## **Chapter 1381: Strike First**

"So, we might as well strike first and catch them off guard when they think you are worried," Lu Xingzhi said, concerned.

Lu Xingzhi's expression was solemn when he spoke. His facial features were cold and hard, and when he wore a serious expression, it gave off a kind of pressure. Brother Ding felt that Gu Changshu was right; it was an extremely urgent matter.

Brother Ding immediately began to think about Gu Changshu's words.

Lu Xingzhi knew when to speak and when not to talk too much, so he stood at the side and quietly watched Brother Ding, who was thinking about something.

It just so happened that there was such a coincidence in that world. Brother Ding was still thinking about the feasibility of Gu Changshu's words when Sister Wen called him.

That was the first time Sister Wen had called Brother Ding after leaving Shu City. When Brother Ding saw Sister Wen's phone number, he relaxed a little. Perhaps Sister Wen would not betray him since she called him. However, when he heard what Sister Wen said, Brother Ding's mood changed again.

"You and Yunfang are not planning to return to my side, right?" Brother Ding gritted his teeth and asked that question.

"Brother Ding, I'm also very anxious that we haven't found the child. I've come here personally to look for him, but the child is missing. The child disappeared a few years ago. It's been so long. Where else can we find him?" Sister Wen was more anxious than anyone else when they could not find the child.

It was a completely different matter if she could not find him or if she was hiding him. Since the child could not be found, it meant that she had lost a bargaining chip that could threaten Brother Ding.

"Is that so?" Brother Ding could not believe it, no matter how anxious and guilty Sister Wen sounded on the phone. "I think you and Yunfang just don't want to return to my side."

"Brother Ding..." Sister Wen kept shouting on the phone, but all she heard was a beep after that. Brother Ding had already hung up on her.

"D\*mn it! You heartless woman! I've taken care of you two for so many years, and now you're betraying me because of a small matter!" Brother Ding smashed the phone on the table. The phone bounced with a bang and fell to the ground. The back cover separated from the phone.

Lu Xingzhi bent down to pick up the things on the ground. The moment he lowered his face, the corner of his mouth curled up slightly.

Brother Ding was furious. It seemed like things went more smoothly than he thought.

"What's wrong?" Lu Xingzhi picked up the phone and put it back on the table. Then, he asked cautiously.

"The two women are betraying me! They told me that they couldn't find the child. I think she hid him to threaten me!" Brother Ding snorted, then he looked at Gu Changshu and said, "Brother Jing will be here tomorrow. Go and pack your things. I'll send someone to send you out later."

Lu Xingzhi nodded and turned to walk out of the door. However, when he was already at the door, he suddenly turned around.

He thought for a moment and said, "Brother Ding, I have a request, and I hope you will agree to it."

## Chapter 1382: Sister Wen's Return

"Speak." Brother Ding did not even raise his eyes. He was obviously in a bad mood and did not care what Gu Changshu had to say.

"Can you send someone to bring my wife back from Xiang City as soon as possible? After that, I'll have to ask you to help me look after my wife. I'm worried that she'll be left alone in Xiang City." Lu Xingzhi gave the other man a pleading look after he spoke. "Brother Ding, Junhui is more important to me than my life. I don't want her to be in danger. At this juncture, I can't leave her in Xiang City."

"Alright, tomorrow, I'll ask Ah Zhu to go and bring her back for you personally." Brother Ding waved his hand in annoyance and nodded in agreement. How could Brother Ding not know the reason for Gu Changshu's request? It was simply because he did not trust Sister Wen and her daughter.

If Sister Wen and her daughter really sought refuge with Brother Jing, Gu Junhui would be in danger, and Gu Changshu would also be in danger.

Brother Ding's expression relaxed. Gu Changshu did not back down. He still had the same ruthlessness toward people and things. He was even willing to go to Brother Jing's side for him. Gu Changshu asked him to help take care of Gu Junhui. He intended to do that.

If something happened to Gu Changshu, his wife would not have to worry about food and living a good life in the future.

It was nothing more than taking care of an idle person. It did not trouble Brother Ding at all.

After the meal, Ouyang sent Jiang Yao to the door and watched as she entered the house before driving away. Wen Yunfang crossed her legs and sat on the sofa in the living room, looking at the person who came in through the door. There was a smile on her face that no one could understand.

"You're back?" Wen Yunfang, who was in a good mood, greeted the person who came in with a rare gentleness.

"Yes." Jiang Yao nodded, lowered her head, and changed into clean indoor slippers before walking into the house.

"Why are you back so soon? Didn't Mr. Ouyang invite you to watch a movie or go shopping? You guys came back after dinner?" She took a bite of the apple on the coffee table. Her eyes were sizing up the person who walked in while she was talking. She even looked at the other woman's face and lips.

Unfortunately, Mr. Ouyang was not a monster, so Wen Yunfang could not find any hickeys.

"Mr. Ouyang did invite me to do that, but I don't want to see any movie or go shopping." Jiang Yao scratched her head with a silly look on her face. "Shopping costs money. Brother Changshu has worked hard to earn money, so I can't spend it recklessly. Besides, there are already a lot of clothes in my closet."

"Idiot. Why would Mr. Ouyang ask you to pay when he asked you to go shopping?" Wen Yunfang mocked her. "Isn't it natural for a man to take a woman shopping to buy clothes? It's also natural for a man to pay the bill when she goes out with a man."

"It's not!" Jiang Yao shook her head and defended herself. "My aunt told me that girls can't simply ask for other people's things."

That was what Mrs. Jiang had taught Jiang Yao. Even if they were dating, they could not just casually take other people's things, and they could not just spend other people's money casually.

Wen Yunfang could not be bothered to talk to the country bumpkin. She sat in the living room and waited for a while, but she did not have the time to watch the show. She thought that Gu Changshu might not have time to call Gu Junhui during the day, so she went upstairs to take a break.

At around three o'clock in the afternoon, Jiang Yao heard Wen Yunfang receive a call. It seemed like Sister Wen was coming back and asked Wen Yunfang to drive to the train station to pick her up.

#### **Chapter 1383: You've Worked Hard**

After Wen Yunfang left, Jiang Yao knew that her chance had come. The two servants were outside. She did not dare sneak into Wen Yunfang's room from the main door, so she climbed in from the balcony with her meager skills. Then, she put the train ticket to Tingzhou under Wen Yunfang's pillow.

When Jiang Yao returned to her room, the servant sent by Brother Ding pretended to clean Wen Yunfang's room and entered the room while the other servant was washing vegetables in the kitchen.

The servant lied when she said that she wanted to clean Wen Yunfang's room; she wanted to search for the room. After entering the door, she began to rummage through the drawers, dressing table, and then the bed. Naturally, she reached under the pillow. Then, she found the train ticket that Jiang Yao had put there.

The servant was literate. As soon as she saw that the train ticket was for Tingzhou City, she immediately called Brother Ding to inform him that she had found a train ticket to Tingzhou City under Wen Yunfang's pillow.

Jiang Yao listened to the servant's call. When she saw that the servant had returned the train ticket to its original position and left, Jiang Yao retrieved it and burned it in her room to destroy the evidence.

Wen Yunfang went out for more than an hour before she returned. When Sister Wen entered the room, she looked exhausted. Wen Yunfang's expression was also unprecedentedly solemn. It was likely that the mothers and daughter duo had talked a lot on the way; they spoke of the situation of the two of them.

Since Sister Wen was back, Moe returned as well. Jiang Yao went downstairs to greet Sister Wen. When she returned to her room, she saw Moe sprawled on her bed.

"You've worked hard." Jiang Yao walked over and rubbed Moe's stomach. "When the mission is over, I'll buy you a lot of delicious food."

Moe enjoyed Jiang Yao's massage and meowed a few times comfortably. Then, he turned around and sat up, looking at Jiang Yao. "Sister Wen and Wen Yunfang may really be betraying Brother Ding."

"Good news!" Jiang Yao asked, "What did the two of them say on the way back?"

"According to the old woman and the b\*tch, Brother Ding no longer trusts them. They're going to find a way out. The old woman said that she had received news that Brother Jing would be in Shu City tomorrow, so she would return to Shu City to look for Brother Jing." Moe rubbed his chin with his two paws. Moe's thoughtful look amused Jiang Yao.

"I'm afraid that she won't do anything." Jiang Yao smiled. "Just you wait. Brother Ding will definitely send people to pay close attention to those two."

Brother Ding would probably know when Sister Wen arrived in Shu City. If Sister Wen returned to Shu City and did not look for Brother Ding, then that would confirm her betrayal.

Jiang Yao began to look forward to the next day. As long as Brother Ding was caught first, she would be able to interrogate him and get some information out of him. Then, she would be able to peel off layers of his activities. That mission should be completed very quickly.

If she had not joined that mission, Jiang Yao might never have seen such a dark side of society.

She did not know much about that in the past. She had been very naive about it.

Her life in the past was too simple. The hardest thing for her was a competition for a position in a hospital. Later, she lived an extremely simple life in a small place. Everyone there was very friendly. She treated the doctors and Wen Xuehui with great respect.

## **Chapter 1384: Take Her Home**

The villagers in the small hill valley were honest and straightforward. When they had something delicious to eat at home, they would invite the school teacher and the two doctors. Even though most of Jiang Yao and Wen Xuehui's wages were used to pay for medicine, the monthly wages were only enough to cover their monthly expenses.

However, although they were poor during that time, the two girls were very happy.

As long as there was enough medicine in the infirmary, it would be enough for them to be happy for a long time.

Moe had worked hard following Sister Wen for the past few days. After telling Jiang Yao what he had seen and heard from Sister Wen in the past few days, Moe went to the bathroom to wash. Then, he crawled into Jiang Yao's bed and slept soundly.

Looking at his white belly, Jiang Yao urged to thank Moe for the first time.

She was touched and grateful.

Even though most of Mo's words were unpleasant to hear, he was a warm-hearted cat.

Jiang Yao received a call from Lu Xingzhi before she went to bed. He said that Ah Zhu would go to Xiang City the next day to pick her up and bring her back to Shu City, so she should pack her things early.

"So sudden?"

Jiang Yao said, "There are still a lot of things that we haven't figured out yet. Sister Wen and Wen Yunfang—"

"As long as Brother Ding is caught and brought to justice, the truth will come out about the two of them. Brother Ding can't protect them any longer. Once Brother Ding is caught, if he thinks that the two of them had betrayed him and caused him to be captured, he will kill them."

"If Sister Wen and Wen Yunfang are going to betray us, it will be very dangerous for you to continue staying there. You should return to Shu City tomorrow," Lu Xingzhi said.

Jiang Yao hugged herself under the blanket and snickered. "You don't want me to continue interacting with Ouyang in private, right?"

The man on the phone fell silent. It was unknown whether her thoughts struck him or whether he did not know how to explain himself. After waiting for a few seconds, Jiang Yao heard the man on the phone ask her in a suppressed voice, as if he was grinding his teeth, "Are you so happy that you can't bear to come back?"

"No, no! I miss you so much! I miss you every day!" Jiang Yao shook her head and denied it repeatedly.

Jiang Yao knew that she must not provoke a man who had fallen into a vinegar vat, especially when she would return to Shu City the next day.

"Rest early and wait for me to come back."

Lu Xingzhi chuckled as if he did not believe her words. However, he still threw her a sentence before putting his phone away.

Although she was unsure if she could see Lu Xingzhi when she went back the next day, Jiang Yao was still excited when she knew that she would return to Shu City the next day. She immediately jumped out of bed and packed her things. Then, she wrapped herself in her blanket and spent the night in the medical system.

Ah Zhu arrived at around eight in the morning. When he entered the house, his body was covered in frost. It was clear how early he had set off.

"You said that you're here to pick up Gu Junhui?"

Sister Wen sat at the dining table; the veins on her hand were protruding. She had already tried her best to be calm. However, her stiff sitting posture still betrayed her current emotions.

"Yes, I'm following Brother Ding's orders."

Sister Wen and her daughter did not speak much to Ah Zhu. He looked at Gu Junhui and said in a much gentler tone, "Sister, what are you still standing there for? Didn't Changshu tell you in advance? Come with me after you're done packing."

## Chapter 1385: Gladly Die For You

"Oh, okay! It's done!" Jiang Yao's excitement was half fake and half real. "Will I see Brother Changshu when I get back?"

"Of course not. Brother Changshu has gone to do something big." Ah Zhu patted Gu Junhui's head like a big brother. "You've only been separated for a few days, and you miss your Brother Changshu so much?

"Of course, I miss him! Even if we're only separated for a second, I'll miss him very much!" Jiang Yao giggled and followed Ah Zhu out the door.

When they reached the door, she looked as if she had just remembered that she still had to say goodbye. She then walked back to the dining table and said, "Sister Wen, Yun Fang, I'll go back to Shu City first! Thank you for taking care of me these past few days!"

After saying that, Jiang Yao ran out and into Ah Zhu's car.

Ah Zhu had a crippled leg, so another driver drove him. Ah Zhu was sitting in the front passenger seat. After seeing Gu Junhui get into the car, he said with a smile, "Sister, you're really a silly girl. How are those two people worthy of you going back to say thank you to them? They have ill intentions."

"Brother Ah Zhu, that is what I should do because they haven't made things difficult for me in the past few days." Her dark eyes were watery, and her eyes were as clear as a mountain spring. Her innocent smile always made people want to protect her.

"Brother Changshu told me about the situation yesterday, so thank you for coming to pick me up today."

"You called me brother, so I would gladly die for you, let alone pick you up. It's such a small matter." Ah Zhu joked, then sat there and laughed.

Jiang Yao said clumsily, "I don't want you to die for me, Brother Ah Zhu! Everyone has to live well!"

With Ah Zhu around, there was no need to worry about the atmosphere being awkward when no one spoke. Ah Zhu always had countless jokes that made everyone laugh, and even the driver would chat with the two of them along the way.

Ah Zhu did not arrange for Jiang Yao to return to the mansion. Instead, he asked her to stay in a hotel. It was not the most upscale hotel in Shu City, but it was clean. It was located in the center of Shu City.

"Sister, you can stay here for the time being. Don't worry, that is Brother Ding's property. However, my people are also here. If you have nothing to do, don't go out. I can guarantee your safety. If you need anything, you can ask the waiter or the front desk to help you. If you want to buy anything, you can ask them to help you buy it and send it to your room. Your Brother Changshu might have a lot of things to do in these few days. If he is free, he will come here to look for you. If he is not free, you can wait for her."

After Jiang Yao entered the room, she saw Ah Zhu limping around the room, checking everything, including whether there were any cups or kettles in the room. As she checked in with him, she kept reminding him of something that sounded very heartwarming.

To be honest, ever since Jiang Yao had met Ah Zhu in Shu City, he had always taken good care of her. Sometimes, he was like an older brother taking care of a younger sister. He took care of her, and it was the kind of care without any ill intention.

Jiang Yao looked at Ah Zhu's posture and sighed in her heart. If Ah Zhu had not gone down the wrong path, he would have been a very good person.

"Brother Ah Zhu, why don't you sit down for a while? If you are not in a hurry to leave, I can boil some water for you to get warm." Jiang Yao deliberately let Ah Zhu sit down and rest. After all, his legs were troubling him, but he went to pick her up early in the morning anyway.

# Chapter 1386: I'll See You Tonight

"No need, I'm not tired. I'm not like you girls." Ah Zhu waved his hand and refused her offer. After confirming that there were no problems, he left the hotel. Before he left, he told Jiang Yao that Gu Changshu might not be able to pick up her calls. He asked her to call him if she needed anything.

Lu Xingzhi texted her after Ah Zhu left.

[Are you satisfied with your place?]

[How did you know I was here?]

The next second, Lu Xingzhi called her. Before Jiang Yao could hear him, she heard his familiar chuckle first.

"I'm in the hotel across from you. I saw Ah Zhu's car, and I saw him take you to the hotel. "Lu Xingzhi had excellent eyesight. He could see the situation at the hotel across from him clearly.

He was staying in that hotel with Brother Jing and the others. It was also his intention for Jiang Yao to stay in the hotel across from him. It was more convenient for him to observe Jiang Yao's living environment without anyone suspecting him.

Jiang Yao immediately ran to the window. She saw a more upscale hotel across from her hotel. Lu Xingzhi was smiling at her from the window of a room on the top floor.

He knew that she could see him.

"I'll come over tonight. Wait for me," Lu Xingzhi said.

Jiang Yao nodded. Then, she realized that Lu Xingzhi might not be able to see her. So, she grunted and started talking to him about something important. Then, she heard a sentence from the phone.

"Rest well. You won't have to rest at night."

Jiang Yao felt the phone in her hand become so hot that she could not hold it.

She would not have time to rest when he came over?

What was that guy planning to do?

Was he planning to torture her for the entire night?

Was his mind filled with such indescribable thoughts all the time?

Jiang Yao snorted. "Aren't you nervous? The worm is in your brain. You're done. There's no cure."

"Why should I need saving? I'm not Zhou Weiqi or Chen Xuyao." Lu Xingzhi asked in a serious tone.

"What's wrong with Zhou Weiqi or Chen Xuyao?" Jiang Yao did not react for a moment.

"I have a wife. I don't need treatment. Zhou Weiqi and Chen Xuyao are single." Lu Xingzhi's tone was light. Obviously, as someone with a wife, he felt very proud. He was no longer single.

"Didn't Zhou Weiqi go to the Zhan family for the new year?" Jiang Yao was puzzled.

"He's shameless. Zhan Qiuhe is part of the Zhan family, not Zhou Weiqi. Chu Sheng is part of the Chu family, not Chen Xuyao. Oh, it seems like Chu Sheng has run away again. Chen Xuyao is looking for Chu Sheng again."

"So you're happy and joking about that?" If Zhou Weiqi and Chen Xuyao heard that, Jiang Yao wondered if they would end their friendship with Lu Xingzhi. Anyway, if she were Zhou Weiqi, she would definitely end their friendship.

"Why aren't you happy?" The wheel of fortune had turned. Lu Xingzhi felt that that was karma. Who asked Zhou Weiqi and Chen Xuyao to laugh at him in the past?

"Maybe our son will call them Uncle by then. They haven't gotten a wife yet." The more Lu Xingzhi spoke, the more pleased he was. Then, he glanced at the time and urged Jiang Yao to get a good rest.

Hearing the beeping sound from the phone, Jiang Yao stood in front of the window and looked at the person still standing there like a pine tree. She chuckled.

### Chapter 1387: Do You Think I'm Stupid?

She would never be able to do anything to Lu Xingzhi. Lu Yuqing was right. Lu Xingzhi had already completely influenced her after a few attempts.

That guy was trying to remind her of what she had promised him, not giving her any chance to go back on her words.

It was only giving birth, right? She had never thought of going back on her words. Was there a need for him to remind her so often?

He was like a fox!

Jiang Yao and Ah Zhu had just returned to Shu City, and Sister Wen had also returned to Shu City. However, they did not return to the Ding residence. Sister Wen pulled a few strings and found Brother Jing.

When Jiang Yao woke up from her nap and pulled the curtains open, she saw Sister Wen and a man entering the opposite hotel.

Jiang Yao stood behind the curtains and thought, 'What will Sister Wen do when she sees Brother Jing? Will she reveal that Gu Changshu is Brother Ding's man?'

Of course, Jiang Yao was also quite curious about how Brother Ding managed to place Gu Changshu by Brother Jing's side in such a short time.

Those in power always had endless methods.

The higher one stood, the more one had to be on guard day and night.

After Sister Wen entered the hotel, Jiang Yao moved a chair to the window and sat down. Then, she sent a message to Lu Xingzhi, informing him that Sister Wen had already gone upstairs.

Lu Xingzhi replied very quickly. It was only a short message.

[Be good, be obedient, sleep. You don't have to worry about my matters.]

'Rest? I'll sleep on your head!'

Jiang Yao cursed in her heart.

The distance between the two hotels was within two kilometers, so Jiang Yao could easily see the situation on the other side.

Jiang Yao saw a fat man in his 40s in the room next to Lu Xingzhi. That was Brother Jing. There was only a blurry photo in the information packet, which showed that Brother Jing was really secretive.

Sister Wen was already standing in front of Brother Jing. Jiang Yao observed the situation. She thought Sister Wen would reveal Gu Changshu's identity as a gift to Brother Jing, but strangely, she did not see Gu Changshu. She did not even ask him any question, nor did she mention Gu Changshu.

Sister Wen probably did not know that Lu Xingzhi had already gone to Brother Jing, so she did not find it strange that she did not see him. She might even feel relieved.

Sister Wen was probably hoping that news of her return to Shu City would not reach Brother Ding so quickly.

By that time, Wen Yunfang should have already left the villa and gone into hiding. The servant sent by Brother Ding should have noticed something was wrong by the end of the night, plus that train ticket.

Brother Ding must have thought that one of them had returned to Shu City and the other had gone to Tingzhou City.

Of course, that was also Jiang Yao's guess. She was not the one keeping an eye on Brother Ding, so she did not know about the situation at that moment.

After Sister Wen found Brother Jing, she told him that Brother Ding wanted to bring Brother Jing down and replace him. She even told him about Brother Ding's previous arrangements.

Even from so far away, Jiang Yao could hear the nervousness and tremble in Sister Wen's voice. She was putting all her eggs in one basket. She could not rely on Brother Ding, so she could only look for Brother Jing.

After hearing Sister Wen's words, Brother Jing did not seem angry at all. Instead, he smiled amiably and said, "Our boss doesn't like his subordinates to kill each other. Brother Ding hasn't done anything to me.

How do I know if what you said is true or not? What if you hold a grudge against Brother Ding because of your personal matters and deliberately come to me to help you deal with Brother Ding? If I did that, you'd end up well, and I'd be scolded by the boss instead. Do you think I'm stupid?"

### **Chapter 1388: Prevent Future Troubles**

Sister Wen was a little anxious. "If you want to know if Brother Ding has any ulterior motives, you'll understand once you capture Ah Zhu and interrogate him. He's always by Brother Ding's side. Brother Jing, Brother Ding and I do have some personal grudges now, but that's also because Brother Ding has forced me to this point. If you're worried about some blowback from your boss, maybe you can lend me some men, and I'll take care of Brother Ding. We can share the profit in Shu City, 50 percent each. We'll stay out of each other's way. I'll take care of my profit, and I won't take anything from you, Brother Jing."

"Take care of him?"

Brother Jing seemed very interested in that word. "How?"

Sister Wen wanted to say that she would remove Brother Ding from his position, but she decided not to say that.

She knew it would not be enough to remove Brother Ding from her position.

Unless...

"Kill him to prevent future trouble."

Sister Wen clenched her fists. She could only remove the danger by killing Brother Ding.

She could not let the man live.

She had some dirt on Brother Ding, and Brother Ding also had some on her. That was why she was so anxious to find Brother Ding's child.

If she could push Brother Ding out of his position and make him lose everything he had, he might take his revenge on her. If Brother Ding worked with the police, then she and her daughter would not be able to escape either.

Therefore, Brother Ding must die.

"I like ruthless women."

Brother Jing was delighted with that answer. "How many people do you want? Are 50 men enough?"

"Brother Ding has a lot of men."

At that point, Sister Wen was relieved. It was either him or her. She had to do that because Brother Ding had pushed her into a corner.

She did not want to die. She wanted to continue living, so she had to be ruthless toward Brother Ding.

If she did not kill Brother Ding, the man would eventually make a move on the mother and daughter.

Therefore, she could only make the first move.

Brother Jing sneered. "Fifty. That's a lot. If you can't even do it with so many people, what else can you do?"

It was impossible for Brother Jing to give all his men to Sister Wen. He was not stupid. Could he prevent that woman from playing tricks on him?

"Thank you, Brother Jing!"

Sister Wen agreed with gritted teeth. Fifty men were better than nothing. Fortunately, she still had some of her own people in Shu City.

A man left with Sister Wen. It was probably the person Brother Jing had lent Sister Wen. Jiang Yao smiled when she heard Sister Wen's call. It seemed that Lu Xingzhi would not be able to make it home tonight.

Sister Wen was afraid that the longer she waited, the more trouble it would cause her. She was prepared to make a move that night.

Things had developed much more smoothly than Jiang Yao and Lu Xingzhi had expected.

Since Sister Wen was the one who had made a move, Brother Ding was dead. She was not afraid of being investigated. In any case, the investigation would eventually be traced back to Sister Wen.

The dead were always reassuring. No one would have thought that the police would capture Brother Ding.

As expected, Lu Xingzhi's call came in not long after.

Lu Xingzhi said, "I won't look for you if there's an operation tonight. Stay in the hotel and don't go out. Captain Hao and the others are coming to Shu City."

### **Chapter 1389: Operation Night**

The most important operation that night was to capture Brother Ding, so Captain Hao had to dispatch more personnel to Shu City. Jiang Yao was a little nervous. "Okay. You won't be with Brother Jing tonight, right?"

Lu Xingzhi confessed. "I'm here. But there won't be any danger. Don't worry."

Jiang Yao pondered for a moment and understood the reason. Lu Xingzhi would definitely participate in that night's operation, and he probably had to bring his own people too.

After hanging up the phone, Jiang Yao asked Moe to go to Lu Xingzhi. She wanted him to follow Lu Xingzhi during the operation. She also requested Big Ke and Ah Lu to help Lu Xingzhi discreetly.

As night fell, Jiang Yao, who could not participate in the operation, began to feel uneasy.

Sister Wen took her people out. It was not even dinner time yet, and Lu Xingzhi had gone out with other people. Jiang Yao did not know the specific arrangements, so she did not dare act rashly.

It was safe to stay in the hotel, but for Jiang Yao, the time she had to wait was also torturous.

The sun slowly set as if it was carrying a heavy burden. The cold moon moved like an old man in his twilight years.

As she looked down from the window, she could hear the constant clanking of bicycles. Occasionally, there was the sound of private cars, which were rarely seen in Shu City. The night in Shu City slowly unfolded.

The city was still quiet. The people passing by looked the same as usual as if nothing had changed.

It was not until ten o'clock that Jiang Yao gradually realized that the passersby looked serious. After listening carefully to their low voices and words, she realized that they told everyone not to pass by the iron factory area because it was very chaotic. There were gangsters with knives and guns fighting!

The iron factory on South Street?

Jiang Yao pursed her lips and fell into deep thought. South Street was next to the Shahe River in Shu City. There was a row of factories there, and one of them was an iron factory. That iron factory belonged to Brother Ding, but it did not really produce iron if she remembered correctly. It seemed like they were making something else.

That iron factory belonged to Brother Ding. It should be pretty easy for Sister Wen to find a way to trick Brother Ding there. She could easily find some troublemakers to lure Brother Ding there.

Sister Wen was smart and had been by Brother Ding's side for so long, so it was even easier for her to control a factory.

Even though she knew the location, Jiang Yao had no intention of going there.

Lu Xingzhi wanted her to wait in her room, so she should stay there and not burden him with worries.

As time passed, Jiang Yao held her phone tightly and waited for the news. As soon as the matter was over, Lu Xingzhi would tell her immediately.

Ten minutes had passed.

Another twenty minutes had passed.

Jiang Yao did not know how to describe the stress that she felt.

When she received a new message on her phone, she immediately took it out and opened it. She lowered her head to read it.

[Mission accomplished. The operation has ended. I'll pick you up later. Brother Ding has been shot and needs surgery.]

[Okay, I got it. I'll prepare for it.]

After Jiang Yao replied to the text message, she realized that her legs were trembling; it was probably because she had been standing for the whole afternoon.

## Chapter 1390: Are They Arguing?

As she held her phone, her heart, which had been hanging on for an entire afternoon, slowly calmed.

Jiang Yao did not know what was going on on South Street, but Brother Ding would be killed according to the plan. Since Lu Xingzhi said that the mission was a success, Sister Wen and the others must have thought that Brother Ding was dead. Therefore, Brother Ding's subordinates in Shu City were leaderless. In that situation, Sister Wen should be racing against time to take control of Brother Ding's businesses.

Lu Xingzhi arrived at the hotel alone after 11 o'clock. He even brought clothes, hats, and masks for Jiang Yao to dress up before taking her to a black car parked across the road.

The driver of the car was Captain Hao, an acquaintance of Jiang Yao's. Before Lu Xingzhi could do anything, Captain Hao drove away with Jiang Yao.

Captain Hao pointed at the paper bag on the back seat and said, "Young Master Lu has prepared supper for you in the car. We had some on the way. Brother Ding was shot twice, but his vital parts were not injured. He was picked up from the river by our people and is now in a coma. We don't have a doctor in our team, and we can't send him to the hospital in Shu City. We need to get him out of the city, and it will take some time. We don't want to delay his condition, so we brought you here."

Jiang Yao nodded. "Okay. I still need some medicine. Get someone to buy it immediately."

Captain Hao immediately made a call and then gave the phone to Jiang Yao, asking her to tell him what medicine she needed.

Jiang Yao had all kinds of medicine in her system, but it would arouse suspicion if she took out all of them. Therefore, Jiang Yao still asked for almost all the tools and medicine that she could use for a bullet extraction surgery.

Shu City was Brother Ding's territory, so the place that Captain Hao and the others were looking for was a very discreet residential building. It was an ancient building, and every family had their own yard. It was very discreet, and no one knew who lived there when the door was closed.

Captain Hao and Jiang Yao took a detour to get the medicine, so Lu Xingzhi was already there when they arrived. He was standing in the yard, waiting. When he heard footsteps, he quickly looked at the door. His eyes fell on Jiang Yao.

"Brother Ding is awake." He walked forward and took the things from Jiang Yao's hand. "Xiaomei is talking to him inside."

Jiang Yao heard the voice and raised her eyebrows. "Talking? Are they arguing?"

Lu Xingzhi pursed his lips. They were arguing, indeed. After Brother Ding woke up, he could figure out what was going on.

Brother Ding had already been caught, so Lu Xingzhi's identity was already exposed. Ding Xiaomei was also with Lu Xingzhi. So, Brother Ding knew that his biological daughter had betrayed him instead of Sister Wen and Wen Yunfang.

Brother Ding was probably most furious about that.

When Jiang Yao went in, Brother Ding pointed at Ding Xiaomei and scolded her for being heartless. Ding Xiaomei stood there and allowed Brother Ding to scold her. She did not say a word or refute him, but her eyes were red.

If Brother Ding were not injured, Ding Xiaomei would have scolded him even more fiercely.

When he saw someone enter the room, Brother Ding's voice stopped. "Gu Changshu, who is that?"

Brother Ding did not recognize Jiang Yao.

Lu Xingzhi said, "A doctor. The doctor who will perform the surgery on you."

Ding Xiaomei recognized Jiang Yao at a glance. She remembered her eyes. However, she did not expose him. Instead, she stood up and asked worriedly, "Doctor, can you heal him?"