leader Liu pulled his rain hat lower. He glanced at the green world around him and replied, "It's probably a comrade that's having his outdoor inferno training. He noticed the situation in front so he decided to remind us. Since there are no signs of fighting, we don't have to worry about him. Let's continue moving forward."

As expected, Ye Jian didn't continue to follow the five drug dealers. At this moment, she had reached her resting place for the night. Naturally, she wouldn't follow them.

Also, she felt that the border guards were purposely keeping their distance... In the end, even the sniffer dog stopped barking. It felt as though they purposely allowed the sniffer dog to bark so that Brother Hong and his men would get alerted and run away quickly.

The man-made cave was just wide enough for one person to curl inside and rest. Ye Jian was experienced with camping out at night. She knew what she had to do.

First, she used the rain curtain to block the wind and the rain. Then, she placed the moisture-proof mat on the ground and sprayed some powder at the entrance of the cave to prevent insects from entering. After doing these simple preventive measures, she placed the most important equipment, her sniper rifle, on the inner side and finally managed to fall asleep before 11 pm.

The rain hit the rain curtain. The splattering sound didn't affect Ye Jian's sleep. However, she got alerted and woke up soon.

Someone was still walking in the rain. The footsteps were fast but not messy. The person's breathing was stable too. Ye Jian immediately thought of the border guards she met a while ago.

She calculated the time. They were still half an hour away from Brother Hong and his men.

Indeed, they calculated the time accurately and purposely maintained a half an hour distance.

Ye Jian didn't interfere with the border guards' mission anymore. She was sure that they saw the information she left behind. If she left any more information behind, it might make them more confused. Since she had already told them that their target had reinforcement, there was no need to give them any more data.

Ye Jian controlled her sleeping time so that she would only sleep for six hours. At 5 am, she had already packed up. She stepped on the wet floor of the rainforest and started on her journey again.

At 7 am, she reached the designated location. She opened her locator and sent her location to Principal Chen. This was a military-used location. As long as she sent her signal out, Principal Chen would be able to see her location accurately.

Ye Jian drank her first sip of water since she woke up and ate a piece of compact biscuit. She only had 5 minutes of resting time. Then, her slender figure entered the endless rainforest in a blink of an eye.

After walking for approximately 15 km, Ye Jian hugged her sniper rifle and jumped over the bushes at the side like a catapult. She smelled gunpowder as well as the stench of blood!

Chapter 1069: Combat, Alert

Ye Jian was especially sensitive towards the iron smell of blood and the smell of chemicals in gunpowder. Even if only a faint wisp of abnormal smell floated over in the damp air, Ye Jian could detect it accurately.

After she hid, Ye Jian didn't move immediately. She only started closing in carefully when she felt that she could move in the direction of the smell.

It wasn't weird to smell blood in a rainforest. However, if there was the smell of gunpowder, you had to be careful. Especially since she was walking on the mountain ridge located at the boundaries of two countries. She met a group of escaped drug dealers yesterday so she needed to be extra careful.

During normal times, she would analyze the situation to see if there was a need for her to investigate the matter. But, this time, she must go and take a look.

Yesterday, Brother Hong said that he had reinforcements. He also wanted to kill the four bald men who helped him to escape. This proved that he did have reinforcements. Someone would help him to get rid of the four bald men.

There was only one small team of border guards chasing after him. If they really met Brother Hong's reinforcements, she didn't know the success rate of the border guards. She was worried about them so she needed to make sure that they were alright.

She walked to an area where the land was covered with bushes because of the shade. Ye Jian could faintly see a slanted pair of legs among the bushes.

After a battle, the bushes were filled with an aura of death. The surroundings were extremely quiet. Even the chirps of birds couldn't be heard. It was dead silent.

Ye Jian hid among the bushes entirely as she slowly moved forward. When she got near the pair of legs. she glanced at them and heaved a sigh of relief. The deceased had a black tattoo on his neck that looked like a fireball. Just based on this point, this person was definitely not a border guard.

Ye Jian picked up a bullet among the tree ferns. It was a 5.8 mm bullet that was produced by their country. This bullet was used by a Type 87 rifle. This was the rifle the border guards used.

There were six bodies in this area. All of them had a tattoo that looked like a fireball on their necks. They were all killed by Type 87 assault rifles. Based on her observation, the fire exchange happened approximately three hours ago.

It was 8.40 am now. That meant that the fight happened around 5 am to 6 am. Taking into account the walking speed of the soldiers, they should be about 35 kilometers away from her at least. But, because of the current situation, they were probably only...

Ye Jian didn't finish her thoughts. Birds got startled in the rainforest and soared into the sky.

A second ago, Ye Jian was still contemplating. The next second, she rushed back into the forest and moved towards the direction where the birds flew from.

It wasn't raining today but the air in the forest was still humid. Ye Jian picked a high spot and climbed onto the trunk of the tree with her hands like a monkey. Using the tree leaves to hide her body, she saw a figure flashing among the bushes as he ran furiously.

She lifted her sniper rifle and set it to its highest accuracy. From her scope, she was able to see another figure chasing after the first man.

"Bang! Bang!" Two continuous shots were fired. The figure running in front fired two shots behind him to force his chaser to hide so that he would have more time to escape.

The person chasing was a border guard. As for the person who fired, Ye Jian saw the familiar fireballshaped tattoo on the side of his neck. Without any hesitation, she aimed her barrel at this person's right hand.

She didn't need to close one eye when she was aiming. She just needed to calm her mind and focus on her scope and she would be able to snipe her target accurately.

Chapter 1070: Hello, Female Soldier

Gunshots were heard once again. The man with the tattoo fell back due to the force of the sniper rifle. The bullet penetrated his shoulder. The gun in his hand even flew into the air.

The man fell into the bushes. Then, Ye Jian heard him groaning in pain.

The border guard that was chasing him had already climbed up a tree. He aimed his Type 87 rifle at his front and started searching quickly for the person who fired.

Ye Jian had already kept her sniper rifle and climbed down the tree swiftly.

The man who got shot in the shoulder was struggling in pain among the bushes. Ye Jian had already confirmed that the person chasing him was the scout of the border guards she saw yesterday but she didn't reveal herself immediately. Instead, she went one round and closed in on the person silently.

Ye Jian remained vigilant as she walked towards the scout. When she reached a distance where the scout was able to hear her, she lowered her voice and said calmly, "I'm on your side."

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My side? A female? A female soldier? Why was there a female soldier? A female soldier?

The scout turned quickly and aimed his barrel at the source of the sound. He noticed that the leaves around two meters away from him were swaying slightly but there was no one in sight.

Ye Jian didn't move closer. She was still observing him. The scout was observing her too. He carefully observed the surroundings and asked in a low voice, "Your unit number."

"I saw your team yesterday. Your captain has the surname 'Liu' and you're the scout." After that, Ye Jian reported her unit number. The scout's suspicion was mostly clear.

He heard the female soldier continuing in a cold and stable voice, "The target you are chasing is wearing a prison uniform. His name is Brother Hong and he is an escaped criminal. He has four people with him. I discovered a few bodies that were killed with bullets in front. All of them have black tattoos on their necks. That is why I suddenly took the shot."

The two of them started getting nearer. One took care of the front and the right while the other took care of the back and the left. Then, they saw each other.

Ye Jian saluted the scout first. "I'm having my outdoor survival training and coincidentally saw your team chasing Brother Hong and his men. I was afraid you will suspect me unnecessarily so I just left a hint to tell you that Brother Hong has reinforcements. I left that hint beside the roots of a tree. After that, I didn't leave any more hints."

"When I was resting at night, I noticed your team walking past me. I slept for the entire night. I didn't expect you to be still pursuing your target."

By this time, the scout's suspicion was entirely cleared. He was familiar with the aura on Ye Jian's body. It was the cold and stern aura of a soldier.

He saluted back to Ye Jian and took the chance to wipe the sweat flowing down his eyebrows. His skin was slightly tanned as he gave a friendly smile and said, "I see. You're having your outdoor survival training. However, we didn't expect you to be a female soldier. Thank you for your help just now. That

was a guard that was preparing to send news back secretly. If I don't catch him, all our arrangements will be wasted..."

He didn't continue. He knew that Ye Jian understood.

Ye Jian didn't probe further. Every single unit has its deployment. She didn't have the right to know it.

She pointed at the moving figure in the bushes. When she opened her mouth again, her voice was filled with killing intent. She said in a soft voice, "Do you plan to kill him directly, or do you plan to bring him back?" In a situation like this, he could kill this person directly to prevent implications.

"Kill him directly. There's no way I can bring him back." The scout fired a shot at the struggling figure after he finished speaking. He wasn't being cruel. It was just something he must do! Being kind to your enemies meant being cruel to your men!

As their enemy, one would naturally choose the option that would benefit them the most.